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GALVESTON, TEXAS. THURSDAY, JULY 19, 1866.

PAINE FEMALE INSTITUTE.—Being intimately acquainted with the Trustees of Paine Female Institute...

DOCTRINE.—A correspondent writes to know which "doctrines" we consider the worst in its efforts...

PERSECUTION IN PRAGUE.—In 1847, an evangelical Bohemian pastor, Frederick William Kossuth...

SABRATH IN THE CENTRAL PARK.—Foreign pressure in New York aims to make the great Central Park a place of Sunday diversion...

THE BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.—The Baltimore Advocate continues to be filled with protests against the action of the General Conference...

REVIVAL IN ENGLAND.—The Cumberlaid and Westmoreland Advertiser contains a somewhat lengthy notice of the labors of Dr. and Mrs. Palmer at Gateshead...

INMUNITY.—Capt. A. B. Miller, of the steamer Bay State, refused to go to the relief of the victims of the explosion of the Ben Leach...

CHARLES KINGSLEY gives good advice, in a well-turned way, as follows: My father-child, I have no more to give you...

CONVERSIONS AT SCHOOL.—We make the following quotation from the Minutes of the Providence Conference for 1866: "In the Seminary at East Greenwich, more than seven hundred pupils have been converted during the twelve years of its existence...

PUNSHON'S SERMONS.

Books of sermons continue to hold their own among salable literature. Preachers buy them as commentaries, assistants to devotional thought...

But yesterday the latest contribution to sermon literature was from Butler, or Cumming, or Stratton, or Robertson; to-day Punshon, Bellows, Huntington and Bushnell claim their share...

Mr. Punshon is clearly an able man and a great preacher. Quite as clearly he is not the ablest or the greatest; and as he has had much praise we shall, reluctantly, pay some attention to his faults...

There are instances of bad taste. John is said to have "sneered" out of the Savior's heart the secret of the betrayal. Poetic contractions, such as "mid" and "neath" are used in prose...

Let us analyze one of the sermons, and compare it with one by another preacher. Text—"For whether we be beside ourselves it is for your cause."

From such an introduction transition is made to such a proposition as this: "The great purpose of the apostle in these verses is to impress upon us the fact that the throne of Christ in the world, sanctioned by the weight of so many obligations...

The Rev. F. W. Robertson uses the same text, except the first verse. Introduction: the meaning of the apostle is not to be paraphrased thus—Jesus Christ died for all, therefore all must have been in a state of spiritual death before...

a. Christ died for all, because he was the victim of the sin of all. He died by sin. Whatever evil you have done, in that degree and so far you participate in the evil to which the just One fell a victim.

In his sermon on "The Mission of the Pulpit" (2 Cor. iv, 1, 2), Mr. Punshon rises to a very noble, but not quite complete, apprehension of his text.

Such treatment of a passage of Scripture shows Robertson to have been a masterful preacher, so far as the intellectual element is concerned. Mr. Punshon falls short of him in that respect; still, a good manner, an impassioned delivery, earnest piety, and a considerable degree of adaptive genius make him a distinguished preacher in the pulpit.

Between the dry bones of Ezekiel's vision and the perfect forms of the re-created soldiers, there must have been a process, near the middle of which Mr. Punshon's type may be found. His sermons are beyond the station stage, but not quite ready for the vitalizing heat. I just think he has blown into them it has not yet been put. In description, and whatever else contributes to make the page live and breathe, he is inferior to Spurgeon. In reverence and chastity he excels the Baptist preacher.

Our Romantist brethren are accustomed to boast that their Church is the asylum for all the world-weary, despairing and oppressed. She is, they say, the indulgent mother upon whose sympathetic bosom bedrugged Disgrace may weep its repentant tears...

STRANGE DOCTRINE.

Brother Ingram said to him, "Brother Gruber, that is pretty good poetry, but I doubt its theology; I do not believe that the devil made tobacco, and you must make your assent to his truth, or you will be his gnat."

