

Ira Mayhew, for expenses, \$29.00. The Board then adjourned to meet in Lansing at the office of the Secretary, Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1857.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

Office of Sec. Board of Education,
Lansing, Jan'y 14, 1857.

The Board of Education met at the office of the Secretary, at 8 o'clock A.M., pursuant to adjournment. Present, H. Liddell, Jr., R. Kellogg, Geo. Willard, and the Secretary.

A communication was received from Prof. L. R. Fisk, in relation to the facilities required for the Department of Chemistry in the Agricultural College, and the amount of time it should consume, and asking for instructions, which communication was considered and placed on file.

Chem. Laboratory
Assistant

The Board authorized Prof. Fisk to fit up the working Laboratory of the College, according to a plan submitted, and to employ an assistant in his Department, at an expense not to exceed the cost of his board with the Steward of the College.

Appointment of President.

Joe. R. Williams
President
Director of Farming

Salary \$1500.

On motion it was unanimously Resolved, That the Hon. Joseph R. Williams be and he is hereby appointed President of the Michigan State Agricultural College, and Director of Practical Farming, at an annual salary of fifteen hundred dollars, (\$1500.00).

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to notify Mr. Williams of his appointment, and to respectfully request his acceptance thereof.

J. M. Gregory
Pol. Econ. & Eng. Lit.
Salary \$750.

On motion it was unanimously Resolved, That Mr. John M. Gregory be appointed to the Department of Political Economy and English Literature in the Agricultural College, for the present at a salary of \$750.00 per annum, the Board hoping ultimately to be able to establish the salary at \$1000.00 per annum, and that the Secretary notify him of his appointment.

The Board continued in open session from day to day, for several successive days, morning, afternoon and evening.

Visiting
Statesmen

Friday, January 16, 1857,

Members of the Board of Education, the Executive Committee of the State Agricultural Society, and a large number of members of the Legislature have this day visited and examined the Agricultural Farm and College Buildings.

The Board continued in open session, considering matters connected with the Agricultural College and Normal School, all the members being in attendance.

Saturday Jan. 17, 1857,

Leave of absence was asked and obtained for George Willard till Monday evening.

Monday, Jan. 19, 1857,

Buildings
not
accepted

Messrs. Miller & Kellogg of the Board of Education visited and carefully inspected the Agricultural College Buildings, with reference to their acceptance on the part of the State from the Contractors; but it was agreed on the part of the Board that the contract had not been fulfilled on the part of the Contractors, and the Board hence decline their acceptance.

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1857,

The Board met at the office of their Secretary, Present W. L. Miller, George Willard and the Secretary, Judge Kellogg being detained at his lodgings by illness.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1857,

The Board agreed upon the following communication to the Legislature, which was transmitted to the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives: -

Memorial
to
Legislature

"Memorial of the State Board of Education upon the subject of an Agricultural College,

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

act
appropriating
Salt Springs lands

"By an act of the Legislature of this State entitled 'an act for the establishment of a State Agricultural School', approved Feb. 12, 1855, 'twenty-two sections of Salt Spring lands, or the moneys arising from the sale thereof, were appropriated for the purchase of land for an experimental farm, upon which the said School shall be located; as also for the

erection of buildings, the purchase of furniture, apparatus, library and implements, payment of professors and teachers, and such other necessary expenses to be incurred in the establishment and successful operation of said School.

"By the act aforesaid, the President and Executive Committee of the Michigan State Agricultural Society were authorized, under certain restrictions, to make the selection of said farm, which was done in the month of June, 1853.

and thereupon by the provision of said act it became the duty of the State Board of Education to cause to be erected the necessary buildings for said School, and to make such arrangements and improvements as the end and object of the plan might in their judgment demand.

"Since the purchase, sundry improvements under the direction of the Board have been made upon the farm, in clearing and draining the same. The west wing of the College buildings, and the boarding house on the premises, are nearly completed. Some of the requisite outbuildings are in a state of forwardness, and will be finished as soon as the weather will permit; and thus far the Board have endeavored to do all in their power to have the College opened for the reception of students as early as the first Wednesday of April next.

"In addition to the sum paid for the farm, the same being \$10,500.00, or thereabouts, the Board of Education have expended the further sum of \$34,774.19 in improvements upon the farm, in buildings, and in sundry incidental expenses. Other expenditures must be made before the buildings now erected are furnished for the reception of students, and fully prepared for the proper working of the different departments of the College. On the opening of the Spring the farm must be fenced, implements and teams for agricultural work must be provided, and the whole system within doors and out of doors must be put in motion and adequately sustained.

"During the approaching summer and ensuing fall, the East wing of the College, and dwelling houses for the accommodation of the professors of the institution and their families, should be erected, the grounds around the College premises properly laid out, and

Selection
of
Farm

Building of

Expenditures

Wants

Tools, Teams

Dwellings

tastefully arranged, and permanent improvements should be made in fencing the grounds, and fitting them for use, as well upon the farm as around the College buildings. It will at once be seen that to do all of this properly and thoroughly, a sum of money will be required fully equal to that already expended.

"In this paper it is our intention to bring the whole subject of the Agricultural College to the notice and attention of the Legislature. Its importance demands an earnest, but enlightened consideration. The Agricultural College is an experiment. If properly aided, sustained and directed, it may be made eminently useful; otherwise it may be a failure. But in order to make it answer the expectation of its friends, and promote the educational interests of the State, as connected with agriculture, prudence, deliberation and determined support are all necessary. The development of the system has been undertaken by this State, and other States are now looking to Michigan with intense interest, to see the final result.

"While the undersigned are unwilling to assume the attitude of memorialists to your Honorable Bodies, we would distinctly intimate our readiness faithfully to apply any additional appropriation you may be pleased to make, to the fullest possible realization of the yet to be developed idea of an Agricultural College.

