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Educational Notes.

R. H. LANGFORD, Co. Supt., EDITOR.

Busy Work for Little People.

[Read by Mrs. Adams at the Teacher's Association August 24, 1889.]

Perhaps one of the first questions that arise in the mind of every primary teacher, is "How shall I give the little minds and hands interesting and useful employment?" This is a question that requires a good share of our time and attention; for without occupation for the little people, how can we expect to keep our rooms quiet and orderly?

Children, as a rule, enjoy slate and board work, especially the latter. Even the youngest can be interested in this work. Each day's lesson should be carefully and neatly copied on the slate or board, not once but many times, unless pupils are far enough advanced, to copy a number of verses or paragraphs of a lesson. Teachers should be careful in examining the work, and encouraging the pupils to improvement. If the work is well done, do not hesitate in telling them so.

Drawing is an essential in the school room. Simple lessons in drawing the different kinds of lines, should be given first; then geometrical figures may be taught. If drawing cards are not furnished by the school board, teachers can form many pretty and easy lessons by putting straight lines together in various forms.

But these lessons often become very monotonous to the little ones, and something else must be introduced to entertain them. Nearly every child is delighted if he can get the scissors and something to cut. This love for the scissors and paper may be utilized in the occupation of paper cutting. If old newspapers can be obtained, the large letters in the headings and wherever else found, may be cut out and put in boxes, the different kinds in different boxes, and used during recitations. As a new lesson is taken, let pupils select the letter or letters; thus, words and sentences may be formed.

For kindergarten work, plain paper in white or the different colors, may be folded and ruled in various ways for the children to cut. Great care and neatness need to be exercised in this occupation, to insure good results. If the paper is folded carelessly, of course, it will not produce an even design, or, if the cutting is done in a hurried, careless manner, the design will also be uneven.

Interweaving or interlacing is one of the oldest occupations, and one that is much enjoyed by little people. When slats are first introduced, an interesting talk may be given concerning the manner of making them. Talk about woods, and the men who go there in the winter to cut down the trees, and then tell them about the saws and axes they use, also about saw-mills. So a piece of wood may be followed until it is converted into a slat, and in the store for sale. Out of these slats letters, angles and figures of various shapes may be formed. Sticks of different colors may be used, and the little ones will invent very wonderful things in the shape of houses, chairs, boats, etc.

But you will ask, "Of what use are these?" Some of the results are activity of mind, quickening of the observation, growth of the imagination, and lessons of patience, neatness, and perseverance. Should not every teacher seek to awaken and obtain these results in every pupil?

Busy Work for Young People.

[Read by Mrs. Jeter at the Teacher's Association August 24, 1889.]

How to keep little ones busy at their desks is often a perplexing question to the primary teacher. Busy work should be, not only attractive, but profitable, and so arranged that it supplements and helps the work done in recitation. The work should be rather for the purpose of arousing and stimulating thought and at the same time teaching to do things and to make things. Manual training lays its foundation in the seat work of our kindergarten and primary schools. Here it is they are taught to weave, build and model. Here they obtain their notions of size, structure, form and color.

A good device for primary reading is to supply the pupils with paper, rulers, pencils and scissors. Have them write one or two paragraphs of the reading lesson with the words wide apart, so that they can be cut in squares or oblongs. Then with rulers and pencils mark and cut. Mix together and re-arrange as in the assigned lesson. See that the work is very neatly done. On the same plan a spelling lesson may be learned, writing the letters instead of words on squares. Let us suppose that the new word for to-day's lesson is basket. After the object has been talked about, the word written on the blackboard and used in sentences which are read by the class, they are ready for seat work. First have them copy the word a number of times upon their slates, then draw several pictures from the object itself; next make an outline of the object upon their desks with shoe pegs and tooth-picks. The drawing and stick-laying have afforded them change and rest, and they are ready again for the copying. Now have them copy a short sentence containing the new word.

