

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

STATE OF ILLINOIS

AT A

REGULAR MEETING HELD AT NORMAL DECEMBER 8, 1897.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Auditing and Finance	Baily, Shannahan, Capen
Buildings and Grounds	Capen, Kimbrough, Gastman
Text Books and Course of Instruction	Norton, Young, Walker
Teachers and Salaries	Walker, Kimbrough, Young
Training School	Gastman, Sandham, Inglis
Museum of Natural History and Library	Young, Plain, Harrington

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading, amending and adopting minutes.
 2. Election of officers.
 3. Report of the President of the Normal University.
 4. Treasurer's report.
 5. Reports of Special committees.
 6. Reports of standing committees, in order.
 7. Communications.
 8. Motions and resolutions.
 9. Unfinished business.
 10. General business.
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Next meeting of the Board will be held June 22, 1898.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

NORMAL, ILL., Dec. 8, 1897.

The Board of Education met in the office of the President of the University at 9 a. m., Judge William H. Green, President, in the chair.

Present: President Green, Messrs. Gastman, Walker, Plain, Capen, Sandham, Kimbrough, Brady, Shanahan, Norton, Baily, Harrington, and Mrs. Ella F. Young.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed.

The President, John W. Cook read his report. Mr. Walker moved that the President's report be accepted, and the respective parts be referred to the appropriate committees. Carried.

The report of President Cook is as follows:

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:—The attendance for the present term is as follows:

NORMAL DEPARTMENT.			
Ladies.....		511	
Gentlemen.....		195	
Total.....		706	
MODEL DEPARTMENT.			
GRAMMAR GRADE.			
Girls.....		46	
Boys.....		45	
Total.....		91	
INTERMEDIATE GRADE.			
Girls.....		41	
Boys.....		47	
Total.....		88	
PRIMARY GRADE.			
Girls.....		32	
Boys.....		37	
Total.....		69	
Total in Model Department.....			248
Total in all departments.....			954

Attendance by counties for the term is as follows:

Adams	9	Marion	5
Bond	1	Marshall	5
Boone	2	Mason	4
Bureau	4	Menard	2
Carroll	4	Mercer	5
Cass	3	Monroe	4
Champaign	9	Montgomery	7
Christian	10	Morgan	7
Clark	1	Moultrie	2
Clay	3	Ogle	11
Coles	13	Peoria	7
Cook	17	Perry	2
Crawford	7	Piatt	13
DeKalb	9	Pike	15
DeWitt	10	Pulaski	1
Douglas	5	Putnam	6
DuPage	1	Richland	2
Edgar	3	Rock Island	3
Effingham	3	Sangamon	10
Fayette	2	Schuyler	5
Ford	8	Shelby	12
Fulton	10	Stark	14
Gallatin	1	St. Clair	11
Grundy	14	Stephenson	9
Hamilton	1	Tazewell	28
Hancock	6	Vermilion	12
Henderson	3	Wabash	1
Henry	6	Warren	9
Iroquois	11	Washington	2
Jasper	3	Wayne	3
Jersey	1	White	1
Jo Daviess	4	Whiteside	14
Kane	20	Will	13
Kankakee	7	Winnebago	7
Kendall	4	Woodford	19
Knox	5		
Lake	4		
LaSalle	11		
Lawrence	3		
Lee	10		
Livingston	6		
Logan	7		
McHenry	9		
Macon	26		
Macoupin	1		
Madison	8		
		OTHER STATES.	
		Arkansas	1
		Colorado	1
		Louisiana	1
		Missouri	4
		Nebraska	1
		Ohio	1
		Pennsylvania	1

REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS—FALL TERM, 1897-8.

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Applicants	101	313	414
Rejected	9	11	20
Admitted	92	302	394
By H. S. or Coll. Diploma	39	163	202
By Appt. of Co. Superintendent	23	54	77
By 1st Grade Certificate	4	8	12
By Promotion from Practice School	7	11	18
By Examination	19	66	85

COUNTIES REPRESENTED IN THE ENTERING CLASS.