(Signed)

"H. L. Miller" } State
 "Jno. R. Kellogg" } Board
 "George Milnor" } of
 "Ira Mayhew" } Education

Thursday, Jan. 22, 1857.

A communication was this day received from J. C. Holmes, Esq., Secretary of the State Agricultural Society, enclosing the following resolution of said Society.

"Resolved, That the library belonging to the State Agricultural Society be, and is hereby presented to the Agricultural College of the State of Michigan."

The President of this Board was requested to acknowledge the communication, and to tender

Reasons
for
Supporting
Agr. Coll.

Library of
St. Agr. Soc.
College

to the Society, our thanks, and signify our appreciation of the donation.

The account of Secretary Holmes, for charges for transportation of library and fixtures from Detroit to Lansing was audited at \$64.45, and a check drawn in payment.

Saturday Jan. 24, 1857.

The accounts of members for services and expenses were audited, and checks drawn in payment as follows: to H. L. Miller \$58.00; to John R. Kellogg \$67.50; to Ira Mayhew \$46.50.

Accounts

The Board adjourned to meet at Lansing the latter part of February, on the case of the Secretary.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary

Office of Sec'y Board of Education,
Lansing Feb. 25th, 1857.

A meeting of the Board of Education had been called for this day, but there was present only the Secretary, other members of the Board being detained by reasons in letters received by them, which letters are placed on file. Whereupon another meeting of the Board was called for March 11th, 1857.

No Quorum

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

Office of Sec'y of Board of Education,
Lansing March 11, 1857.

The Board met pursuant to call of the Secretary; Present, H. L. Miller and the Secretary. There being no quorum, the Board continued in open session from day to day, till Friday morning, the 13th, when John R. Kellogg appeared and took his seat. A quorum now being in attendance the Board proceeded to the transaction of business.

A letter from Royce and Copeland, Contractors, under date of February 5th, 1857, notifying the Board that the Agricultural College Buildings which they had contracted "to erect, finish and complete," by the first day of December, 1856, "is now ready for acceptance," which had been filed with the Secretary, was laid by him before the Board. After consideration they communicated the following reply: (See over.)

Contractors
tender
Buildings

"Lansing, March 14, 1857."

"Messrs Roger Copeland,

"Gent'n:

"You have notified us, under date of February 5th, 1857, that the College Buildings, were completed according to your contract with us, and we have already intimated to you (in our letter of yesterday) our readiness to accept them as they are, under protest that in our opinion they are not finished according to the true intent and meaning of your contract, and appealing to the final award of the arbitrator named in the contract.

"In your note received by yesterday, you say you will lay no obstacle in the way of our taking possession of the buildings, but intimate that you shall construe our act in so doing as full acceptance of the buildings, and a fulfilment of the contract on your part, and an acknowledgment of our indebtedness to you for the amount of your account against us. By this we suppose you to mean that unless we take the buildings with the acknowledgment thus made by us agreeably to your intimation, we cannot have them. Have we understood you aright, or have we mistaken your meaning?

"Beside, as you well know, we are not informed of the amount of your account against us, and therefore it would not be prudent on our part to accept the Buildings on any such condition.

"We do not ask you to waive any of your rights under the Contract, by our acceptance of the buildings, nor by that acceptance can we consent to waive any of our rights. Let the contract between us, and the man made arbiter under that contract, decide with the Contract in his hand, and the work before his eyes, and we shall cheerfully abide his decision. If you are willing to say as much, let the arbiter be called, and the work be examined, and the final decision be made. Are you willing or not?

"By order of the Board of Education,
(Signed)

"H. L. Miller,
"President."

The entire correspondence is placed on file where it may be referred to, though not deemed necessary by the Board to be copied on the records.

Proposal
for
Arbitration

Saturday, March 14, 1857.

The Board of Education continued in session; from day to day, from the 11th to the 14th, there being present Messrs. Miller, Kellogg and the Secretary.

Having closed the correspondence, a portion of which appears on the preceding pages, the Board took up the question of erecting dwelling houses for Professors.

After a free discussion it was

Resolved, That we proceed to erect three dwelling houses, with the necessary outbuildings, on the Agricultural farm, the present season, one of said dwellings, intended for the occupancy of the President of the College, to cost not to exceed \$3,500.00, and the other two to cost, each, not to exceed \$2,500.00 to 3,000.00, these being designed for the occupancy of Professors.

Resolved, That Henry Gosdy, M.D., of Detroit, be appointed to the Chair of Entomology and Comparative Anatomy and Physiology in the Agricultural College.

Resolved, That D. P. Mayhew be appointed to the Department of Natural and Experimental Sciences in the Agricultural School, provided he will consent to vacate his present position at the Normal School, though the Board will not urge this change.

Resolved, That Calvin Tracy, of Mt Vernon, Knox Co., Ohio, be appointed to the Department of Mathematics.

Resolved, That Robert D. Nickerson, now of Iowa, but recently of Massachusetts, be appointed to the Chair of English Literature, and assistant Director of Practical Farming.

Resolved, That the salaries of these several Professors be established at \$1,000.00 per annum, from the time of their entering upon duty.

It was agreed with Mr. A. Wood, contractor for manufacturing and furnishing brick, that he receive a quantity of wood, (some twenty cords,) at the brickyard, which the Board purchased from him last season, after he had finished burning, at the same rate the Board paid him, and that we sell him 250 cords of wood now in the woods, (more or less,) as he may require, at 75 cents a cord, to be measured after drawing and piling at the yard by Mr. Wood, he taking entire piles from the woods, rejecting only unmerchantable wood, if any.

3 dwellings

H. Gosdy

Entomol. & Anatomy

D. P. Mayhew

Natural Sciences

Calvin Tracy

Mathematics

R. D. Nickerson

Engl. Literature

Salaries \$1,000.

