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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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STATE OF ILLINOIS.

 $R\ E\ G\ UL\ A\ R\quad M\ E\ E\ T\ I\ N\ G\ :$ HELD AT NORMAL, JUNE 24TH AND 25TH, 1874.

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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING,

JUNE 24TH AND 25TH, 1874.

NORMAL UNIVERSITY, NORMAL, ILLINOIS, JUNE 24TH, 1874.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS met at 9 o'clock A.M., Wednesday, June 24th, 1874.

Members Present—Messrs. Carter, Gastman, Goudy, Leal, Noetling, Roots, Wells and Worthington—8. Absent—Messrs. Bateman, Coy, Clarke, Green, Moulton and Mayo—8.

On motion of Mr. Leal, Dr. Calvin Goudy was chosen President pro tem., and Mr. N. E. Worthington Secretary pro tem.

President Edwards presented his Annual Report, as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Gentlemen: The numbers in attendance during the year now closing have been as follows:

IN THE NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

First Term in the year.—	
Total enrollment — Males	117
Females	
Second Term.—	
Total enrollment Males	132
Females	
Third Term.—	
Total enrollment — Males	158
Females	141299
For the Year.—	
Total enrollment, different pupils — Males	200
Females	

Per cent. of attendance, computed upon the enrollment:	
First Term.—	
Females92.3	
Males90.9	
Both Sexes91.75	
Second Term.—	
Females93.02	
Males95.77	
Both Sexes94.21	
Third Term.—	
Females93.86	
Males94.69	
Both Sexes94.21	
Per cent. of attendance for the year — Females92.89	
Males 93.77	
Per cent. of attendance for the year of both sexes, com-	
puted on enrollment93.09	
pated on emonment	
HIGH SCHOOL.	
First Term.—	
Total enrollment—Females29	
Males35—64	
Second Term.—	
Total enrollment - Females	
Males40—69	
Total enrollment — Females	
1 otal enrollment — Females	
For the Year.—	
Total enrollment, different pupils—Females53	
Males59—11	2
Per cent. of attendance, computed upon the enrollment:	_
First Term.—	
Females91.37	
Males	
Both Sexes	
Second Term.—	
Females95.22	
Males	
Both Sexes	
Third Term.—	
Females95.38	
Males	
Both Sexes95.83	
Per cent. of attendance for the year — Females93.98	
Males94.08	
Per cent. of attendance for the year of both sexes, com-	
puted on enrollment94.04	

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.
First Term.—
Total enrollment — Females34
Males65—99
Second Term.—
Total enrollment — Females30
Males68—98
Third Term.—
Total enrollment — Females21
Males32—53
For the Year.—
Total enrollment, different pupils—Females49
Males98—14
Per cent of attendance, computed upon enrollment:
First Term.
Females82.14
Males
Both Sexes84.59
Second Term.—
Females88.71
Males85.65
Both Sexes86,59
Third Term.—
Females85.45
Males90.11
Both Sexes87.50
Per cent. of attendance for the year, computed on
enrollment — Females85.17
Males
Both Sexes
Dotti Sexes
First Term.—
Total enrollment — Females
Males2039
Second Term.—
Total enrollment — Females17
Males2441
Third Term.—
Total enrollment — Females20
Males2444
For the Year.—
Total enrollment, different pupils — Females30
Males36—66

Per cent. of attendance, computed upon the enrollment:
First Term.—
Females94.96
Males95.71
Both Sexes
Second Term.—
Females82.98
Males91.72
Both Sexes
Third Term.—
Females94.75
Males96.97
Both Sexes
Per cent. of attendance for the year — Females
Males94.08
Both Sexes90.89
TOTAL FOR THE UNIVERSITY.
First Term.—
Total enrollment—Females285
Males257—542
Second Term.—
Total enrollment — Females250
Males264—514
Third Term.—
Total enrollment — Females217
Males249—466
For the Year.—
Total enrollment, different pupils — Males and Females778
Per cent. of attendance, computed upon enrollment:
First Term.—
Females90.88
Males89.79
Both Sexes90.35
Second Term.—
Females92.74
Males92.37
Both Sexes92.55
Third Term.—
Females93.27
Males94.30
Both Sexes
Per cent. of attendance for the year, computed on
enrollment—Females92.09
Males91.99
Both Sexes92.04

From the different counties in the State, the representation is as follows:

IN THE NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

Adams 4	Iroquois10	Perry 4
Bond 3	Jersey 3	Piatt 9
Boone14		
Brown 3	Kane 3	Dono
	Kankakaa 9	Dut-
	Kankakee 2	Putnam 5
Carroll 2	Knox 3	Randolph 2
Cass 4		
Champaign 8		Rock Island 2
Christian 6	Livingston12	St. Clair 4
Clinton 2	Logan 6	Sangamon 7
Coles 6		Schuyler 3
Cook 4	McHenry 5	Shelby 5
Cumberland 3	McLean 57	Stark 2
DeKalb12		Stephenson11
DeWitt 8		
Douglas 3	Madison11	
DuPage 1	Marion 4	
Edgar 3	Marshall 2	Warren 2
Effingham 3	Mason 7	Washington 3
Fayette 4	Massac 3	Whiteside 7
Ford 4	Menard 2	Will 5
Fulton 5	Montgomery 3	Williamson 1
Greene 9	Morgan 5	Winnebago 2
Grundy 3	Moultrie 6	Woodford 8
Hancock 4		
Henderson 2	Peoria 4	CHRIOWH 4
Henry 4		Total429
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From other States:		
Towns 6	Minnesota 1	77:
Indiana 9	Minnesota 1	Virginia 1
Thurana	Missouri	wisconsin 2
Kansas 3	Onio 2	Total 24
Kentucky 2	Pennsylvania 2	
Total is	n Normal Department	453
REPRESEN	TATION IN THE HIGH SCI	HOOL.
Boone 1	Livingston 1	Shelby 2
Brown 4	McLean50	Stephenson 3
Bureau 1	Macon 1	Tazewell 1
Calhoun 1	Madison 3	Vermilion 1
Carroll 1	Marshall1	White 2
Cook 1		
DeWitt		
	Ogle 3	Will 1
Fayette 2	Perry 3	Winnebago 1
Grundy 1	Pike 2	Iowa 1
Hancock 2	Pulaski 1	Missouri 2
Iroquois 2	Putnam 1	New Jersey 1
Lasalle 4	Sangamon 1	<u> </u>
Lee 2	_	Total 111

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Alexander 1 Livingston	. 8 Pike 2
Champaign 1 Logan	. 3 Richland 1
Christian 1 McHenry	
	48 St. Clair 2
Cook 2 Macon	
DeWitt 2 Macoupin	
Effingham 1 Madison	
Fayette 2 Marion	
Ford 2 Mason	
Fulton 1 Menard	
Iroquois 2 Morgan	
Knox 2 Perry	. 1 Woodford 6
Lasalle	
THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	Total136
From other States:	1,444,111111111111111111111111111111111
Iowa 1 New York	. 1 Pennsylvania 1
Nevada 1 Missouri	. 1 Wisconsin 1
Nevada 1 Missouri Kansas 2 Ohio	. 2 Total 11
Total in Grammar School	147

The graduating class consists of twenty-three members, twelve gentlemen and eleven ladies. In age the gentlemen range from 21 years 8 months to 32 years 3 months. Average age, 25 years 7 months. The ladies range from 19 years 6 months to 29 years 8 months. Average age of ladies, 23 years 6 months. Average age of the class, 24 years 7 months.

All of the gentlemen have taught. The aggregate of their teaching is 275 months, or $30\frac{5}{9}$ school years of 9 months each. All but three of the ladies have taught. The aggregate in their case is 186 months, or $20\frac{2}{3}$ years. Of the entire class the aggregate teaching amounts to $51\frac{2}{9}$ years. In this is not included the teaching done in the model school, in this institution, which foots up 20 years, making the total amount of teaching done by members of the class $71\frac{2}{9}$ years. Five of the gentlemen have been principals of graded schools, and one of them has been for four years a county superintendent.

Our graduates and pupils continue to be in good demand in all parts of the state. The average prices at which they are employed exceed that paid the pupils of most other schools. The present is a year of comparatively low wages, and all our present graduates are not yet employed; but several of them have already secured positions—honorable and lucrative, as things now go,—and the prospect for all is good. Our graduates,

young men, are readily employed as principals of graded schools in towns like Pontiac, Beardstown, and other county seats, and places of some importance. And the young ladies are sought for positions of corresponding importance. The older graduates occupy more conspicuous places, and some of them are among the most honored public school men in the state.

Among the present needs is the necessity of repairs upon the house. The floors are badly worn, the plastered walls are cracked and soiled, and the painting and graining needs restoring. Since the building was first occupied in 1860, only occasional and slight repairs have been made upon it—such as have been absolutely unavoidable. As a consequence, the rooms have a dingy and unattractive look; and many strangers visiting the building find it much easier to judge of the school by the quarters it occupies than by the actual quality of the work done therein. For the sake of our reputation, then, we need to whiten the walls, relay and thoroughly paint some of the floors.