Adams	8	Macon	20
Boone	1	Madison	4
Bureau	3	Marion	1
Carroll	1	Marshall	5
Cass	3	Mason	3
Champaign	6	Mercer	6
Christian	1	Monroe	3
Coles	8	Montgomery	5
Cook	8	Morgan	1
Crawford	5	Moultrie	2
DeKalb	8	Menard	2
DeWitt	9	Ogle	4
Douglas	3	Peoria	6
DuPage	2	Perry	1
Edgar	2	Piatt	7
Effingham	2	Pike	8
Ford	2	Putnam	1
Fulton	6	Richland	1
Grundy	10	Rock Island	2
Hancock	1	Sangamon	4
Henderson	2	Schuyler	1
Henry	6	Shelby	7
Iroquois	6	Stark	9
JoDaviss	3	St. Clair	7
Kane	18	Stephenson	4
Kankakee	5	Tazewell	15
Kendall	2	Vermilion	5
Knox	3	Warren	6
Lake	2	Wayne	6
LaSalle	8	Wabash	3
Lawrence	2	Whiteside	1
Lee	8	Will	8
Livingston	3	Winnebago	8
Logan	6	Woodford	3
McHenry	8	Other states	11
McLean	39		6

THE ATTENDANCE.

The attendance is far beyond anything in our previous history. Our entire seating capacity is about 560. Since we have enrolled 706, it will be seen that we have about 150 more students than seats in the Normal Department. I have thought it wise to accept all well qualified applicants who were willing to endure the inconveniences of the situation, believing that when the new schools shall be opened we shall be relieved somewhat from this pressure upon our capacity.

Another feature of these statistics should also claim your attention. Of the 394 persons admitted this term, 202 are high school or college graduates. The two year course has proved to be quite attractive, 84 having entered it at the beginning of the year.

The great disparity between the number of girls and of boys in the graduating classes of our public high schools shows itself here. But few of our young men have taken such a course. The result is that the women represent a higher degree of culture in our entering classes than the men.

The presence of a considerable number of persons of mature age and long experience is especially encouraging. A number of school principals have left good positions to spend from one to three years here in order to fit themselves for better places. Several women of fine culture and long experience have secured leaves of absence for the purpose of remaining here one or more terms. They are in all respects desirable and give to our student body a character for earnestness and industry which is quite unique.

Eighty-two counties are represented in the enrollment. They extend from Jo Daviss to Gallatin, Wabash and Pulaski. The display map shown herewith, indicates that they are quite fairly scattered over the State. The attendance from any county is determined in large part by the county superintendent of schools and the principals of the leading city systems. The practice of employing graduates of local high schools in elementary grades has

long been prevalent in Illinois. A sentiment highly favorable to professional training has made marked progress in recent years. As a result we are receiving large numbers of high school graduates from the best schools, who are encouraged to come to us for one or two years with the understanding that they will be preferred for employment at home if they do good work here. Communities are thus led to see the value of normal schools and such institutions are thereby brought into close touch with the people. What can be more encouraging also than the advanced stand taken by the great metropolitan dailies in their editorial columns in favor of careful professional preparation for the teacher?

THE FACULTY.

Within a month from the time that our school closed in June it became evident that we were to lose two of our best teachers. The State Normal School at Los Angeles, Cal., offered Dr. Van Liew an advance of \$700 upon what he was receiving here to take a similar position there. The offer was too tempting to be resisted. The College of Pedagogy in the University of Buffalo, having lost Prof. O'Shea, who was called to the University of Wisconsin, turned to us to repair its loss. Prof. Galbreath was offered an advance of \$500 to become his successor. You can appreciate the anxiety which this situation would naturally occasion. These men are rare teachers. They are in the highest sense "professional," are full of enthusiasm, and in every way tactful, practical, and constructive. How should their places be filled? By the rarest good fortune the Committee on Teachers was able to induce Dr. Charles A. McMurry to return to the position which he left in 1896. This prevented any break in the continuity of the established policy of our Practice School and gave us again the services of a man whose reputation is national and who is second to no American in the special department for which we desired him.

