SEPTEMBER 13, 1876.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

Board met as per adjournment.

Mr. Blackburn, having been delayed by missing connection of trains, was present with the Board.

Mr. Pickrell was granted leave of absence on urgent business.

The Regent nominated Prof. G. E. Morrow to the Chair of Agriculture, who, at the motion of Mr. Gardner, was appointed to fill said chair, to commence January 1, 1877, at a salary of \$2,000 per annum. The Treasurer then read his report, which was received.

JOHN W. BUNN, TREASURER,

In Acct. with Illinois Industrial University.

1876.	Dr.		
June 7 '' 15	To balance	2,500 00	
July 1	" Pike " "	3,000 00	
	" Kankakee" "	3,000 00	
::	Illinois o per cent	930 00	
	" chicago 7 " "	875 00	
*******	ka and Minnesota	2,145 67	
٠٠	" amount received from State for University Building	1,000 00	
Aug15	" on Burnett's note	200 00	
31	" on account Agricultural Department	3,360 47	
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	Chemical	213 66 609 52	
,,	" Architectural "	799 58	
"	" Cabinet	100 00	
"	" fees and room rent	107 50	
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	buildings and grounds		
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1876.	Cr.		
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	" for board expense		119 20
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	" " stationery and printingbuildings and grounds		144 3 <b>2</b> 848 51
٠٠٠٠٠٠٠	" " incidental expenses		115 15
"	" " " library and apparatus		291 73
* *	" " " Mechanical Department		642 68
<b>''</b>	" " Architectural "	,	268 44
1,	" " " Agricultural "		1,959 71
	norticultural		400 53
	Chemical		183 25 49 09
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41	" Centennial expenses	}	73 99
4	" " Civil Engineering Department		44 61
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Authority was given to the Regent and Mr. Gardener to employ an assistant teacher in English and Ancient Languages.

Prof. Ricker's request for a foreman of carpenter shop was referred

to the Regent and Mr. Gardner, with power to act.

It was voted to authorize the study of Industrial Drawing and designing as an optional study in place of Mathematics, in the course of English and Modern Languages.

The fitting up of rooms for the janitor and Ladies' Gymnasium was referred to the Regent and Mr. Gardner, with power to act.

It was voted that Miss A. E. Patchen be reappointed teacher of Instrumental Music, to be paid by the fees received for same, and that she be required to report the work and receipts in her depart-

The Regent was requested to make application to the War Department for specimens of missiles; also to the Smithsonian Institute for specimens in Natural History.

The following special appropriations and assignments from general

appropriations were made:

Fund	To what applied.	Amount.
Incidental Expenses	For expense of Chicago exposition	\$20 00
SpecialBuildingsLibrary and Apparatus	foreman  'a desk for Regent's office  'temporary shelving in library  'purchase of books and binding of periodicals	50 00 100 00 10 0
Architectural Department	' tables, desk and paper racks' ' stools in Architecturanl Department	125 0 55 0 12 0
Stationary and printing	" payment in full to Illini for publishing catalogue for 1876	40 0
SpecialSpecial	"completion of repairs in greenhouse" "completion of microscopes—\$60 of the amount to be	88 0
Special	collected from parties indebted to this fund "cabinets and case in Prof. Taft's recitation room	$\begin{array}{c} 82 & 0 \\ 200 & 0 \end{array}$

The following general appropriations were made for the six months ending February 28, 1877:

Board expense	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$250	
Salaries		18,073	33
Fuel and light	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	2,500	00
Stationery and printing	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	300	
Buildings and grounds	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	400	
incidental expenses		. 300	
Library and apparatus	• • • • • • • • • •	500	
Mechanical Department (balance , practice 120)		. 120	
Architectural (balance 546 62, practice 120)	• • • • • • • • • •	. 666	
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Agricultural Darance	••••	. 1,328	08
State appropriation balances—			
Veterinary Department Building repairs	• • • • • • • • • •	. 796	
Building repairs		. 607	70
Sundries—		_	
Regent's desk	100 00		
Greenhouse	88 00		
Microscope Cabinet and case for Prof. Taft	82 00		
Cabinet and case for Prof. Taft	200 00		
Engineering transit	550 00		
		<b>- \$1,0</b> 20	∙ 00•
Total		<b>\$</b> 27_000	

The Board then adjourned to meet for the next quarterly meeting on Tuesday, December 5th, 1876, or at the call of the President.

