

IT RAISED A STORM.

The Appointment of Professor Hanks
Sharply Criticised.

RESIGNATION OF TEACHERS.

Only One of the Old Force Remains
With the Superintendent.

Citizens So Exercised Over the Matter
That They Talk of Calling a Mass
Meeting—Bids Received
for City Printing.

The action of the school board in selecting Professor L. E. Hanks as superintendent of the city schools to succeed Professor A. S. Olin has not been very cordially indorsed by the public. In fact there was a most vigorous protest made by many yesterday, and there were many prominent citizens who criticised the action very sharply.

Last evening a number of prominent citizens held a consultation for the purpose of calling an indignation meeting to give publicity to the protests they feel should be made. It is probable that there will be a meeting on Friday evening at the Tabernacle, to give the people a chance to make public their objections.

The action of the board also caused an open revolt among the teachers of the high school. Professor Hanks has taught with them for several years, but their relations have not been particularly cordial, and Professor Eugene A. Mead, principal of the high school; Miss May H. Fee, teacher of English; Miss Anna R. Barker, teacher of elocution, and Miss Effie June Scott, teacher of English, last evening withdrew their applications and informed the board that they would not be candidates for their old positions.

Professor Mead addressed a letter to the board in which he spoke of the pleasant relations of the past years and stated that it was quite impossible for him to hold the position under Superintendent Hanks.

Miss May H. Fee, who has been a popular teacher for years, also addressed a letter to the board in which she stated she could not retain her position under the new administration and for that reason she desired to withdraw from the race.

The other two teachers did not address letters to the board, but both have withdrawn from the race and this leaves only Professor Locke of the old force.

It was reported yesterday that the new administration would change nearly the entire force of principals and many of the teachers.

The objection that was urged against Superintendent Olin was that he was a Populist, as he voted last fall for Lewelling. The large number of citizens, however, do not consider politics an essential qualification for the position of city superintendent. They regard other qualifications as far more important.

The board also last evening allowed the state examiners the use of the Central school building for the week of August 28.

The board will choose most of the teachers during the present month, so that when the new superintendent takes charge, July 1, he can find everything well arranged. The janitors will also be employed during the present month.

The resignation of Professor E. A. Mead, of the high school, will be a severe loss to the schools of the city. During the three years he has worked here, he has been more than usually successful and has gained enviable popularity with both pupil and patron. His work in the high school has shown him to be an educator of high rank, and he has done excellent work here. More than 100 of the high school students called on him yesterday, to express their sorrow over his leaving. No one in the city will regret his departure more than the pupils who have been under his instruction.

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI.