

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1873.

The Board of Trustees met at the University, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

The President, Mr. Cobb, in the chair.

Present—Messrs. Brown, Boyd, Blackburn, Gardner, Salim, and Mason.

Absent—Gov. Beveridge, Messrs. Pickrell, Slade, and Reynolds.

Dr. Gregory, the Regent, informally addressed the Board in regard to his connection with the University. He cheerfully accepted the conditions of the new law, believing that the duties of Regent of the University and President of the Board should be separated. He regretted that complete freedom in choice of studies had been changed by the law, regarding the change to be contrary to the spirit of American Institutions. He stated that some 400 students were present in the University, expecting the number would be increased to 500 before the close of the term; that the reputation of the University was not merely local, but equal to that of some of the leading institutions of the Old World.

By vote of the Board, Dr. Gregory was requested to reduce his remarks to writing, for publication.

Mr. Cobb replied that it was expected and desired that the Regent would be present at all meetings of the Board, etc.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The following bills were audited and allowed :

*Bills presented for payment, September 4, 1873.*

CURRENT EXPENSES.		
1	H. K. Vickroy	Expenses Horticultural Dept., August..... \$235 73
2	H. K. Vickroy	Work on experimental farm..... 14 17
17	Trevett & Green	Tube, whistle and pipe..... 12 95
3	E. L. Lawrence	Experimental stock farm, Aug..... 259 79
5	Sabin Bros	Tile..... 24 33
6	Carpenter dept.	Work for stock farm..... 1 20
7	Mechanical dept	Work new University building..... 3 42
	Furstenburg	Books..... 4 00
8	Enterprise Coal Co.	Coal..... 28 00
10	E. Snyder	Petty expenses, Aug..... 15 87
9	F. A. Parsons	Salary, Aug..... 50 00
11	Champaign Gazette	Advertising and printing..... 34 50
16	E. Lynch	Wages as watchman on new building..... 50 25
12	Publishers "Nation"	Advertising..... 7 12
13	W. S. Chase	As janitor, librarian, meteorol. observ., Aug.'73 14 90
15	Pay roll	Work on grounds..... 310 69
14	C. I. Hays	Salary, Aug. 31..... 50 00
STATE APPROPRIATIONS.		
	Field, Leiter & Co.	Carpet..... 69 09
	Rutan Heating Co.	Iron base..... 36 00
	S. W. Shattuck	Service as Supt..... 75 00
	The Sherman & Hand Mantle Co.	Mantle..... 76 50
	J. Davis Wilder	Slating blackboard..... 180 48

Mr. Gardner reported the work on sidewalks completed, presenting bill of \$110. The report was accepted and bill allowed.

An additional appropriation of \$30 was made for the purchase of gymnastic apparatus.

The Board then adjourned, to meet at the Duane House, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

#### EVENING SESSION.

Board re-assembled at 8 o'clock.

The President read a statement, recommending the acceptance of the same, of Mr. J. M. Van Osdel, Esq., in regard to the completion of the new University building, which the contractor, Mr. S. H. Gehlman, wishes accepted and settlement made.

He also read the report of the Arbitrating Committee, consisting of Messrs. J. H. Rice, A. Grannis, J. Dickerson, awarding the amount of \$858 65 to the contractor, S. H. Gehlman, for extra work done on the new building.

On motion, Mr. S. H. Gehlman was allowed to remove the nails from the new building, but no other material.

The following, presented by Mr. Brown, was accepted :

WHEREAS, the Architect (Mr. Van Osdel) of the new University building has this day reported to this Board that the said building has been completed, according to contract :

*Resolved*, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the contractor for the balance due him on his contract, viz : \$3,328 85, less the amount of unsettled claims of N. Diedrich & Co. and S. Thomas, viz : \$1,736 20.

AND WHEREAS, a matter of difference between this Board and the said contractor, in relation to extra work done on said building, has been referred to arbitration, and the arbitrators have decided that the Board pay to said contractor the further sum of \$858 65 :

*Resolved*, That the warrant drawn, as by the first resolution, include also said additional sum of \$858 65.

Prof. S. W. Shattuck was appointed Business Agent and Book-keeper, at a compensation of \$65 00 per month, with authority to employ assistance, and to provide for the teaching of the book-keeping classes.

The reports of Prof. Shattuck were read and approved :

HON. EMERY COBB, *President of the Board of Trustees of the I. I. U.* :

SR—I have the honor to make the following report, as superintendent of construction :

Since the last meeting of the Board, the work on the building has been pushed rapidly forward, more so, in some respects, than is good for it. The attention of the architect was drawn to the matter at his visit on the 17th inst. Your attention is called to the action of Mr. Gehlman in placing extra locks on some six of the doors, thus marring the building and causing great inconvenience to the University. He has refused to repair the roof or replace the broken glass of the building, though it was understood, until recently, that he would. I have caused a portion of the glass to be put in.