Sale of Cord Wood

It was further agreed with Mr. Wood that this Board be furnished with and receive 500,000 brick, to be furnished in monthly installments, from the first of June to the first of Oct. next, the brick to be of similar quality and kinds, pressed and unpressed, and at the same prices as those furnished Rogers and Copeland, now in the College buildings, and that any quantity remaining in the kiln be estimated and paid for at 25 cents less per thousand. Said brick are to be paid for by the Board, or by the Contractors for the buildings to be erected, from month to month, as they are delivered. The Board agree to make any advances that Mr. Wood shall require, on the first kiln, after the same shall be put up, and previous to burning.

Brick Contract

It is further understood and agreed that Mr. Wood shall have the privilege of the Brickyard, and of material for manufacturing brick, without charge, and that he has also the privilege of selling to other parties at such rates as he pleases, provided, only, that he meets his engagement with this Board, and does not unnecessarily mar the College grounds.

Resolved, That Mr. J. C. Holmes be authorized and expected to exercise his discretion in the purchase of trees, seeds, and shrubs, whether for ornament or use, and in the preparation and care of the grounds therefor; that when the same shall be sufficiently developed for sale, he be authorized and expected to make the same, on terms just both to the institution and to purchasers, as there may be occasion. In short, that there be committed to his care and management the development of the Department to which he has been appointed, and that, in order to his possessing the proper facilities for carrying on the same, he be for the present, from time to time, and till otherwise arranged, furnished with the certificates of this Board to the Auditor General, covering such amounts as he may deem necessary thus to expend, he from time to time rendering a Dr. and Cr. account to this Board for the application of the same.

Discretionary
power of
Expenditure
given
J. C. Holmes
temporarily

Also to
L.R. Fisk

Similar authority was conferred in the case of Prof. L.R. Fisk in the development, temporariness of his Department. But it is understood that these arrangements are but temporary, and that they be held subject to change and entire revision, if need be, on the full organization of the College.

Arbitration

It being necessary to consult the Attorney General in relation to the arbitration with Royce & Co. of England, the Board authorized John R. Kellogg to go to Detroit for that purpose, and took a recess from Friday noon, March 20th, till March 25th.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

No Quorum

On the 25th of March, Mr. Miller & Mr. Willard only being present, Mr. Kellogg having gone to Allegan and the Secretary being detained at home by illness, no business was transacted.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

Office of Sec. Board of Education,
Lansing, April 13th, 1857.

Pursuant to an invitation from the Hon. Joseph R. Williams, President elect of the Agricultural College, addressed to each member of the Board of Education, and the usual call of the Secretary, J. R. Kellogg and the Secretary convened as above, the Secretary having been at his office two days in waiting, though employed in other official labors. H. L. Miller was detained at home by the illness of his family, and George Willard not appearing there was no quorum.

J. R. Williams

Entered on duty

J. M. Shearer

Steward

The Hon. Joseph R. Williams placed in file with the Secretary a letter of acceptance as President of the Agricultural College, and entered upon duty.

A proposition from Mr. J. M. Shearer for the office of Steward was received, and Mr. Miller's views in relation thereto being represented by letter and otherwise, said proposition was accepted.

Arrangements were made for the meeting of the Faculty at the College May 6th, and for the dedication and opening of the College May 13th, and the Board adjourned.

Yos allowed as per Check book.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

THE MORRILL ACT

Public Laws of the United States Thirty-Seventh Congress, Second Session

CHAP. CXXX. — *An Act donating Public Lands to the several States and Territories which may provide Colleges for the Benefit of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there be granted to the several States, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, an amount of public land, to be apportioned to each State a quantity equal to thirty thousand acres for each senator and representative in Congress to which the States are respectively entitled by the apportionment under the census of eighteen hundred and sixty: *Provided,* That no mineral lands shall be selected or purchased under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the land aforesaid, after being surveyed, shall be apportioned to the several States in sections or subdivisions of sections, not less than one quarter of a section; and whenever there are public lands in a State subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, the quantity to which said State shall be entitled shall be selected from such lands within the limits of such State, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby directed to issue to each of the States in which there is not the quantity of public lands subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, to which said State may be entitled under the provisions of this act, land scrip to the amount in acres for the deficiency of its distributive share: said scrip to be sold by said States and the proceeds thereof applied to the uses and purposes prescribed in this act, and for no other use or purpose whatsoever: *Provided,* That in no case shall any State to which land scrip may thus be issued be allowed to locate the same within the limits of any other State, or of any Territory of the United States, but their assignees may thus locate said land scrip upon any of the unappropriated lands of the United States subject to sale at private entry at one dollar and twenty-five cents, or less, per acre: *And provided, further,* That not more than one million acres shall be located by such assignees in any one of the States: *And provided, further,* That no such location shall be made before one year from the passage of this act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all the expenses of management, superintendence, and taxes from date of selection of said lands, previous to their sales, and all expenses incurred in the management and disbursement of the moneys which may be received therefrom, shall be paid by the States to which they may belong, out of the treasury of said States, so that the entire proceeds of the sale of said lands shall be applied without any diminution whatever to the purposes hereinafter mentioned.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That all moneys derived from the sale of the lands aforesaid by the States to which the lands are apportioned, and from the sales of land scrip hereinbefore provided for, shall be invested in stocks of the United States, or of the States, or some other safe stock, yielding not less than five per centum upon the par value of said stocks; and that the moneys so invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, the capital of which shall remain forever undiminished, (except so far as may be provided in section fifth of this act,) and the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated, by each State which may take and claim the benefit of this act, to the endowment, support, and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the grant of land and land scrip hereby authorized shall be made on the following conditions, to which, as well as to the provisions hereinbefore contained, the previous assent of the several States shall be signified by legislative acts:

First. If any portion of the fund invested, as provided by the foregoing section, or any portion of the interest thereon, shall, by any action or contingency, be diminished or lost, it shall be replaced by the State to which it belongs, so that the capital of the fund shall remain forever undiminished; and the annual interest shall be regularly applied without diminution to the purposes mentioned in the fourth section of this act, except that a sum, not exceeding ten per centum upon the amount received by any State under the provisions of this act, may be expended for the purchase of lands for sites or experimental farms, whenever authorized by the respective legislatures of said States.

Second. No portion of said fund, nor the interest thereon, shall be applied, directly or indirectly, under any pretence whatever, to the purchase, erection, preservation, or repair of any building or buildings.

Third. Any State which may take and claim the benefit of the provisions of this act shall provide, within five years, at least not less than one college, as described in the fourth section of this act, or the grant to such State shall cease: and said State shall be bound to pay the United States the amount received of any lands previously sold, and that the title to purchasers under the State shall be valid.

Fourth. An annual report shall be made regarding the progress of each college, recording any improvements and experiments made, with their cost and results, and such other matters, including State industrial and economical statistics, as may be supposed useful; one copy of which shall be transmitted by mail free, by each, to all the other colleges which may be endowed under the provisions of this act, and also one copy to the Secretary of the Interior.

Fifth. When lands shall be selected from those which have been raised to double the minimum price, in consequence of railroad grants, they shall be computed to the States at the maximum price, and the number of acres proportionally diminished.

Sixth. No State while in a condition of rebellion or insurrection against the government of the United States shall be entitled to the benefit of this act.

Seventh. No State shall be entitled to the benefits of this act unless it shall express its acceptance thereof by its legislature within two years from the date of its approval by the President.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That land scrip issued under the provisions of this act shall not be subject to location until after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the land officers shall receive the same fees for locating land scrip issued under the provisions of this act as is now allowed for the location of military bounty land warrants under existing laws; *Provided*, their maximum compensation shall not be thereby increased.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the Governors of the several States to which scrip shall be issued under this act shall be required to report annually to Congress all sales made of such scrip until the whole shall be disposed of, the amount received for the same, and what appropriation has been made of the proceeds.

APPROVED, July 2, 1862:

Office of Sec. Board Edm.,
Lansing, May 12, 1857.

The Board met at the Office of the Secretary, pursuant to call, and adjourned at 7 o'clock P. M. Present: W. L. Miller, Esq., R. Kellogg, George Willard, and the Secretary.

Resolved, That F. J. Scott, Architect, of Toledo, O. be requested to furnish plans and specifications for four Professors' Residences for the Agric'l Farm, which are to be furnished at a cost of \$50.00 each, and in three, five, seven and nine weeks from this time, respectively, and to be paid for when received.

Resolved, That said Scott be requested to furnish a plan for improving the roof of the College building, and send his yc thereof to the Secretary of this Board.

The Board adjourned till 2 P. M., to-morrow.

May 18th, 2 o'clock P. M.

Board met, Present the same members as before.

Resolved, That the yc of Sam'l Reppage of \$777.00 for Stock for Farm be allowed and paid.

The Secretary reported the following accounts as paid by the manual certificate, pursuant to instructions of the Board: S. M. Bartlett, Feb. 4, for Agric'l Farm improvements, \$670.78; L. R. Fisk, as advance on Freight on Chemicals and apparatus for College, \$100.00; S. M. Bartlett, Feb. 26th, for College & farm improvements, \$367.00; L. R. Fisk, for apparatus and Chemicals, as per bill rendered, \$2297.14; W. E. Tilly, Stage Agent, for charge on two boxes of books from Washington for College Library, \$16.53; J. C. Holmes, for salary to March 3d, furnished March 15th, \$125.00; L. R. Fisk, do, \$125.00; J. C. Holmes, March 16th, for transportation of furniture for College Boarding House, from Detroit to Lansing, \$200.00; J. R. Kellogg, March 20th, services & expenses, \$72.00; S. M. Bartlett, for improvements on farm buildings \$200.00; J. C. Holmes, April 11th, expenses of fitting up Boarding House, &c, \$300.00; S. M. Bartlett, Agric'l Farm improvements, \$200.00. The yc of members of the Board for expenses to April 13th were stated, W. L. Miller's being \$95.00, and \$20.00 additional, on account of arbitration with Roger Copeland; John R. Kellogg, \$34.00, and Ira Mayhew's &c expenses, in attending the last three meetings, and executing instructions of the Board during the interim, being \$112.00.

Plans for
4 Dwellings

Roof of
College Hall

Expenditures

Board's
Accounts

The Board adjourned till to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

May 14th. 1857.

Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present the same members as before, the Board being full.

Resolved, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby authorized, and instructed to pay all accounts for newspaper advertisements ordered by the Board, at the advertised rates of the papers so advertising, respectively.

Resolved, That this Board will audit no accounts for advertising, not ordered by them, or by their Secretary.

Resolved, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby instructed to communicate the foregoing resolutions to all parties forwarding accounts against this Board, not authorized, or not duly certified, and to inform them that their accounts should be accompanied by the advertisement, as published by them, their published rates of advertising, and a certificate from the foreman in the office of the length of time the same has been inserted.

Resolved, That J. C. Holmes be appointed Treasurer of the Agricultural College, and that Robert D. Weeks be appointed Secretary of the College.

Resolved, That upon J. C. Holmes filing his Bond with the Secretary of this Board, the latter be authorized to place at the disposal of the former, for the purpose of meeting the current expenses of the College and farm, the sum of five thousand dollars, subject to the provisions of law relative to the disbursement of the funds of the College by the Treasurer of the same.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the College be required to give his Bond to the Board of Education in the sum of ten thousand dollars, with two good and sufficient securities, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as said Treasurer, according to the requirements of Section 11 of Act 130, Session Laws of 1855 of the State of Michigan.

The Board took a recess for dinner.

