

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

GALVESTON, TEXAS.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1857.

INDIVIDUAL DUTY.

We copy from the Western Christian Advocate: "Lord what wilt thou have me do?" is an inquiry very proper for every Christian.

We say, therefore, the first great duty of all who would be useful, is to be holy. Purity of heart is a power for good high as heaven, above all others.

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great price? We are not slow to converse with them about matters of infinitely inferior moment.

Sometimes a loaf of bread, or a warm garment, is a better sermon than any other with those omitted. These, when they are needed, given in the spirit of genuine Christian charity, will, in a majority of instances, prepare the heart to listen to profound religious conversation.

However, we take the position that we are not to wait for impressions in relation to things clearly within the line of duty. God has committed the Gospel to men, and its requirements are that we should love our neighbor as ourselves.

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The Pleasure says that none of the new States of our Union are filling up so rapidly, with an industrious, enterprising and desirable population than our sister State, Texas.

GOOD FOR TURKEY.

A correspondent of Galvan's Messenger of Sept. 29th, sends that paper a statement "which tends to prove the good faith of the Turkish Government in carrying out the religious liberty guaranteed both to Christians and Mahomedans."

MANNER IN PREACHING.

There is an incident related of Rev. Samuel Willard, one of the early ministers of the Old South in Boston, so much to our purpose, that the recital of it may not be out of place.

GALVESTON FEMALE SEMINARY.

Notwithstanding the extreme pressure in monetary affairs, the general stagnation of business and the consequent crisis that has steadily and rapidly advanced, during the past season, the citizens of Galveston have manifested a commendable and praiseworthy regard for their present and future interests, which had been so long neglected.

A few months ago, we have witnessed both the beginning and completion of a Female Seminary; ample proportions, "beautiful in appearance," centrally located; and in every respect admirably adapted to the accommodation of a large number of students.

MATERNAL FIDELITY REWARDED.

The Congressionalist says: Chateaubriand had a faithful Christian mother. It was the strong desire of her heart that she should become a follower of Christ.

A LETTER FROM REV. B. S. GARDEN.

MR. EDITOR:—You say to your readers, that there has been, and still is in the bounds of Oyster Creek Circuit, a revival influence.

LETTER FROM REV. C. W. THOMAS.

MR. EDITOR:—It becomes my pleasant duty to record the fact that the Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad.

LETTER FROM REV. J. W. WHIPPLE.

MR. EDITOR:—Our Round Rock camp-meeting, Georgetown Mission, was a most glorious one; indeed; well attended and magnificently supported.

MEMPHIS CONFERENCE.

APPOINTMENTS.

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CIRCULATION OF PERIODICALS.

It is a fact that a large number of our ministers have ceased to exert themselves energetically in behalf of our books and periodicals. In this way we are not losing one of the mighty powers of our church.

SECRET OF POWER.

ENTIRE HOLINESS. The Christian Church has an extraordinary allotment in the great drama of probationary action. A work presses upon her of unmeasured proportions whose performance or neglect involves the destinies of blood-thirsty millions through the ages of mouldering existence.

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BURRITT'S EMANCIPATION MOVEMENT.

The reader is already advised that the Committee of Arrangements for the Cleveland Emancipation Convention had determined to postpone Ellihu Burritt's Emancipation Convention, alleging as a reason the financial troubles, which had become so severe as to clog even the wheels of the car of fanaticism.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

A correspondent writing from Nebraska to the New York Times announces the arrival in that Territory of a large number of Mormon deserters...

The statement of the business of the Philadelphia mint for the month of October shows the amount of gold bullion deposited to be \$3,157,047, of silver \$885,510...

The Fort Smith (Ark.) Herald contains the inaugural address of Alfred Wade, first Governor of the Choctaw Nation...

We copy the following telegram which was received from the Sacramento State Journal. It is dated Genoa, September 17...

The Mormons are making preparations to leave for the Great Salt Lake; they will leave in ten days, and will have in their train over one hundred wagons...

The Tascasolva Observer, of the 29th ult., says: Quite a number of families have passed through the West, during the last week...

The San Augustine Texas says that San Augustine is among the first, if not the very first county, in the State, in point of wealth, intelligence, &c...

