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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

REGULAR MEETING:

HELD AT NORMAL, DECEMBER 17TH AND 18TH, 1867.

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NORMAL UNIVERSITY,
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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS convened, in regular session, at their rooms in the University Building, in the Village of Normal, McLean county, on Tuesday, December 17, 1867, at 10 o'clock A.M.

PRESENT:— Messrs. S. W. Moulton, Calvin Goudy, Wm. H. Green, B. G. Roots, Jesse W. Fell, and Newton Bateman—6.

ABSENT:— Messrs. W. M. Hatch, W. H. Wells, John H. Foster, W. L. Mayo, C. P. Taggart, Jesse H. Moore, T. R. Leal, Henry Wing, E. C. Dupuy—9.

A quorum being present, the President, Hon. S. W. Moulton, took the chair and called the Board to order.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with.

President Edwards, by request, then read his regular semi-annual report, as follows:

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

GENTLEMEN: The number of students for the term just closing has been greater than for any term before. In the Normal Department there have been 313 students, an excess of 73 over the attendance of any previous term. In the entire institution there have been 831, an excess of 239 over any past figures. The graduating class consists of 20, an excess of 5 over that of any previous year. The High School

has had 86 pupils, which is a large increase. The Grammar School has numbered 180, many of whom are young men and women, and not a few are teachers, or preparing to become so. The Intermediate and Primary have also increased in numbers, and the latter is crowded far beyond its proper maximum. The following table exhibits the numbers for the term in each grade of the institution:

Number in the Normal Department.....	313
“ “ “ High School.....	86
“ “ “ Grammar School.....	180
“ “ “ Intermediate School.....	76
“ “ “ Primary School.....	176
Total in the University for the Term.....	831

The attendance in the Normal Department for the last six years has been as follows:

For the year ending June, 1862.....	152
“ “ “ “ “ 1863.....	205
“ “ “ “ “ 1864.....	304
“ “ “ “ “ 1865.....	285
“ “ “ “ “ 1866.....	270
“ “ “ “ “ 1867.....	327
“ “ “ “ “ 1868 (estimate).....	400

There is a great and constantly-increasing demand for the services of our pupils. It is far in excess of our ability to supply. Many important situations have been filled this year by our graduates and other pupils. The number of testimonials to the usefulness of the institution, published in the Sixth Biennial Report of the State Superintendent, might be largely increased, if inquiries should be sent out now.

MODEL SCHOOL.

The Model School was established in order to furnish young people preparing to be teachers with the opportunity of witnessing the actual use of the best methods of instruction and management; and also of putting in practice, by actual teaching, the principles they learn in their Normal course. It is therefore a school of observation and practice. Its utility as a means of perfecting the teachers sent forth from the Normal is apparent to the most casual observer. We could not do without it in our preparation of teachers, except at an immense sacrifice of efficiency.

It is divided into four grades: the High, Grammar, Intermediate and Primary schools. Each of these is under the direct charge of an efficient and accomplished Principal, who is assisted in part by permanent teachers, and in part by pupils from the Normal School.

The law requires that this department should be self-sustaining.

No part of the State Fund can be used for its support. As a matter of fact, it does much more than to pay for itself. If it were discontinued, the Normal School could not be sustained, in its present status, by the State appropriation. The State Fund yields \$12,445.99 per annum. The present salaries of the Normal Professors amount to \$9,900. This leaves a balance of only \$2,545.99, for janitor's fees, heating, stationery, personal expenses of members of the Board, and other contingencies. Of these, the heating alone costs \$2,300 per annum. The amount thus left for other purposes is entirely insufficient. It falls short of the necessities by \$3,485.07, for the year closing in June last. This deficiency has been made up from the proceeds of the Model School.

The total income from the Model School last year was about \$5,000. But there was a balance lying over from the year before of \$2,649.72. With this we were able, very nearly, to hold our own. This year, taking the present attendance as a basis of calculation, it will be about as follows.

