

SHERBROOKE PHONINGS.

George W. Justice of Colgate and Louise Trafford, were married by Judge Warrey, Wednesday. These are the same parties who traveled over the country last fall giving entertainments in school houses. Some two years ago they were divorced, but have kissed and made up, and decided to try it again. The woman in the case has been obtaining aid from the county this winter and the question now is will the county have one less or one more to support.

The school land lease Wednesday was well attended. The total of the leases amounting to \$1,297.22. The quarter that leased for the most money was the S. W 1/4 of 36 in Edendale township, leased to Hon. W. H. H. Roney for \$135.00. The next highest being the S. E. 1/4 of the same section to Wm. Litch for \$125.00.

Walter F. Cushing Deputy Land Commissioner was present Wednesday and attended to the leasing of the school lands, going from here to Cooperstown the same afternoon. Tuesday evening he had the great pleasure of being initiated into the mysteries of Sherbrooke's only Secret Society the Schweinlegel and was so pleased with the work that he is talking of instituting lodges at different points in the state.

SCHOOL ITEMS.

The prevalence of sickness makes school work rather up-hill business for both pupils and teachers. The absence from that cause amounts to almost one-fourth of the enrollment.

After the fresh papering and painting of the rooms, it seems that nothing but an ingrate could ask other expensive improvements, but the health of the children positively demands a good furnace system of heating and ventilating the building. The coming summer ought to see a good one instituted. This winter's experience has been very suggestive along this line.

Some of the scholar's maps rival the book's accuracy and neatness of execution.

Since the papering of the rooms, many of the scholars have brought decorations for the walls. There is still room for more however, for which the donors will receive the same sincere gratitude that is herein extended to those who have already brought some.

Friday afternoon, 14th inst., is the time set for the civil government classes, in the upper room, to debate questions pertaining to that study.

Some of the scholars seem quite interested in the vocal music which meets Monday and Thursday evenings in the school house. It is an excellent thing and productive of much good physically, socially and morally.

It is pleasant indeed to see the interest that the primary children take in the neatness and accuracy of their drawing and form work. It must surely build into their characters habits that will prove lasting benefits.

A pupil of the intermediate department, the other day, deposited \$9.01 in the School Savings Bank, while her brother in the primary put in the same amount. This institution was started last year and is well patronized by the scholars.

Rev. James contributed some very fine volumes to the school library, for which we thank him heartily.

The fourth reader class is much interested in selections from Bayard Taylor's books on travels. It is a great pity that our library does not contain his works. They would surely be eagerly read and their value in geography work is not inconsiderable.

Miss Wilson's pupils are becoming quite adept in callisthenics. They drill in these exercises while they have doors and windows open for ventilation.

Having been the recipients of pleasure and profit through Dr. May's kindly interest in our school, evinced by visiting us and favoring us with suggestive remarks and entertaining and instructive readings:

Resolved: That we express our appreciation and gratitude for the same by the publication of this resolution in the HOPE PIONEER. Committee: Geneva King, Harry Carpenter, Orlo Wakoman.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Sherbrooke, N. D. January 27th, 1896. Board of County Commissioners met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment. Present, Chairman Rindy, and Commissioners, Williams, Brown, Cochran and King.

The minutes of the meeting of January 7th., 1896, were read and approved.

The following bills were on motion allowed and ordered paid from the County General Fund:

LC Goplerud, cash paid for freight, cartage etc.	\$ 6 77
George Murray, cash paid for expenses in county cases,	16 25
Geo. D. Barnard & Co., Grantor and grantee indexes for register's office, \$140.25, chattel mortgage index and tabs, \$19 50, County Court docket and blanks, \$26.55, rubber stamps and pads, \$4 30, total (three bills),	190 00
Hope Pioneer, Publishing Commissioners' proceedings, \$8.00 stationery, \$9.50, total,	17 50
Steele County Tribune, Publishing Commissioners' proceedings, \$7.00, financial statement \$15.00, total,	22 00
The bill of J. E. Dunn for hauling coal, wood and groceries and cutting wood, for Mrs. G. W. Justice, pauper, \$3.49, was on motion allowed and ordered paid at \$2.00.	

The bill of Griggs County, for Steele County's portion of expense of building a bridge across the Sheyenne River, near the county line, according to agreement between the Commissioners of Griggs and Steele Counties, amount \$530.00, was on motion allowed and ordered paid from the Bridge Fund.

On motion the Board adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p. m.

Board reconvened at 1:30 o'clock p. m. Present, all members.