To enable the Board to form some judgment concerning the cost of the repairs needed, I have made a measurement of the amount of wall requiring calsimining, of the floor requiring mending and repainting, and of that requiring to be relaid in hard wood:

Amount of calsimining required	6600	square	yards.	
Area of floor to be painted			"	
Area of floor that ought to be laid in hard wood	312	"	"	
These are actual measurements, but will no	ed s	some co	orrection	ì.

The present financial condition of the Board is as follows:

Balance now on hand as shown by Treasurer's report.	\$2458.72
Due from Model School, say	718.00
	\$3168.72
From this deduct salaries now due	
Amount left for payment of floating bills	\$1149.54
On July 1st our treasurer will draw from the state	7246.78
Added to present balance gives	.\$8396.22
Which will constitute our total supply until October 1s	t.
During that time there must be paid out for salaries	3,
say	6000.00
Leaving a balance for other purposes	\$2396.22

During the year, payments have been made to A. L. Ide upon ventilation contract, as follows:

Original payment made while work was in progress Oct. 20th, 1873, paid by order on Treasurer Nov. 22d, 1873, paid Colman & Squiers on A. L. Ide's or	1000.00
der, by order on Treasurer	
Feb. 10th, 1874, paid Ide by order on Treasurer	
May 4th, " " " " " " "	
Total amount paid Ide	
Amount of his contract	8500.00
Balance now due him	\$1466.50

Of the above, the first \$4000 was a special appropriation; the balance, \$3033.50, has been paid out of our annual appropriation.

It is requested that facilities be provided for a term's work (optional) and for independent study in Zoölogy. This will require that one of the vacant rooms in the basement be fitted up, as a dissecting room, with tables, instruments, and a small library of comparative anatomy. Estimated cost is one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150).

Also, that a small appropriation be made for such assistance in the Museum as may be needed to provide material for the use of the students in Zoölogy.

The School and College Association of Natural History now includes fifteen High Schools, two Colleges and one Academy. This Association has its headquarters at the University Museum, the Curator of which is Curator of the Association. Recent reports from members show that in at least thirteen of these institutions active work by both teachers and pupils is being carried forward in the collection of specimens to be sent here at the end of the season.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD EDWARDS.

On motion of Mr. Worthington, the report was received and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

Messrs. Leal and Carter were appointed upon the Auditing Committee, $pro\ tem$.

Letters from Mr. Moulton, President of the Board, and Mr. Bateman, Secretary, satisfactorily explaining the cause of their absence, were laid before the Board, and placed on file.

President Edwards presented his report, with vouchers of expenditures from the Contingent Fund, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

A letter from Mr. Clarke, stating cause of absence, was laid before the Board.

On the motion of Mr. Wells, a special committee of three, of the older members of the Board, was ordered to be appointed, of which the President pro tem. should be chairman, to draft appropriate resolutions in reference to the death of Dr. John H. Foster, a member of this Board.

The chair appointed as the other members of said committee, Messrs. Bateman and Roots.

The President laid before the Board the report of the Treasurer, which, on motion, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Noetling offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Ordered, That the President and Secretary of the Board be, and they are hereby, authorized to draw orders on the Auditor of Public Accounts for the first and second quarterly installments of the appropriation for the ordinary expenses of the Normal University at Normal; each installment being the one-fourth part of the aggregate amount of the whole of the annual interest on the College and Seminary fund, together with the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, as said installments become due and payable, as provided by Sections 1 and 2 of "An Act making an appropriation for the ordinary expenses of the Normal University, at Normal", etc., approved April 25, 1873; and that the Treasurer of this Board, C. W. Holder, Esq., is hereby authorized to receive and receipt for said moneys.

Mr. Gastman, of the Committee on Teachers, offered the following resolution, and it was adopted:

The Committee on Teachers would respectfully recommend to the Board that the salary of Prof. L. L. Burlington be increased to \$2,000 per annum, beginning with September 14, 1874.

E. A. GASTMAN, E. L. WELLS, C. F. NOETLING. Committee on Teachers.

Mr. Wells presented the subjoined report of the Auditing Committee upon the Contingent Fund expenditures:

The Auditing Committee reports that it has examined the "Contingent Fund" report, and accompanying vouchers, made by President Edwards, and find the same correct.