Income from pupils from abroad.....	\$4,415
“ “ School District of Normal.....	2,800
Total income.....	\$7,215
Amount of salaries as now paid.....	\$4,200

But some of these salaries ought to be at once increased.

NEW FURNITURE.

The great increase in the number of students has made it necessary to purchase additional furniture. This has been done under the direction of Messrs. Hatch and Fell, resident members of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds. The bills for the same, amounting, with certain books purchased for the use of the institution, to \$259.50, are presented for payment.

STATE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Teachers' Institute held at the University during the late long vacation numbers upon its catalogue 255 names. The teaching was done almost entirely by the members of the Normal Faculty. The character of the main body of the members was high,— many of them being principals of high schools. Several County Superintendents were also in attendance as regular working members. So much interest was taken in the work of the Institute, that it was voted to publish the exercises in full, in book form; and some \$500 was subscribed to defray the expense of printing. The volume is now daily looked for.

COUNTY INSTITUTES.

In addition to the work done at the State Institute, the undersigned has, since August 29th last, attended sixteen county institutes and educational meetings, delivering lectures or conducting drill exercises,—generally both. Other members of the Faculty have done much of similar service, amounting in the aggregate to an attendance upon fourteen institutes, and doing, at most of them, the principal part of the work. Many invitations we are compelled to decline for want of time.

BOARD FOR STUDENTS.

Our necessities in respect to board for students are as pressing as ever. This continues to be our greatest drawback. With proper boarding accommodations, furnished at reasonable rates, we could undoubtedly double the efficiency of the institution. I respectfully refer to my reports of June, 1867, and of December, 1866, for a fuller discussion of this subject; also to the Sixth Biennial Report of the State Superintendent of Instruction. Recent facts, some of them furnished in correspondence by eminent educationists, confirm the views set forth in those reports.

THE MUSEUM.

The Museum is in a fair way to be greatly improved and enlarged. Prof. Powell has returned from his trip to the Rocky Mountains, and has entered vigorously upon his work in the Museum. In his exploration of the country and in his collection of specimens, he was successful beyond his expectations. In the prosecution of this enterprise Professor Powell has exhibited indomitable energy and rare skill. The money appropriated by the legislature for this object has been most judiciously expended. It has been efficiently used in the cause of science and education. For details you are respectfully referred to his report, herewith presented.

MEMORIAL OF PROFESSORS.

I take the liberty of heartily commending to your consideration the accompanying memorial, and of suggesting the following additional points.

The amount now annually appropriated to the University is not materially greater than it was when the number of students in the Normal Department was less than one-third of what it now is. With the increase of students has come great addition to the labors of every member of the Faculty, and an increase of compensation would be but reasonable. In stead of this, however, the compensation, when

and instructed to cause the reprint of a sufficient number of the missing Proceedings to make up eight more complete sets, and that he cause said additional number of sets to be bound, uniform with those already delivered, and laid before the Board at its next regular meeting.

It was also

Ordered, That all bound volumes of Proceedings be held as the property of the Board, and that each member receiving a copy of the same be required, upon his retirement from the Board, to deliver his copy to his successor, or to the President or Secretary.

On motion of Dr. Goudy, the bill of N. W. Rokker, of six dollars, for binding Proceedings, was allowed and ordered paid.

On motion, the Board adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1867 — 9 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, President in the chair.

PRESENT — Messrs. Moulton, Green, Roots, Goudy, Fell, Wells, Dupuy, Foster, Leal, and Bateman — 10.

ABSENT — Messrs. Hatch, Moore, Wing, Mayo, and Taggart — 5.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Bateman, it was

Ordered, That, as the sum of twelve thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twelve cents (\$12,987.12), being the whole of the interest on the College and Seminary Funds for the year 1867, is necessary for the maintenance of the Normal University, the Auditor of Public Accounts is hereby requested to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer for the above sum, payable to C. W. Holder, Treasurer of the State Board of Education.

