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01.05.1878

Jany. 5, 1878. The Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Pa. met at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq. Present: Clark, Lewis, Dougherty, Marshall, Stewart, Smith, E. H. Wilson, A. W. Wilson, & Hildebrand. The finance committee, appointed at a previous meeting for the purpose of methodizing the distribution of the late appropriation to this school through their Chairman Mr. E. H. Wilson made the following report—

Report  
of  
Finance

“We find claims which are considered preferred, and which we recommend to be paid in full as follows to wit.”

Committee

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on	Coupons on 1 <sup>st</sup> Mort. Bonds to Jan. 1, 1878	\$2,700.00
Distributing	Note in 1 <sup>st</sup> National Bank Indiana, PA (Beaver’s Inst.)	2,125.00
the	City Nat. Bank Phila (w. M. Stewart, atty.)	1,000.00
State	Helnigh, Hook & Co. <u>about</u>	640.00
Appropriation	Robt. Willards “	70.00
Preferred	Geddes & Co “	165.00
Claims	Est. of Jno. Sutton Decd (Int. & e. pd Beaver)	800.00
	Amt. required to renew Insurance	<u>500.00</u>
	Total preferred claims	\$8,000.00

Unsecured  
Claims

We find claims against the School That are unsecured, amounting to about \$27,000. = which we recommend, that you pay at the rate 37 ½ per cent in cash, and 37 ½ per cent in notes of the School at 3 years for Jan. 2, 1878, bearing—

interest at 6 per cent per annum—  
and for the additional 25% issue the  
stock of the school. This will require 10.125.00/18.125.00

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Amt. found	\$18,125.00
We recommend that you pay Saml. Ray, Esq., say half of his note and the interest thereon.	1,750.00
We also recommend that you set apart from the money recd from the state, the sum of (\$1000.00) being for money used in pay- -ing old debts, that should have been used, in the running of the school, since the passage of the act. appropriating the money	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$20,875.00
Amt. of Appropriation	<u>35,000.00</u>
Leaving amt. to appropriate to the notes of the school in the First. Nat. Bank of Indiana—	14,125.00

Speculating

The 25% reduction, recommended  
from the unsecured claims, against the school,  
will, with additional reduction, your committee  
think can be secured, from a few of the claims,  
secure to the school, the 20% of the appropriation as  
imposed upon your school, by the commission  
that made the distribution, of the appropriation  
aforesaid, being the amount of \$7,000.00.

Signed,           E. H. Wilson  
                          Wm. B. Marshall  
                          A. W. Wilson  
                          Com.

Order on  
“Peter”  
for  
balance due  
to the Board.

We also recommend that you grant an order on the late Treasurer Peter Sutton, Esq. in favor of the present Treasurer for the balance found to be in his hands, at the settlement, made by your committee, and as found in the report now on file, with the Secretary.

E. H. Wilson  
W. B. Marshall  
A. W. Wilson  
Com.

Upon motion duly made, seconded,<sup>1</sup> the report and recommendations were received.

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Report  
adopted.

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After some discussion, the Report and recommendations of the Committee were adopted. On motion duly made and second-ed, the Secretary was authorized to issue the following orders upon the Treasurer:

To the First Nat. Bank of Indiana in payment of note given for the payment of Interest due Thos. Beaver, Esq.	\$2,125.00
To the Farmers Deposit Bank of Indiana, for the payment of Geddes & Sons Note	165.00
Interest—	

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<sup>1</sup> Hildebrand, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, has a tendency to spell “seconded” as “seconded” consistently throughout the ms. Either this is a consistent spelling error or it was an appropriate spelling for the time; however, Clark, late secretary, never used this irregular spelling for “seconded.”

Lida Butler's  
Boarding  
\$3.25

President read a communication from Miss. Mary  
A. Butler asking an abatement on the amt.  
charged for Boarding &c. for her sister Lida—  
(see letter filed). After some interchange of opinion  
Mr. Smith moved that the price be fixed at \$3.25  
per week, including washing &c. The motion was  
duly seconded and upon a vote being valled,  
was agreed to. (This agreement from the beginning to  
the end of this term).

Minutes  
amended.

On motion made and duly seconded, it  
was agreed that the minutes of June 9, 1877  
be so amended as to read that the Prin-  
-cipal shall on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of each  
month pay over to the Treasurer of the Board  
any money—he may—have or haved,<sup>2</sup> belonging  
to the school. Geo. Row, Esq. through the  
Secretary asked the Board to fix the  
price of Tuition and Board for his daughter  
Rose, who goes to school (with model room)  
and desires to board at the school from  
Monday (dinner) inclusive to Friday (dinner)  
inclusive, on motion \$2.50 per week  
for Board and the regular "model"  
tuition was agreed upon.