To fill Prof. Galbreath's place your committee turned to the Minnesota State Normal School, from whose faculty we had formerly withdrawn Dr. McMurry and Prof. Galbreath, and invited Prof. Manfred J. Holmes to come to our assistance. He accepted the call and joined us in September.

Prof. Holmes is a graduate of the State Normal School at Winona, Minn., and also of Cornell University. He has been a teacher in the former institution for several years and has made for himself a reputable place among the Normal School teachers of Minnesota. From observation of his work I feel assured that we have made no mistake in selecting him.

To succeed Mr. J. Irving Reed as assistant in the Department of Languages, you selected Miss Mary R. Potter at your June meeting. We knew her qualities from her former service with us. She left us in June, 1896, to spend a year in Boston University, doing post graduate work. We are now receiving the advantage of her extended culture. She is in every way highly satisfactory.

As teacher of gymnastics and reading, under the direction of the Committee on Teachers, I employed Mr. B. C. Edwards, of the Boston School of Oratory. Mr. Edwards has been a student in that institution for five years. My purpose has been to use the gymnasium for training that should tell directly upon physical expression. Hence the selection of a teacher who looks at gymnastic work from a somewhat different point of view than the ordinary director of physical culture. It is not to be forgotten that one great purpose of our gymnasium is to prepare teachers for giving to boys and girls in ordinary school rooms that mastery over their bodies which is so essential to health and grace.

I have followed the work of Mr. Edwards with a good deal of care. I am satisfied with his general theories and am confident that he will serve us very satisfactorily.

Mr. Elmer Cavins, formerly in charge of penmanship and orthography, returned to us again at the beginning of the year, after an absence of one year spent in Chicago as a teacher in a private school and a student at the University.

THE PRACTICE SCHOOL.

We are endeavoring to make our Practice School increasingly efficient as an exemplification of our educational theories. The interest in this work on the part of our students steadily increases. Illustrative recitations with children are given on three mornings of each week. We are also employing the plan of having illustrative exercises conducted by a critic teacher given before the faculty and subsequently discussed with great fullness at our evening meeting.

These exercises are in every way useful. The former are attended by all pupils who desire to do so and also by the regular pupil teachers of the grade.

We are endeavoring to lessen the possibilities of failure on the part of pupils who must teach for the first time, by having them spend a preparatory term in observing the work of the Practice school. A considerable number of those who will teach next term have been careful students for the greater part of the present term of the work which they will be called upon to do.

THE WELL.

I am glad to be able to report that we seem to have been very successful in our efforts to secure a good well. The usual price for sinking and casing four-inch wells is \$1.25 a foot. I found, however, that I could secure the services of Mr. Stewart, with his engine and drill, for \$0.50 a foot by furnishing fuel and water and one helper. Casing costs 25 cents a foot. The result is that we have a well 218 feet deep, in which the water stands about 120 feet deep, at a total cost of \$213.42, as against \$273, which it would have cost us under the customary arrangement.

It was very desirable that this well should be in our new pit, hence we delayed the construction of the addition to our boiler house until the completion of the well. This threw us into some rather severe weather, but the delay is not at all serious.

THE SUMMER INSTITUTE.

According to the plans submitted to the Board at the June meeting of last year, we held a summer institute of three weeks' duration. The attendance was something over 100. This seemed to me fairly satisfactory for the first year. The members of the faculty who were present, however, are of a different opinion. They believe that more good can be accomplished by going out into the institutes of the State than by remaining here and attempting to build up a large summer school. So few, in consequence, are willing to take part in another summer school that it will be necessary to abandon the enterprise. I believe that we should attempt to secure a sufficient addition to our appropriation at the next meeting of the General Assembly, to provide for a free summer school at least six weeks in length, which shall become an integral part of our work for the year. I will discuss this point more fully at a subsequent meeting of the Board.

