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EDUCATION.

NO. 1.

[illegible]e system of education, which fixes in[illegible]libly the character of the individu[illegible]al [illegible]gins ere the first lisp of an articu[illegible]late sound escapes the organs of speech. So [illegible]on as the senses are developed, the ex[illegible]nal universe makes impressions by sig[illegible], feels, sounds, smells and tastes: the[illegible] impressions are telegraphed to the [illegible] of perception in the brain, the [illegible]ption of which by the "myself," [illegible]d memory.

[illegible]se facts, with all their importance [illegible]irect bearing on our individual and [illegible]character, are, in general, over[illegible] and neglected; or, what is much [illegible] great deal of ingenuity [illegible] [illegible]d by the nurse, or even [illegible] mo[illegible] frighten the child to [illegible] or [illegible]e, by [illegible] images of [illegible]ead [illegible] and [illegible] few [illegible] same mother [illegible] scolds and complains of the [illegible]nce of her son, because he re[illegible] [illegible]ep in a dark room by himself, [illegible]n errand after night. Obser[illegible] [illegible]gins early; the mother is [illegible] the nurse, and the nurse dis[illegible] from a stranger; the under[illegible] brought into activity; com[illegible] made between one thing [illegible]; the senses and the exter[illegible] in relation, experience [illegible]; and what an astonish[illegible] of experiments have been m[illegible]ild at 2 years of age! The di[illegible]ween the mother's smile of love a[illegible]probation, and the frown of displeas[illegible]—the child has experienced both; and by a degree of reasoning, understands the nature of both expressions. More real knowledge is gained in the first two years, than is generally ac[illegible] next six years of early li[illegible]

That c[illegible] age of twenty months, [illegible] of reasoning and [illegible]paris[illegible] of forming correct [illegible]conclusi[illegible] every hour [illegible] [illegible] months [illegible] [illegible] seld[illegible]om, will [illegible] call her name—[illegible] portrait of the grandfather [illegible] passions are also early deve[illegible] evidence by their [illegible]s; rage inflames their little eyes—jealousy burns and agitates their tender frames—and pale-faced fury is as definitely represented in the child as in the man. This being the fact, it is evident that moral culture should commence almost before the child ceases to draw its nourishment from the mother's breast. This is [illegible] time to control their bad inclinati[illegible] subdue their unruly passions, and tra[illegible] them to obedience, a[illegible] submission [illegible] the parent's will. This is the time to commence that moral teaching which will save the child and parent many [illegible] to regrets. [illegible] the parent [illegible] often made to [illegible] able alone to a [illegible] [illegible]ing and subjugat[illegible] [illegible]

Parental gove[illegible] into every co[illegible] reasonable, and [illegible] [illegible] principle [illegible] [illegible]ild, [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]very [illegible]

mind; the moral faculties are thus early brought into activity, preponderating and controlling the passions within a legitimate sphere of action.

Language is of two kinds—verbal and sensible. All verbal language should be carefully kept from children: it is unnatural, and only clogs the memory with unmeaning nonsense. Sensible language only should be used with children: this is founded upon nature, and is in harmony with the senses. Revelation is the only exception to this rule. The moral law of God is in harmony with the constitution of our own minds; but the attributes of God and His existence, together with His plan of redemption, &c., are all revelations, and must be accepted by all intelligent beings as matter of faith beyond the reach of our reasoning faculties. Sensible language has nature for its base. The surface of the earth teems with natural objects, which are in relation with our senses; to examine, and compare, and understand the laws of existence, of creation around us, constitutes an education.

Education consists of a series of experiments; the sensible properties of every thing by which we are surrounded has to be tested, the results are treasured up by memory, and the amount of these experiments constitute in fact the sum total of education.

(to be continued.)

From the Savannah Georgian.

GENERAL BUTLER.

The admirers of the gallant soldier of the West will regret to perceive that his wound is still painful. The following from one of our exchange papers is a trait in his character worthy of admiration.