# "C."—Abstract of Warrants.

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	H. A. Weber			
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	A. E. Barnes			***************************************
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	A. J. Wilkinson & Co	Hardwar	e	
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١	S. W. Robinson	Apparatr	is for Phys	sical Laboratory
	I., B. & W. R. R. Co	Freight		
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V	Valker Bros	Chemical	l fertilizer	's
C	Champaign & Urbana Gas Co	Gas bill f	or May, 18	376
Ì	L. Moeller	Microscro	opes and	s. 876 lenses.
	A. B. Baker	Salary Ju	ıne, 1876	
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٤	Smith, Vail & Co	Packing	and rubbe	rs

# "C."—Abstract of Warrants—Continued.

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	Agricultural Department	Expense of farm, July	\$639
1	Walker Bros	Fruit boxes.	
1	N. B. Coffmann	Fruit boxes.  Work on entomological cases.  Team work on grounds.	18
1	J. Furst	Team work on grounds	4
	A. Snedecker	Castings	61
1	Enterprise Coal Co	1 car coal.	(8
-	Students' pay-roll	July, 1876.	182 28
1	E. N. McAllister	Postage, May and June	2
1	John Wheldon	Pay-roll for work on grounds	98 20
1	Manly Miles	Books. Salary, August, 1876.	250
-	J. M. Gregory	(1)	33
1	S. W. Rebinson	(	160
ľ	T. J. Burrill		160
1	E Snyder		200 160
-	E. Snyder D. C. Taft	"	16
- 1	J. Burkitt Webb		16
	N. C. Ricker	(	12
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1	H. H. Weber E. L. Lawrence		13 10
	C. J. Hays	( ( ( ( )	7.
1	E. A. Robinson	46. 66	10
1	A. B. Baker	_ '' _ ''	5
-	A. B. Baker	Hardware and tools	2
1	Oehlrichs & Co	12 photographs	1
	Agricultural Department	Farm expense. August. 1876.	29
1	Fuller & Fuller		4
1	Locke & Saxton	Paper	
1	L. G. Clay	Coal for shops	11 1
1	I., B. & W. R. Co	Paper Labor, June, July and August. Coal for shops. Freight	
1	M. E. Lapham	Lumber	3
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1	L. V. Managarar	Lumber	12 1
1	Union Atlas Co	Atlas of Illinois	ī
١	Union Atlas Co	Freight	- 7
	Jas. Robertson Prairie Farmer Co		
-	Prairie Farmer Co	Advertising	1
	C & N Gas Co	Gas hill for June and July	3
i	Tribune Company	Gas bill for June and JulyExpense Horticultural Department	1
1	Sabin Bros	Bluegrass seed and coal	1
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	Ill. Cent. R. R. Co		8
	W Morava	Labor	5
١	N. E. Journal of Education	Advertising	1
	H. Swannell	Labor and plastering Labor Advertising Paint, oil, etc Work Paper Western other departments	2
	A. C. Scribner.	Work	
	A. C. Scribner Cameron, Amberg & Co Agricultural Department Dodson & Hodges Jas. Ralph	Work for other departments	46
-	Dodson & Hodges	Work for other departments Hardware	
ŀ	Jas, Ralph	Mason work bricking up windows	17
1	W. S. Maxwell. Trevett & Green	Brushes, ink, putty, etc Hardware	17
Ì	Trevett & Green	Hardware	1
1	J. A. Conklin	Mortar and sand	16
	Champaign Gazette Walker Bros	Binding, printing and advertising Wood specimens, Centennial	10
	G. M. Savage	1 month's work	1
	H. Peddicord	Plaster and lime	4
	H. Peddicord American Journal of Education	Advertising	
	Physical Laboratory Wensel Morava	Mercury	3
	Wensel Morava	Work in armory	1
	E. V. Peterson	Postage	i
	L. Daiuwiii	PostageWhitewashing	2
,	J W Runn	Six months salary	25
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## "C."—Abstract of Warrants—Concluded.

