

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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*REGULAR MEETING:*

HELD AT NORMAL, DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> AND 6<sup>TH</sup>, 1871.

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NORMAL, ILLINOIS, DEC. 5TH, 1871. }

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS met on Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 1871, at ten o'clock A.M.

PRESENT—Messrs. Clarke, Fell, Gastman, Goudy, Leal, Moulton, Roots, Wells, Worthington, and Bateman—10.

ABSENT—Messrs. Coy, Foster, Green, Mayo, and Noetling—5.

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

By invitation, Pres. Edwards appeared and read his semi-annual report, which is as follows:

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

GENTLEMEN: The condition of the University is much the same as at this time last year. The number of students in attendance for the term has been as follows:

<i>Normal Department</i> .....	{	Gentlemen.....	133		
		Ladies.....	180		
		Total.....	—	313	
<i>High School</i> .....		Gentlemen.....	33		
		Ladies.....	24		
		Total.....	—	57	
<i>Grammar School</i> .....		Boys.....	83		
		Girls.....	55		
		Total.....	—	138	
<i>Primary School</i> .....		Boys.....	17		
		Girls.....	11		
		Total.....	—	28	
<i>Total for the term in the University</i> ...		Males.....	266		
		Females.....	270		
		Grand Total.....	—	536	

These numbers really exceed the capacity of the building, and some forty or more have been compelled to sit in the aisles, and to hold their books on the window-sills.

By an act of the present legislature, passed at its first session, and approved April 14, 1871, certain sums of money were appropriated to this institution, to be paid quarterly in advance. Among these are the following, the first installment of which ought, as we suppose, to have been paid to us on the first day of July last:

For Repairs .....	\$1,000	per annum.
“ Reference Library.....	750	“
“ Fuel.....	750	“
“ Expenses of Members of Board.....	500	“
“ Care of Grounds.....	250	“
“ Janitor’s Supplies.....	100	“
“ Chemicals.....	1,500	“
Total.....	<u>\$4,850</u>	“

There may have been good reasons for delaying the payment of the other appropriations, but of these surely one quarter ought to have been paid in July. Much inconvenience and injury have resulted from the failure to receive these moneys.

We are still disturbed by the old problem of “heating and ventilation.” Most of the time the air in the building is absolutely hurtful and almost intolerable. It is to be hoped that something may soon be done to give our pupils pure air to breathe. To demand that they shall have vigorous frames and exhibit ruddy cheeks while inhaling the impurities that daily float through the rooms and passage-ways of this house is to demand an impossibility.

Since your last meeting, the water closets have been converted into earth closets, with the best results. The present arrangement possesses many advantages over the former, and I can not refrain from earnestly recommending it to all who are charged with the furnishing of school-houses and their appurtenances.

Applications have been made by a number of colored persons for admission into the institution. I respectfully ask that some order may be taken on this subject by which I may hereafter be guided.

In accordance with a vote of the Board at its last meeting, there has been an increase of supervision in the Model School. Latterly the different classes have been assigned to different mem-

bers of the Normal Faculty, and a report is made by each upon the term's work, which is recorded in a book provided for that purpose.

Since the action of the Illinois Natural-History Society by which all title to the contents of the Museum has been transferred to the state, it has seemed necessary for the Board to give more special attention to the details of its management. One thousand dollars per annum have been appropriated for the improvement of this department of the University, and it would be well that a committee of your own number should be appointed to have charge over the matter.

In accordance with a vote of the Board at its last meeting, I have secured the services of Mr. E. W. Coy, late of Peoria, as Principal of our High School; and of Miss Martha E. Hughes, late of Decatur, as Principal of the Primary School. Mr. Coy, as Principal of the Peoria High School, had acquired an enviable reputation, and his transfer to us has brought us a large accession of influence and character. It is almost superfluous to say that our high expectations concerning his work here have been fully realized. Miss Hughes, too, came highly recommended, and her work is satisfactory and promising.

At present, as at all previous times, our greatest want is of boarding accommodations. If we had the arrangements for boarding our pupils that have been adopted in the normal schools of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and other states, our power for good would be twice what it now is. A mere inspection of the working of the boarding-house at Bridgewater, Mass., would seem enough to satisfy any reasonable person on this head.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

[Signed]

RICHARD EDWARDS.

The Treasurer then presented his report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee for examination.

Mr. Fell, whom the Board had authorized, by a resolution passed at the last meeting, to purchase fuel for the University, presented a report of his action in the matter, which was approved.

Mr. Fell further reported concerning the fence around the University farm, as follows:

*To the Board of Education, State of Illinois,  
December Session, 1871.*

At your last meeting I invited your attention to the fact that, in consequence of a road being established on the west side of our farm, and the utter insufficiency of the fence on the south, two entire new lines of fence would have to be built on these sides; and that, in order to avail ourselves of the benefit of a strip containing about three acres lying outside of our present inclosure on the north, we should have to construct a fence there, also, the entire length of the farm; as on that side, also, a public road is called for and is about to be opened.

In reference to the north line, as the additional amount to be inclosed is inconsiderable,—about three acres only,—and as we have a live fence on about five-sixths of that boundary, as the fence now stands; and, moreover, as I found I could rent the three-acre strip, to the owner of the adjoining farm on the north, on satisfactory terms, I abandoned the idea of making any change in this string of fence, except to repair the part built with lumber and connecting the live fence.

In reference to the south and west lines of fencing, above referred to, in accordance with what I understood to be your wishes, I advertised for propositions to build two strings of fence, amounting in all to 288 panels, materials to be found by us and placed on the ground. In response I received three written propositions, to build the fence for 40, 50, and 62½ cents per panel, respectively. I let the job to the same men who built our fence around the University grounds, at 33½ cents per panel; the posts to be inserted two and one-half feet in the ground, sawed off at the top, the fence to be four boards high, the whole to be battened, and the south string to be capped.

I take pleasure in informing you that the contractors, Wm. Barton & Son, have, as heretofore, built a good fence; and now they join with me in the request, that you inspect the same, that it may stand approved by you, if found deserving. Nearly all the materials of which this fence is made were taken from the old fences on the farm, and around this inclosure, so that its cost is not very great; and still there is a sufficient amount of the old material on hand to put in order the small amount of board fence on the north side, which connects the two strings of live fence on that side, as heretofore explained.

By an examination of the accompanying bills, it will be seen that there is due Blackburn & Brown, for materials furnished in making this fence, \$65; to Barton & Sons, for building it, \$96—less \$50.50 advanced to them by me; and to myself, in addition to the said \$50.50, for assorting and hauling the materials on to the ground, \$23.37, making a total of \$184.37 for the materials and building of 288 panels of substantially-built fence.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

[Signed]

JESSE W. FELL.

In behalf of the Committee to which was referred the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Board authorizing "repairs on the building" and the "closets connected therewith," Mr. Fell presented a report of action taken in the premises, which likewise received the approbation of the Board.

The following communication, in reference to Insurance on the University building, was laid before the Board and ordered to be spread on the minutes:

BLOOMINGTON, Dec. 1st, 1871.

HON. JESSE W. FELL, *Ch'n of Com. on Insurance,*  
*of the Illinois State Board of Education.*

DEAR SIR: In accordance with your request, I hand you the following statement of the condition of the Fire Insurance upon the State Normal University Building. The insurance was placed as follows:

Insurance Co. of North America.....	\$10,000
People's, of California .....	5,000
Springfield Fire and Marine.....	10,000
Security, of New York.....	10,000
Merchants', of Hartford.....	10,000
Home, of Columbus.....	5,000
	\$50,000

Of this, the insurance in the Home, of Columbus, the Springfield Fire and Marine, and the Insurance Co. of North America, is good. The Security, of New York, is in the hands of a receiver, but will, by the decisions of the Insurance Department of New York, be compelled to pay back the unearned premiums. It will, however, be some time before the money will be received.

The People's, of California, has suspended. It should, by the

laws of the State of California, pay back the unearned premiums; but it has notified its agents that it can not pay any thing back. It seems to be an attempt to avoid its honest debts. The Merchants', of Hartford, has suspended; but I have not been able to learn what they intend to do about the unearned premiums.