NOBLE CONDUCT.

The citizens of Cincinnati have held a meeting to raise funds to aid the families whose protections are now in the Army of Mexico, and to send such aid to the wounded and suffering in the Army as may be found necessary.

The Enquier, in noticing this meeting, adds another laurel to one of the bravest men our country ever produced:

Gen. Butler.—At the Court House meeting on Monday Evening, Major [illegible] gave an interesting narrative of Life on the Rio Grande, and the events of the great battle. Among other things, he said he saw Gen. Butler riding into camp after he was wounded in the le[illegible] He found the whole exposed to the enemy's artillery, but the bra[illegible] General was too proud to spur his horse into a gallop, although bleeding profusely. He proceeded slowl[illegible] his head turned steadily [illegible] [illegible] pain a[illegible] wound, rather than [illegible] seem [illegible] retreat.

Some time af[illegible] request of D[illegible] of the Fi[illegible] Gen. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]ment and break in the doors of a row of houses in the second plaza. I had gone nearly through without seeing a soul, when, for a time, the efforts of my men were exerted in vain to get into one that seemed barricaded with care. As the hinges of the door were about to give away, a tremulous voice on the inside beseeched me not to break the door down, it should be opened. When unlocked, I rushed in as well as I could over beds, chairs, cushions, etc. etc., and to my surprise found the room occupied by about twenty-five women! As soon as they saw me and soldiers following, they ran around me and fell on their knees, the elder beseeching, in tones of deep distress, my protection, and to have their lives spared; the younger begging timidly not to be injured. While they were thus kneeling, and assuring them that no harm or injury should befall them, a pretty little woman slid into the circle and knelt close to my feet. 'Senor,' said she, in a soft quivering voice, 'for the love you bore your mother, for the love you have for your wife, for the tender affection your heart holds for your children, oh, spare this, my poor little babe'—holding up a bright eyed, dimpled cheeked little boy, about a year old. She never asked for *herself*. In spite of me, tears rushed to my eyes, and I could only speak with a full heart as I told her to rise, and assured her that she and her child were perfectly safe. 'Be the Holy Virgin, Capting,' remarked a rough Irish soldier, wiping away a tear with the back of his hand, "*won't* the ould Seventh purfect them."

"That night I watched over that room, which was sacredly kept from intrusion. The next day we were [illegible] by these females in their attenti[illegible] the protection we[illegible] gi[illegible] they gave u[illegible] at and drink[illegible] Poor creatures, [illegible] sed [illegible] be painte[illegible] ted g[illegible] learned, w[illegible] fighting us [illegible] then have known whe[illegible] was alive or not, and I have n[illegible] of him.

Many scenes, very like [illegible] above, took place in the city. I did not hear of a single outrage being committed where women were in the question, but heard of many in[illegible] was furnished to our men and *paid for*, even when the fight was going on.

From the N. O. Com. Time, 1st inst.

LATER FROM TEXAS.

The steamship Palmetto, Capt. Smith, arrived yesterday morning from Galveston, bringing us files of papers up to the 25th ultimo.

Gen. Houston addressed a large audience in Galveston on the 23[illegible]

[illegible]

From the N. O. D[illegible] of Dec. 4th.

LATEST FROM MEXICO.

Loss of the Steamship Neptune—Tampico garrisoned—Santa Anna gone on a secret mission.

The steamship Neptune arrived at Tampico on Saturday, Nov. 22nd, with [illegible] regular troops under Col. Gates, and the steamship [illegible] on the 23rd, with 200 troops, when the town of Tampico was formally given over to the military, Col. Gates taking command. Fort Andonega was immediately garrisoned, [illegible] the name of Fort Conner, and [illegible]med with two long 18 pounders. A battery of two 42 pound carronades, called Fort Ann in honor of Mrs. Chase, the lady of the late U. S. Consul at Tampico, commands the [illegible] road. Besides these, some pieces are mounted on the house-tops.