No.	To whom.	For what.	Amount.
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717 718 719	Horticultural Department	Labor, etc., and trees.  Plaster and work. Chronometer repaired.	182 94 8 50

### HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

#### Dr. J. M. Gregory, Regent:

Sir-I very respectfully submit the following report from the Department of Horticulture:

#### THE ORCHARD.

The apple orchard has attracted considerable attention during the summer from the number of trees in fruit. Most of the trees upon the dry ground are in fine condition, having recovered from the severe trial of the winter of 1872.3. Those planted on low, wet ground have usually died or are now diseased and worthless. The north side of the east and west road appears better than the south side, owing, it is thought, to the difference in treatment. Previous to the spring of 1873 the cultivation for both was the same, but at this date clover was sown upon the north side and corn grown again upon the south. The following spring (1874) clover was sown upon all not previously seeded, but the stand being poor the land was again plowed in 1875 and corn planted. So for 1876, objections having been made to the ridges upon which the trees were planted the earth was thrown by the plow away from them and the two summers proving wet the trees suffered. More of these have been injured by the wind than elsewhere, the roots having little hold upon the ground. So far as examinations have been made most of those fruiting prove true to name. Some kinds not generally cultivated in the vicinity give promise of much value, but the most of those unknown to fruit growers seem to be unworthy of extensive planting. Quite a number of kinds show twig blight this season, and many of the apples are scabby from a fungus. But these troubles may not occur during dryer summers. Records of the earlier varieties have not been fully kept this year from, in part, the centennial visits and from the pilfering of vistors to the orchard. Unless something can be done to stop this petty thieving the value of the experimental orchard will be greatly diminished. On September 8th there were 340 trees in fruit, embracing about 300 different varieties. The latter number is an estimate only, the figures not having been made out yet.

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Apples are the only orchard fruits we have had. A few plum trees fruited heavily, but the curculio quickly destroyed the crop. The Wild Goose variety, said, by some, to be curculio-proof, was stripped like the others. No measures were taken to prevent the ravages of this insect, the number of fruiting trees not being enough to warrant the attempt. Of the large number of kinds of pears planted during the last four years, few are now living. Some investigations were made during the summer upon the so-called "fire blight," revealing, perhaps, nothing new, but enough to stimulate further labor. The sap of the newly blighted limbs, especially in the young cells between the wood and bark swarms with minute living particles, visible only with high powers of the microscope, resembling the spermatia (supposed male element) of funchi and lichens. The motion of these particles is a sort of uneasy vibration, as if they were attached by a short thread and were endeavoring to escape. They are found in greatest numbers where the inner bark shows, by discoloration, the recent progress of the disease, but in some cases could be traced two or three inches below the discolored portions. Not uncommonly a thick, sliny fluid escapes from small holes in the bark and sometimes in quantities sufficient to run down the limb several inches. This is almost wholly made up of these oscillating corpuscles and when fresh presents an amazing sight under a high power of the microscope. On some limbs, but not on all, two days after evidence of the attack of the blight, the outer bark becomes roughened with myriads of tiny pustules bursting outward from within. Similar pustules, caused by well-known microscopic fungi, are common enough upon almost all dead twigs, but the very sudden appearance of this one, together with the similarity of minute moving bodies produced, seems to connect it with the disease in question. No indications are yet obser

When this is determined, something definite, and it may be, very important, will be accomplished. Some attempts at innoculation with the diseased sap and with spores from the bark pustules seem to fail entirely. A slight slit was made in the bark of a healthy tree and the materials introduced after the manner of budding. Ten or twelve trials were made with no observed results. The wounds healed nominally, and the trees continued, to all appearances, healthy. This was unlooked for, as the statement is often made that the disease is communicated in this way. But more experiments are needed before anything can be predicated as to results. The leaves, though assuming a peculiar blackish tint and often giving the first notice of the disease, do not seem to be the seat of the difficulty, nothing abnormal being found in or on them. The Siberian crabs often blighted nearly as bad as the pear. The "twig blight" of the apple appears identical with the more destructive "fire blight" of the pear. Two years ago the flat-headed wood borer, (Chrysobothris femorata.) was exceedingly destructive upon the apple, elm, sycamore, and hard and soft maple trees, and last year (1875) the adult insects were more numerous than ever before. One man caught over 200 of the winged beetles upon the trees near the University building in one day and nearly as many each succeeding day for a week or more. The trees were also washed with crude potash several times during the summer. Whatever may have been the effect of these measures, the insects did but little damage last year, and during this season scarcely one has been seen in any form. Doubtless the change in the summers from dry to wet had much to do in their disappearance. In general, insect pests have not been very injurious during the year now closing to our horticultural productions. to fail entirely. A slight slit was made in the bark of a healthy tree and the materials introduced cultural productions.

