NOTES ON EDUCATION.

The Baptist denomination have succeeded in obtaining the $100,000 needed for the endowment of Shurtleff College, at Alton.

The two colleges of Alabama—at Auburn and Tuscaloosa—are reported to be very prosperous and useful. Each has about 200 students.

The annual disbursement for educational purposes in Maryland is over $1,500,000. The cost of instruction per capita is $5 01. The number of pupils is 150,276.

The salaries of teachers in Chicago have been reduced about $154 in the past three years. Not over 130 teachers receive annually over $650, while 650 are receiving pay varying from $350 to $650.

An organization to be called "The Home Education Society," is proposed in Milwaukee. It is to resemble in its work the Boston Society for the Encouragement of Study, and is to benefit those young men and women who have left school and desire to continue intellectual work.

At the last meeting of the New-Haven Board of Education, petitions with 2,000 signatures were received, which expressed approval of the action of the Board in abolishing devotional services in the schools. At the same time remonstrances against the action, signed by 3,600 names, were presented. A report on the matter will be made at the next meeting.

The total value of school property in Nebraska as estimated during the past year is $1,862,385,88. The total of school expenditures was $1,027,192 21. There are 3,392 teachers employed (against 536 in 1870), the average salary of male teachers is $35 46 per month, and the average salary of female teachers is $31 80. There are 56,774 pupils enrolled in the schools.

The annual report of the Superintendent of Instruction for this State, just issued, shows that there are 11,287 school districts in the State; that 30,161 teachers are employed; that the school population is 1,586,234, of which number 1,023,715 are in the schools. The average salary of a city teacher is $729, of a teacher in a town, $262, State, $401. Since 1850 the State has expended for the schools $172,472,546 14. The entire amount expended during the year for the maintenance of public educational interests, not including appropriations made to orphan asylums and other public charities in which instruction is given, is $11,366,926 84, being a decrease of $498,545, from 1876. Mr. Gilmour again recommends that the Legislature substitute the township system for the present system of school districts. The capital of the Common School Fund is now more than $3,000,000, and the surplus revenue in the treasury September 30 was about $27,000. The capital of the United States Deposit Fund, which is also pledged to educational purposes, is over four millions. Of the Free School Fund, so-called—which is simply the fund raised by taxation—there was a balance in the treasury September 30 of about $225,000. Mr. Gilmour says is required to compulsory education in the State, that no steps in regard to it have been taken, and that the law in the cities is not enforced, with the exception perhaps, of this city.

Superintendent W. T. Harris said in his recent address before the Spelling Reform Association: "In this matter we of St. Louis can speak with positive experience. In the Fall of 1866 the phonetic modification of the alphabet, as invented by Dr. Edwin Leigh, was tried in one of our public schools as an experiment, and the following year it was adopted throughout the public schools of this city, where it has ever since retained its place. By this system the child has a perfectly phonetic alphabet in so far as "one sound for each character" is concerned, although it violates the third law of Latham in having more than one character for the same sound. Yet, even with this, we find the following advantages in the system, which is still in use with us after ten years: 1. Gain in time—a saving of one year out of the three years usually occupied in learning to call off easy words at sight. 2. Distinct articulation, the removal of foreign accent and of local and peculiar intonations. 3. The development of logical power of mind in the pupil. He can safely be taught to analyze a word into its sounds and to find the letters representing them, whereas, with the ordinary orthography it is an insult to his reason to assure him that a sound is represented by any particular letter. Hence, analytical power is trained instead of mere memory from the day of his entrance into school—and analytic power is the basis of all thinking activity."

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