Teachers' Local Institute.

Liverpool, Pa., Jan. 18, 1880.

Meeting of "Teachers' Local Institute." Institute convened this evening at 64 o'clock, in the M. E. church. The meeting was called to order by the Supt.—Prof. S. B. Fahnestock.

The opening exercises were conducted by the Rev. T. M. Griffith, reading the 19th Psiam and offering prayer. This was followed by music by the "giec club,"—"O come, come away," On motion of Jas. A. Wright, C. W. Grubb was then elected Secretary. The Pres. then announced the object of the Institute.—"The improvement of teachers in their work." The subject of "current events," was then presented by G. W. Rine. "The subject is generally neglected in our common schools. A very good method of teaching the subject is to have the pupils, those who are sufficiently advanced, bring to school once a week or once in two weeks the principal events, of which they have read or heard." This subject was also discussed by L. W. Turner. The Pres. then made some good suggestions as to how the subject should be taught. Music, "The Lord's Prayer," and "Twilight is Falling."

The subject of "pronunciation," was

Lord's Prayer," and "Twilight is Falling."

The subject of "pronunciation," was next taken up by the Supt., and a number of words which are commonly mispronounced, placed on the board and pronounced by different members of the Institute.

The subject of "History," was then presented by E. U. Aumilier, "I believe in studying tables and dates, in having frequent reviews, and variety."

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Answering referred quest ons was siext in order. What is your method of calling and dismissing classes? was answered by L. W. Turner. How do you ventilate your school-room? was answered by J. I. Grubb, J. A. Wright, S. E. Bucke, and L. W. Turner. Mr. W. W. Holman then favored the Institute with a select reading, entitled; "The legend of Bregenz," after which the Pres. announced the subjects to be discussed at the Institute the following day and evening. Music;—A duet by Misses Agnes Williamson and Lou McLinn. The time for closing having arrived institute adjourned, to meet next day at 9 o'clock A. M.

Saturday morning.—Institute was opened by the Rev. T. M. Griffith reading a portion of the 10th chapter of Ecclesiastes, and offering prayer.

Answerien referred questions. How do you deal with pupils who come to class with the lessons unprepared? was answered by W. W. Billow, S. E. Bucke, L. W. Turner, E. U. Aumiller and Rev. T. M. Griffith. How often should reading classes recite? answered by Jas. A. Wright. How do you teach "long division?" answered by E. C. Long.

The subject of "Local Geography," was next taken up by L. L. Backe. "The subject of answered by L. L. Backe. "The subject has generally been neglected in our common schools. First teach the pupils the different directions, then have them draw a map of the school ground and buildings; talk about the hills, mountains, creeks and other natural divisions, and then have pupils give definitions of these different divisions." Music;—"The Old Familiar Place."

The Supt., again took up the subject of Primary Arithmetic was presented by J. C. Grubb. "The first lesson in Arithmetic should be given orally. Teach Addition and Subtraction at the same time; teach Multiplication and Division at the same time; teach Multiplication and Division at the same time." This subject was also discussed by G. W. Rine, L. W. Turner and S. E. Bucke. Music;—"America." The time for closing having arrived, Iu

nunciation of geographical and histor-ical names? was answered by G. W. Rine. Is it important to have a study programme? answered by J. E. Boal, E. U. Aumiller, L. L. Bucke, S. E. Bucke and J. A. Wright. The Pres., then explained the advantage of having a study programme. "It is important to have a study programme. I believe to have a study programme. I believe in systematizing our work."

A paper by E. U. Aumiller, What mental faculties should be first cultivat-

mental faculties should be first cultivated, and how should primary instruction differ from advanced? Music;—"Come sil ye Faithful." Methods of teaching Spelling, were discussed by Jas. A. Wright, J. I. Grubb and L. L. Bucke. How can we make Arithmetic more practical? was answered by S. E. Bucke, "We ought to teach more addition; we sught to have more practical work; we

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"We ought to teach more addition; we
ought to have more practical work; we
must do our work thoroughly and then
our work will be more practical."
Should pupils be held accountable for
unprepared lessons on account of attending preaching every night? was answered by Rev. T. M. Griffith.

The subjects of Reading and Writing
were then taken up by the Pres. "In
writing have your pupils classified; you
can not do good work without classification." Music:—" Music on the Waves."
Institute adjourned, to meet at 6; P. M.
Evening session.—Institute was opened by music,—" Cantalena," a quartett.
Answering referred questions. Does the
use of tobacco, in any form injure the
intellect? answered by E. U. Aumiller.
How can tardiness be prevented? was
answered by L. W. Turner.

The Pres., then presented the subject
of "Language Lessons." "Do not
undertake to teach young pupils the
definitions of grammar." A select reading, "Barbara Frietchie," by W. E.
Shellenberger. How do you conduct
"reviews? answered by L. L. Bucke
and L. W. Turner. How do you conduct school examinations? answered by
E. U. Aumiller and G. W. Rine. Music;—"Twillight is Falling." Rev. T. M.
Griffith then made an address on "Intemperance and morels in our common
schools."—A select reading by E. U.
Aumiller, "The Model Church." Music
"When Shall we Meet Again?" After
which Rev. T. M. Griffith pronounced
the benediction, and Institute adjourned
sine die. C. W. Grubb Sec.

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