#### FOREST-TREE PLANTATION.

The accompanying table shows the average height and size of the trees in this plantation, the growth during the summers of 1875 and 1876, and the cost of cultivation, together with the total cost of each kind and the whole plantation from the commencement. With the exception of the chestnut all the kinds planted are now represented by nearly their full numbers except as removed for thinning, and all are in a healthy, vigorous condition. In 1875 a peculiar blight affected the young leaves and shoots of the sugar maple, but its cause was not ascertained. It has not appeared this year and the trees have recovered. A fungus leaf parasite has made its appearance tion has been remarkably free from insect depredations. Several leaf-eating caterpillars have worked upon the elms and walnuts, but not so as to do serious damage. The larva of a butterfly (Grapta interrogationis) has defoliated very injuriously the elm trees planted singly, as along streets and on the ornamental grounds, and a sphinx larva in like manner the ash, but upon trees

in masses they do not appear to work much.

The ground the last two summers has been so wet that the plantation could not be cultivated at the proper times, so that more weeds have been allowed among the smaller trees than otherwise would have been. Visitors not acquainted with the peculiarity of these two seasons would get a

wrong impression without these explanations.

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The only addition made since the last report is a quarter of an acre of apple, planted four by four feet. The tulip trees which we intended to set last spring have been root pruned preparatory to removal next season. We hope to secure a collection of accorns this autumn, to fill up the portion designed for Oaks. I recommend also the addition of Box Elder and Honey Locust, the plants to be grown from seed, which can be obtained at little or no cost. The measurements of the plants with the world w

tion designed for Oaks. I recommend also the addition of Box Elder and Honey Locust, the plants to be grown from seed, which can be obtained at little or no cost. The measurements of a few Box Elder are given in the table for 1875. They were planted by chance with the White Ash and were then of the same age and size as the latter; but at the date given the average height of the Box Elder was 15 feet 7 inches, against 11 feet 10 inches for the Ash, and the diameter of trunk one foot from the ground, 334 to 1 3-5 inches.

By the showing of the table, the Willow is now making the most rapid growth, having gained in average height, six feet in 1876. Next comes in order the Soft Maple (Acer Dasycarprun), four feet six inches; the Catalpa and Osage Orange, each, four feet, and the White Ash and European Larch, each, three feet four inches. The two first do not furnish very valueble timber, while that of the four following are exceedingly useful. From the most reliable information, we know the wood of both the Osage and the Catalpa is almost proof against decay—the dead logs in their native places lie for ages upon the damp ground, hard and sound, while generations of human beings come and both the Osage and the Catalpa is almost proof against decay—the dead logs in their native places lie for ages upon the damp ground, hard and sound, while generations of human beings come and go—a log of Catalpa certainly known to have lain upon the earth in the wet woods of Pulaski county, Ills, during the whole century of our republic, was sawed into boards and one of them, perfectly sound and receiving a high polish, helped form the collection sent by this University to Philadelphia; a piece cut from the plantation, nearly four inches in diameter, also went with the collection. This was from seed sown in 1869. The Osage Orange wood, perhaps, is still more valuable, while that of the Ash and Larch is highly esteemed. Upon very extended inquiry during the last winter, in connection with the centennial wood collection, it was found that the price of wood as fuel had not increased during the last ten years in our State, and that in more than half of the timbered regions the growth was estimated to be fully equal to the destruction. With our immense supplies of coal, it is doubtful if wood can, for many years to come, be profitably grown for fuel; but the finer and better varieties of trees, such as are named above, may yield a handsome profit, while natural forests are burned to clear the ground.