SPIRITUAL QUACKERY.

Some men are full of spiritual expedients. So are some books. We listen and read, carefully and searchingly, not suspecting that we are patronizing quackery.

Archbishop Hughes on Italy.—A New York paper of the 8th inst. has the following: In the midst of universal rejoicing that Italy has a rational prospect of liberty...

enter heaven, but that the conscience may resolve on a holy life, that there may result the coming out of a transformed and spiritual character; and that through the imperious fear of perdition and the promised water of life...

Mr. Punshon would have done better had he given us a good, whole sermon, than that perfect love, instead of setting it up as a task of bringing up the rear of a sentence which matters and scampers away from us resolute meaning with a melancholy picturesqueness of movement.

HOUSTON.

You pass by your next door neighbor's gate too often, thinking that you can drop in there at any time. The year rolls by, and you discover that your sociability has been in inverse proportion to the opportunity and the disposition...

The business of Houston is kept thoroughly and appropriately before the people by its own press, consisting of four or five newspapers. It grows and is bound to grow. The situation is commanding, and the enterprise proverbial. Many new dwellings and business houses are going up, and a large new court-house of brick, although the old one is still quite creditable.

JACOB GRUBER.

Dr. Strickland has written a readable biography of Jacob Gruber, an eccentric Dutchman, who died in the Philadelphia Conference in 1850 and died in the Baltimore Conference in 1850. He was taken sick on his way to Conference for the last time; being told that he must soon die, and that he should at once return home...

WEALTHY CHURCH MEMBERS.

The Methodist Protestants, with much truth: It is implicitly unjust to expect rich men to be what is called the money-power, merely because they earnestly advocate what they regard as expedient and important.

INDIAN DEPRESSIONS.

Indian depositions have recommenced in Palo Pinto and Comanche counties, on an extensive scale, since the mooting-out of the local rangeland operations. Lieut. Fantleroy, in writing to the Belton Independent from Coryell county, says that these Indians were recently seen driving off the horses of Mr. Kell and Parsons Boyd, from the lower end of Coryell.

PROSPECT OF CROPS IN EASTERN AND NORTH-EASTERN TEXAS.

Mr. ENTON.—As these are alarming times about something to eat, permit me to state the result of my observations during a recent trip to North-eastern Texas. In the middle and Northern portions of Wood county corn looked finely; they will make some to spare. In Hopkins the oat crop is fine, generally late, and without late rains will yield but little.

dark ways, endeavor to escape the charge of known sin. Still it is true, and there are many witnesses to the assertion, that the plain preacher, though not so agreeable at the first, is soon found to be the true friend of those with whom he deals from the pulpit or in pastoral visitation.

The edge should be sharp and smooth—wretched and mean-efficiency, are not signs of the good workman. The preacher does not wish to inflame or to kill, but to cure. He is a surgeon. His instruments should be fine and in the best order, and he fairly and kindly applied.

In the counties South and East, say, Cherokee, Anderson, Houston, Navascholes, San Augustine, Shelby, Panola, and Harrison, the corn crop is reported a failure.

It is made the duty of all employers in the city of New York to report every change of price of your readers in the State, but for those out, especially those desiring to remove here the coming fall or winter, I would advise such to hold on another year, if they are in a land of plenty.

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The "Union" is the title of a neat paper started at Mount Pleasant, Titus county, by Ober & Markey. Geo. B. Reed, of Bell county, committed suicide a few days ago, while confined in jail at Belton, on suspicion of having murdered a man named Farrell, who was just starting to Missouri to purchase sugar. Reed had previously sustained a good character, and was in good standing as a Baptist and a Mason; but he was in debt to Farrell, and circumstantial proof against him was so strong as to leave little or no doubt of his having committed the deed for which he was imprisoned.

