

welcome my arrival. strangers ; yet it was among a civilized people separated from the rest of the world a day after my arrival, my luggage.

CHAPTER II.

ACCOUNT OF SCHOOL AMONG THE CADDOES UNTIL THE RETURN OF THE AGENT.

ON my arrival at the Agency I found a small school had been in operation three weeks, under the care of A. J. Standing, with from six to eight Indian children in attendance. A small room over the commissary, in the same building in which the school was taught, being set apart for my use, I occupied a few days in cleaning it out, fitting it up for a sleeping apartment, putting up a rude bedstead, visiting the school in order to make myself familiar with the scholars, before taking charge of them, in accordance with instructions left by the agent on departing. I took charge of the school on the 31st of the tenth month, 1871, six scholars in attendance, and continued it as a day school until the 10th of the eleventh month following, with but little variation, — some days more scholars than others, but at no time exceeding nine. Most of these, living at the distance of four or five miles, remained at the school-house through the week, sleeping on the ground, by the side of a log or fence, or anything that would afford a wind-break.