May 14th. 2. P. M.

The Board met in full session.

The conditions of attendance upon the Agricultural College, the price of Board, &c, having been under consideration the following resolutions were adopted:

Advertising

not pd.

unless ordered

Holmes Treasurer

Weeks, Secretary

\$5000. for
Current Exp.

Treasurer's Bond

\$10000.

Law for Treasurer

Com. to
Assess Price of
Board

Resolved, That the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the College be instructed to estimate the cost of board of students on the third Wednesday of June, of the current year; and thereafter on the third Wednesday of July of the summer term, and the third Wednesday of January of the winter term, and assess the same upon the students for the whole term respectively; provided, however, that in cases of necessary settlements with the students, or any of them, before those dates, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per week shall be charged.

Wages

Resolved, That by the same officers of the College, and at the same dates respectively, the rates of compensation to the students according to age, capacity and fidelity, shall be fixed; provided, however, that ten cents per hour shall be the maximum, and five cents per hour the minimum price allowed for such labor.

Students
Accounts

Resolved, That the same officers shall cause the balance to be struck at the same time, with each student, and that the sum due from each student shall be paid to the College Treasurer, within two weeks from the dates respectively when such balance is declared; and in case of the nonpayment by the student, his parents or guardian, before the expiration of each term, he shall forfeit all further claim to privilege in the institution; provided, that in case of any interposition of Providence which prevents the completion of the term for which any student may have paid, there shall be refunded to him any overpayment.

Labor 3 hrs. per day

Resolved, That students shall be required to labor till otherwise ordered, three hours per day; provided, that if exigencies arise, which, in the judgment of the officers of the Institution demand it, the maximum of labor allowed by the law under which the Institution is organized, shall be required of them.

Bill for Furniture

Resolved, That, upon J. C. Holmes' Certificate that the accounts rendered by him as agent of this in the purchase of furniture for the Boarding Hall, are correctly rendered, the Secretary of this Board is authorized and instructed to file the certificates of this Board in the payment of the same.

The Board of Education adopted the following communication to the President and Faculty of the Agricultural College, and directed that the President of this Board communicate the same to the President of the College, and that the Secretary incorporate the same into the recorded proceedings of this Board.

Copy of letter.

Letter to
Faculty

"To the President and members of the Faculty of the Agricultural College of the State of Michigan:—

Gentlemen:—

Unity

"The Board of Education in committing to your care and direction the interests of the College over which you are called to preside, have done so, under the conviction, and in the confidence that you will unite your efforts in realizing the true idea of an Agricultural College. Having fixed in your minds, after full consideration, the end to be sought for, we trust that all your measures will be taken in harmony and in wisdom.

economy

"In the present state of the funds appropriated for the use of the College, and in view of the various sums required for the completion of the buildings, and the current expenses of the institution itself, the Board would earnestly recommend to you the practice of strict economy in all your purchases for, and improvements upon the farm.

school first

"This Board are of the opinion that, for the next two years, more regard should be had to the working of the school, than to the improvement of the farm and grounds more immediately connected with the college buildings.

economy vital

"One fourth of the sum placed at our disposal will be absorbed in the building of the Houses for the Professors and their families, and in providing the necessary fixtures and conveniences for the same. We wish you, gentlemen, to bear all these things in mind. Remember that economy and thrift are inseparable; and strive to teach this useful and important lesson, both by precept and example, in each and all of the departments in which you may be called to direct and preside.

"With the expectation that you will regard

this caution, in the particular we have mentioned, and with our best wishes for your prosperity and success, we remain truly yours

"In behalf and by order of the Board of Education,
(Signed) "H. L. Miller,
"President,"

The Board adjourned till tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

May 16th. 1857.

The Board met in full session, pursuant to adjournment, with the wish to make the limited means at our disposal for Professors salaries, accomplish the best results for the Institution, it was

Faculty to
apportion
their own work

Resolved, That the Board of Instruction in the Agric'l College be authorized and requested to make such a division of their duties as the exigencies of the Institution demand, without restriction to the particular departments to which they have severally been appointed.

In closing the arbitration with Roger Copeland the papers relating to which are placed on file it was

Arbitration
Settlement

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board issue a certificate to S. M. Holmes, Treasurer of the State of Michigan, for the sum of Three hundred and forty seven dollars & 30¢, being the amount due him for payment of the Award to Roger Copeland, made under arbitration, and for a bill of sundry articles sold by Roger and Copeland to the Board of Education.

The Board adjourned till to-morrow morning.

May 18th 8 o'clock A.M.

The Board met at the Office of the Secretary at the usual hour. Present, Messrs. Miller, Kellogg and the Secretary, Mr. Willard having left for home.

Account, Bartlett

In settling with the Agent of the Board, it was Resolved, That the Secretary draw the certificate of this Board in favor of S. M. Bartlett, for \$1085.25, the same being his due, as per Geo's rendered, and that his receipt be taken therefor.

Dedication of
College

The Board continued in open session from day to day, from their arrival here the evening of the 12th till the present time, adjourning to attend the Dedictory exercises of the College the thirteenth.

Expenditures

During these sittings of the Board the following accounts were allowed and paid: - May 12th. to J. C. Holmes, for Agricultural implements purchased for the College, provisions etc. \$1500.00; to Robt D. Weeks, advance on Salary, May 13th, \$125.00; to L. R. Fisk, for expenses, freight and labor connected with his department in the College, under instructions from this Board, \$830.64; to A. Wood as advance on Contract for brick, \$200.00; to S. M. Bartlett, for Agricultural Farm improvements, \$100.00; to J. C. Holmes for Agricultural improvements, provisions, and bills rendered for furniture for boarding house, \$5150.07; to F. L. New for livery hire to date, \$18.50;

Board's
Accounts

Members of the Board were paid for services and expenses as follows: - Geo. Willard, for attending three meetings, \$121.67; H. L. Miller, \$69.30; and Mrs R. Kellogg \$60.57.