I can place the insurance that is now worthless in the North British and Mercantile, the Phoenix of Hartford, the Phoenix of Brooklyn, and the Andes of Columbus, at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. for five years, and from this will remit my brokerage commission of 10 per cent.

Allow me to suggest that the great value of the building and its contents warrants the carrying of additional insurance, so that the whole amount shall be at least \$100,000. I have facilities for placing any amount that you may desire in companies that, tried by the test of the Chicago fire, have shown themselves sound.

Hoping that you may believe that in placing the insurance in the first instance I tried to do the best I could for the institution,

I am your most obed't serv't,

W. L. PILLSBURY.

On motion of Mr. Bateman, Mr. Clarke was appointed a special Committee to endeavor to recover unearned premiums from insolvent Insurance Companies carrying risks on the University Building, to report at the next meeting of the Board.

On the motion of Dr. Goudy, Mr. Clarke was also added to the Standing Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

On the further motion of Dr. Goudy, the Board adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That Mr. Fell, Chairman of Committee on Buildings and Grounds, cause to be inclosed and set out with trees three acres of ground lying adjacent to the University, in accordance with report made to the Board.

The President's report of his expenditures of the Contingent Fund was presented and referred to the Auditing Committee.

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

*Resolved*, That the matter of receiving colored applicants for admission as pupils in the Normal University be referred to the Committee on Officers and Teachers, with a request that they report at this meeting of the Board.

Mr. Clarke, Chairman of the special Committee on Heating and Ventilation, made the following report:



*To the Board of Education.*

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee to whom was referred "the matter of heating and ventilating the University Building in accordance with the bill of the last legislature making appropriation for this purpose, with power to act in respect to boiler," report that, subsequent to the last semi-annual meeting of the Board, the boiler in the University Building was more carefully examined by an expert, who pronounced it safe to be used through the winter. Your Committee did not, therefore, deem it expedient to take any action in regard to procuring a new boiler, until they could report on the whole subject of heating and ventilation and the Board could take action on the entire matter.

Your Committee met in Chicago, and made careful inquiry as to the best method of heating and ventilating buildings like the University,—had conferences with various gentlemen skilled in such matters,—examined the heating apparatus of some of the public school-houses,—and arrived at this conclusion: that the most, and perhaps the only, satisfactory method of heating and ventilating a large public building is by means of a system of indirect radiation combined with the use of the fan blower.

It would be practicable to introduce such a system into this building, but the expense of doing this would not probably be less than ten thousand dollars. The appropriation made by the legislature is but \$4,000. The question therefore comes, is it expedient to endeavor to procure from the legislature an additional appropriation sufficient, with the amount already appropriated, to thoroughly heat and ventilate the University Building?

If this course is not deemed expedient, there is a method of combining the system of direct and indirect radiation, without the use of the fan, which would perhaps be an improvement on the present system, but by no means as satisfactory as the system of indirect radiation with the use of a fan.

Your Committee make no recommendation, but report what they have learned in regard to the subject, and leave the matter to the Board to take action thereon.

GEORGE C. CLARKE, }  
E. A. GASTMAN, } Committee.  
JESSE W. FELL, }

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Wells, the annexed resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Special Committee on Heating and Ventilating the University Building be continued—that they be requested to obtain, if possible, further appropriation for this purpose, from the State Legislature, to make a total of ten thousand dollars, and that they be empowered to act as they deem best, in the expenditure of the appropriations that may be found, upon consultation with the Governor, can be legally made for the purposes stated.

Mr. Bateman, Chairman of the Committee on Officers and Teachers, then submitted the following report:

*Gentlemen of the Board:*

The Committee on Officers and Teachers, to whom was referred so much of Pres. Edwards's semi-annual report as relates to the admission of colored students to the privileges of the State Normal University, respectfully report:

That, in our opinion, neither this Board nor the Faculty of the University has any right to recognize distinctions of race or color in determining who shall or who shall not be admitted to the several departments of the University, the equal rights of all the youth of the state to participate in the benefits of our system of public education, of which the Normal University is a part, being, as we think, fully established and guaranteed by the organic laws of the state.