The Chicago Democrat says: The cattle received and packed at this point will be less than one-half. Some packers have made bets that the number packed here will not exceed 14,000...

It is stated that active preparations are being made with the view of having the Atlantic submarine cable next summer, the month of June having been selected as the most favorable for the work...

The New York Evening Post says: The work of re-shipping British goods that have lain in the bonded warehouse for some weeks without a market, has now commenced...

The California News Letter noticing the departure of Col. Fremont, says: Col. Fremont leaves our State by the present outgoing mail...

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The Houston Telegraph states that about thirty miles of the Houston Railroad is now graded for work...

The citizens of Houston have expended by voluntary contribution, \$1,265 in enclosing and planting trees in the Court-house square...

The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of this State met at Palestine on the 6th. The Advocate states that Rev. H. Wilson, the oldest pioneer minister in the State, was discussed, &c...

The main topics of discussion, aside from the ordinary business of the Synod, were memorializing the General Assembly to establish in the City of New Orleans a Board of Domestic Missions...

The following is the mail schedule, from the 1st of October to the 1st of July: Leave Galveston Tuesdays and Saturdays at 2 p. m.

Arrive at Liberty same days at 11 p. m. Leave Liberty Wednesdays and Sundays at 3 p. m. Arrive at Galveston Mondays and Thursdays at 9 a. m.

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FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE OPELOUSAS CATASTROPHE.

The freight of the Opelousas measured 1,460 barrels according to the usual measurement, valued at about \$70,000, 400 barrels for Galveston, 970 for Indianola...

The Captain of the Opelousas after giving the details of the collision which is too lengthy for our paper concludes by saying: "There was no need of a life boat as there was wreck enough to float 600 people, but the men jumped overboard in their fright..."

We learn from the New Orleans Picayune that the most destitute of the passengers, on reaching that city, were taken to the City Hotel, the proprietor of which generously informed them that they were at liberty to stay until fully able to leave, without paying a cent...

There can scarcely exist a shadow of a doubt that the calamity which has befallen us, is the exercise of ordinary care and discretion; and these qualities, if he remembered, are particularly required in the Gulf navigation between New Orleans and Texas, which is considered so subject to casualties...

It is to be hoped that all the circumstances connected with the collision and the loss of life will undergo rigid scrutiny. Let there be light. If the occasions so freely leveled at the officers and crew of both vessels are groundless, we shall be happy to relieve them of public opinion...

We see by the New Orleans papers that Judge McCabe, of the U. S. Court, charged the Grand Jury that it would be their duty to make inquiry into the causes of the late collision...

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STORE PRICES CURRENT.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Tea, and other commodities.

WHEELS IN THE PORT OF GALVESTON.

Table listing various types of wheels and their prices, such as Iron wheels, Steel wheels, and other mechanical parts.

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Boardman & Gray's Piano Fortes. The P. & G. Piano Fortes, manufactured by Boardman & Gray, are the best in the world...

Just received, and on hand, a large and extensive assortment of HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS...

Fancy Goods Emporium. Mrs. C. H. HARRIS has just received from the North a large and beautiful assortment of Fancy Goods...

Rice & Bulard. We keep constantly on hand and place on transient order, near Messrs. R. & D. G. Miller, a supply of Prime Rice...

Wholesale and Retail Hardware Store. We have on hand a large and complete stock of Hardware, including Axes, Axes, Axes...

Law and Collection Office. C. A. VAIL, Attorney at Law, and Collector of Claims, has removed to the new building...

Galveston Agricultural Warehouse. We have on hand a large and complete stock of Agricultural Implements, including Plows, Harrows, and other machinery...

Commercial. On Monday last, the vessel "The Arrow," from Europe, arrived at Galveston, bringing with her a large quantity of goods...

Peabody's Prolific Corn. One grain producing ten to fourteen ears. The suberogative is now prepared for the market...

To ARRIVE. 75 BLS. ST. LOUIS FLUOR. 10 BLS. FLUOR EXTRA. 10 BLS. FLUOR EXTRA. 10 BLS. FLUOR EXTRA...

More New Books. JUST RECEIVED from New York, and for sale at the following prices: The Bible, The Bible, The Bible...

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