Clerk for Secty.

The Secretary was authorized, should he find it necessary to do so, to employ clerical aid in payment of 9c's for Advertising Dedication and opening of College, &c.

The Board, after a protracted and laborious session adjourned to meet on the call of the Secretary,

Ira Mayhew,

Secretary.

Office of Sec. Board of Education,
Lansing, July 21, 1857.

The Board met pursuant to call of the Secretary, at 9 o'clock A.M. Present Mrs R. Kellogg, George Willard and the Secretary. Mr. Kellogg was called to the Chair.

The Secretary announced to the Board that he had learned by letter from Governor Bingham of the resignation of H. L. Miller, President of this Board, whereupon

Resolved, That we have learned with regret of the resignation of the Hon. H. L. Miller, late President of this Board, whose services hitherto have contributed greatly to the present gratifying condition and prospects of the Institutions under our supervision, and the aid of whose prudence and wisdom in our Councils we had hoped to continue to receive.

To fill the vacancy created by this resignation it was

Resolved, That Mrs R. Kellogg be appointed President of this Board.

The question having arisen between the Faculty and some of the Students, whether any abatement should be made in charging the board of Students of the Agricultural College for voluntary absence,

Pres. Miller of
Bd. of Education
ResignsJ. R. Kellogg Pres.
Bd. of Education

and the same having been referred to this Board for their decision. It was

Resolved, That no deduction be made in the charge for board of students because of absences, unless they arise from providential causes, — the organic law of the Institution declaring that no pupil shall be received for less than one term, unless by special permission from the Board of Administration.

Several students having left the Institution, without excuse, and in some cases without the knowledge of the Faculty, it was further Resolved, That pupils leaving the Agricultural College without permission, subject themselves to expulsion, and to a forfeiture of the privilege of reentering the institution.

The Board adjourned to meet at the College, for the examination of Buildings, and for the location of Professors' Residences, to-morrow morning, and thence at the office of the Secretary.

July 22d, 1857.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary in the P.M., the majority of the members having spent the former part of the day at the College. The P.M. and evening were spent in discussion, and in the consideration of Plans for Residences for Prof's, when the Board adjourned till to-morrow morning.

July 23d, 1857.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary, at 8 o'clock A.M. Present George Willard and the Secretary, the President being detained at his room by illness. Geo. Willard was appointed President pro tem.

The plans for four Cottage Buildings for Professors' Residences, submitted by Scott and Burinell, Toledo, Ohio, with specifications for the same, were adopted by the Board, with such changes in materials to be employed as the Superintendent of Buildings and this Board may, from local causes, think expedient, and which it is understood shall not exceed in cost that of the materials named in the specifications,

No Deduction
from board for
voluntary absence

Permission
necessary to leave
College

Plans for
4 Dwellings

sites

The sites of the aforesaid Buildings, recommended by Mr. Scott, were adopted.

Cellars

Francis Foster, of Lansing, was employed to dig the Cellars to the houses, and employ men to assist him, for which he is to receive \$2.00 per day. He is to keep the time of the men employed by him.

Foundations

Joseph J. Miller, of Lansing, Brick and Stone Mason, was employed to lay cellar walls and foundations to Professors' Residences, he keeping the time of men employed by him, and working with him and under his directions, for which he is to receive \$2.75 per diem. - Mr. Miller, further proposing and agreeing to remain in the employ of this Board at the same rate, in case his services shall be required.

Re-roofing
College Hall

In view of the necessities for immediate action, it was Resolved, That the plan submitted by Scott and Bunnell for re-roofing the College Building be adopted, and that the work be prosecuted with all practicable dispatch.

Mr. George W. Maher, of Albion, and others, having been recommended to this Board as suitable persons to superintend the erection and completion of Professors' Houses, and the re-roofing of the Agricultural College, agreeably to the plans submitted by Messrs. Scott and Bunnell, and purchasing necessary materials for the same, which may not be otherwise provided, it was therefore, on motion of Geo. Willard,

Building
Supt

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board be instructed to correspond with Geo. W. Maher, and others recommended to this Board, and to take such action in the employment of a Supt of Buildings as in his judgment will secure the most speedy and reliable completion of the work.

The Board adjourned till tomorrow morning.

Lansing, July 24th, 1857.

The Board met at the Office of the Secretary at 7 o'clock A.M. - Present George Willard and the Secretary, Mr. Willard acting as president pro tem, - and proceeded to the consideration of business;

At 10 o'clock J. R. Kellogg appeared and took his seat as President, when it was

Resolved, That we agree to the proposition of Mr. H. Wood to build a Shanty on the Agricultural College

Builders'
Shanty

grounds, to be located under the direction of President Williams, for the purpose of boarding the men to be employed in the erection of Professor Housar, and such other work as may be ordered by this Board, provided, such shanty shall be necessary for the accommodation of boarders, with the understanding that this Board will take the boards necessary for its erection, off his hands, at cost, when said houses shall be completed, the amount of the lumber not exceeding \$700.00.

Payment on
Barn Contract

Mr. Henry, Roots, who had erected a barn and outbuildings on the Agricultural Farm, under an alleged contract with Mr. S. M. Bartlett, our late agent, presented a claim for a balance due him, whereupon, in the absence of the alleged contract, it was,

Resolved, That Mr. Henry Roots be paid \$100.00 on his account against the State, on the condition that he refund the same, or such part thereof as he cannot prove to be his due, under the aforesaid contract.

Mr. Millard & the President voting in the affirmative and the Secretary in the negative.

Kitchen Room

Resolved, That a wash and cook room affording all needful facilities for the kitchen department, including a wood room, all under one roof, be erected under the superintendence of President Williams, after consulting with the Steward in regard to details.