Respectfully submitted.

NEWTON BATEMAN, } Committee.  
E. A. GASTMAN,

The report was adopted.

Mr. Roots offered the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That Messrs. Fell, Gastman and Pres. Edwards be constituted a Committee to make the best possible investment of the thousand dollars appropriated to make additions to the Museum.

On motion of Dr. Goudy, that part of President Edwards's Report in regard to the employment of teachers, authorized at the last meeting of the Board, was referred to the Committee on Teachers, to report at this meeting of the Board.

Mr. Fell presented a supplementary and final report in relation to his management and improvement of the grounds, as follows:

*To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois,  
December Session, 1871.*

GENTLEMEN: In presenting to your Board an additional—and, as I trust, final—report of my doings pertaining to the care and improvement of the grounds, including the farm, allow me to call your attention to three reports which I submitted to you at your semi-annual meeting one year ago. In the reports referred to, it will be seen that, after charging myself with the various amounts received from your treasurer, for repairs, sidewalks, fencing and improving the grounds, and including also the proceeds of an oat and potato crop raised on the grounds, there had been expended by me for various objects, therein specified, the full amount thus received less \$63.53; which amount your Auditing Committee then reported as in my hands.

It will also be seen, in one of the reports referred to, that there was then due your Board, from the Soldiers'-Orphans' Home, \$92.88, for oats sold from the Normal grounds, July, 1870. An order has been given covering this sum, which is expected to be paid as soon as the necessary appropriation can be made by the legislature now in session. At that meeting an order was passed directing "that \$200 be expended in supplying trees on the University grounds, where they had perished or were wanting," to complete our plans for improvement. In accordance with this order, rendered all the more necessary by a most destructive sleet that occurred soon after its passage, destroying many of our trees and seriously injuring others, I planted last spring, chiefly to supply missing trees forty-two large evergreens and thirty-six deciduous trees, of which latter kind twenty-six were large white elms, averaging six inches in diameter, taken from my own grounds, where they had been trenched the previous year to prepare them for successful transplanting. Notwithstanding the dry weather, I am happy to say that most of the trees thus planted appear to be growing and doing well. This completes the improvement of these grounds, in the way of tree-planting, so far as indicated by your past action.

To those, however, who have examined the grounds, it can not have escaped observation that in some localities trees are still wanting; but, in view of the general desire to restrict our expenditures as far as practicable, I do not ask for any additional appropriations for this object, but—if no objection is made—shall

take the liberty, if time admits, to supply these deficiencies to some extent, at my own expense, during the coming spring. This I can now do the more readily, from the fact that trees heretofore planted on our grounds in nursery form have attained a size and character that fit them for that purpose.

In closing up my relations with you on this subject, it may not be uninteresting to you to know that, notwithstanding the very unfavorable character of three out of the five years that have elapsed since we took it in hand to relieve the nakedness of these grounds, there are now living and growing, with every prospect of continued growth, 1,143 deciduous and 728 evergreen trees, as I have ascertained from actual count, making a total of 1,871. This number, however, includes about 250 that were planted prior to my supervision of the grounds, and 125 set in nursery rows, which can hereafter be profitably used to supply deficiencies.

Notwithstanding considerable sums of money—amounting, since I took charge of this interest, in the aggregate to more than \$3,000—have been expended in the preparation and embellishment of these grounds by tree-planting, when we consider their extent, their bleakness five years ago, the unpropitious character, from excessive drouth and other causes, of three of those years, the prevalence during that time of what may not inaptly be designated as the evergreen blight—desolating, in its sweep, whole plantations in our very midst,—and of the occurrence, during the last year, of the most destructive sleet known to the country; considering, too, the expenses usually incurred in this vicinity, and elsewhere, in making similar improvements, and looking at practical, outstanding results; whilst I could have desired a still higher measure of success, I do not feel that we have greatly erred in our efforts to improve our material or landscape surroundings. Whatever may be the verdict of those around us now on the stage of action (and it would be passing strange if there were not those whose criticisms would not flatter us), we may at least safely leave to posterity the vindication of our acts in this regard. In the fruition of our labors, they will, I doubt not, with grateful hearts remember us, nor criticise too closely errors of judgment common to all men. For one, I shall be satisfied if here and there one of the future thousands that shall throng these grounds, or repose in their shades, shall bear in mind that I was a humble colaborer with you in what has here been accomplished, however imperfect.