Disasters here.—On Sunday July 8th, at about half after one o'clock, the citizens of Dallas, Dallas county, Texas, were startled with the terrible cry of fire. The flames had broken out in front of Peak's new drug store, which was almost immediately enveloped the whole house. It was a two story frame, and filled with stores of all kinds. The fire spread rapidly to the warehouse, then to the Herald office, from which nothing but the books could be removed. The Herald office was a total loss, four presses, character of every kind, clothing, in fact everything. But as we learn from a paper received in this city from the proprietor, that the paper will again be in operation in less than six days, the new material and new machinery have been ordered. The St. Nicholas Hotel, a large three story frame building, 100 feet front, by 100 back, is totally consumed. Smith & Murphy's lack store, which were warehouses and store, with entire stock of goods; the Cutcher-Heil house and all its furniture, including the Post office and the matter in it; Western's Corner; Simons' new building just framed; Hill's large storehouse with entire lot of goods; Carr's new frame building; Simon's store and goods; Nicholson & Perri's Exchange Office; Thomas' drug store; Ecker's clothing and hatters; Mr. Bingham's old residence; law office, books and papers belonging to Leonard, McKenzie, Crockett, Adams, Chapman, Euseb, Hay, and the medicine, surgical instruments and libraries of Dr. Pryor, Simpson, Johnson and Thomas. It was impossible to compute the exact loss, which will in all probability exceed \$500,000. All are homeless and homeless, now; it was indeed a rare awakening from last Sunday's afternoon siesta, the citizens of Dallas experienced. Many barely escaped with their lives, and clothing they hurried to leave on at the time.—Houston Republic.

BATON'S FEUD.—John R. Baton writes to the Weatherford News under the date of June 23d, that he had just returned from a recent visit to the Indian Agency, near Comanche, where he had slain five Indians and wounded several others, and captured several head of horses. He had six men besides himself—says the Indians were slain by Comanches, who were killed and a party of these Indians had killed and scalped a man by the name of Browning, whose scalp Baton and his men recovered. Inside the cabin of the Indians he found a note, which was found a copy of the Belton Independent addressed to a printer at Camp Radzinski.

THE TEXAS PIONEER contains the news of the killing of a dead man named Squires, at Parker's Bluff, by a man named Squires. Squires shot at and killed a man named Squires. Squires would not give him whisky, whereupon Squire shot and killed him.

RUNAWAY CATTLE.—A herd named Berry Fulkner, who eloped from Madison county, with his wife and children, and a large number of his wife's father-in-law, was arrested at McKinley last week.

THE RESIDENCE OF Dr. C. B. Rains, about four miles from Rock, on the Palestine road, was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening last, and disposed to have been the work of a negro incendiary. IMPORTANT TO THE FRONTIER.—Our Indianapolis Representative, the Hon. Geo. H. Beaman, has, by the authority of the House Committee on Indian Affairs, reported to the House a bill, which provides for the appointment of a commission of two persons to take testimony along the frontier in regard to depredations committed by Indians on Mexicans with a view of remuneration for the same, by the General Government.—Dallas Herald.

THE TRUE ISSUE says, Rev. J. Addison has favored us with a specimen of wheat raised by himself. They exceed in average weight and yield averaged about thirty-five bushels to the acre. We are gratified to learn that the most crop will probably yield an abundant harvest for fattening the stock upon, and for the grain which had been never seen as a prospect.—True Issue.

FRUIT SEEDS to be planted in San Augustine county, Rev. Sam Williams has shown the editor of the Express a bunch of eleven apples on one stem. Col. S. W. Horn, of San Augustine, is raising oats with lead measuring fifteen inches. So says the Express. This must be the Egyptian oat raised in a part of Western Texas. Capt. W. C. Yarborough, of the Quiltman county, is raising the Egyptian oat. The Weatherford Herald says that the heads upon an average weigh three long, and well filled with grain, and a sheaf will weigh more than double the weight of the common oat.