Brick

Resolved, That this Board will receive of Mr. A. Wood, 150,000 brick, in addition to those heretofore specially agreed for.

Expenditures

The Secretary reported the following amounts paid since the last meeting of the Board, the same being pursuant to provisions of the Board, to wit: May 19th, to L. R. Fisk for work on laboratory, &c to be rendered, \$150.00; May 20th, to G. M. Dewey, clerk to Secretary, for payment of bills rendered and to be rendered, for advertising dedication and opening of Agri' College, \$200.00; June 11th, for Agricultural implements, provisions, &c, \$500.00; June 12th, to J. C. Holmes, as Treasurer of the College, (who had filed his Bond in the sum of Ten thousand dollars,) for use as Treasurer of the College under the Statutes, \$500.00; June 15th, to A. Wood, Brickmaker, on contract for brick, \$400.00; July 9th, to

Advertising \$200.

A. Wood, on contract for brick, \$600.00; July 9th, to Messrs. Scott & Bunnell Architects, Toledo, for designs for four Cottages for Agri-cul Farm, and for plans for roof for College building, \$225.00; July 10th, to J. C. Holmes, for salary to July 1st, \$287.50 and for use as Treasurer of College \$1000.00; to L. R. Fisk, for salary to July 1st, \$287.50; Ira Mayhew, for expenses in transacting business for Board in Detroit, and in attending two meetings of the Board, \$108.50; to G. M. Dewey, Clerk to Secretary, for payment of advertisements ordered by the Board of Education to be paid, \$100.00, and to Dudley Holmes for claim against the Agri-cul College, \$194.57. The foregoing was approved by the Board, and,

Advertising \$100.

The following accounts were audited by the Board at the present meeting, to wit: to A. Wood on contract for brick \$400.00; to Greene & Mills \$180.71 and \$700.00 on another ac., both together being \$880.71, the balance of their ac. of \$961.02 being left for future adjustment; to S. R. Greene, as witness in arbitration before Gov. Bingham, \$6.00; to Joseph Miller for ac. rendered, certified by S. M. Bartlett, late Agt, \$50.18; to Burn & Grove, do, \$77.27; to A. M. Kimball, do, \$8.00.

Accounts

The expenses of members were audited and paid as follows: to George Villard, \$41.00; to John R. Kellogg, \$63.00; and to Ira Mayhew for expenses in attending meeting of the Board and executing their instructions at Sunday times, \$132.00; when, on motion,

The Board adjourned to meet at the office of the Secretary, in Lansing, Oct. 21st, at 9 o'clock A.M.,
Ira Mayhew,
Secretary,

Office of Sec. Board of Education,
Lansing, October 21st, 1857,

No Quorum

The Board met at the office of the Secretary pursuant to adjournment, Present, B. L. Baxter and the Secretary, There not being a quorum, the Board took a recess till to-morrow morning.

Oct. 22, 1857, 9 o'clock, A.M.,

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, Present, Messrs. Kellogg, Baxter and the Secretary, There now being a quorum the Board proceeded to business.

The Secretary reported action he had taken on behalf of the Board in a partial settlement with Mr. A. Wood for

Brick

Brick, in taking 30,910 of 135,710, which Mr. Wood had made, and had in him, beyond the amount specially contracted for by the Board. It was Resolved, That the Board approve of the action of their Secretary in receiving from Mr. S. Wood 30,910 brick beyond the amount embraced in our contract with him, and paying him the contract price therefor. The Board went into the consideration of Normal School matters the remainder of the day.

Lansing, Oct. 23, 1887.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary at 8 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment. Present, Messrs. Kellogg, Baxter and the Secretary. On motion it was

Resolved, That we purchase of Mr. S. Wood, brick contractor, the 100,000 brick he has on hand, at the Brickyard, together with the houses, shanties, fences, sheds, machines, lumber, timber, coles, ovens, and all other materials belonging to him upon the College premises, and all his interest in the Brickyard and premises, except his tools proper, including the moulding and pressing machines, which he is immediately to remove, at the sum of \$400.00, to be paid on the first of January next.

Brick Yard

Advertising \$50.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to settle the account of the Publishers of the Detroit Advertiser, for advertising for the Agricultural College, providing the same may be done at a cost not exceeding fifty dollars.

Surveyor's Outfit

Resolved, That Professor C. Tracy be authorized to purchase a Surveyor's compass and level, with the necessary apparatus for surveying and leveling, for the use of the Agricultural College.

The following Rules and Regulations were adopted for the government of the College.

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Rules

Agricultural College of the State of Michigan.

1. Students shall not absent themselves from the College premises without permission.

Leave Grounds

2. They are required promptly to attend all Chapel exercises, recitations, lectures, and field operations, and to discharge every duty imposed upon them.

Compulsory Attendance at Chapel or

3. They shall faithfully observe all study hours.

- Study Hours** and remain quietly in their rooms during the same, except on leave of absence.
- Liquors** 4. They shall neither bring nor use upon the premises any spirituous or intoxicating liquors.
- Tobacco** 5. The use of tobacco and other narcotics, being disapproved of under all circumstances, is forbidden in any of the College buildings.
- Language** 6. No student will be permitted to use obscene or profane language.
- Cards or** 7. Card-playing, and other games of chance, are wholly prohibited.
- Labor** 8. No student will be permitted to interrupt or interfere with the labor of fellow-students and other persons employed on the premises, or to visit them while at their labor.
- Damages** 9. The mutilation or defacement of any part of the College premises, is regarded as a great misdemeanor, both in principals and accessories. All damages shall be assessed upon the offenders.
- Sabbath** 10. On Sabbath, students shall attend the Public Religious Services held at the College; and during the hours not necessarily otherwise occupied, shall remain quietly in their rooms, and engage in nothing inconsistent with the proper observance of the day.
- Deportment** 11. Upright and gentlemanly deportment will on all occasions be required.
- Dismissions** 12. As no person can be received into the Institution, under the law creating it, for less than one term, any student leaving during term time, without permission of the Faculty, is liable to expulsion and a forfeiture of further privileges in the Institution.
- Penalties** 13. Violations and disregard of the Rules of the College, or countenancing the same on the part of others, will subject the offender to reprimand, suspension, or expulsion, as the Faculty may determine.
- Cooperation** 14. Students are expected fully to cooperate with the Faculty, to secure the objects for which the Institution was established.
- Fire arms** 15. Firearms will not be permitted to be kept or used upon the College premises.
- The Board adjourns to meet at the office of the Secretary to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.
- Wm Mayhew Secy.