We will now pass to a notice of our grounds in general, including the farm. It will be borne in mind by the Board that, in pursuance of a written lease, I had, up to a late period last spring (too late, as I found after repeated and protracted efforts, for the successful letting of the ground to other responsible parties), relied upon Mr. Fisher continuing to cultivate the farm, and, as soon as practicable, to put the whole of it in grass. Being disappointed by Mr. Fisher throwing up his lease at a time when all good renters, and farmers generally, had engaged their lands, and finding myself unable to re-let, on satisfactory terms, to those who would carry out the wishes of the Board to put the land in grass; and in order, too, to get some returns from the ground, and to prevent its getting still more foul from noxious weeds, I had about thirty-five acres plowed and seeded to Hungarian grass, as heretofore reported, and exhibited to some of the Board at our last meeting.

In my efforts to carry out your wishes by seeding the ground in grass, I am happy to inform you that I have at last succeeded in obtaining such a stand, from my own sowings this fall, on not only the Normal grounds proper, but also the farm, as to render it almost certain that this long-desired object is attained, and that hereafter we can reasonably rely upon having remunerative crops of grass, in stead of corn and weeds. In accomplishing this object, however, as you will discover from the accompanying bills, I have made large disbursements, with but small cash receipts in return from rents or proceeds of crops; and there are some bills yet unpaid.

When you last adjourned, there was coming into maturity, in addition to the magnificent crop of weeds, a considerable amount of grass, that by maturing would not only still further seed the ground, but, when harvested and threshed, furnish seed for the market. I flattered myself that by advertising I could get some one who would clear the grounds for the crops. In this, however, I was mistaken, and no alternative was left but to pitch in myself, to the neglect of other interests, and clear the grounds, and endeavor to render them in the future more remunerative. To do this involved the cutting, hauling, stacking and threshing out such portions as I thought would compensate for the expense of so doing, the hauling off and burning of the residue; the cutting, hauling and stacking of about 50 tons of Hungarian grass; the thorough plowing—to the average depth of nine inches—of about

fifty acres of the farm; the harrowing, seeding and rolling of the ground that had been plowed, and the seeding of such as had not, including the Normal grounds proper; in doing all of which, with other unenumerated matters, which I have not the patience to set forth nor you to listen to, expenses accrued largely exceeding any thing I had anticipated, or that had been received from the state, which, in large part, had to be paid in cash, weekly, being due to laborers whose living and that of their families was dependent thereon.

By the exhibit presented herewith, it will be seen that, from all sources relating to the grounds, including the \$63.53 reported in my hands a year ago, and \$300 received of Mr. Fisher for last year's rent, there has been received by me the aggregate sum of \$446.88 in cash, whilst I have paid out, for various objects relating thereto, \$596.19, showing a cash balance in my favor of \$149.31. There are, besides, unpaid bills for labor and trees amounting to \$276.92. On the other hand, however, I hold various obligations to the Board, given for rent, crops, etc., amounting to \$145.88, and about thirty tons of well-cured and safely-stacked Hungarian hay, estimated to be worth \$132, and thirty-eight bushels of well-cleaned timothy and clover seed, worth about \$100 at present prices. It may not be improper here to state that about twenty bushels of grass seed thus obtained was sown on the Normal grounds and farm, besides five bushels taken by and charged to myself; and that had the whole amount of this seed—63 bushels—been sold at the prices last paid by the Board for inferior seed, to wit, \$6.50 per bushel, it would have amounted to the snug little sum of \$409.50. Anticipating a price approaching this figure, and also a reasonable one for the large crop of Hungarian hay and timothy straw, I had hoped, and indeed expected, that my entire expense account would be more than balanced by the receipts; and my failure in this, let me assure you, has not been for want of persistent personal efforts for a different result. Having consented, however, to take upon myself the care and management of these grounds, and thus failing, from causes here imperfectly stated, to make it pay as I had hoped to, I have no right to charge that failure on any one, least of all on you, who have exercised so much forbearance and confidence toward me; but I feel that it is due to you, as well as to myself, that I should go thus minutely—I fear you will think tediously—into a history of what I have done.