On motion of B. G. Roots, it was

Resolved, That twenty-five dollars is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of S. W. Moulton, President of this Board, while attending upon the Legislative Committee on State Institutions, during its investigation of the affairs of the Normal University.

On motion of Dr. Goudy, it was

Resolved, That W. M. Hatch, Esq., be authorized and empowered to sell the lands in Woodford county, and the town lots in Normal and Bloomington, belonging to the State Board of Education, and place the proceeds in the hands of the Treasurer of said Board, taking his receipt therefor.

By request, Prof. J. W. Powell, Curator of the Museum of the Illinois Natural-History Society, which is kept in the Normal-University Building, appeared and read the subjoined preliminary Report of his expedition to the Rocky Mountains, made in the interests of Science, and

under the auspices and directions of the State Board of Education, as provided at the special meeting of the Board, held March 26, 1867; and,
On motion of N. Bateman, it was unanimously

Ordered, That the very interesting and valuable Report of the Curator be printed with the Proceedings of this meeting of the Board.

REPORT OF PROFESSOR POWELL.

NORMAL, ILLINOIS, DECEMBER 18TH, 1867.

Gentlemen of the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

I have the honor to make the following preliminary report of the Scientific Expedition ordered by you at the special meeting of the Board, held March, 1867.

In the latter part of April I visited Washington for the purpose of obtaining some assistance from the War Department for the proposed expedition. On application to Gen. Grant, commanding the Armies of the United States, he saw fit to transmit through me to Gens. Augur and Hancock orders to the effect that my party should be furnished with an escort to the Mauvais Terres, and to the South, Middle and North Parks of the Rocky Mountains, and also that the Commissary Department should furnish us with rations at government rates. This order for the rations was a saving to the party of more than one thousand dollars.

I have great pleasure in reporting to you this appreciation and cordial support from him whom we all so profoundly honor. The following is a copy of the correspondence and orders relating to this subject:

GENERAL U. S. GRANT,
Commanding Armies of United States,
Washington, D. C.:

WASHINGTON, D. C., APRIL 29, 1867.

GENERAL: A party of Naturalists, under the auspices of the State Normal University of Illinois, will visit the Mauvais Terres of Southwestern Dakota for the purpose of making a more thorough geological survey of that region. From thence the party will proceed to explore the 'Parks' in the Rocky Mountains. An appropriation was made by the Legislature of Illinois, which will in part defray the expenses of the expedition. Two or three other scientific societies will lend their assistance. The aid of the War Department is also needed in order that the expedition may succeed.

I therefore respectfully request that the commanding officer of the Department of the Platte may be instructed to furnish the party with an escort from Fort Laramie to the Mauvais Terres and return, of as many men as he may think necessary, and the exigencies of the service may permit. And I further request that he may be instructed to render such assistance as he may be able, in transporting the collections made by the party to Fort Laramie. And I

also request that the officers of the Commissary Department, on the route traveled by the party, may be instructed to sell supplies to it at government rates.

Invoking your kind consideration of these requests, I am

Your most obedient servant,

[Signed]

J. W. POWELL,
Curator Ill. Nat. Hist. Society.

On this application the following indorsement was made:

Respectfully referred to Brevet Major-General O. C. Augur, commanding Department of the Platte, who will furnish to Major Powell the escort asked for, if it can be done without detriment to the public service; and also direct his commissaries of subsistence to sell to Major Powell and his party, consisting in all of twelve persons, rations for their own use at government rates, while making their explorations.

By command of General Grant.

[Signed]

GEORGE K. LEET, Asst. Adjt. General.

Headquarters A. U. S., April 29th, 1867.

On receiving this, General Augur published the following order:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE PLATTE, }
OMAHA, NEB., MAY 23D, 1867. }

Special Orders No. 97.

(Extract.)

I.—Commanding officers of posts in this military department will direct their commissaries of subsistence to sell to Major Powell and party, consisting in all of twelve persons, rations for their own use at government rates, while engaged in making scientific explorations within the Department.

