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Poetry.

[For the American Presbyterian.] Seeking God. Lines suggested by a sermon preached February 15th, by the Rev. E. E. Adams...

Editorial.

DEFENCE OF DR. HICKOK'S PSYCHOLOGY. The opening article in the last Presbyterian and Theological Review entitled "Hard Matter," deserves the attention of all who would keep pace with the philosophical developments of the times...

Editorial.

impenetrable by divine power to another portion of space rendered likewise impenetrable. He imagines a magnet exerting repellent force in an ordinary vacuum and over a certain extent of space...

Correspondence.

ESCAPING FROM SLAVERY.

THE providence of God is wonderfully superceding human plans, and overruling human counsels, and human laws and administrations. Under that mysterious ordering in which Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and infatuated Ahab was misled to his ruin...

THOUGHTS FOR THE TIMES.

AFRAID REBELS WILL BE SENT TO HEAVEN. A clergyman lately apologized for his determination to never pray for the success of our national arms, because battles sent so many souls to heaven...

THE QUIBBLERS.—There is a class of men very busy at this time finding fault with the extra-constitutional measures to which the government has been forced by the war. They profess great reverence, affection and anxiety for the Constitution...

THREE MILLIONS OF the people of the South—nearly one half of the uneducated population of the republic—severely sympathize with us and look upon us as friends. How absurd, how weak, how suicidal would it be in time of war to persist in ignoring, or even in discouraging this attitude of friendship and expectancy...

THE CONSTITUTION NECESSARILY SUSPENDED.—How is it possible, while rebellion continues, to wish to put down this rebellion constitutionally? It is impossible to carry on a war strictly according to a Constitution which was framed for a time of peace?

The reviewer is uneasy under the charge of the pantheistic tendency of the Psychology. He appeals to the speculations of Newton and Edwards on the nature of matter...

zons, agents of the government sent to arrest them, he set at large without the form of a trial, he punctiliously released on the demand of their brother rebels? Where is the constitutional warrant for these lenient proceedings? Is not the President constantly violating the Constitution while granting belligerent rights to pirates and traitors? The Constitution demands their capital punishment...

You will observe that churches have been multiplied out of all proportion to the increase of converts. Part of this increase of churches is doubtless judicious—part of it, I fear, is not so. In cases where they bring converts and others more frequently and effectively under the teaching of the missionary or competent native helpers, it will be found an advantage...

You will notice the great falling off of pupils in boy's schools—more than 52,000 less boys in the mission schools of India now than in 1852. This striking decrease in great part, to our late deprivations from the home societies. It will require time and observation fully to test the wisdom of the change...

1. The number of young Hindoos obtaining a non-religious or infidel education is predominant. Many of these youths will have an education. As facilities fail among the missionaries, they find their way to other institutions, and generally to institutions where instead of European Christianity they become familiar with European scepticism and infidelity...

2. A Christian Vernacular Education Society has sprung up within the last few years to make up in part for this change in the missions. Most benevolent Europeans in India, who really have at heart the good of this country and people, persist in believing that the best agency for creating and Christianizing the Indian people is through education. And if the missions can have schools they will get up a society that will have them...

(3) Though the books are good, and its teaching will doubtless be without any mixture of infidelity or irreligion, yet both its books and teachings will be less Christian, and its pupils will be under less direct and effective Christian influences than would be the case in mission schools...

A Christian Conference has just been held at Lahore, in Northern India, which seems likely to prove of some interest and importance. A correspondent of the Times of India writes: "Delegates of every Christian community of the North-west provinces and the Punjab were present, and it was a truly gratifying spectacle to witness the Christian harmony and good feeling that existed, and the way already commenced...

The defects and grievances of native converts, and also the mistakes of missionaries, were discussed quite freely. I make no comment on the facts brought to view, further than to say I think some of the grievances of our native brethren might have been avoided by giving them a more definite ecclesiastical status...

THE MISSION WORK IN INDIA: NEW FACTS AND COMMENTS. Table with columns for Year, Gain in Converts, and other statistics for 1852 and 1862.

Selections.

GREAT AMERICAN DEMONSTRATION IN BELFAST.

We find in the Banner of Ulster for Feb. 19th an extended account of a large and highly respectable meeting in the Music Hall, Belfast, held two days previously, to hear a lecture from Rev. W. D. Halsey, formerly Chaplain of the 17th Mass. Volunteers, now abroad for his health...

On taking the chair at the Belfast meeting, Prof. Gibson said: In responding to the call to occupy the chair, it is not necessary that I should enter at any length upon the important questions that have been raised in connection with the emancipation of the colored people...

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