Rose Row  
Board \$2.50  
& Tuition

Adjourned,

Wm B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

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01.12.1878

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<sup>2</sup> Spelling original to ms.

Saturday, Jan. 12, 1878. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Pa. met at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq. The following members were present: Clark, Lewis, Wilson A. W., Marshall, Dougherty, Smith, Stewart, & Hildebrand. On motion duly made and seconded—the President and Secretary were fully authorized and empowered to issue orders and execute notes to all persons, who agree to settle their notes and accounts they hold against the Indiana Normal School of Pa. upon the basis adopted upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance (see minutes Jan. 5, 1878) Secty. read a printed circular from Hon. J. P. Wickersham calling a conference meeting in the interest of the Normal Schools of Pa. at Harrisburgh,<sup>3</sup> for Tuesday, Jany. 15, 1878, and asking that principals of Nor. Schools, and Trustees be elected as representatives of the different schools, on motion, Prof. Sensenig, Princ. and Silas M. Clark as Trustee, were elected to represent the Indiana Normal School of Pa. Upon motion, A. W. Wilson was elected as alternative in case Mr. S. M. Clark could not go. Miss Ella Wilson (Student)—who was absent from school for 6 weeks—asked that the charge of half time, in case of absence might be abated in her case.

As it appeared that when Miss Wilson left the School she did not expect to return, upon

Pres. & Secty. authorized to execute notes in abatements of accts.

Conference for Nor. Schools

Sensenig & Clark representatives & A. W. Wilson alternative.

Ella Wilson's request.

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<sup>3</sup> Spelling original to ms.

motion it was resolved that the Law  
regulating such cases, did not apply to  
her case, and consequently, there would be  
no charge made, for the time Miss Wilson was  
absent. Adj.

W. B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

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**01.18.1878**

Order \$3.50  
to Dougherty  
Insurances  
“Peter”  
again

January 18, 1878. Board of Trustees of Indiana  
Normal School of Pa. met at the office of  
Silas M. Clark, Esq. The following named  
members were present: Clark, Wilson, E.H.,  
Wilson, A. W., Marshall, Dougherty, Smith,  
Porter, & Hildebrand. On motion an order  
was granted to Shff. Dougherty for \$3.50  
being for amount overpaid by him to  
Model School. Upon motion E. H. Wilson, Esq.  
was authorized to go to Pittsburgh tomorrow  
for the purpose of having our Insurance  
renewed. Messr. Dougherty & Smith were  
appointed a committee to call upon Peter  
Sutton, Esq., our late Treasurer, for the purpose  
of compromising, a final settlement with him.

Adj.

W. B. Hildebrand, Secty.

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**02.04.1878**

Monday, Feb. 4, 1878. Regular monthly meeting

of the Board of Trustees of the Indiana Normal School of Pa held in reception room at Normal School. Present: Clark, Marshall, Dougherty, Lewis, A. W. Wilson, Stewart & Hildebrand. Mess. M<sup>c</sup>Cartney's being present asked leave to make a statement relative to their claim against the Normal School. Permission being granted, Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Cartney proceeded with his statement, claiming that for various reasons assigned, that their relative position as compared with other creditors, should exonerate from the abatement made in the composition with out creditors. Consideration postponed to next meeting. Mr. E. H. Wilson here put in an appearance and Mr. Clark was called away. Mr. E. H. Wilson was called to the chair. Prof. Sensenig tendered the resignation of Prof. Fair—as teacher of Vocal (Music). Upon motion the resignation was accepted to take effect at the close of the present session. Prof. Sensenig asked that straw bolsters be furnished for all the students

Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Cart-  
-ney's plea  
for full  
payment.

action postpo-  
-ned.

E. H. Wilson.

Fair resigns  
Vocal Music  
& the Board  
agrees.

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Improvements  
of beds, &c.

Engineer &  
assistant

and teachers beds, and also that a number of the mattresses needed refilling. Referred to the Committee on Supplies and Expenditures. Prof. Sensenig reported derelictions of duty on the part of the Engineer & his assistant, and interference with some of the rules of discipline. Refer-

explained of. -red to the Committee on discipline. A. W. Wilson moved that Rev. Ehrenfelt be employed as traveling agent to solicit scholarships for the School. Motion seconded by Dr. Lewis. The Secretary moved to amend, by the appointment of A. W. Wilson and Dr. Lewis, as a committee to confer with Mr. Ehrenfelt on the subject matter. Upon vote the amendment was adopted. The resolution as amended was then finally passed. Upon motion adj. to meet at the office of S. M. Clark, Esq. this evening at 7 ½ o'clock.

Confer with  
Rev. Ehrenfelt  
as solicitor  
for  
scholarships.

W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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**02.04.1878 Evening**

Payment of  
Prof. Shoemaker  
vote.