JAPAN.—Speaking of a mission to Japan, the Friend says: "Most anxiously shall we watch the future operations of this mission to the great nation of over 40,000,000 of people. The time may come when not only shall Bible prophecy be fulfilled in regard to that people, but when a prediction, found in one of the ancient books of the Japanese, will be verified, which thus reads as follows: "The pale faces are coming from the West, and they will tread upon the waves, and they will be victorious over the country."

THE MONTHLY CIRCLE, only has been received. This monthly periodical is published under the auspices of the M. E. Church South, and abounds in valuable articles, both in prose and poetry. The embellishments of the present number are in excellent taste, while the printing is executed in superb style.—W. V. Advocate.

GENIUS.—No great stock of genius was ever written in the way of work, or before the wings were lifted by some gale of inspiration; which gale again would never have been to blow had not the windows of thought and the chambers of light and beauty within been opened by years of patient toil and study.—Dr. Horace Bushnell.

MYSTERIES multiply like discoveries. With each new day there is associated a new light. We purchase ignorance of knowledge with an increase of ignorance.—Vindicator.

It is believed that at least 700,000 bushels of coal have been lost during the recent storm on the Ohio. In after ages, when some convulsion of nature shall have changed the river's course, there will be a very respectable coal seam all along its course as the result of those heavy losses.

Some of the Canada papers complain that a large emigration is going on from the United States to the West. They say that many protection and encouragement are extended to the settlers in the Republic, and that the taxes are light.

Merchants at the West are combining not to give their customers treats of intoxicating drinks. If some do, others are compelled to, or lose their customers. It is desirable that there be a general combination against it. The effort to obtain it, is very laudable.

N. P. WELLS, the author, has made a public profession of religion, having recently been confirmed by Bishop Potter.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

FOREIGN.

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By the brig War Eagle at Philadelphia, we have news from the 21st of June.

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New Orleans Markets. Cotton—We have noticed only a limited quantity of cotton, and the market is quiet.

CATTLE MARKET. CATTLE—A fair demand. Cows—We quote Westerns at \$12.00 per head.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. We are authorized to announce Judge L. A. THOMPSON, of Galveston, as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace.

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Receipts for and Shipment of Books. From July 1st to July 17th, 1860.

LETTERS AND FUNDS RECEIVED FOR ADVOCATE. From July 10th to July 16th, inclusive.

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Marriages. On the 21st inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. J. W. Shipman, M. R. DAVIS, of Galveston, and Miss ANNA BUTTS, of Plattsville.

Camp Meetings. Providence permitting, there will be a Camp Meeting at Liverpool, commencing on Thursday next.

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# THE TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

## Child's Corner.

**CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL.**—The Harmony Grove School, of the Lynchburg Circuit, celebrated the day of our National Independence in the following manner: At ten o'clock the 4th day of July, it came together at the Church, near which seats and stage had been arranged by the good people for the occasion. Here it met a number of the young folks from Houston, headed by that smiling face of Bro. Norton's, the Book Merchant of Houston, and the young and the old from elsewhere. The Houston delegation was placed on the stage, and Miss Kate Metcalf on the mezzanine. They commenced by singing, "We meet again in sadness," and prayer by Rev. H. M. Glass, of the Texas Conference. After Declaration was read by Mr. Wm. Bryan, we heard some soul-stirring speeches and dialogues from the children of Harmony Grove, with music sweet from young and old, accompanied by the mezzanine.

After which the congregation was waited upon with the substantial of life, it having been well cooked under the direction of a Committee appointed for that purpose; then we had a friendly social talk with each other, and left about five o'clock. Much is due Bro. Norton, for his exertions in behalf of the youth; and it is to be hoped that the interest in the moral culture of our children that we should. Yours truly, Jas. Rick.

**BEAUTIFUL SKETCH.**—A few weeks since, in coming down the North River, I was seated in the cabin of the magnificent steamer "Columbia," in conversation with my friends. It was becoming late in the evening, and one after another, seeking repose from the heat and noise of the day, made preparation to retire to their berths. Some of the gentlemen and coats to lay themselves down in the cabin, in the attempt to make it seem as much as possible like home, threw off more of their clothing, each as his own comfort or apprehension of danger indicated.