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By command of Brevet Major General Augur.

[Signed]

H. G. LITCHFIELD, Brevet Lieut.-Colonel,
Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

Official.

[Signed]

WILLIAM H. BISBEE, Captain 27th Infantry,
Aid-de-Camp, Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

I was also furnished with an order to General Hancock, of like purport, but did not find it necessary to call on him for favors. I found the officers commanding forts on the Plains to be very courteous and willing to assist me, and I am indebted to them for many favors.

I next applied to the proper officers of the railroads necessary to be used in prosecuting the expedition, for free transportation for man and material. The result was very gratifying. Favors were received from the following: the Chicago, Alton and St. Louis Railway; the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago Railroad; the North Western R. R.; the Chicago and Rock Island R. R., and the Northern line of the Pacific R. R. These passes amounted in all to about seventeen hundred dollars. This certainly exhibits an enlightened and profound interest in the progress of scientific investigation on the part of the officers managing these roads. And it shows a generosity that demands our gratitude. But for this liberality, it would have been impossible to have made the expedition.

I also received favors from the American Express Company, and Wells, Fargo & Co., in transporting packages without charge.

The Trustees of the Industrial University, on application from me, were pleased to appropriate five hundred dollars towards the expenses of the enterprise. In consideration for this amount, I agreed to furnish sets from the duplicates of the collections made in the several departments. And I further agreed to furnish the Museum of that University certain collections from my private cabinet.

The Chicago Academy of Sciences made an appropriation of one hundred dollars to the enterprise, and I was also supplied from that institution with tools and material, the value of which I am unable to give. To Dr. William Stinson, the Curator of the Academy, I am indebted for valuable advice and assistance in making up the outfit for the party.

I am also indebted to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, for favors received.

Having secured these favors, attention was next called to the personnel of the expedition. I was much disappointed in not having the assistance of Dr. J. A. Sewall, of the Normal University, and Dr. George Vasey, of Richview, as both of these gentlemen found it impossible to go. The party was finally organized as follows:

A. H. THOMPSON, Supt. of Public Schools, Bloomington, *Entomologist*.

Rev. WM. E. SPENCER, of Rock Island, *Assistant Entomologist*.

T. J. BURRILL, Principal of Public Schools, Urbana, *Botanist*.

Rev. J. O. HARTZELL, Bloomington, *Zoölogist*.

M. F. BISHOP, Marquette, Michigan, *Assistant Zoölogist*.

EDWARD W. SPENCER, Rock Island, *Ornithologist*.

S. H. HUSE, Evanston, *Assistant Ornithologist*.

Mrs. EMMA D. POWELL, Normal, *Assistant Ornithologist*.

M. TITTERINGTON, Rock Island, *Herpetologist*.

S. H. KERRICK, Bloomington, *Mineralogist*.

GEORGE D. PLATTE, Rock Island, *Artist*.

J. W. POWELL, Curator Ill. Nat. Hist. Society, *Geologist*.

In the latter part of May I proceeded to Council Bluffs, and purchased teams, wagons, camp equipage, etc. On consultation with General Sherman, I found that it would not be safe to visit the Mauvais Terres, as large bodies of Indians were supposed to be encamped in that region, determined to prevent all travel through their most valued hunting-grounds; for this reason, we went direct to Denver, taking the route on the south side of Platte River. On the way across the Plains, large collections of plants and insects were made, and a few mammals, birds, reptiles, and fishes, and also a few fossils.