Monday evening, Feb. 4, 1878. Board of Trustees of the Indiana Nor. School of Pa met pursuant to adjournment at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq. Present: Clark, Dougherty, Smith, Marshall, Wilson, A. W., Wilson, E. H., Porter, Lewis and Hildebrand. E. H. Wilson read a communication from Prof. J. W. Shoemaker asking that we pay him one-third of his note in cash, and the balance in tuition. Mr. E. H. Wilson moved that the proposition of Prof. Shoemaker be accepted that one half of the tuition be payable in 1878 and the other half in 1879. Agreed to.

School  
assumes all

Dr. Geo. R. Lewis moved, ~~that~~ That the Indiana Normal School of Pa hereafter assumed the



deficiencies  
be app<sup>d</sup> to  
undergrad-  
uates.

payment of all deficiencies in appropriations  
from the state to undergraduates, complying  
with the conditions, regulating such appropriations,  
The motion was duly seconded, and upon a  
vote being taken, the motion was unanimously  
agreed to. The committee on case of Peter  
Sutton, Esq., late Treas., reported progress—

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Committee  
on “Peter”  
report  
progress  
and ask  
A. W. Wilson  
to aid them.

and asked that A. W. Wilson, be added to  
the Committee, which upon motion was  
agreed to and the Committee was continued.  
The Committee on discipline, who had charge  
of the assumed charges vs. the engineers,  
reported fully—through Dr. Lewis, and the  
matter being satisfactorily arranged, the  
Committee were discharged from further  
duty in the case. Committee to confer with  
Rev. Ehrenfeldt relative to an agency—  
soliciting scholarships, reported through  
Mr. A. W. Wilson that Rev. E. could not  
entertain the proposition at this time.

Engineers  
ok.  
Ehrenfeldt  
declined, &  
com. dischgd.

Upon motion the Committee were discharged.  
President Clark was authorized to confer  
with Prof. Sensenig in reference to the prac-  
-ticability of his personal attendance at  
the teacher institute to be held at Mt. Pleasant,  
Westmoreland Co. On motion J. R. Dougherty  
was appointed to attend the suit before Geo.  
Row, Esq., “Jerry Senton” vs. Normal School.  
The proposition of S. McCartney & son, was

Sensenig  
and  
Institute.  
“Jerry Senton”  
McCartney

& Son. upon motion laid on the table. (See Minutes  
of last meeting.) Geo. R. Lewis and Secty. were  
Com. on appointed Committee on advertising. The  
Advertising. business of the meeting having been completed  
on motion adjourned.

W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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02.12.1878

Febry. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1878. Board met pursuant to call  
at the office of the President. Present: Clark,  
Marshall, Stewart, Dougherty, E. H. Wilson,  
A. W. Wilson, Lewis, & Hildebrand. President  
Liabilities read report of liabilities paid and also  
presented and read the mortgage required  
by the State, On motion duly made & seconded—  
it was unanimously agreed to authorize the  
State President Silas M. Clark, Esq., to execute said  
mortgage required by the State of Pennsylvania  
Mortgage for the amount of thirty-five thousand  
dollars (\$35,000.00) being for the amount

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of the appropriation accorded to the Indiana  
Normal School of Pa by the commission appoint-  
-ed by the State to distribute the late appropriation  
made to the Normal Schools of Penna—  
Com. on Committee on Mattresses, Table Clothes, Feathers—  
Supplies. Queensware &c., reported progress and were  
continued. The accounts of Saml. McCartney & Son,

Sect. of S. were referred to the Finance Committee, for  
McCartney final settlement. No further business,  
Son, refd. adj. W. B. Hildebrand, Secty.

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02.25.1878

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Febry. 25, 1878. Board met pursuant to call at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq., Present Clark, Marshall, A. W. Wilson, Esq., Smith, Lewis, Dougherty, Porter, Stewart, E. H. Wilson, and Hildebrand. Secty read a letter from Mr. J. O. Nissley, in reply to one sent him by the Principle of the school, relative to the position of teacher of vocal music in our school. Mr. Marshall made a statement in regard to a Mr. Sictor of Westmoreland for the same position. On motion the question was referred to the committee on Instruction &c., to ast and report progress at a future meeting. On motion it was resolved that in as much as Prof. Sensenig abated two-hundred and fifty dollars from salary asked by him for the present year, the Secty was authorized to draw orders— for the back pay due Prof. Sensenig & wife—the same to be paid out of the “appropriation funds.” The Secretary reported that the committee on Expenditures and Supplies— as an Experiment arranged with Prof. Smith to canvass for scholarships—during the

Vocal Mu-  
-sic.

Referred.