CHANGES IN OUR HOUSE.

The indications now are that the new building will be ready for occupancy by the first of the new year. I suggest that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds be instructed to make such changes in the arrangement of the main building as will be rendered possible and advisable by the removal of the library and the science department. The greatest caution in expenditures will be necessary, in order that we shall be able to keep within our means. The changes desired can be made after the beginning of the term without inconvenience to our regular work, and when it shall appear that our finances will permit of them.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Since the end of June last, the library has circulated 10,485 volumes. The circulation was kept as small as possible during the summer institute, because of the difficulties of having the books returned by people who were in town for only a few weeks. But the room was kept open more hours than usual, and was quite popular with the visitors, especially those who wanted suggestions about forming, carrying on, and adding to school libraries.

Much progress has been made on the card catalogue this fall.

The greatly increased use of the library brings a greatly increased wear on the books, thus adding to the expenses of rebinding and of replacing worn-out books. There is also an increasing need of duplicates. As the work of the library broadens a greater variety of books, treating of more different subjects are needed. The need of good assistance has also increased, so that our expense in that direction is heavier than it used to be. The present arrangement of having one person who has already had a good deal of experience in the library, and whose efficiency is assured, to act as assistant during the greater part of the day, is much the most helpful plan that we have tried.

The apprentice department is becoming more and more popular. This term we have twelve apprentices in the library. These persons are on duty for at least three-quarters of an hour a day, and some are giving a great deal more time to it. They exchange what assistance they can render for the instruction they receive, with the full understanding that the chief benefit they gain is the learning something about working with books, and that there is but little opportunity of their being put on the pay-roll afterward. Some of these develop marked ability in the work, and from among the best ones the regular assistants are drawn when needed. Many could never be of much help in a library, but all seem to gain benefit from the experience.

The circulation of books constantly increases, and an effort is being made to teach students to work in the library among the reference books, instead of thinking that they must draw out and carry home everything they want to read.

ANGE. V. MILNER, *Librarian*.

THE GENERAL OUTLOOK.

To those of you who are accustomed to watch the movements in the educational world, I need not say that the prospect is everywhere encouraging. Teaching is slowly but steadily coming to be recognized as a profession. While the greatest gain appears in the cities, the country districts are dropping into line. There is every reason for the greatest hopefulness and enthusiasm on the part of the normal school people. We are probably getting recognition as rapidly as we deserve it.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. COOK, *President*.

NORMAL, Illinois, December 8, 1897.

Mr. F. D. Marquis, Treasurer, read his report covering the past six months.

Mr. Kimbrough moved that the Treasurer's report be referred to the Auditing and Finance Committee. Carried.

The report of Mr. Marquis is as follows:

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

MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:—My last report as your treasurer included June 22, 1897, and showed a balance on hand of \$5,452.21. The receipts have since amounted to \$22,573.66, from the following sources, viz.:

From the State Treasurer	\$20,750 00
From John W. Cook, tuition.....	1,508 03
From rent of land.....	315 63
Total.....	\$22,573 66

The disbursement has amounted to \$23,715.78, as shown by 46 vouchers, which are returned herewith, together with a detailed statement of account. The balance at this time is \$4,310.09.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. D. MARQUIS, *Treasurer.*

December 7, 1897.