We arrived at Denver on the 1st of July, and from there went to the cañon of the South Platte. In this region we made large collections in various departments. There is a range of mountains running from the cañon of the Platte, in a direction a little east of south, and terminating just east of Pike's Peak. We crossed this range of mountains a few miles south of the cañon, into a Park which heads

on the slope of the foot-hills at the base of Pike's Peak, and extends north more than thirty miles to the base of Devil's Head. This Park varies from three to five miles in width, with a rich meadow stretching down its entire length, and bordered on either side with heavy pine woods that reach up the mountain sides and change into a dwarfed growth of firs and poplars, that in turn are lost among the crags and rocks of the summits. In the midst of the meadow runs a beautiful stream, that becomes a torrent in its lower course, plunging down a cañon with walls two hundred and fifty feet high, and trending to the west of Devil's Head, it pours itself into the Platte. With a range of mountains on either hand broken into peaks at the summit, with Devil's Head at the north—a mountain one imagines was made of a score or two of common mountains, and that each one is for ever trying to lift its peaks above the clouds; with Pike's Peak closing the park on the south—Pike's Peak with its everlasting snow-fields and ever-flying clouds and ever-roaring cascades; with all these peaks about it, we were minded to call it the Park of the Peaks.

Here we remained nearly two weeks, and enriched our collections with much that was interesting and beautiful.

Having ascended Pike's Peak, we wandered slowly among the mountains into South Park. And now we explored the South Platte to its source. In a little park with Mount Lincoln on its left, as we ascended, and Triaquiæ—a spur of Mount Lincoln—on the right, we found the source of the river. We called the park Lincoln Park—a mountain-valley of about one hundred and fifty acres, just at the timber-line, with stunted evergreens below, and a meadow of blooming beauty above, and walled in by mountains from three to five thousand feet high. Standing in the park, you can see but a small patch of blue heaven above. Away up on the side of Triaquiæ are two lakes: the upper is fed from a huge snow-bank that lies in a gulch back and above. This is the head of Platte River, and we named it Platte Lake. The waters of this lake are poured down a cascade into a lake below. A snow-bank on the left feeds another cascade, that tumbles several hundred feet over the rocks into this basin of half-liquid snow. Then these accumulated waters plunge into the valley by another cascade. So we called this Cascade Lake.

Our next journeying was down the Platte seventy-five or eighty miles, then across to the gold and silver region, about Central City. Here large collections of minerals were made, and my notes on the geology of the country are quite lengthy. My final report will exhibit the nature and extent of the various collections, and the observations made on the geological structure of the country.

About the last of August the party broke up, and all but Mrs. Powell and myself returned to the States. I can not refrain from expressing a word of gratification at the energy and ability displayed by the

members of the party. The hardships of a life in the wilderness were borne without murmur. The beauty of the parks and the glory of the peaks were considered more than recompense for toil and privation and danger.

Although the time set for the expedition to terminate had come, and the other gentlemen were compelled to return to their homes, I concluded to visit Middle and North Parks. I spent the months of September and October in that region, making an exploration of the head-waters of the Colorado River (or the Grand, as the upper part of that river is called). As I hope to complete the exploration of that river next year, I defer this part of my report.

The entire expense of the expedition was two thousand one hundred and thirty-eight dollars (\$2,138.00); of which five hundred dollars (500.00) were paid by the Board of Education of the State of Illinois, five hundred dollars (\$500.00) by the Board of Trustees of the Industrial University, and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) by the Chicago Academy of Science, and the balance by myself. This, of course, does not include the favors received from the War Department, the Railroads, the Express Companies, nor the time and subsistence of the members of the party. A fair estimate of all this would not be less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

I have the pleasure to report that the collections have arrived at the Museum without serious injury or loss.

Hoping to have the honor of making a more extended and thorough report to you at the next meeting of the Board, I am

Your obedient servant,

J. W. POWELL,
Curator Ill. Nat. Hist. Society.

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

Resolved, That the Curator of the Illinois Natural-History Society be authorized to make such distribution of duplicates of his collections, among the principal public schools of the state, as he considers expedient, in compliance with the object of the law authorizing his appointment.

Judge Green offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That application be made to the next General Assembly for permission to sell the land lying northwest of the University Building, which is not connected with the site of the University, and invest the proceeds of such sale in a permanent endowment-fund.