Sensenig—  
[?]<sup>4</sup>

J. O. Smith  
to Canvass.

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<sup>4</sup> Illegible, ms. damaged.

present vacation, the Professor having volunteered to do the work for expenses and such pay as the Board may consider is services worthy. Upon motion made and duly seconded, the arrangement made with Prof. Smith was approved & confirmed by the Board.

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Allowance  
of 12 ps.  
washing.

\$540.40  
Note  
to be paid.

\$5000.00  
order  
to  
S. M. C.

At the request of a number of the students the Secretary asked that the number of pieces to be washed without extra charges be 12 pieces instead of 10 as heretofore. Upon motion it was unanimously agreed that for this summer session, the above request should be granted to the students. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously agreed, that the note for \$540.40, dated April 3<sup>rd</sup> 1876 made and endorsed by S. M. Clark, James R. Dougherty, W. B. Marshall, and Dan S. Porter, Esquires, ~~shall be p~~ to the First National Bank of Indiana shall be paid off in full out of the appropriation fund. On motion the Secretary was authorized to draw an order for Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000). ~~000.00~~ in favor of Silas M. Clark, Esq., to be appropriated by him pro-rate to the judgment held by the First National Bank of Indiana vs. the Normal School of Pa. and for which, certain of the Trustees were made responsible by having given their

several notes. On motion adj.

W. B. Hildebrand

Sec.

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**03.16.1878**

Committee  
Report on  
Advertising.

March 16, 1878. Board met at the office of  
S. M. Clark, Esq. pursuant to call. Present:  
Clark, Lewis, Smith, Marshall, Porter, E. H. Wilson,  
A. W. Wilson, & Hildebrand. Committee on ad-  
-vertising reported that they had arranged  
to advertise for 4 weeks in 18 weekly and  
3 daily paper (see list filed) with Foulk Sons  
& Co. of Pittsburgh, for the sum of Forty-  
Five Dollars also with the same parties  
for 4 weeks advertising in the “P[?] B[?]”  
“Christian Advocate” and “U. Presbyterian”—  
all of Pittsburgh for the sum of \$23.99—  
Report accepted and approved.—

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State Mortgage  
executed.

McCartney’s  
acct. settled.

Vocal Music

Mr. Clark reported mortgage required by the  
State, duly executed and sent on and that the  
amount of money due the Indiana Nor. School of Pa  
out of the State appropriation has all been paid  
(\$35,000.00) Finance Committee through E. H.  
Wilson ch. reported a final settlement, with  
McCartney & Son (see paper filed with Secty.)  
Com. on vocal music reported through  
Mr. Marshall that owing to other engagements,  
they failed to secure Mr. Futor and also for

reasons assigned—abandoned Mr. Nirsley.  
The committee was continued, Secty. read a communication from Mr. G. Moyer of Swatori Dauphin Co. offering his services, as teacher of vocal music. Referred to the Com. on vocal music. Secty. reported that the order for \$5,000.00 was issued to Mr. Clark and Mr. Clark reported the same was disposed of as per instructions. The matron, Mrs. Rowley, through the Secty. asked that additional comforts & and 6 doz. teaspoons be furnished for use of Nor. School. Referred to Committee on Supplies. Col. Porter moved that \$7,500.00 be applied on the judgment due First National Bank of Indiana, Pa. Secty. moved to amend, by inserting \$7,000.00 ~~as~~ in place of (\$7,500.00) upon vote taken the amendment was agreed to, and the motion as amended was adopted, and the Secty was authorized to issue an order to Mr. Clark for the sum of (\$7,000.00) Mess. Clark and Porter, were— authorized to apply the \$7,000.00 above mentioned, to the payment in part on the judgment due First National Bank. Indiana, Pa. Payment to be applied so as be equalized to the makers of the different notes—Secty. was authorized to issue an order to Saml. Row, Esq. of Blairsville for interest due him—

Adjourned  
W. B. Hildebrand

\$5,000.00

Com. Supplies.

Order for  
\$7,000.00

application  
of the  
\$7,000—

March 27, 78. Board met at office of Silas M. Clark. Present: Clark, Wilson, E. H., Wilson, A. W., Smith, Smith,<sup>5</sup> Porter, Marshall, Stewart, Lewis, Hildebrand & (Prof. Sensenig by request).

Assistant  
for  
the Model.

The object of the meeting was stated by the Pres. to be the consideration of an assistant teacher in the Model School. Statement was made by the Principal showing the necessity of an assistant in the Model department.