The full report of the Treasurer, F. D. Marquis, to December 1, 1897, is as follows:

F. D. Marquis, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Education of the State of Illinois.

		DR.		
1897.				
June	22	To balance.....		\$5,452 21
"	23	Tuition, John W. Cook.....	\$38 00	
July	7	Land rent, Phoenix Nursery.....	121 73	
"	10	State Treasurer.....	8,750 00	
August	31	Tuition, John W. Cook.....	89 28	
September	18	".....	50 00	
"	18	State Treasurer.....	6,000 00	
"	23	Tuition, John W. Cook.....	300 00	
"	30	".....	59 50	
October	11	".....	77 50	
"	15	".....	122 00	
"	18	".....	155 00	
"	25	Land rent, Augustine.....	193 90	
"	28	State Treasurer.....	3,000 00	
November	10	Tuition, John W. Cook.....	140 00	
"	12	".....	150 00	
"	12	".....	45 00	
"	23	State Treasurer.....	3,000 00	
"	24	Tuition, John W. Cook.....	40 00	
December	1	".....	167 50	
"	2	".....	74 25	
				22,573 66
				\$28,025 87
December	7	To balance.....		\$4,310 09

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By vouchers—			
2357	Bailey, J. L.		\$16 00
2358	Kimbrough, E. R. E.		14 50
2359	Walker, P. R.		16 00
2360	Gastman, E. A.		15 00
2361	Young, Mrs. Ella F.		9 00
2362	Shanahan, M. W.		11 00
2363	Norton, Jas. H.		15 00
2364	Sandham, W. R.		9 00
2365	Inglis, S. M.		17 50
2366	Green, Wm. H.		29 00
2367	Morrison, F.		133 11
2368	Stewart, W.		69 10
2369	Public School Publishing Co.		100 00
2370	The Vidette.		50 00
2371	Loudon, R.		99 05
2372	Marmon, W. W.		9 62
2373	Wells, W. F.		19 95
2374	Hunt, S.		24 70
2375	Williams & Capen.		25 00
2376	Sylvester, Thos.		16 50
2377	Capen, Chas. L.		100 00
2378	Cook, John W.	2,892 76	
2379	..	400 00	
2380	..	250 00	
2381	Colton, B. P.	150 00	
2382	King, W. T.	316 61	
2383	Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co.	225 00	
2384	Cook, John W.	2,581 58	
2385	..	2,581 66	
2386	The American Contractor.	19 10	
2387	Cook, John W.	200 00	
2388	..	3,087 36	
2389	..	23 80	
2390	..	30 00	
2391	..	200 00	
2392	Higgins, H. J. & Co.	23 00	
2393	Cunningham & Kofoid.	26 51	
2394	Root, Geo. T.	25 00	
2395	Cook, John W.	3,091 59	
2396	..	250 00	
2397	Bloomington Steam Boiler Works	250 00	
2398	Colton, B. P.	150 00	
2399	Yeager & Son.	2,992 53	
2400	Keiser, H.	10 00	
2401	Bloomington Steam Boiler Works	59 10	
2402	Cook, John W.	3,081 15	
	Balance.		\$23,715 78
			4,310 09
			\$28,025 87

The reports of the committees being called for, were made as follows:

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of President John W. Cook, in account with the Contingent Fund, begs leave to report that it has examined said report with 86 accompanying vouchers and find the same correct. They recommend that it be received, approved, and placed on file and that this Board appropriate the sum of seven hundred dollars (\$700) for contingent expenses as therein recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. BAILY,
M. W. SHANAHAN,
CHARLES L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of President John W. Cook, in account with the Library Fund, begs leave to report that it has examined the same with the 38 accompanying bills and vouchers and find the same correct, and recommend that the same be received, approved and filed, and that an appropriation of \$500 be made for the ensuing six months as therein recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. BAILY,
M. W. SHANAHAN,
CHARLES L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of B. P. Colton, in account with the Natural Science Fund, begs leave to report that it has examined the same together with 23 accompanying vouchers and find the same correct, and recommend the same be approved and filed, and that the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated for the use of the science department as recommended in said report.