What I have done in the construction of a good fence around the farm has been stated elsewhere. And in closing up my stewardship, I will be pardoned for stating that, though I have failed in making such a financial exhibit of this year's operations as many of us perhaps anticipated, I have the pleasant reflection of having striven for the best, and of now surrendering the grounds into your hands in a greatly improved condition; a condition in which it will be a comparatively light task in the future to look after and manage them; and one, too, which affords a reasonable guaranty that in the future the farm, at least, can be relied upon as the source of some income. I will here state that I have advertised for propositions to lease these grounds for a term not exceeding five years, and that for the farm I anticipate offers that will be satisfactory.

In conclusion, you will permit me to express my grateful acknowledgments of the generous confidence you have habitually exercised toward me while engaged in the performance of these duties, and to respectfully, though earnestly, ask of you to be relieved from them in the future. Circumstances now beyond my control, a recital of which would here be out of place, render my continued labors in this connection quite impossible. If, in the future, I find myself so far relieved from present duties as to enable me to render further assistance, should it be your pleasure to desire it, though I may not then have the honor of a place on this Board, I will most cheerfully render it.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JESSE W. FELL.

On motion, the foregoing report was received and approved, and the Secretary was instructed to include the same in the printed proceedings of this meeting.

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

*Resolved*, That Mr. Fell be allowed the sum of \$100 per year, for four years prior to the present year, and for the present year the sum appropriated by the legislature, \$250, for his extra services in taking care of the buildings and grounds, he to be paid out of past proceeds of the farm, and the Hatch note.

Dr. Goudy submitted the following:

WHEREAS, The plate from which Diplomas were printed for the use of the University was destroyed by the late fire in Chicago; therefore,

*Resolved*, That Mr. Clarke and President Edwards be authorized to procure another suitable plate, and the necessary Diplomas to be used at the next annual commencement.

The resolution, with its preamble, was adopted.

Dr. Goudy, of the Auditing Committee, reported that the Committee had examined the President's report of his expenditures of Contingent Fund, and the vouchers accompanying the same, and found all to be correct, and that there remained of said fund an unexpended balance to the credit of the Board of \$182.56.

The report was concurred in.

Dr. Geo. Vasey, Acting Curator of the Museum, submitted a full report of his doings, together with an Inventory of the Museum, up to Dec. 1, 1871, which papers, on motion, were received and placed on file.

A proposition from W. A. Pennell & Co., of Normal, Ill., relative to warming and ventilating the University Building, was also received and ordered filed.

Dr. Goudy, on behalf of the Auditing Committee, presented the following, which was approved:

*To the State Board of Education:*

The Auditing Committee, to whom was referred the report of C. W. Holder, Treasurer of the Board, beg leave to report that they have examined the said report, and the accompanying vouchers, and find the same correct, and recommend its approval.

C. GOUDY,	} Auditing Committee.
E. L. WELLS,	
WM. H. GREEN,	
W. S. COY,	

The following is an abstract of said report:

STATE FUND.