Mr. Gehlman has removed a large portion of the refuse lumber from the grounds, though such a course is contrary to the contract, as I understand it.

The work on the heating apparatus is going on satisfactorily, under the circumstances. It is expected that we will be able to start up steam by the last of this week, though there will be some delay in the full completion of the apparatus, on account of the condition of the building.

The fence on south side of Green street has been moved to the proposed line, and the sidewalk made. Further provision for a walk from the street railroad to Green street seems necessary ; also a plank walk from Green street to the building. Considerable work has been done on the grounds, cutting weeds, plowing, grading, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

S. W. SHATTUCK.

*To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Industrial University :*

MESSRS—I beg leave to make the following report, as Superintendent of Operations of the building :

The sewer and drains from the building have been completed for the amount assigned to the purpose, I believe, though it is a little difficult to determine their exact cost.

The drive to the building is nearly completed, the walk on the street started, some preparatory work for fence done.

Unless otherwise ordered, the present gate will be used on the new line and stiles made on each side. Only students labor and University teams are being used, since Sept. 1st, except men building the walk. Some fifty windows have been cleaned, the carpets partly made, the supply pipe for the water closets, etc., put in.

The work on the heating apparatus is well along, though some delay comes from all the flooring not being down, and a change of radiators in the library made necessary by the particular use of the room. To which party the cost of this change is chargeable, is an open question. The amount, I am told, will be about \$100. The gas fixtures are mostly in. The library cases are nearly completed.

It is proposed to commence the transfer of books on Monday next; will commence at that time also, or sooner, to transfer the furniture, etc.

Most of the seating and some furniture for the chapel has been received; the setters are being put together.

After a long delay on the part of the Yale Stock Company, a sufficient number of superior locks for the building have been furnished. The carpenter work and painting have been much delayed by the lack of flooring.

Fastenings for the basement windows are required, many persons entering the building through them, unless a watch is kept.

Respectfully submitted,

S. W. SHATTUCK.

To the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Industrial University :

Messrs—I have the honor to make the following report, as Regent, *pro tem.* :

Under the authority granted at your meeting, Aug. 14, the annual examination questions of the University have been printed, and copies with circular letter sent to County Superintendents.

The University, and the time of beginning of its next academic year, has been advertised in the leading agricultural papers of the west, and in some of the leading general papers of the country, at an expense of some less than \$100.

The necessary cleaning and whitewashing, with repairs of the old University building, have been made. The cleaning of the new building is not yet complete.

The green-house has been repaired and arranged so that the florist will room in it the coming year—this was thought quite desirable.

On Sept. 18 the moving of the furniture, library, etc., to the new building was commenced and continued until completed, except during the interruption caused by Mr. Gehlman in locking up the building.

With the concurrence of the President of the Board, I recommend the appointment of Mr. A. C. Swartz, as tutor in the College of Engineering, at \$40 dollars per month; Mr. P. Gennadius, as tutor in French, at \$40; Mr. J. D. Crawford, as Instructor in Ancient Languages, at \$75 per month. The above named gentlemen are on the ground doing duty in the several positions named. Attention is asked to the communication of Mr. Lawrence.

On the 12th inst. Dr. Gregory returned to the University relieving me of the duties of Regent, *pro tem.*

Respectfully submitted,

S. W. SHATTUCK.

Mr. Lawrence was directed to take the necessary steps to have the hedge taken care of.

The following resolution was passed :

*Resolved*, That an account of \$235 for arbitration fees be allowed, one-half to be collected of Mr. H. Gehlman, by his consent.

Mr. Blackburn moved that an Executive Committee of three members be appointed, as provided in the by-laws, was carried.

The President, Messrs. Bowen, and Gardner were appointed.

Dr. Gregory's bill of purchases in Europe was allowed, to be charged to proper funds, and also to send money to pay for apparatus ordered by him in Paris.

The following was passed :

*Resolved*, That it is inexpedient to put up a room in the old building for recitations of the class in chemistry, on account of the extra expense of providing means of heating, and also of inconvenience to students, and that the room heretofore assigned for agriculture be used by the Professor of Chemistry for his recitations.

The purchase of Devon Bull, Prairie Farmer, was declined.

The President was asked to call the Executive Committee, when needed.

The Board adjourned, to meet at the time of the next meeting of the Agricultural Society, in December next.