The following bills were on motion allowed and ordered paid from the County General Fund:

Charles G. Boise, Clerk of Court's fees on tax citations,	\$ 25 35
S. Plumb, hauling 3290 lbs. coal for county,	1 51
C R Jackson, 2700 lbs. of soft coal for Mrs. Cirys and drayage of same,	11 30
Rodenberg, Beckerjeck & Co. Goods for Mrs. Cirys, pauper,	11 30
Stewart & Drew, 100 lbs. flour for Mrs. Cirys, pauper,	1 65
William Orser, 1 cord of wood, \$6.25, 1000 lbs. soft coal, \$3.50, 100 lbs. flour, \$1.65, groceries and provisions, \$6.25, total, \$17.75, all furnished Mrs. G W Justice, pauper.	
Steele County Mercantile Co., oil and lamp-chimneys,	4 40

The report of Oscar Barrett, Justice of the Peace, for the quarter ending December 31st., 1895, was upon motion approved, and fees allowed and ordered paid as follows:

Oscar Barrett, Justice's fees,	\$ 7 75
Nick McCrea, Constable's fees,	7 50
Henry Jones, witness fees,	1 40
Mrs. J. Lane, witness fees,	1 90
A W Lyon, witness fees,	1 90
T U Derwood, witness fees,	1 40
J Hagen, witness fees,	1 30
J Palace, witness fees,	1 20

On motion the Steele County Tribune and the Hope Pioneer were designated as official papers of the county for the year 1896.

The following bills were on motion allowed and ordered paid from the County General Fund:

Laor King, County Commissioner's per diem and mileage, \$4.00, one day overseer of poor, \$2.00, total,	\$ 6 00
J G Brown, County Commissioner's per diem and mileage,	4 20
H J Rindy, County Commissioner's per diem and mileage,	4 20
O W Williams, County Commissioner's per diem and mileage,	3 80
R B Cochran, County Commissioner's per diem and mileage,	3 80

On motion the Board adjourned. L. C. GOPLERUD, COUNTY AUDITOR.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer of School District 14, County of Barnes, State of North Dakota, for the year beginning January 1, A. D. 1895, and ending December 31, A. D. 1895.

Cash on hand at beginning of school year, January 1, A. D. 1895,	\$ 317 60
Amount received during the year from apportionment of state Tuition Fund,	21 52
From interest and income fund,	\$.....
From fines, taxes, etc.,	\$.....
Amount received during the year from Taxes levied by the District School Board, including amount of outstanding warrants received or indorsed by County Treasurer in collection of taxes,	202 64
Total receipts for the year, including cash on hand at beginning,	\$ 641 85

EXPENDITURES.	
Amount paid during the year for school houses, desks and furniture,	\$.....
Amount paid during the year for Teachers' wages,	835 00
Amount paid during the year for salaries and expenses of school officers,	38 00
Amount paid during the year for incidental expenses,	18 35
Total expenditures during the year,	314 25
Cash on hand at the close of the year, December 31, 1895,	150 50
Grand Total expenditures, and cash on hand, to balance with Total Receipts,	\$ 641 85

State of North Dakota, County of Barnes, School Dist. 14. I do solemnly swear that the within is a true and correct report of all moneys coming into my hands as School Treasurer.

JAMES PERRY, Treasurer of School District 14. Subscribed and sworn to before me this ...th day of A. D. 1896.

State of North Dakota, County of Barnes, School Dist. 14. The within report has been examined by the School Board of School District 14 and compared with a statement from the County Treasurer showing funds paid the School Treasurer during the year and with the warrants of the District School Board presented to and paid by the School Treasurer during the year, and held by him as vouchers for the payment of school moneys, and with the tax receipts issued by the County Treasurer.

The report is found to be true and correct in every particular and is hereby approved this 14th day of Jan. A. D. 1896.

By order of the District School Board: Attest: MATHEW MURPHY, President. JOHN MURPHY, District Clerk.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Final Proof.

United States Land Office, Fargo N. D., Jan. 15th., 1896. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before C. G. Boise, Clerk of the District Court, at Sherbrooke, Steele Co., N. Dak., on March 4th, 1896, viz:

FRANKLIN J. B. STANFIELD, under his H. E. No. 189339 for the N. W. quarter of Section 28, Township 144 North, of Range 56 West, Steele County, North Dakota. And he names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. H. Farris, John Siss-ex, T. J. Smith and W. H. Gray. All of Hope Post Office, Steele County, North Dakota.

A. K. SPENDERBAUGH, Register. McWhan Bros., Attorneys, Hope, N. Dak.

Florida and Southeast.

If you have any intention of going to the southeast this fall or winter you should advise yourself of the best route from the north and west. This is the Louisville & Nashville railroad, which is running double daily trains from St. Louis, Evansville and Louisville through to Nashville, Chattanooga, Birmingham, Atlanta, Montgomery, Thomasville, Pensacola, Mobile, Jacksonville and all Florida points. Pullman sleeping car service through.

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