

dent, and C. L. Edwards, Principal of the Academic and Normal Departments. The Faculty of this University are men of great moral worth and high literary attainments, and have devoted much time and attention to the subject of Education. Professor C. L. Edwards will long be remembered by those, in his County, interested in the advancement of Common School Education, for the valuable service he has rendered during the last year, as Superintendent of Common Schools for Douglas County.

FEMALE SEMINARIES.

The character of our people is manifested by their enterprise in establishing institutions of learning. It is always a sure token of the success of a town or city, to see the people taking hold of educational matters personally, and pushing forward the cause by erecting suitable buildings, and sustaining teachers and professors in their work of education. I am not prepared to report fully concerning all the Seminaries established in our Territory. Rev. Mr. Shorts, of Atchison City, has erected a very neat two story brick building, which he has arranged and furnished very appropriately for a Seminary. The School has been in Session since the first of September, with a very good attendance. Many of the young ladies are from a distance, and board in the Institution. It bids fair to be a permanent and influential institution, and a standing advantage to the city.

The Leavenworth Seminary founded in May, 1857, by Miss Irene Perine, and now conducted by Mrs. M. B. Flagg, Principal, and Miss Venevery, Associate Principal. In this Institution "all the branches of female education are taught, including modern languages; Latin, Music, Drawing, Painting," &c. This Institution has steadily increased in influence, and widened its sphere of operations. A Seminary of this kind should receive the patronage of all the friends of female education.

GRADED OR UNION SCHOOLS.

In Leavenworth City, three Graded Schools are in active operation—for a full account see report in the Appendix. Atchison contains one Graded School, with four teachers, and over two hundred pupils. The organization is only in name, as they have no special provision made for their organization. The first advantage to be derived from these kind of Schools, is that of clas-