

The first annual Livingston County... of this popular society was... in the Congregational church in... Tuesday afternoon and even...

for the abuse of the power conferred. The decisions cited relate to punishment... the rod, ferule, etc, but the rule of discretion and accountability is the same for all other forms of punishment.

Without doubt the best teachers do use the rod the least, because they have a more perfect personal discipline, and command a wider range of moral and mental resource from which to draw in dealing with the wayward and erring; and because they have by nature the faculty of dealing easily and successfully with youth. But it is quite certain that, so far as we can judge of cause and effect, cases arise at one time or another in the experience of most teachers, when the timely and judicious infliction of corporal punishment seems, both at the time and afterwards, the wisest thing to be done.

I have no hesitancy in advising that a pupil be whipped as a last resort, and I am satisfied that the courts will sustain the teacher in such action. The idea that it is unlawful to whip a pupil in school, is erroneous and I believe has been detrimental to the good conduct in our schools.

I hope that all who read these decisions and the comments of Bateman, will take pains to spread the information among the directors, teachers, parents and pupils, that they may understand the true state of the case. Livingston County is entitled to two free scholarships at the State Normal University, at Normal, Ill. These scholarships will be awarded to the two pupils who stand highest at the final examination of the County Course study.

The Teacher's Annual Institute begins Monday, April 10, and closed Saturday, April 15. Examinations will occur on Monday and Tuesday, the 17th and 18th, and the regular examination for April will be omitted. I desire directors and teachers to particularly take notice of the time of institutes. To directors I wish to say that if they employ a teacher to begin her school before or during that time, they will have to pay her for three days of the time.

Attention is called to the new order of examination published previously in this column and appearing in the February News. HENRY A. FOSTER.

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question as to whether a teacher right to inflict corporal punishment in the schools of this county has submitted to this office for an opinion. Upon consulting the authorities we learn that the law of this State forbids the use of reasonable corporal punishment, neither has appellate nor supreme court of the State made such a decision in such a case. It is the custom in the courts of this State to take a decision rendered by a supreme court of other States as a precedent for a decision in this State, if the instances in the two cases are similar and the former decision was upon common law.

note here some decisions on the issue of corporal punishment from other States, based on the common law, which would probably be sustained by our courts under like circumstances. The most decision; sustained also by Hampshire courts,—"The law as it exists in this State. A school teacher has the right to inflict reasonable corporal punishment. He must use reasonable judgment and discretion when to punish and to what extent. In determining upon what is a reasonable punishment various considerations must be regarded—the nature of the offense, the apparent motive position of the offender, the influence of his example and conduct upon the other pupils, and the sex, age, size and condition of the pupil to be punished." The court decided—"We hold that it may be laid down as a rule, that teachers exceed the limits of their authority when by punishment cause lasting mischief; but within the limits of it when they inflict temporary pain."

think, therefore, that the court properly in admitting evidence of past and habitual misconduct of the defendant in punishing him, consider not merely the offense which had called for punishment, but past offenses aggravated this one, and showed that the defendant had been habitually and disobedient. Nor was it the fault of the teacher should at all of inflicting the punishment, the pupil of his past and acting offenses. The pupil knew enough without having them brought to his notice."

decision—"The practice which has prevailed in our schools of settlement of the country, in accordance with the law passed, and resort has been had to chastisement when milder restraint have proved unavailing on these decisions in our decisions: The highest judicial and eminent jurists concur in the propriety and necessity of inflicting corporal punishment in certain cases, and protecting the prudent and reasonable exercise of authority either to the welfare of a child or the welfare of the school. Teachers are held to a just accountability

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