I had noticed on the deck a fine looking little boy of about six years old, following around a man evidently his father, whose appearance indicated him to be a foreigner, probably a German, a man of medium height and respect, while the child was unusually fair and line-looking, handsome featured, with an intelligent and affectionate expression of countenance; and in little German cap fell his constant hair, in thick, clustering, beautiful curls.

After walking about the cabin for a time, the father and son stopped within a few feet of where we were seated, and began preparation for going to bed. I watched the child as he followed and arranged the bed the child was to occupy, which was an upper berth, and the little fellow was standing forth as a giantic figure, in all his varied outlines. Equally strange, from the line of timber on the forenoon floor, to where it is so distinctly marked in the ceiling, the ground is cleared, and planted in corn, which, by the way, is suffering greatly for rain. This last mentioned hill, is crowned with a thick growth of pine trees, whose tops in ordinary weather, form an abrupt boundary to the vision, on the utmost verge of the horizon. Strange, however, to relate, the tops of those pines on the hill, are cut down, and the ground is cleared, and planted in corn, which, by the way, is suffering greatly for rain. This last mentioned hill, is crowned with a thick growth of pine trees, whose tops in ordinary weather, form an abrupt boundary to the vision, on the utmost verge of the horizon. Strange, however, to relate, the tops of those pines on the hill, are cut down, and the ground is cleared, and planted in corn, which, by the way, is suffering greatly for rain.

**VITAL STATISTICS OF THE UNITED STATES.**—Estimating the population of the United States at 25,000,000, there are 60,000 deaths annually, according to the best calculations in use. "Progress of the United States," Now, the Registration Reports of England show that for each death there occur 28 cases of sickness, whereas in the United States, there are 1,000 cases, involving more or less sickness in the United States. It is the opinion of the most enlightened and candid physicians that about one-third of our population is afflicted with sickness, is occasioned by the violation of the laws of health, in reference to air, food, clothing, labor, etc., over which we have a control, and therefore, that amount of death and sickness is preventable. In accordance with this fact, the English Board of Health states, as a result of statistics collected for many years, that "one-third of the population of the United States, is in the habit of neglecting the laws of health, which, if they were observed, would save the lives of one-third of the population."

**DREAM OF A DYING CHILD.**—David Martin, of Wayne county, N. C., was a very young and much afflicted child, who had been reading the Bible. He had learned much of the divine teachings, and conversed with an intelligence beyond his years. But the brightening hand of death was laid upon him, and he lay there, bound to sink toward the grave. He looked forward to the hour of death with a calmness and composure worthy of the profoundest Christian.

**HEAN HEAN IN CORON.**—The Wamboro North Carolina Argus says: "The Wamboro North Carolina Argus says: 'They have just been put in possession of an item of great interest to cotton growers. Those who have tried it say that common salt, about three pecks to the acre, so broadcast, will cure cotton of this disease after it has made its appearance, and restore it to its original healthy condition. We should think, if it were the same remedy would be likely to prevent the disease where it is apt to make its appearance. Try it, you will be benefited.'

**OBITUARIES.**  
WILLIAM PATTERSON.—At San Gabriel Lodge, Houston, July 30, 1860, the Committee appointed for that purpose, reported the following: Whereas it has pleased the Supreme Architect, in his wisdom, to remove our brother from his labors in our midst, therefore, Resolved, 1. That in the death of our brother, Masonry has lost a true and noble friend, and the community a good citizen and an honest, self-sacrificing man, who was one of our firmest and best friends. 2. That we sympathize with the relatives and friends of the deceased in their bereavement. 3. That the Lodge be depressed in mourning for three months, and the members and visiting brethren wear black armbands for that period. 4. That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the brothers of the deceased, and that they be published in such newspapers as may be ordered by the W. M. of this Lodge. Wm. P. HUGHES, Sec. of Lodge No. 89.