The Neptune sailed from Tampico on the 24th of November, and encountering a heavy gale was driven back and wrecked on the bar. All hands saved.

The town of Tampico is already in a good state of defence, and reinforcements arriving daily. Saltillo has been abandoned, an no doubt was in the possession of the advance guard of our army under the command of Gen. Worth. The state of Mexico is represented to be worse than ever. Santa Anna lately made an address to his troops apparently to extract from them an invitation to instal himself at the head of the government. He was disappointed, however, in finding his oration was received in profound silence. He immediately afterwards started with all his artillery on a secret expedition, some think to cut off one of the divisions of our army, which he will not be likely to find. The most probable conjecture is that he has gone to Mexico to control the action on the new Congress.

[illegible] the Army.—The New Orleans Bulletin of the 1st inst. says—We learn from a most reliable source that the President will, on the opening of Congress, recommend an immediate increase of twelve regiments of 1,000 men each, to the regular army, to be enlisted to serve during the war; that among the troops thus to be raised, will be a corps of Voltigeurs, and a Rocket corps. This movement on the part of the Government indicates their belief [illegible] state of hostilities with [illegible]

[illegible] The [illegible] of yesterday [illegible] feeling notice of Albert [illegible] of the Baltimore battalion [illegible] was shattered (and [illegible] amputated) while beating his co[illegible] the battle of Monterey—the [illegible] triumph over [illegible] The gallant [illegible]

[illegible]

Comforts of an Editor.—If he does not fill his paper with new of importance whether there be any or not, it is condemned for not being what it purports to be—a *newspaper*.

If he does not fill at least one column every week with something laughable, his folio is pronounced uninteresting.

If a public nuisance should exist, notice of it would offend, and not to notice would be censured.

If he does not publish all the marriages and deaths that occur for twenty miles around, whether he hears of them or not, he is not fit for an editor.

If every paper does not contain a goodly number of suicides, horrid murders and melancholy incidents, it is a dull, unwelcome sheet.

If half the gloomy actions that occur are recorded, it is spurned as a vehicle of calumnies.

If the paper contains advertisements, the general reader murmurs—if it does not, the man of business will not patronize it.

Important Invention.—We learn, says the Boston Mail, that M. Francis Dixon of Lynn, has made a most important improvement in the art of gunnery. It is equally adopted to pistols, muskets, rifles and cannons; and by its application, balls may be discharged at the rate of 30 or 50 in a minute. By the simple movement of a handle, a cannon may be made to load, prime, ignite and discharge itself. It will also make discharges with equal facility whether advancing or retreating. In short it is one of the greatest improvements ever made in the art of gunnery, and it must put great power into the hands of the nation possessing it.

[illegible]—I would rather read the poets than [illegible] willfully misrepresent that class whose high calling is to keep alive in the world the worship of the beautiful and the good, but the records of their lives show that they seldom make either firm friends or agreeable companions. Passing so much of their time in the "life ideal" the "life actual" appears to them by contrast dull, tame and prosaic, and their imaginings of what men ought to be, make them disgusted with men as they are.

Where we are.—This country has a frontier line of more than 10,000 miles. We have a line of sea-coast of [illegible] miles. One of our [illegible] is twice the size of the Danube, the largest river in Europe. [illegible] is 600 miles larger than the [illegible] And the Hudson has a navigation [illegible] miles longer than the Thames. The single State of Virginia is one third larger than England. Ohio contains [illegible] acres more than Scotland. [illegible] to Ohio is farther than from London to Constantinople—and [illegible] pages enu[illegible] lakes, bays, [illegible] estimates of [illegible]

[illegible] remarkable [illegible] It says that a [illegible] a steamboat [illegible] and New [illegible] ney at [illegible] his [illegible] clothing, and [illegible] pledged [illegible] amount [illegible] doubled, [illegible]

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