To cash on hand at last report, June 28, 1871...	\$6,604.24	
“ “ received from Model School.....	1,698.89	
		\$8,303.13
To amount overdrawn, Dec. 4, 1871 .....	447.24	
		<u>\$8,750.37</u>
<i>Contra.</i>		
By cash disbursed on 66 orders.....		<u>8,750.37</u>



## FUND FOR HEATING-APPARATUS.

To cash on hand, as per report, June 28, 1871..... \$1,068.86

## WATER-CLOSET.

To cash on hand at last report..... \$500.00

## FURNITURE.

To cash on hand at last report..... \$203.45

*Contra.*

By cash paid on two vouchers ..... \$56.70  
 " " on hand to balance ..... 146.75  
203.45

## BUILDING REPAIRS.

By am't overdrawn at last report, June 28, 1871. \$1,294.51  
 " cash paid on four vouchers ..... 89.40  
\$1,383.91

## MUSEUM FUND.

To balance on hand at last report..... \$833.33  
 " cash received from State of Illinois..... 1,041.67  
\$1,875.00

*Contra.*

By cash paid Geo. Vasey on three orders..... \$1,457.60  
 " " on hand to balance..... 417.40  
1,875.00

## LIBRARY.\*

By cash paid on two orders, overdrawn..... \$118.00

## JANITOR'S SUPPLY.\*

By cash paid on three orders, overdrawn ..... \$40.14

## RECAPITULATION.

Heating-Apparatus, balance on hand..... \$1,068.86  
 Water-Closet Fund, " " " ..... 500.00  
 Furniture Fund " " " ..... 146.75  
 Museum Fund, " " " ..... 417.40  
\$2,133.01

\*Treasurer says: "There has been no provision made to meet orders drawn on 'Library' Fund or 'Janitor's Supply' Fund."

*Contra.*

Deduct amount overdrawn on Building Repairs.	\$1,383.91	
“ “ “ “ Library Fund....	118.00	
“ “ “ “ Janitor's Supply.	40.14	
“ “ “ “ State Fund.....	447.24	
	<u>\$1,989.29</u>	
Total cash on hand to balance, Dec. 4, 1871....	143.72	
		<u><u>2,133.01</u></u>

On motion, the Board adjourned, to meet at the Normal Hotel at 2 o'clock P.M.

NORMAL HOTEL, DEC. 5—2 P.M.

Board met, pursuant to adjournment,—attendance same as at the morning session.

On the motion of Mr. Gastman, the Board passed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the sum of \$500 be placed at the disposal of Pres't Edwards, to be used as a Contingent Fund.

Mr. Bateman submitted the following report, which was adopted:

*Gentlemen of the Board:*

The Committee on Officers and Teachers, to whom was referred the matter of the action of President Edwards in the appointment of teachers, under the resolution passed at the last meeting, have had the subject under careful advisement, and recommend that the action of the President be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

NEWTON BATEMAN, } Committee.  
E. A. GASTMAN, }

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

*Resolved*, That the Janitor shall be paid, for his ordinary services, \$40 per month.

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

*Resolved*, That we continue the use of the Analytical Series of Readers and Spellers in the Normal University; and, in order to conform to the re-

quirements of the Constitution, we request that all teachers employed in said institution shall refuse to receive any profits arising from the sale of said books to the students of the University.

[NOTE.—At this stage of the proceedings, the President and Secretary of the Board were obliged to withdraw, and the subsequent doings of the Board are given as noted by E. L. Wells, Secretary *pro tem*.

NEWTON BATEMAN, Sec'y.]

On motion, Mr. B. G. Roots was called to the chair, and E. L. Wells appointed Secretary *pro tem*.

Judge Green appeared and took his seat in the Board.

Dr. Goudy submitted the following:

*Resolved*, That the action of the Faculty in suspending Frank E. Richey, for violating a rule of the University, be approved, the Board having heard and carefully weighed the evidence offered by Mr. Richey and also the admissions made by him.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion, Board adjourned, to meet at the University Building to-morrow, Dec. 6, at 10 A.M.

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NORMAL UNIVERSITY, DEC. 6, 1871.

Board met. Present—Messrs. Goudy, Green, Coy, Wells, Fell, Roots, and Leal. Mr. Roots in the chair.

Mr. Wells offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the salary of the Preceptress of the University shall be, for the first year of such service, \$1,200; for the second year, \$1,300; and for the third year, and each year thereafter, \$1,500.

The resolution of Mr. Wells was referred to the Committee on Officers and Teachers, to report at the next meeting of the Board.