After remarks and suggestions by various members of the Board, the foregoing resolution, on motion of Judge Green, was laid over and made a special order for the first day of the next stated meeting of the Board.

On the further motion of Judge Green, it was

Ordered, That C. W. Holder, the Treasurer of the State Board of Education, is hereby authorized to receipt for the \$2,500 appropriated for the year 1868, by the fourth section of the 'Act concerning the Board of Education and the Illinois Natural-History Society', approved February 28, 1867.

The Treasurer's Report, together with sundry accounts and vouchers, was laid before the Board, and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Secretary then, by request, read the subjoined memorial of the Professors in the University, asking an increase of salary:

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

We, the undersigned, members of the Faculty of the Normal University, would respectfully bring to your consideration the smallness of the salaries at present received by us, and ask that they be duly increased, if possible. We ask for an increase of compensation:

First, Because our present salaries are not equal to our current family expenses.

Second, Because the cost of living has increased fully one hundred per cent. within five years, while our salaries have not been increased fifteen per cent.

Third, Because the teachers at the head of the best public schools in our small cities are receiving greater salaries than we are, and we can but feel it a disgrace to work in an institution acknowledged as the head of the public-school system of this state, for less pay than others receive in positions of less responsibility.

Fourth, Because within a brief period opportunities have been presented by which we could have exchanged our present positions for others to which salaries were attached exceeding by a third or more those we are now receiving.

These offers have thus far been declined, as each of us felt unwilling to leave work he loves, and in which there seems abundant evidence of usefulness, for increase of compensation alone,—at least, until it shall be fully settled that our present salaries can not be adequately increased.

Hoping that this subject, important to us and, as we believe, to the success of the University, will receive your candid and favorable notice, we remain

Your obedient servants,

EDWIN C. HEWETT,
JOSEPH A. SEWALL,
THOMAS METCALF,
ALBERT STETSON.

Whereupon, on motion of Judge Green, the Board adopted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The four Professors in the Normal University have presented a petition requesting an increase of their respective salaries (now \$1,500 each), and presenting their reasons for such request;

Resolved, That we recognize the truth of the facts stated in said petition, and the justice of the request; and that we will proceed with as little delay as possible to make efforts to have the salaries of the Professors of the University increased to amounts commensurate with their very valuable labors, and we express great confidence that our efforts will be successful; and as soon as it is possible, the salaries of said professors shall be increased to the sum of \$2,000 each. And that we further express the purpose of the Board, at the same time, to increase the salary of Miss Emaline Dryer, Preceptress in the Normal University, to the sum of \$1,100.

The following resolutions, offered by Mr. Bateman, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to enable Prof. John W. Powell, Curator of the Museum, to resume and still further prosecute his explorations, collections, and general field-work, during the next year.

Resolved, That the further sum of three hundred dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying the actual expenses incurred by the Curator in making his large and valuable private collection, which he has placed in the Museum of the University.

On motion of Dr. Goudy, it was

Resolved, That C. W. Holder, Treasurer of the Board of Education of the State of Illinois, is hereby authorized and instructed to receive from the State Treasurer, and to receipt for, fifteen hundred dollars, the remaining amount of the three thousand dollars appropriated by section five of an act entitled 'An act concerning the Board of Education and the Illinois Natural-History Society', approved February 23, 1867, for the purpose of laying out and ornamenting the site of the State Normal University; the said sum being necessary, for the purposes therein set forth, during the ensuing year.

Mr. Fell here made a statement of his progress thus far in laying out and ornamenting the University Grounds, and also presented an exhibit of his receipts and expenditures.

Mr. Hatch, a member, here appeared and took his seat in the Board.

Mr. Wells submitted the subjoined preamble and resolutions, all of which were adopted:

Whereas, Prof. E. C. Hewett has requested leave of absence from the Normal University for one year; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Education recognize in Prof. Hewett an instructor of marked ability and special fitness for the position he now occupies.

