

THE INDEPENDENT.

HILLSBORO FRIDAY.

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Religious Instruction in Our Common Schools.

EDITOR OF THE INDEPENDENT.—In common with many other christians of all denominations, including Romanists, I feel a trembling anxiety at the want of religious influence in our common schools. As if it were a matter about which there were differences of opinion while it was of no vital importance, Religion has been quickly ignored. Prayer that used to be counted indispensable to right performance of daily duty, the reading of God's word as containing instruction of the highest practical utility and bearing upon school duty as well as life's work, and the employment of teachers, as far as possible, of Christian character, has been given up in a spirit of compromise and conciliation that is admirable in regard to unessentials, but weak and immoral where it sacrifices great and solemn interests. It is time that christian people of any name reconsider this matter and insist, according to the good arguments that they can bring to bear, upon the recognition of God and the need of his aid in school work, upon the use of God's word as a noble instrument of instruction and upon the employment of teachers as far as possible, who fear God and love to guide their own feet and the feet of the children according to his word. If we have not wisdom and the determination to do this we must see our noble free school system without God and an instrument of evil, or we must overthrow it and commit education to the hands of religious denominations as very many now think best; but if the christians of all denominations are strong enough to break up the system they are strong enough to redeem its imperfections and make it what it ought to be. For we take it, that no christian would prefer to break up our present system and commit primary education to the sects, except as a last resort and because that was the only way to secure religious influences in the school-room.

If there are those so jealous for sectarian instruction that they would sacrifice the school system to secure it and who, rather than unite with other christians to reform the schools, would unite with the opposers of religion to break it up; and if opponents of religious instruction thinking that sectarian zeal is more favorable to irreligion (as it undoubtedly is) than a christian union, may unite with sectarians to break it up, then there may be danger of the overthrow and the friends of our system need to advocate not only the presence of religion, but to show the great superiority of a religious common school system over any system of parochial schools.

We propose to consider hereafter, with your permission, both these topics: 1st. The importance of a religious influence in our schools. 2nd. The superiority of religious common schools over parochial schools.

The Louisiana Troubles.

The report of the Congressional Sub-Committee on the recent extraordinary transactions in the Louisiana Legislature, which we publish elsewhere, shows conclusively that the whole proceedings of the legislature and the Governor were without precedent and in violation of law, State and national.

The Bulletin quotes Madison's opinion in proof of the right of the Government to suppress domestic violence in a State. This point is generally conceded since the rebellion, at least no Republican doubts the authority of the Government to suppress insurrection or domestic violence in a State, and to guarantee to each State a republican form of government; but there are some Republicans yet who have the opinion that the Government has no authority to interfere in the affairs of a State, except in accordance with the

constitution of the United States and the laws made in pursuance thereof.

There are two statutes which prescribe the mode in which the Government may interfere in the affairs of a State and they both provide that in case of insurrection in any State against the government thereof, it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, on application of the Legislature of such State, or of the Executive, when the Legislature cannot be convened, to call upon the militia of other States or the regular army and navy of the United States to suppress the insurrection. Now in the case Louisiana there was no insurrection and there had been no disturbance since the emute on the 14th of September nearly three months previous, and neither the Governor nor the Legislature called on the President for aid, and notwithstanding there was no insurrection or violence, United States soldiers were ordered by the Executive of the State to eject members claiming seats, which was done in violation of the laws of Louisiana and the Government. But, says the Bulletin, the five persons ejected were not legally elected members of the Legislature. But that is nothing to the point. The question is, Where is the warrant in the constitution which authorizes United States soldiers to determine who are and who are not legally elected members of a State Legislature? But, says the Bulletin, there was danger of a collision and bloodshed. If that had been so there was no law by which the National Government could invade a legislative body and eject members claiming seats in the Legislature. But, says the Bulletin, the Democrats called on the soldiery first and that estopped any complaint against the Government? Not so, that action only estopped the criticism of Democrats against Republicans, but is no estoppel to criticism from those who have the independence to rise above partisan bias. The question is, Where is the law authorizing United States soldiers (as in Louisiana) to do the bidding of a Legislature or a Governor and to decide who are the legally elected members of a State Legislature, convened according to Law?

The interference of the military with the Legislature was in direct conflict with the constitution and laws of Louisiana and of the United States, and Congress will have failed to do its duty until it shall denounce the act as unlawful and unconstitutional. Such a precedent is dangerous and should be pronounced against at this time as a safeguard for our liberties in future. In these troubles in the South it is easy to see now that the reconstruction policy of the Government was a miserable failure from first to last. The very provisions that were thought best adapted to bring about peace and prosperity in the South have proven to be the worst causes of discontent and anarchy. Suffrage which was given to the negro as a measure for his protection and elevation, and to insure the peace and loyalty of the disaffected States, has only served sub-jectively to endanger his life and liberty, and increase his moral debasement, while objectively his vote is likely to become a means for the promotion of seditions and rebellions to the detriment and danger of the nation. The negro governments are a failure. And it is no great wonder that the people of the South, where subjected to the misrule of carpet baggers and negroes, rather than lose all they possess, have risen against their oppressors. It is no wonder that the whites, who possess the property and the capital of the country should be restive with the ignorant and debased negroes as their law-makers and rulers. There is not such another instance in the history of civilization and it is impossible that it can continue without a revolution.

REV. J. W. MILLER says he was misrepresented by "X" in his "criticism" on his (M.'s) sermon, that appeared in the INDEPENDENT two weeks ago. The two mites which the good Samaritan (Christ) gave to the host (the ministry) represented the Law and the Gospel. Then he stated the properties and use of the law, and that the gospel was to teach repentance and faith as conditions of salvation, and that he had not said a word about the pay or salary of the ministry.

ANNIE.

(Written for the INDEPENDENT.) Gosh! what! no cry in the night? No patter of feet as of yore? No glances thoughtful or bright? No care and no danger more?

Gone! where? In the darkness? where? To an infinite homeless abyss? Is there any mortal dir? Face us with a picture like this? As affection's tendrils cling Still closer around the flock That remains, does nature bring? No appearance that does not mock? As reason is higher than sense, As words are less deep than thought, As nature and art have each the extent Of the power that to them is brought; So the parted soul goes on, Of child or maiden or sage, Developing all of itself, best boon Of God's eternal age.

FOREST GROVE, 1875.

"Suspicion" and "Like."

Prof. J. W. Marsh in a private letter says: I beg you to turn your attention to following words, Suspicion and Like, much abused in Oregon. Suspicion should never be used as a verb. We suspect others, or we look upon them with suspicion. Like should never be used as a conjunction. A person acts like an honest man, or, he acts as an honest man should. Like is an adverb, when it means in like manner or in in like degree; an adjective, when it denotes of like kind or quality.

We are not on the "color line" but we do advocate the intelligence line. It would have been just as feasible and, in our opinion, far more wise, if the constitutional amendment giving the negro the elective franchise had instead established suffrage on the basis of intelligence, without distinction of color. And if when the rebellion ended the Government had hanged all those who violated their oaths to support the constitution of the United States, it would have taught secessionists what the constitutional provision against treason means. Our reconstruction policy was a virtual surrender of the victory won. The Government, in the negro, has given its enemies (carpet-baggers and ku-klux) a club with which to beat out its own brains.

BORN. At Forest Grove, Jan. 31, 1875, to the wife of Dr. W. H. Saylor, a daughter.

DIED. At Forest Grove, Feb. 4, 1875, Mrs. P. A. Saylor, wife of Dr. W. H. Saylor, aged 31 years and 16 days.

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