Give the pupils a handful of tooth-picks, and with these they will construct houses, tables, chairs, boxes, etc. Every thing made should be drawn. These drawings will of necessity be crude, but

the wise teacher will find something in them to praise. The teacher may draw simple objects or figures on the blackboard and have the pupils copy them, drawing the new object on the slate five or six times and the old ones each three times. Out of stiff brown paper, a set of animals; on these patterns draw enough lines to mark the features, to give roundness to the forms, and to make distinct the limbs and toes. One set completed, prepare another, and then another, until there is enough to furnish considerable variety. For a few days use one set, and before its charms are exhausted, change for another.

Number work may be made more attractive to the little ones by allowing them to use tooth-picks at their desks. These they can count into bunches and put them together and write the result on their slates. Many successful teachers color the tooth-picks, using several different colors. Bright colors excite the sensory organs, arrest the attention and sustain the interest. Different colored letters made of card-board may be used, having the pupils arrange them so as to make words which they have learned. If you are not provided with the letters they can easily be made by cutting letters from newspapers, bright colored posters, circulars, etc., and pasting them on paste-board.

The drawings and work of the pupils should never be destroyed in their presence. It encourages carelessness while the preservation of work makes them painstaking. School room may be decorated with the fruits of seat work. The teacher should remember that contrast and novelty are powerful stimuli with little children while prolonged impressions exhaust the nervous energy and fall to produce a mental effect. Therefore make the periods of seat work brief, and furnish a great variety of materials. Plan it as carefully as you plan the recitations and its educational value will be as great.

There was a terrible epidemic of dysentery and bloody flux in Pope County, Illinois, last summer. As many as five deaths occurred in one day. Messrs. Walter Brothers, of Waltersburg, sold over 380 bottles of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy during this epidemic and say they never heard of it falling in any case when the directions were followed. It was the only medicine used that did cure the worst cases. Many persons were cured by it after the doctor had given them up. Twenty-five and fifty-cent bottles for sale by A. F. Streitz and Dr. Longley, North Platte.

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

July 27th, 1889. The board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy County Clerk Dick. The following bills were allowed on the general fund: Election board, mills school house, special bridge bond election July 13, 1889, \$13.50. George Nauman fees in case against Humberstone, \$18.10.

Election board, Nichols precinct bridge bond election in January 1889, \$13.50. The board continued settlement with the county treasurer, and then adjourned to meet July 29th, 1889.

July 29, 1889. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy County Clerk Dick. The board was engaged throughout the day in settlement with the county treasurer, and adjourned to meet July 30th, 1889.

July 30th, 1889. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy County Clerk Dick. Bills were allowed on the general fund as follows: J. M. Dyer, publishing, \$90.70. John Merriman, water fixtures in jail, \$3.50.

C. L. Patterson, viewing road from North Platte bridge to Calhoun, \$5.00. The board continued settlement with county treasurer, and adjourned to meet August 1st, 1889.

August 1st, 1889. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy County Clerk Dick. Bills were allowed on the general fund as follows: C. L. Patterson, bailiff December term 1888, \$14.00. R. H. Langford, County Superintendent, July, \$106. W. C. Elder, clerk district court May adjourned term, \$14.35.

Sundry persons election board, Nichols precinct special election, July 13th, 1889, \$11.00. Thos. Reed, janitor for May, \$30.00. Mrs. A. Brun, witness and mileage, \$2.30. W. K. Corville, on road fund, \$26.25.

The matter of letting the contract for building the bridge across the South Platte river south of the city of North Platte, was taken up and considered by the board and it appearing to the board that the bid of R. D. Thomson, for \$3.43 per lineal foot was the best bid which had been submitted to the board, the contract was therefore awarded to the said R. D. Thomson at \$3.43. And upon consideration the board made certain changes in the material to be used in the construction of said bridge and entered into a contract with

R. D. Thomson to construct said bridge at \$3.18 1/2 per lineal foot, and the said R. D. Thomson to have all the material in the old bridge. The board continued settlement with the county treasurer and adjourned to meet August 2d, 1889.