**TALK OF AN ELEPHANT.**—Tell my grandchild, said the late Right Rev. Daniel Wilson, writing home from India, that an elephant had been diseased in his leg. For two days he had been completely blind. His owner, an engineer officer, asked my dear Dr. Webb if he could do anything to relieve the poor animal. The Doctor said he would try nitrate of silver, which was a remedy commonly applied to similar diseases in the human eye. The huge animal was ordered to lie down, and first on the application of the remedy, raised a moist crust on the cornea, and then a white film which it occasioned. The effect, however, was wonderful. The eye was, in a manner, restored, and the animal could partially see. The next day, when it was brought, and heard the Doctor's voice, he laid down of himself, placed his enormous head on one side, curled up his trunk, and smiled partially at me. The next day, when it was brought, and heard the Doctor's voice, he laid down of himself, placed his enormous head on one side, curled up his trunk, and smiled partially at me. The next day, when it was brought, and heard the Doctor's voice, he laid down of himself, placed his enormous head on one side, curled up his trunk, and smiled partially at me.

**A CENICNO CROW.**—In the island of Ceylon there is to be found a very cunning and sensible crow, not much smaller than our own native one, having a glossy black, and altogether rather an engaging, pretty bird. Now, in the yard of the Governor of Ceylon, a dog was one day, as he was getting up, he saw a crow, and he sprang at once upon which attracted the attention of one of these crows. It alighted on the ground, hopped around the dog and the bone, and evidently waiting for an opportunity of seizing the latter. The dog, however, was on his guard, and by certain growls, and probably angry looks, which the hound understood, no doubt, cunning and too hungry to be baffled. He flew away, but soon returned with a companion. They hopped up to the dog, when the fresh arrival, having a conversation with the dog, and given den pull at the dog's tail. Not being used to see his kind, he immediately turned round in order to see who had taken this liberty with him, and he saw a crow, and he immediately seized by the first cunning crow, who flew away with it, joined his companion, and they, doubtless, had a merry feast upon it.

**MINA—A correspondent of the Huntsville Item says:** I have written a strange phenomenon, for this thickly wooded portion of the country, is exhibited to the eye. From the entrance on which I live, to the opposite hill—south—a distance of about 100 rods, the ground is cleared, and planted in corn, which, by the way, is suffering greatly for rain. This last mentioned hill, is crowned with a thick growth of pine trees, whose tops in ordinary weather, form an abrupt boundary to the vision, on the utmost verge of the horizon. Strange, however, to relate, the tops of those pines on the hill, are cut down, and the ground is cleared, and planted in corn, which, by the way, is suffering greatly for rain.

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**REMEMBRANCE OF THE DECEASED.**—The following is a list of names of those who have died in the city of Houston, Texas, during the month of July, 1860. The names are given in alphabetical order, and the date of death is given in parentheses. The names are: A. A. Allen, (July 15); A. B. Allen, (July 15); A. C. Allen, (July 15); A. D. Allen, (July 15); A. E. Allen, (July 15); A. F. Allen, (July 15); A. G. Allen, (July 15); A. H. Allen, (July 15); A. I. Allen, (July 15); A. J. Allen, (July 15); A. K. Allen, (July 15); A. L. Allen, (July 15); A. M. Allen, (July 15); A. N. Allen, (July 15); A. O. Allen, (July 15); A. P. Allen, (July 15); A. Q. Allen, (July 15); A. R. Allen, (July 15); A. S. Allen, (July 15); A. T. Allen, (July 15); A. U. Allen, (July 15); A. V. Allen, (July 15); A. W. Allen, (July 15); A. X. Allen, (July 15); A. Y. Allen, (July 15); A. Z. Allen, (July 15); B. A. Allen, (July 15); B. B. Allen, (July 15); B. C. Allen, (July 15); B. D. Allen, (July 15); B. E. 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