J. L. BAILY,
CHARLES L. CAPEN,
M. W. SHANAHAN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the current unpaid bills that have been presented to this Board, being thirteen in number, which are as follows:

1.	A. E. Elbe	\$12 00
2.	Shipman, Bradt & Co	35 00
3.	Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co.....	23 50
4.	" " " "	47 50
5.	" " " "	13 25
6.	The Leader.....	12 36
7.	Henry Keiser Co.....	85 29
8.	Pub. School Publishing Co.....	50 00
9.	Watson Stewart.....	36 00
10.	" " " "	128 13
11.	Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Co.....	45 00
12.	W. F. Wells	7 35
13.	S. Hunt.....	9 32
		\$504 70

Reports that it has examined each and all of said bills and find the same correct and recommend the allowance of the same and each of them and that orders issue therefor.

J. L. BAILY,
M. W. SHANAHAN,
CHARLES L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

It was moved and seconded that the reports of the Auditing and Finance Committee with recommendations be approved. On the call of the roll the motion received a unanimous vote.

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Auditing and Finance, to whom was referred the report of F. D. Marquis, treasurer, begs leave to report that it has examined said report with accompanying vouchers from Nos. 2357-2402 inclusive and find the same correct. They recommend that said report be received, approved and placed on file.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. BAILY,
M. W. SHANAHAN,
CHARLES L. CAPEN,

Committee on Auditing and Finance.

A motion to approve the treasurer's report was unanimously adopted.

Bill of \$700 in favor of Miller & Fisher, architects, was referred to the Committee on Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Capen reported that the roof on the gymnasium building was in an unsatisfactory condition.

Mr. Kimbrough stated the terms of the contract between the Board and the contractors, Yeager & Sons.

President Green expressed the opinion from an inspection of the roof that it was a poor job. He felt that the Board should resist payment, as the contractor was bound to do the best work of its kind. Further remarks were made by Messrs. Capen and Plain, and explanations by Capt. Yeager and Mr. Fisher, the architect.

Mr. Baily made the following motion:

It is moved that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds be instructed to have a new roof put on the new gymnasium building of whatever kind and character it may deem best, and that said committee be authorized to make and execute any and all contracts in writing necessary to have the same done; and said committee is hereby authorized to make such contract or contracts in the name of this Board, and in making the same, it is hereby directed to save and preserve to this Board any cause of action it may have against the architects, contractors or roofers, or any other person, and that such rights be preserved in writing in the contracts made for a new roof.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Baily moved the following:

It is moved that the Buildings and Grounds Committee be instructed to notify the parties or firms who furnished the heating apparatus for our buildings that the same is not of sufficient capacity to furnish heat enough to warm our buildings, and that in said notice said firm or firms be given a reasonable time in which to remedy the same, and in case of their refusal or neglect so to do, that said committee institute a suit or suits at law against said parties in the name of this Board, to recover damages for a violation of their contract or contracts, also any damages occasioned by any damages done to our boiler by them in trying to make the same do the work. The motion was discussed by Messrs. Gastman and Capen.

On call of the roll the motion was unanimously carried.

The following was carried unanimously:

Moved that it is the sense of this Board that we do not accept the boiler on the grounds, and that the whole matter be recommitted.

Mr. Brady moved that the Committee on Buildings and Grounds be instructed to notify, forthwith, the contractor of the action just taken by the Board.

Carried.

The Committee on Buildings and Grounds recommended that \$450 be allowed for extra work on the Library and Gymnasium Building as follows:

Additions and alterations of plumbing, for lavatory in small room between work room and museum substituting one 18x24 sink for lavatory specified, substituting for lavatories in biology and office 20x36 inch sinks, with backs, place in recitation room one 20x36 inch sink, place in physiology room the following sinks, one sink 22x76 inches with backs, and one sink 22x62 inches with backs, all sinks to be cast iron, white enamel, supported on nickel-plated brackets, supplied with cold water through N. P. bibbs, the 22x62 sink to have three bibbs, the 22x76 sink to have four bibbs, all sinks 1½ inch Gal. I wastes with vented traps and to connect to sewer by means of 2-inch soil pipe, rough in for wastes and supplies to all tables as shown on plans, provide and lay around all steam main between boiler house and new buildings a line of 10-inch vitrified sewer tile.