Resolved, That leave of absence, without pay, be granted to Prof. E. C. Hewett during one year from the first of January, or the first of July, 1868, as he may prefer.

On motion of Mr. Wells, the following resolutions were also adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution passed by this Board at the meeting last June, appointing the days for the regular meetings of the Board in December and July, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the regular meetings of this Board shall be held on the second Wednesday preceding Christmas and the second Wednesday preceding the Fourth of July, in each year.

The subjoined preamble and resolutions, respecting the right and conditions of way of the Bloomington and Normal Horse-Railway Company through a portion of the University Grounds, were then read, as follows:

Whereas, The Bloomington and Normal Horse-Railway Company, in pursuance of an agreement made by said Company with the Committee of this Board on Buildings and Grounds, have laid down the track of their said railway, across the southeast corner of the grounds of the Normal-University site; therefore,

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the State of Illinois, That the said Railway Company shall have the right to maintain and operate their said railway, as the track is now laid down and used by said company, across the grounds of said University, for a period of twenty years; and for that period, the said company shall have the right to use and occupy the ground now occupied by the track of said company, where it crosses the said Normal-University site, and to use and occupy so much ground on either side of said track, not exceeding one rod from the centre, as may be necessary to enable said company to keep and preserve said track fit for use as a horse-railway track.

This grant and permit is made upon the following conditions, to wit:

1st. Wherever said railway track shall cross the line of said site, the said company shall erect and keep in good repair, at all times during the period of this grant, cattle-guards, sufficient to keep all stock from entering said site at places of entrance of said site by said railway.

2d. Said railway company shall be responsible for all damages and injury to the said University grounds caused by their negligence or carelessness, or by that of their employés, during the period of this grant.

3d. Said company shall adjust their said road as near as practicable to all walks or drives crossing the same, and shall plank their said road at such crossings, to the full width of said crossings, and to be made in such manner as shall make the crossings easy.

4th. The rate of speed while passing through said grounds shall not exceed the rate of six miles per hour, and said company shall neither receive nor discharge passengers within the said University grounds.

5th. That in running the cars through said grounds, the said company shall cause proper notice to be given of the approach of said cars to or on said grounds, by ringing a bell, or otherwise.

6th. The said company shall construct culverts wherever they are needed, under their said railway, where the same crosses said University grounds, said culverts to be of sufficient size to carry off the water readily.

7th. Said company shall not alter or change the track of their said railway as the same is now laid across said University grounds, without the assent of the Board of Education.

8th. That said company, by its proper officer, shall file with the Secretary of this Board a written acceptance of this grant upon the conditions above set forth.

After a brief discussion, on motion of Mr. Fell, the foregoing preamble and resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Roots, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board consult with the Attorney-General concerning the right of the State Board of Education to the full amount of the interest of the College and Seminary Funds, under the 8th section of the Act of February 18th, 1857, entitled 'An act for the establishment and maintenance of a Normal University'; and that he submit the opinion of the Attorney-General to the Auditor of State, and that if the said Auditor still hesitates to pay over the full amount of said interest upon the order of this Board, that the Secretary, without delay, proceed in the appropriate manner to try the right of the State Board of Education to the full amount of said funds.

Mr. Hatch, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the committee had examined the Report of President Edwards, relative to the disposition of the contingent fund, and find the same correct. The following is the synopsis:

Amount received at last meeting.....		\$300.00
Amount disbursed, as per vouchers submitted.....	\$111.46	
Amount found due Mr. Edwards at last report.....	145.92	257.38
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Leaving a balance in his hands.....		\$42.62

Mr. Hatch, on behalf of the Auditing Committee, further reported that they had examined the following claims, referred to them, and recommend that they be allowed and paid:

FROM STATE FUND.