S. M. Clark read the following resolution.

Resolved:

That Mrs. Mary M. Sharpe, be employed as ~~an~~ assistant ~~teacher~~ sup't in the Model School, for the present term at the rate of \$400.00 for forty-two weeks full-times of six periods per day. The amt. of compensation for 18 weeks, to be computed according to the number of periods, actually employed, at the rate above mentioned. Dr. Lewis moved the adoption of the resolution, which motion was seconded by E. H. Wilson, and upon vote being called the resolution was adopted. Marshall & Porter voting no. Committee on music reported that they have employed Robt. M. Sutton, Esq. to take charge of the vocal music at Normal School. Compensation Five Dollars per week. Upon motion the report was received & approved and the committee discharged—from further duty

Mrs. Sharpe  
employed  
as assistant  
in Mod. Sch.

R. G. Sutton  
Employed.

Shall stu-

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<sup>5</sup> Duplication of "Smith" original to ms.

-dents board  
out of the  
building.

on vocal music. Principal called up the question of allowing now-resident students to board out of the Building. After some discussion, it was resolved, to leave the matter solely in the hands of the Principal, according to the general regulations to wit: “All students accept<sup>6</sup> such as reside in town, are required to board in the Institution buildings, except by special permission from the Principal to do otherwise.”

The Law

Adj. W. B. Hildebrand, Sec.

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04.13.1878

Corbins  
stenograph

April 13, 1878. Board met pursuant to call at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq. Present: Clark, Dougherty, Smith, Porter, Lewis, Wilson, A. W., Wilson, E. H., and Hildebrand. Mr. Corbin, being present, stated that he is engaged in preparing a picture or stenograph of the town of Indiana, and proposed to make the Normal School Building a prominent feature on the plate, provided that the School would take a certain number of the pictures at a certain price. 1<sup>st</sup> He proposed to furnish 200 plates for \$100.00 and any additional number at the rate of \$15.00 per hundred. 2<sup>d</sup> Proposed to furnish 500 copies one-half colored & one-half plain for (\$138.00) or 1000 copies for \$175.00. On motion, the matter was referred

Proposals

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<sup>6</sup> Ms. should read “except” rather than “accept”; error original to ms.



Referred to the Committee on advertising and A. W. Wilson added to the Committee. Secty. read a communication from Prof. McKay, ~~regarding~~ relating “strikes.” ~~to his~~ to his remaining with us—after the close of the present session—and also suggesting an increase of salary should he remain.

Referred Referred to the Committee on Teachers and A. W. Wilson Mr. A. W. Wilson was appointed to fill the vacancy added. in this Committee occasioned by the death of Mr. Jno. Sutton. Prof. Sensenig being present, Mitchell made a statement in regard to the manner again com- in which Mr. A. Mitchell, was attending to his [?] <sup>7</sup> of. duties, and which he did not do[?] satisfactory.

Referred. The matter was referred to the committee on Supplies, Secty. asked that a certificate of stock be granted to A. T. Moorehead, Jr. Stock to for the amount—he has paid in on his stock A. T. Moorehead to advertise, the election of Trustees to be held [?] <sup>8</sup> on 6<sup>th</sup> of May next. The President appointed Trustees the following persons as tellers to hold Election. said election. Thomas Sutton, Esq., Henry Hall & Frank M. Smith, On motion adj.

W. B. Hildebrand, Sec.

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05.06.1878

May 6, 1878. An Election was held—  
according to law (and of which due

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<sup>7</sup> Ms. damaged.

<sup>8</sup> Ms. damaged. Illegible.

Election  
Held.

notice was given) in the arbitration  
room of the Court House in the Bor-  
-ough of Indiana by, Thomas Sutton, Esq.  
Frank Smith and Hugh S. Thompson,  
(tellers) which Election resulted, as  
per following report by the tellers:

We the undersigned having  
been appointed to conduct an Election  
for trustees of the Normal School at  
Indiana, Pa, so report that:

Result.

W. B. Marshall had votes for 3 yrs	574
Silas M. Clark “ “ “	574
A. W. Taylor “ “ “	574
Saml. Wolf “ “ “	574

and that

The following named persons  
were recommend to the State Supt.  
of Public Instruction, on the part of the State.

Recommended

Hon. D. J. Morrell, Johnstown, Cambria Co.  
A. D. Glenn, Armstrong Co., Kittanning  
Hon. J. R. McAfee, [?], Westmoreland CO.  
John Hill, Blairsville, Indiana Co.

W. B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

office of Silas M. Clark, pursuant to  
call. Present: Clark, Smith, Dougherty, Lewis,  
A. W. Wilson, Stewart & Hildebrand, also  
A. W. Taylor, and Saml. Wolf the newly  
Elected members of the Board & A. W.  
Kimmell, one of the members appointed  
on the part of the State (The State Supt. In-  
-tendent of Public Instruction (ignored all  
of the persons recommended to him  
by the Stockholders, on the part of the State)

Recommen-  
-dations  
ignored.

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Kimmell  
&  
Paul  
appointed.

and appointed Mr. A. W. Kimmell ~~and~~  
of Indiana Borough and Mr. R. A. Paul Of Saltsbgh  
Indiana, Co., as trustees on part of the State.