Lansing, Oct. 24th 1857.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary, pursuant to adjournment, at 8 o'clock A.M. Present, Messrs. Kellogg, Brewster and the Secretary.

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty it was Resolved, That \$65.00 be allowed to Mr. Barker for services rendered in the Institution, beyond those contemplated at the time of his appointment, to the close of the present term.

Account, Barker

The resignation of Mr. Robert S. Weeks, as Professor in the Institution, tendered under date of July 30th, to take effect at the expiration of the present term, was taken up and considered; and on receiving a written communication from the Faculty, in reply to one from this Board, it was unanimously

Prof. Weeks' Resignation

Resolved, That the resignation of Robert S. Weeks as Professor in the Agricultural College, to take effect at the close of the present term, be accepted, and that the Secretary, be requested to notify him thereof.

On motion it was unanimously

Resolved, That we entertain unshaken confidence in Prof. Weeks as a man of integrity and moral worth; that we regret the exigencies of circumstances which induced him to tender his resignation, which we feel obliged to accept; and we assure him that he will carry with him to his field of future labor, wherever that may be, our best wishes for his prosperity and happiness.

Resolved, That the Secretary, be communicated the foregoing resolutions to Mr. Weeks.

Resolved, That this Board will undertake to accommodate, for the ensuing term, and till otherwise determined, one hundred students in the Agricultural College, and that the Faculty be instructed to receive students from the various counties of the State, with reference thereto, in conformity with the provision of sec. 5 of the Statutes under which this Institution has been established.

The Board adjourned till Monday morning, at 8 o'clock.

Ira Mayhew
Secretary

Lansing Oct. 26, 1857.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary, pursuant to adjournment. Present Messrs. Kellogg, Baxter and the Secretary.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Board that no further allowance be made on the account of Mopes, Greene and Mills, on which \$700.00 was allowed and paid, the 24th of July last, and that they be notified thereof.

Acct. Greene & Mills
Disallowed

\$140. rent for
Dwellings

Resolved, That until otherwise determined, an annual rent of \$140.00 each, be charged for the occupancy of the Houses erected for the accommodation of the Faculty of the Agricultural College, and that said occupancy, unless arranged by mutual agreement among the Professors, be determined, either by lot, or by a premium for the first choice, over and above the rent fixed upon, at the option of the Faculty.

C. Tracy, Sec'y.

Clerical assist:

Resolved, That Prof. Tracy be temporarily appointed Secretary of the Agricultural College, with authority to employ necessary clerical assistance.

Employment Mr. Briggs

Resolved, That President Williams be authorized to employ Mr. Briggs for the ensuing year, if he deems it advisable to do so, at a compensation not exceeding \$350.00 and board, or \$450.00 including board.

The Board again resumed the consideration of Normal School matters, after which they adjourned till to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

October 27th, 1857.

The Board met at the office of the Secretary at 8 o'clock A.M., pursuant to adjournment. There being no pressing business before them, the Board took a recess to attend the examination of Classes in the Agricultural College.

Adjourn

October 28, 1857.

The Board met again, as yesterday, at the office of the Secretary. Present the same members as before, to wit: Messrs. Kellogg, Baxter and the Secretary, and there being no business requiring their attention adj'd and met again this evening at the office of the Secretary.

Adjourn

Geo Mayhew,
Secretary,

Evening Session, Oct. 28, 1857,

The Board having attended the examination of the Agricultural College during the day, held an evening session at the Sec's office. Present, Messrs. Kellogg, Baxter and the Secretary.

Finances The Secretary reported the following Certificate to the Auditor General, as having been filled by him since the last meeting of this Board, pursuant to their directions, to wit; Aug. 12th, to J. B. Holmes, Treasurer of the College, \$3000.00; do, August 19th, \$5000.00; do, September 11th, \$5000.00; Sept. 18th, to A. Wood, on Contract for Brick, \$568.13; Oct. 21st, to J. C. Holmes, Treasurer of the College, \$1000.00.

Advertising \$50. A Check was filled, Oct. 17th, to J. T. Green, agt for the Detroit Advertiser, for \$50.00, for advertising for Agricultural College.

Boards' Accounts The accounts of members were allowed as follows, to wit; to J. R. Kellogg, for services and expenses in attending this meeting, \$48.31; to W. J. Baxter, do, \$49.34; to Ira Mayhew, Secretary, for expenses in attending meeting and executing instructions of the Board at intervals between sessions, \$56.00.

The Board adjourned to meet at the Library of the Normal School Building in Ipswich, Thursday, the 18th of March, at 9 o'clock AM unless sooner convened by call from the Secretary.

Ira Mayhew,
Secretary.

Office of Sec. Board of Education,
Simsbury, Feb. 3d, 1858.

No Quorum The Board met pursuant to a call of the Secretary at 9 o'clock AM. Present, W. J. Baxter and the Secy. There being no quorum, the Board adjourned till to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

February 4th, 1858.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, John R. Kellogg, W. J. Baxter and the Secretary. A letter was read by the Secretary from George Willard, stating that he would not probably be in attendance.

The consideration of matters connected with the Agricultural College and conferences with