The recommendation was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Capen moved that we reject the pipe on the grounds and that, at least, a six-inch pipe be required instead and that it be laid in tile.

Mr. Brady moved as a substitute the following: Moved that the three-inch pipe tendered be rejected as not adequate or sufficient for the purpose for which such pipe is required, and that the contractor be required to supply a pipe sufficient for the purpose for which it is needed, which pipe shall be, at least, six inches in diameter, and laid in tile,

Substitute carried unanimously.

Mr. Baily moved that the matter of force-pump be referred to Committee on Buildings and Grounds with power to act,

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Capen moved that Committee on Buildings and Grounds be instructed to furnish metal shelving as fast as the condition of the treasury will allow.

Carried unanimously.

The Committee on Text-Books and Course of Instruction presented the following, which on motion of Mr. Norton received a unanimous vote:

Recommendations of the Committee on Course of Study:

1. Pupils belonging regularly to the two-year course may take one term's work in methods of instruction in latin and substitute that work for the work in senior pedagogy and book-keeping now required in the graduating term of that course.

2. Mediaeval history is hereby changed from the fall term of the senior year to the winter term of the same year and practice teaching is changed from the second term of the senior year to the first term of the same year.

3. In the two-year course, reading in the first term and geography in the second term, have their places changed, putting geography into the first term and reading into the second.

JAMES H. NORTON.
 ELLA F. YOUNG.
 P. R. WALKER.

The Committee on Teachers and Salaries submitted the following report:

To the Board of Education of the State of Illinois:

Your Committee on Teachers and Salaries desire to make the following report:

Since our last meeting Dr. C. C. Van Liew resigned to accept a similar position in a California Normal School with an advance in salary of \$700.

Prof. Louis H. Galbreath resigned to accept a position in the school of pedagogy, at Buffalo, N. Y., with an advance in salary of \$500.

We therefore recommend that the resignations be accepted and that Dr. Charles A. McMurry receive the appointment of Supervisor of Practice with a salary of \$2,500, that Manfred J. Holmes receive the appointment of Assistant in Mental Science and Didactics with a salary of \$1,800.

We also recommend the appointment of B. C. Edwards as teacher of reading and director of gymnasium, with a salary of \$1,000.

P. R. WALKER.
 E. R. E. KIMBROUGH.
 ELLA F. YOUNG.

On motion of Mr. Walker the resignations of Dr. Van Liew and Prof. Galbreath were accepted by a unanimous vote.

On call of the roll the recommendations of the committee in regard to the appointment of Dr. McMurry, Prof. Holmes and Mr. Edwards, passed unanimously.

Mr. Bailey presented the following resolution, which received a unanimous vote:

Resolved, That the president and secretary of the Board are authorized and instructed to draw the orders of the Board upon the State Auditor for the quarterly installments of the legislative appropriation that fall due upon the first days of January and April, 1898, and the treasurer is authorized to receive the same.

It was moved and carried that the bill of \$700 in favor of Miller & Fisher—architects—be withheld until the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Walker moved that the secretary be instructed to notify all committees to meet Tuesday, the day before the regular meeting of the Board,

Carried.

Mr. Walker moved that a committee with Pres. Green as chairman be appointed to prepare memorial resolutions pertaining to Charles E. Hovey, Newton Bateman and Ira More,

Carried.

The committee consists of Pres. Green, and Messrs. Walker, Gastman, Harrington and Kimbrough.

The Board adjourned to meet Wednesday, June 22, 1898.

SAMUEL M. INGLIS,
Secretary.

WILLIAM H. GREEN,
President.