August 2d, 1889. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy Clerk Dick. Settlement with the county treasurer was continued throughout the day and the board adjourned to meet August 3d, 1889.

August 3d, 1889. Number work may be made more attractive to the little ones by allowing them to use tooth-picks at their desks. These they can count into bunches and put them together and write the result on their slates. Many successful teachers color the tooth-picks, using several different colors. Bright colors excite the sensory organs, arrest the attention and sustain the interest. Different colored letters made of card-board may be used, having the pupils arrange them so as to make words which they have learned. If you are not provided with the letters they can easily be made by cutting letters from newspapers, bright colored posters, circulars, etc., and pasting them on paste-board.

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy Clerk Dick. Bills on the general fund were allowed as follows: Eugene Myers and wife, witness State vs. Long, \$8.00. J. F. Hinman, extras in building jail, \$117.07. J. F. Hinman, privy at jail, \$15.00. L. Strickler, merchandise, \$11.60. Election board, Brady precinct bridge bond election, June 20th, 1889, \$31.30. John Kinkade, on road fund, \$19.50. H. M. Green, road fund, lumber for bridges, \$212.00. Fred Hanlon, general fund, witness, \$3.50.

Contract with C. D. Thomson, for the repair of the South Platte wagon bridge south of North Platte city was entered into and the bond of said Thomson was approved.

The board continued settlement with the county treasurer and adjourned to meet August 5th, 1889.

August 5th, 1889. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Walker and Oberst and Deputy Clerk Dick. Wm. Emerson was hired to serve as janitor of the court house at \$30 per month.

The senior commissioner signed the Birdwood bridge bonds and coupons attached. The board completed settlement with county treasurer and adjourned to meet August 6th, 1889.

August 6th, 1889. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present full board and deputy county clerk. BHI of Thos. Reed, balance of July salary and five days in August, \$18.50. The board then proceeded to open bids for building a wagon bridge across the North Platte river in Birdwood precinct and found bids as follows: J. C. Whipple, \$4.80 per lineal foot. T. Grant, \$4.75 per lineal foot. C. F. Iddings, \$4.70 per lineal foot. J. L. Means, \$4.23, per lineal foot, and \$125 for each turn out. Geo. E. King Bridge Co., \$4.00 per lineal foot.

After examination of all the bids the contract was awarded to the Geo. E. King Bridge Co., at \$4.00 per lineal foot on the plan and specifications adopted by the board. John Coker and W. H. Dudley were employed to measure the length of the Birdwood bridge site and report to-morrow.

The county attorney was directed to prepare a contract between the county and the Geo. E. King Bridge Co., for the building of the Birdwood bridge, and report to-morrow.

The board then adjourned to meet August 7th, 1889.

Cholera in Michigan. Dr. L. D. Larke, of Rogers City, Michigan, says the epidemic of last year in Presque Isle County, in which several persons lost their lives, was choleric dysentery instead of cholera as first reported. He used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and says it succeeded, where all other remedies failed. Not a single case was lost in which it was used. This remedy is the most reliable and most successful medicine known for colic, cholera, morbus, dysentery, diarrhoea, and bloody flux. Twenty-five and fifty-cent bottles for sale by A. F. Streitz and Dr. Longley North Platte.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at North Platte, Neb., July 28, 1889. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on September 14th, 1889, viz: Joseph S. L. Brown on Homestead Entry No. 4612 for the south half of the northeast quarter and lots 1 and 2 section 4, town 12, range 28. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph S. L. Brown, William Swelling, Chas. E. Osgood and Geo. T. Swelling, all of North Platte, Neb.

Any person who desires to protest against the allowance of such proof, or who knows of any substantial reasons, under the law and regulations of the Interior Department, why such proof should not be allowed, will be given an opportunity at the above mentioned time and place to cross-examine the witnesses of said claimant, and to offer evidence in rebuttal of that submitted by claimant. WM. NEVILLE, Register.

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R. H. LANGFORD, County Supt.

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