

Abraham Lincoln's Religion.

A letter which recently appeared in the columns of the New York Sun from a prominent heretic, affirming that Abraham Lincoln was a disbeliever in the doctrines of Christianity, and that in his early days he wrote an essay seeking to disprove them, has brought out in reply many statements which establish the contrary view.

Whatever Mr. Lincoln may have said or written about religion in his youth is of little account compared with what he wrote and uttered in his later life on the same subject. His juvenile attitude toward the Christian faith rests alone upon the testimony of Mr. Herndon, who, to say the least, is a very sensational, imaginative, and impulsive, and therefore not altogether reliable witness.

American Citizen, Tusculum, Wash. Chicago Sentinel, Chicago, Ill. Erie Advertiser, Erie, Penn. Loyal American, Altoona, Penn. Leader, Bridgeport, Conn. Lowell Herald, Lowell, Mass. Primitive Catholic, Brooklyn, N. Y. Progressive American, Lebanon, Pa. Southern Eagle, Augusta, Georgia. Triumph of Thought, San Francisco, Cal. Wisconsin Patriot, Milwaukee, Wis. AMERICAN, Cripple Creek, Col. Weekly, \$2.00 a year.

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Rome in Politics.

The New York Herald, of December 7, 1895, is authority for the statement that a new Catholic political organization has been incorporated in the city of Baltimore, to be known as the "American Catholic League," which, it says, "is founded on broad, patriotic lines, and based on the essential principles of free institutions. It is proposed to make it one of the most important and patriotic organizations that has ever existed among American Catholics."

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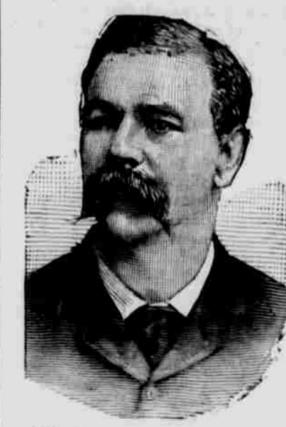
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