The Board was organized by the unanimous  
re-election of its old officers—to wit  
Silas M. Clark, Esq. was Elected President.  
W. B. Hildebrand “ “ Secretary  
Jno. W. Sutton “ “ Treasurer

officers.

The Secty. asked that some action,  
be taken—relative to the preparation of a new  
catalogue, for the ensuing school year. The matter  
was referred to the committee on advertising—  
with power to act. Sec. read a communication

New  
catalogue

J. O. Smith

from Prof. J. O. Smith, in relation to his  
employment by the Board for the coming  
year. Referred to D. M. Sensenig, Princ.  
and S. M. Clark and A. W. Wilson—  
Committee on teachers. Committee on  
contract with C. J. Corbin & Co. for a number

The Corbin  
Humbug-  
-graphs.

differences  
adjusted.

of the views of Indiana Borough prepared  
by them—Reported through Mr. A. W. Wilson,

That they had contracted, with Corbin & Co.,  
for 500 copies of the view for \$75.00, the  
sum to be printed on good heavy paper, a  
sample of which was exhibited by C & Co.  
The views arrived in due time, and delivered  
to the Secretary, who finding that the views  
were printed on a lighter paper, than the  
contract called for, refused to issue  
and<sup>9</sup> order for the price agreed upon. The  
committee was convened, and Mr. Corbin  
met with them, after some controversy—  
it was agreed that if Mess. C & Co.—  
would furnish, one hundred extra  
copies (additional) printed on heavy paper,  
in lieu of existing difference—it would be  
satisfactory. Mr. Corbin accepted the  
proposition, and the Sect. was authorized  
to issue an order to him for Sixty Dollars,  
and upon the delivery of the additional 100  
Extra Copies, to issue an order for the balance.

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disposed  
of.

Prices of

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The report of the committee was  
received, adopted and the committee  
discharged. On motion the price—  
for the views was fixed at 25 each  
for those on the light paper and at  
50 each, for those on heavy paper—

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<sup>9</sup> Original to ms. most likely “an” rather than “and”

the Pictures.

To Elect  
Teachers.

On motion adjourned to meet on  
Saturday evening June 15<sup>th</sup> at the  
office of S. M. Clark, Esq. for the  
purpose of Electing teachers for next  
year, and for the transacting of other—  
business—that may present itself.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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06.17.1878

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June 17, 1878

Election  
of Teachers  
referred.

Board met at the office of Silas M. Clark  
Esq. Present: Clark, Lewis, A. W. Wilson,  
Smith, Taylor, Stewart, Marshall, E. H. Wilson,  
Wolf & Hildebrand. Also, D. M. Sensenig  
Prin. On Motion the Board proceeded  
to the Election of Teachers and fixing  
of Salaries. After the Election of Several  
Teachers, a motion was made &  
carried to recind the action already  
taken, and to refer the matter to the  
Committee on Teachers, and that they  
report at the next meeting.

Taylor  
added to  
the Commit-  
-tee on Teach-

Upon motion  
duly made & seconded, it was unan-  
-imously agreed, that the name of A. W.  
Taylor, Esq. be added permanently to  
the Committee on Teachers & Teachers  
Salaries. Sec. read report of Prof.  
J. O. Smith, as solicitor for students

-ers, for the School (during last vacation)  
On motion, an order was granted to  
Order \$25. Prof. Smith for \$25.00 for services  
to Smith rendered as soliciting agr. said amt.  
for services. being in full for such services==  
→<sup>10</sup> up—

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“Peter” The case of Peter Sutton, the late Treasurer,  
again. was called up. The committee asked to be  
continued and agreed to report at next  
meeting. Prof. Sensenig made a statement  
in regard to location of water coolers &  
Location the question was on motion duly made  
of water and seconded—referred to house committee,  
coolers, Principal & Stewart. Prof. Sensenig spoke of  
Referred. the inefficiency and unsatisfactory—  
regulations, in regard to the Board for  
Visitors. visitors &e. to the School, which after some  
discussion, was upon motion, referred  
Referred. to the committee on Teachers &e. to report  
at next meeting. On motion adj. to meet  
on next Monday evening 24<sup>th</sup> [?]  
at 7 o'clock p.m.

W. B. Hildebrand, Secty.

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**06.24.1878**

June 24, 1878. Board met pursuant to ad-

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<sup>10</sup> Symbol resembles pointing finger rather than arrow in original ms.