To Messrs. Major and Kern.....	\$17.00
“ N. W. Rokker.....	6.00
“ Haggard & Powers.....	12.00
“ N. C. Nason, printing Proceedings of Board.....	37.00
“ Amos Kemp, repairing books.....	3.75
“ Dietrich and Brodner.....	1.50
“ Mason Brothers, Krusi's Drawing	15.00
“ N. C. Nason, printing Catalogues, 1866-7.....	290.60
“ Geo. & C. W. Sherwood, school-room furniture.....	259.50

Your committee recommend that the bill of Steele, Briggs & Co., for sundry printing, amounting to \$38.75, be referred to Mr. Edwards for adjustment.

Mr. Hatch, on behalf of the Auditing Committee, further reported that the committee had examined the report and vouchers of Mr. Fell, of his disbursement of the fund for ornamenting grounds, of which the following is an abstract:

Receipts from all sources.....	\$1256.75
Total expenditures.....	922.50
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Balance on hand.....	\$334.25

Of the payments, \$190.08 should have come out of the State Fund, and we recommend that the Treasurer transfer \$190.08 from the State Fund to the Ornamental Fund.

On motion of Dr. Goudy, it was

Resolved, That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the sum of two hundred dollars, to be placed at the disposal of the President of the Normal University, as a Contingent Fund, to defray incidental expenses of said institution for the ensuing six months; and that he report the items of expenditure (with vouchers) to the next meeting of the Board.

Dr. Goudy, on behalf of the Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer, reported that they had examined the same, and compared it with the accompanying vouchers, and find the same correct.

The following is an abstract of said report:

STATE FUND.

To cash on hand, as per last report.....	\$1,655.03
“ “ received from rent of farm.....	100.00
“ “ received from tuition in Model School.....	2,206.15
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	\$3,961.18

Contra.

By cash disbursed, on thirty-three orders.....	\$3,593.74
“ “ on hand, to balance.....	367.44
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	\$3,961.18

FUND FOR ORNAMMENTING THE GROUNDS.

To cash on hand, as per last report.....	\$1,500.00
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Contra.

By cash disbursed, on two orders.....	\$962.67
“ “ on hand, to balance.....	537.33
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	\$1,500.00

FUND FOR HEATING APPARATUS.

To cash balance, on hand, as per last report.....	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
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BUILDING FUND.

To cash balance, on hand, as per last report.....	<u>\$69.06</u>
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President Edwards laid before the Board the subjoined Financial Exhibit, which, on motion of Mr. Bateman, was ordered to be printed with the Proceedings of this meeting of the Board:

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE STATE NORMAL UNIVERSITY, FOR THE YEAR 1866-7.

Receipts.

From State Treasury.....	\$12,445.99
From Model School.....	5,000.00
From Model School, previous year.....	2,649.72
Total receipts.....	\$20,095.71

Expenditures.

Salaries, President and four Professors.....	\$9,000.00
“ Lady Preceptress.....	900.00
“ Janitor.....	400.00
“ Model-School Teachers.....	4,200.00
“ Engineer.....	450.00
Heating.....	1,850.00
Personal expenses of members of Board.....	581.15
Contingent expenses by President.....	645.92
Catalogues.....	250.82
Circulars and miscellaneous printing.....	34.80
Proceedings of the Board.....	63.00
Hardware, etc.....	44.95
Grates under boiler.....	28.37
Circulars and advertising.....	50.00
Binding books.....	44.65
Stationery and chalk.....	48.30
Advertising school and Institute.....	69.10
Janitor's supplies.....	30.00
Treasurer's commission.....	248.90
Insurance to January and February, 1870.....	1,200.00
	<u>\$20,139.96</u>

On motion of Mr. Fell, it was

Resolved, That the President and Secretary of the Board be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the fifteen hundred dollars for ornamenting the grounds.

The Special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Green, Moulton, and Fell, to whom was referred the account of W. M. Hatch, for sundry professional services rendered the Board at various times, reported progress and asked leave to sit again, which was granted.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

S. W. MOULTON, President.

NEWTON BATEMAN, Secretary.