E. L. WELLS, T. R. LEAL, JOSEPH CARTER,

The following is an abstract:

To balance on hand Dec. 10th, 1873	
" amount received of Treasurer, Jan. 22, 1874	200.00
	\$288.18
Contra.	
By amount expended, as per 42 vouchers	\$326.40
Amount overpaid	38.22
	\$288.18

Mr. Wells also presented the following report of the Auditing Committee upon the Treasurer's report:

The Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the report of C. W. Holder, Treasurer of the Board of Education, with its accompanying vouchers, have examined the same and find it correct, and recommend its approval.

\$18442.08

The following is an abstract of said report:

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1873. Dec. 9th, To cash balance on hand ...... $2148.52
      " 30th, "
                   "
                       from Model School.... 400.00
                                                       $14,493.56
                   "
1874. Jan. 14th, "
                            State of Illinois., 7246.78
     Feb. 27th, "
                        "
                            Model School.... 600.00
     April 9th, "
                            State of Illinois., 7246.78
     May 5th, "
                            Model School.... 800.00
                                                   $18442.08
                          Contra.
By cash disbursed on 42 orders......$15983.36
        on hand June 23, 1874.....
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Mr. Carter, in behalf of the Alumni Association of the Normal University, invited the Board to attend the banquet of said Association, this afternoon, in the City of Bloomington.

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Wells, the Board returned thanks for the courteous invitation, regretting that the pressure of business would prevent an acceptance.

The Board then adjourned till 2 o'clock P.M.

June 24th, 1874—2 o'clock P.M.

Board met, pursuant to adjournment.

A petition was presented to the Board, by Miss Phila Spackman, signed by one hundred and nine students of the University, asking that the deportment of pupils be not marked down on account of mistakes in spelling;

And, on motion of Mr. Wells, the said petition was referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Miss Spackman also presented a petition requesting that demerit deportment-marks given her for mistakes in spelling be ordered erased—which petition, on the motion of Mr. Gastman, was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Carter offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That President Edwards, together with the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, be authorized to contract for, and have completed, during the present vacation, or as early thereafter as practicable, such repairs as are contemplated in President Edwards's report just read, total expense not to exceed \$600.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Leal, the resolution was referred to Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

The following resolution was then submitted by Mr. Leal, and adopted by the Board:

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be placed at the disposal of President Edwards, to be used as a contingent fund for ensuing six months.

Mr. Roots, of the Special Committee appointed to prepare a befitting minute touching the death of Dr. Foster, presented the following, which was unanimously and feelingly adopted:

WHEREAS, Since the last meeting of this Board, it has pleased God to remove by death our fellow member, Dr. John H. Foster, of Chicago; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That in the death of Dr. Foster we, as a Board, have lost a member whose wisdom, prudence and excellent judgment have greatly aided us in our deliberations—and as individuals, a friend whose kindly spirit and quiet, unobtrusive manners had greatly endeared him to us all.

Resolved, That, in the death of Dr. Foster, not only the State Normal University, but also the interests of education in the City of Chicago and in the state at large, have suffered the loss of a sincere and intelligent friend; and that we heartily unite with all who knew him best and

longest, in tributes of commendation and honor for his unaffected simplicity and truthfulness of character, his probity and fidelity as a citizen and friend, and his genuine worth as a man.

Resolved, That the Secretary transmit a copy of these proceedings to the relatives of the deceased.

The following letter of resignation was laid before the Board:

NORMAL, JUNE 24TH, 1874.

To the Honorable Members of the Board of Education,

State Normal University.

GENTLEMEN: I hereby tender my resignation as Principal of the Grammar School, to take effect September 1st. I thank you very heartily for the kindness with which you have treated me during my labors with you. Most respectfully,

B. W. BAKER.

On motion, the resignation of Mr. Baker was accepted.

Mr. Gastman then submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, It is deemed necessary for the greater efficiency of the Normal University that a training teacher be employed; and

WHEREAS, It is only possible to do this by practicing the strictest economy in all departments; therefore,

Resolved, That the position of Principal of the Grammar Department of the Model School be abolished after September 1st, and that the Committee on Teachers be instructed to employ a principal training teacher, who shall have charge of the whole subject of training teachers, under the general direction of the President of the University.

Resolved, That the Principal of the Primary Department of the Model School shall act as assistant to the training teacher above provided for.

The Board then adopted the following resolution, offered by Mr. Worthington:

WHEREAS, A majority of the students attending the Normal University are female students; and

WHEREAS, Women have demonstrated their ability to compete with men in the work of the school-room; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in the judgment of the Board, the interests of the University would be promoted by filling at least three of the nine regular professorships with female teachers, at as early a day as is practicable.