-journalment at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq.  
Present: Clark, Lewis, Smith, Kimmel, A. W.  
Wilson, Dougherty, Wolf & Hildebrand.  
Committee on late Treasurer Sutton case,  
reported as follows: Mr. Smith chairman  
reported that Mr. Sutton agreed to take  
\$1500.00 in settlement of his claim. Mr. A. W.  
stated that Mr. Sutton, informed him, that  
if the Board would pay him (Mr. Sutton)  
\$400.00 in addition to the amount now  
in his (Sutton's) possession (and retained  
by him of monies coming into his hands  
as Treasurer) he would abandon his  
claim. Both propositions were rejected,  
and the committee continued. The com-  
-mittee earnestly insisted on being  
discharged, feeling that it was impossible  
to get terms from Mr. Sutton that would  
be acceptable to the Board. Upon motion  
made & duly seconded, the Committee was  
discharged & their report received. → over

Report  
of Com.  
on  
“Peter” Case.

\$1500.00  
demanded  
[?] “Peter”  
simmers  
and will  
take \$400.  
for amt. in  
his hands.

Board can't  
see it.  
Com. tired  
& discharged.

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Motion to  
bring “Peter”  
to time,  
causes a  
scare &  
Mr. A. W.  
Wilson  
moves to

Doc. Lewis moved that the case of  
late Teas. Sutton, be placed in the  
hands of an atty. with instruction to  
bring suit for amount of money  
in his hands, belonging to the school.  
Doc. Lewis motion was duly seconded,  
whereupon A. W. Wilson moved that  
future action be postponed until

postpone,  
the curtain  
drops &  
“Peter” is  
happy.

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Tanks to  
remain.

Sensenig  
asks to be  
relieved.

Mr. Sensenig  
assigns—  
[?]easons.

Failing  
health the  
cause.

next meeting, which was agreed to.  
The house committee through Mr. Smith  
reported: That upon examination—the  
water tanks should remain where  
they are, as they could not be more  
suitably located. Upon motion duly  
made and seconded, the report of the  
committee on tanks was received—  
adopted and the committee discharged.  
Mr. Clark stated that in consequence  
of failing health—Prof. Sensenig desired to  
be relieved of the Principalship of the  
School and had tendered his resignation  
in writing to him, and as Prof. S. was  
present he could speak for himself.  
Whereupon Mr. Sensenig spoke as  
follows: That the course indicated in  
his communication was not because  
of any dissatisfaction with Trustees or  
Faculty, his relations with all connect-  
-ed with the School—have always  
been pleasant and satisfactory. That  
he would leave the School and all  
connected with it with the kindest—  
feelings and an earnest desire  
for the future prosperity of the  
Institution. His course was induced  
entirely in consequence of continued  
failing health and he was admon-  
-ished that continue his labors would  
be simply suicidal and that in



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these views—his Physician coincided.  
In order therefore, that he might be re-  
-lieved from all responsibility—he  
Presses his resignation would ask the Board to accept  
his resignation and thereby enable  
him to obtain the rest his wasting—<sup>11</sup>  
energies so much need, free from  
all care. Mr. Smith—after—stating,  
the regrets—that he felt pervaded the  
hearts of the Board of Trustees, because  
Expressions of regret. of the necessity which prompted the  
resignation of Prof. Sensenig; He, however  
reluctant, would move that under  
the circumstances, (and because Prof.  
S. so earnestly insists upon it) that  
the resignation be accepted. The  
Motion to accept. motion was seconded by Mr. Wolf,  
who also spoke words of regret, for  
the reasons—causing the resignation  
of Prof. S., and alluded in befitting  
terms, to the faithful manner in  
which Prof. Sensenig—filled the posi-  
-tion, held by him in our School.  
On motion of A. W. Wilson, further—  
Action postponed. action was postponed, until next  
meeting. The Committee on Catalogues  
made the following report, through the

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<sup>11</sup> There is a tendency for W. B. Hildebrand, secretary, to add “— “ at the end of lines that do not fill up the margin. It is for appearance sake alone, and not grammatical in any way.

Secty. of the Board, to wit. They have received the following proposals, for printing 3000 copies—according to Specifications

	W. G. Johnston Pittsbgh.	\$141.75
Proposals	Stevenson, Foster & Co. “	131.50
for	J. B. Sansom & Son, Indiana	124.70
Catalogues.	Jas. McMillen Pittsbgh	123.50
	Mills & Bro. “	115.15

Home patronage. The committee feeling, that all things being equalized, that it was our duty to patronize “Home Industry” had an interview with the Messrs.

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Sansom & Son Victorious. Sansoms, and concluded a bargain with them to print 3000 catalogues, according to specification for the—sum of \$120.00) One-Hundred & Twenty Dollars—Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report of the Com. on Catalogues, was received, adopted, and the Committee discharged. Adjourned to meet at usual place, on Thursday Evening next at 7 O’ Clock P.M.