The following resolution, offered by Mr. Coy, was passed:

WHEREAS, The University land in Jackson county, and in Woodford county, is suffering from trespassers, and is not increasing in value;

*Resolved*, That the President of the Board be requested to ask from the General Assembly the passage of an act authorizing the sale of said land; the proceeds to be used in improvements connected with the University.

The Board then passed the following resolution, offered by Mr. Fell:

*Resolved*, That the President of this Board be, and is hereby, requested to

present to the legislature, at its present session, the urgent necessity for an additional appropriation for heating and ventilating the Normal University Building—the present appropriation being entirely insufficient for that object,—and to ask, also, for an additional appropriation for the painting of the fence recently built around the University grounds; the sum of \$6,000 being deemed sufficient for the first, and \$1,000 for the latter object.

Judge Green, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported the following accounts as correct, and orders for the respective amounts therein were directed to be drawn:

H. M. Rulison, for Stationery.....	\$ 42.29
S. W. Paisley, “ “ .....	27.55
W. O. Davis, “ Catalogues and Advertising .....	329.50
Iverson, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., for Books .....	7.50
Géo. McIntosh, for Repairs on Pipes, etc .....	38.20
Paist & Marmon, for Feather Duster .....	2.65
Harwood Brothers, for Packing and White Lead .....	1.15
Peter Kettleon, for Sheet Rubber .....	1.70
John H. Johnson, for Order Book .....	5.00
Robert Fell, for Brooms .....	9.50
Huston & Gifford, for Cleaning Well .....	18.00
N. C. Nason, for Printing Board Proceedings, June Meeting .....	45.75
Peter Kettleon, for Storing Coal, Washing, etc .....	33.00
Corbett & Hope, “ Repairs .....	3.50
Lewis A. Allen, “ Pump .....	10.00
Bloomington Manufacturing Co., for Grates, etc .....	72.25
W. O. Davis, for Advertising for Coal .....	8.50
W. H. Vandoran, for Weighing Coal .....	4.25
McLean County Coal Co., for Coal .....	506.55
J. W. Fell, for 7 Cords of Wood .....	28.00
Joshua Kelly, for Repairing Furnace .....	5.00

Judge Green, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

The Auditing Committee, to whom were referred all accounts connected with the erection of a fence around the University grounds, report that they find the following accounts correct:

Barton & Son .....	\$96.00
Blackburn & Brown .....	65.00
J. W. Fell .....	23.87
	<u>184.87</u>

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. GREEN,	} Auditing Committee.
C. GOUDY,	
E. L. WELLS,	

On motion, said report was approved; and it was further resolved that the vouchers hereto attached are correct, and that the same be so certified by this Board to the Governor for his approval.

The following further report of Judge Green was adopted:

The Auditing Committee report that they have examined the following accounts and find the same correct.

## IMPROVEMENT OF GROUNDS.

Fell and Longworth, Barrels and Box to hold Seed.....	\$ 2.10
Wm. O. Davis, various Advertisements about grounds.....	42.50
David Kaughman, Threshing timothy.....	12.00
N. N. Jones, Plowing, Hauling, etc.....	23.25
E. H. Colton, Plowing, etc.....	30.75
Harwood Brothers, Seed-Sower.....	10.00

## WATER-CLOSETS.

Jno. R. Dodge, Carpenter work.....	\$132.65
Blackburn & Brown, Lumber and Nails.....	191.49
C. L. Stevenson, Painting.....	99.38

WM. H. GREEN,	} Auditing Committee.
C. GOUDY,	
E. L. WELLS,	

On motion of Dr. Goudy, the following resolution was passed:

*Resolved*, That \$120.60 be transferred from the Furniture Fund and be placed to the credit of Improvement-of-Grounds Fund; and that the Treasurer of the Board be hereby instructed to make said transfer on his books.

On motion of Judge Green, it was

*Ordered*, That the sum of \$250, appropriated to take care of the grounds, be paid to J. W. Fell, who has been keeper of the grounds during the past year.

Whereupon, the Board adjourned, to meet on Wednesday, June 26th, 1872.

B. G. ROOTS, President *pro tem*.

E. L. WELLS, Secretary *pro tem*.