Mr. Roots, of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to which was referred the petition of certain students relative to the alleged marking-down of deportment on account of errors in spelling, submitted the following report, and it was adopted:

The Committee on Rules and Regulations having had under consideration the petition of 109 pupils of the University, and having carefully inquired into the matter, respectfully report that they believe no professor or teacher in the University has ever made such record as would present the deportment of a pupil in an unfavorable light, merely because such pupil has failed to master any lesson.

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Carter, and adopted:

Resolved, That President Edwards be authorized to purchase, by contract, on the most favorable terms, fuel, sufficient for the coming winter, and that the President of the Board be authorized to draw the necessary orders to meet the expenses of such purchase.

On the motion of Mr. Leal, it was ordered that the Committee on Heating and Ventilating the University building—Messrs. Gastman, Noetling and Roots—be continued.

On motion, the Board adjourned till 8 o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

Thursday, June 25th, 1874-8 o'clock a.m.

Board met, pursuant to adjournment—attendance same as yesterday.

Mr. Carter, of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, reported as follows:

The Committee on Buildings and Grounds would respectfully report that they have examined the building and found that repairs should be made in some of the hall floors, that the walls in first and second stories should be whitened, and that other repairs to plastering and wood-work are necessary. Your committee would therefore recommend that a sum, not exceeding \$_____ be applied for said purposes, and that such repairs be made during this vacation.

JOSEPH CARTER, for the Committee.

Mr. Wells, of the Auditing Committee, presented the subjoined report:

The Auditing Committee, having examined the following mis-

cellaneous bills, find them correct, and recommend that they be paid:

I. E. Brown		3145.34
G. S. Wells	**** **** *****	25.00
Champion Brothers		12.71
Peter Ketelson		28.60
D. Watkins		3.75
F. J. Philbrook		8.00
Robert Fell		8.00
Loer & Son		13.85
	T	3245.25
	E. L. WELLS, T. R. LEAL, JOSEPH CARTER,	iditing imittee.

On motion of Mr. Gastman, the sum of one hundred dollars was appropriated for fitting up rooms for demonstrations in Zoölogy, to be expended under the direction of the Building Committee.

Mr. Noetling submitted the following:

WHEREAS, The President and Faculty of the University have reported the names of the following ladies and gentlemen of the Senior Class as having worthily completed the regular course of study, and recommended that the diploma of the institution be awarded them accordingly; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the report and recommendation be received and approved, and that diplomas be conferred upon the designated members of the graduating class.

And it was so ordered.

The names of the class, to whom diplomas were thus awarded, are as follows:

Elizabeth W. Peers. I. Eddy Brown. Florence A. Cook. David S. Elliott. John N. Dewell. Emily Alden. M. Ella Morgan. Eunice Corwine. William A. Evans. Lida A. Brown. Thomas E. Jones. Francis W. Conrad. S. Alice Judd. William P. McMurry. Elinzer M. Prindle. Emma V. Stewart. Carlton H. Reiv. Harry A. Smith. Sarah M. Littlefield. Margaret Woodruff. William J. Simpson. Mary E. McWilliams.

Jasper N. Wilkinson.

The Board then adopted the following resolution, submitted by Mr. Wells:

Resolved, That the sum of \$1000 be appropriated for the Museum, for the current year.

Mr. Carter offered the following:

Resolved, That the President of the Board be authorized to audit and pay the bills for improvements voted at this session of the Board.

On motion, the Board then took a recess till 3 o'clock P.M.

N. E. WORTHINGTON, Secretary pro tem.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25TH, 1874-3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Board convened, and, Mr. Worthington being absent, Mr. Wells was chosen Secretary pro tem.

Mr. Bateman, Secretary of the Board, appeared and signed the diplomas of the graduating class, and was then, by request, excused from further attendance.

On motion of Mr. Carter, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Mr. Noetling be added to the committee to collect the rents from Mr. Phoenix, and that the same receive prompt attention.

Mr. Noetling submitted the following resolution, and it was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Board fully recognize the valuable services rendered by Prof. Baker while a member of the Faculty of this Institution, and this Board hereby recommend Prof. Baker as an active, earnest and faithful instructor.

Mr. Carter offered the following resolution, which was concurred in:

Resolved, That President Edwards be granted leave of absence during a part of the coming term, for the purpose of visiting other schools of the country.

On the motion of Mr. Gastman, the matter of the contract with A. L. Ide, for heating and ventilating the University building, was referred to Mr. Noetling, with power to act.

And thereupon, on motion, the Board adjourned.

C. GOUDY, President pro tem.

E. L. WELLS, Secretary pro tem.