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while natural forests are burned to clear the ground. The confiere, as indicated by the figures, are growing rapidly—the White Pine being first for the last year; the Scotch and Austrian for the year before. The growth of these trees should not be compared with that of the deciduous leafed ones, because of the natural slowness of their growth while young. In after years they will overtake their present rivals. The proportionately great expense of the Larch, Walnut and Butternut, for 1876, is due to extra work, pruning and

transplanting.

### Forest Tree Plantation.

1875.							Acres	A 1876.								
Varieties.	Height.		Height. G		Growth.		Diameter	Cost.	SS	Hei	Height.		Growth.		Cost.	Cost from begin-ning.
	Ft.	In.	Ft.	In.	In.			Ft.	In.	Ft.	In.					
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Total c'st fr'm beg'ng								<b></b>						\$1,424 41		

#### GREEN HOUSE.

From the report on file concerning the moving of the green house, it is seen that an estimate of \$1,000 would be required to place it as it now is on the grounds near the new building. But for our purpose the structure can be very greatly improved at no great additional expense. We need a portion higher than the present roof for large size plants, some of which have been growing from our beginning, and are yearly becoming more valuable, and a portion with low roof for propagation. Attached to the green house a botanical laboratory is also very greatly needed. It is impossible to do such practical work as the times demand in teaching and in original investigations upon plants and their physiology without an appropriate place to work. I therefore begleave to ask that steps be taken to secure from the State Legislature the required amount. Without having fully matured plans, and without estimates by skilled workmen, I venture to name \$4,000 for the buildings and equipments. This contemplates a plain structure of brick, one story high, and the use of the green house material on hand, the required tables and apparatus for cultures, dissections, analysis, etc. An ornamental building would cost more according to the plans adopted.

Prof. Botany and Horticulture.

#### UNIVERSITY FARM.

To Dr. J. M. Gregory, Regent Illinois Industrial University:

I herewith present a summary of operations of the farm since the last quarterly report. The account stands as follows:

By cash sales By credit Horticultural Department By credit other departments	\$2,842 361	04 80
By credit other departments.	106	63
Total sales and credits for three months	\$3,310	47
To cash expenses.  To Illinois Central, freight  To department charges (Mechanical).	\$1,722 101	$\frac{74}{72}$
To department charges (Mechanical)	22	12
Total expenses and charges	\$1,846	58
Three months balance	1,403	89

I make the following estimate for the balance of the year, to be sold and collected:

Two cars cattle now ready	190	00
Total estimated receipts	900	00
Ordinary expenses 3 months, \$400 per month\$1, For purchase of stock cattle	$500 \\ 500 \\ 200$	00 00 00
\$2,	,900	00
There was a balance due the farm Dec. 1, of	,050	45
Total estimated and found balance\$2,	,568	21

I think the profits of the year will be something near this amount, perhaps less. This is something less than has been made for the past two years. While crops are equally as good, the depreciation in prices since one year ago will make the difference. By the system of taking inventories at the close of the year, that has been practiced on the farms, any rise or fall in prices of farm products, will show doubly in the returns of the year. Thus, there has been a large falling off in the price of cattle, hay, wheat, etc., and having a stock on hand at the beginning of the year, we lose on that as well as the present crop.

I ask leave to invest the \$500, mentioned above in stock cattle, and also that measures be taken to procure a young short-horn bull to take the place of the one recently sold, as well as a short-horn cow or heifer, that I think was promised a year or so ago.

In my estimation, at no distant day measures should be taken to establish a dairy and make butter on the farm as a means of revenue, as well as to set off the farm to advantage. We can raise good hogs, cattle and corn, but no better than our neighbors. I believe with a good milk house and other accommodations, we could demonstrate what I believe to be a fact: that this country cannot be excelled anywhere as a dairy country, and would be willing to go still further and attempt to show that short-horn cows or short-horn grades, when reared for the purpose, make the best general-purpose dairy cows in the world. While I am not prepared to recommend such a course more unqualifiedly, I make the suggestion for your consideration.

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