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INNOCENT IGNORANCE.

As eminent president of a westernstate institution argues vigorously illiteracy of the south, not being essentially immoral, involves no real danger to society, although it may constitute an economic and political disa flity where it exists. We fear that this authority has taken his fear upon trust, or is a victim to the pleasing illusion of European origin, that ignorance in the masses is generally secompanied with a child-like simplicity and an almost saintly observance of the cardinal moralities. Within the past fifty years history has torn away this lovely mask of rural virtue and simplicity from the lower side of the old European civilizations and revealed to us the pandemonium of human iniquity and misery, whose logical outcome was the explosion of the French Revolution, a century of war, a reconstruction of the map of Europe, and the bideous reality of the communism, nihilism and discontent that under mines the whole surface of society abroad. Even more dangerous is ignorance in this republic, because invested in the person of every ignoramus with all the powers, and exposed to all the temptations of sovereign citizenship. So far from being true that the illiteracy of the south involves no moral danger, the very opposite is the fact. The illiterate classes of all colors in those states are so undermined with every vice that imperils society that thoughtfu' and religious southern men stand appalled at the spectacle. Unchastity, all-pervading; untruth; dishonesty in dealing; a prodigal wastefulnesof the means of living; stupid insensibility to the common dec ncies of If ; reckless disregard of the rightof childhood; the most odious oppression of womankind; a general segaration of religion from morality; eyeservice in industry; all these and their accompanying vices and moral defects, are so common that the average southern man adjusts himself thereto a, to any chronic nuisance in daily life. It is this moral inferiority of the illiterate classes that is the most fearful problem of southern society. Let it be understood that

we speak almost solely of the blacks. In addition to all this, there is now coming in a new class of the temptations that beset the ignorant voter everywhere-the exposure to boundless bribery, hypocrisy, and slavish following of blind impulse exalted to a political platform. It every ignorant man in the south could vote freely, to-day, a reign of corruption would set in with such results as onld make us forget, the existence of the venerable Tweed in the bound-

less abominations of a new bossism. Even were there no other danger the moral peril to the superior side of society from the presence of an illiterate and often semi-barbarous class, sometimes numbering half the population, and always a decisive element in public affairs, is enough to refute this strange delusion. History shows that no superior class ever did resist the manifold temptations that steam upward from an ignorant, childish, and morally infirm "common herd." The most fearful pages in the annals of humanity record the inevitable moral collaspe of the most illustrious upper class under this tempta tion. Even the Christiau priestin every land has gone down this ladder of moral decadence under the subtle influence of this demoralization. Grant that the upper class in the south is the peer of any similar body in Christendom even a state full of New England dea ons, Ponnsylvania Quakers, Methodist class-leaders, or Catholic Fathers, could not stand firm on the brink of this awful, seething gulf of ignorance, superstition, shiftlessness, vulgarity, and vice that rolls its gloomy waves through a realm as large as Europe, with vast rivers, bays, and bayous of beastliness threaling every region of the favored north. Our northwestern friends who, seated on Uncle Sam's broad school acres, rejoicing in their wealth of educational opportunity, are talking down the proposition to send the same venerable patriarch to the relief of southern society in its present Hay, Oats, and Straw, death-struggle with the barbarism of illiteracy, must present some reason more cogent than the sweet simplicity, rural felicity, and "godly poverty" theory of the lower side of American society if they would dissuade the people from this crowning act of po-litical wisdom and justice and Chris-

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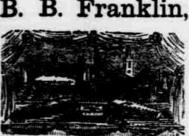
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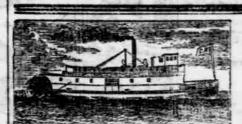
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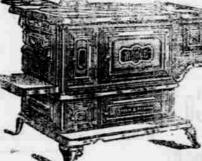
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