W. B. Hildebrand

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06.27.1878

Thursday Evening June 27, 1878. Board met pursuant to adjournment at the office of Silas M. Clark, Esq. Present: Clark, Smith, Kimmel, Taylor, Wolf, Stewart, Lewis & Hildebrand. The Secty. read the resolution offered at the last meeting—relative to accepting the resignation of Prof. Sensenig—

Sensenig's resignation accepted.

Resolutions of regret.

Principal.

Whereupon a vote was called, and the resolution was unanimously adopted in the affirmative, and Mess. Smith, Taylor & Lewis, were appointed a committee to draft resolutions, expressive of the sense of the Trustees in accepting Prof. S. resignation. Upon motion, the selection of a new Principal was referred to the committee on Teachers to wit—Clark, A. W. Wilson & Taylor.

Adj.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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07.06.1878

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July 6, 1878 Board met pursuant to call, Present: Smith, Wolf, A. W. Wilson, E. H> Wilson, Taylor, Clark, Kimmel, Lewis, Dougherty, & Hildebrand. Committee on resolutions. in regard to Prof. Sensenig's resignation reported as follows:

“No copy furnished.  
Original given to Prof. Sensenig.”

*[Hildebrand left half of the page intentionally blank]*

On motion the report was received &  
adopted and the committee discharged,  
On motion—Resolved: That the  
report be entered on the minutes  
of the Board, and published in the  
County papers and that a copy, be  
furnished to Prof. Sensenig—  
The following recommendation—  
adopted by the faculty July 3, 1878  
was read by the Secty.

“Resolved:  
“That we recommend to the Board  
of Trustees, the following change in  
the division of the School Year,”

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Change  
of Term  
proposed.

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“That. “The Winter Term, shall being  
on the second Monday of Sept.  
(as at present) and continue—  
twenty six weeks. The Spring

vacation shall be two weeks,  
and the Summer Session shall  
begin as at present, and continue  
sixteen weeks.

Signed,

R. W. Fair, Secty.

Upon motion duly made & seconded,  
it was unanimously Resolved:

Change of  
Term  
adopted.

That the Board accept the  
recommendation of the Faculty,  
to commence with Sept. term  
1878. Adj. to meet on Monday  
Morning July 8, at 8 O'clock  
at same place.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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Monday, July 8, 1878. 8 O'clock, A. M.

Board met at the office of Silas M.

Clark, Esq. pursuant to adjournment.

Present, Clark, Taylor, Wolf, Wilson, A. W.,

Smith, Lewis, Dougherty, & Hildebrand,

Proposition  
to  
Sensenig

Secretary—read the following communi-  
-cation from Prof. D. M. Sensenig—in reply  
to a proposition made to him by the  
Board to take charge of the Mathe-  
-matical Dpt. in our School.

“July 8, 1878.”

“To the Board of Trustees

“Gentlemen,”

“Having carefully considered your proposition to take charge again of the Mathematical Department of your School, we respectfully submit the following conclusion,”  
“We will accept your proposition on

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the following conditions:”

Sensenig’s  
conditions  
of  
Acceptance.

- 1<sup>st</sup> “That we be permitted to Board out of the Building, at our own Expense.”
2. “That we be granted the room, now occupied by the Porter—for a sitting room during the day, to be furnished by ourselves.”
3. “That we be granted our dinners at the School on stormy days, free of charge.”
4. “That our combined salary be \$1500.00 per year to be paid in monthly installments of \$150.00 Each.”

Mr. E. H. Wilson at this stage appeared in person. Mr. A. W. Taylor moved that the proposition of Prof. Sensenig, be accepted, the motion was seconded by Mr. Smith, and a vote being called the motion of Mr. Taylor was adopted. The Election of Teachers & fixing of

Selection  
of  
Teachers

Salaries was next in order. The Committee on Teachers, to whom this matter, was referred—reported—that they had not communicated, with any of the teachers in regard to the matter and suggested that the question be referred back to the Board—which upon motion was agreed to and the Board proceeded to the Election of Teachers and adjusting of Salaries as follows to wit:

Result.

Miss. Jane E. Leonard	\$650.00	Prof. J. S. Sharpe	\$500.00
M. A. Butler	500.	Mrs. “ “ “	400.00
Prof. Jno. S. McKay	600.	Miss. Lichteberger	300.00
“ R. W. Fair	500.		

“Boarding, washing &e., included.  
J. H. Young 800.00 Boarding &e.  
at his own expense.

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The Board having informal information that Prof. J. Smith had accepted a position, in another field—his name was not considered.

Miss Lichte-  
gers salary  
unchanged.

W. H. Wilson moved that the salary of Miss. Lichteberger be \$400.00 in place of \$300.00 A. W. Wilson seconded the motion after some discussion—the motion to change the salary of Miss. Lichteberger, was with-

-drawn. Mr. Clark offered the  
following resolution:

Resolved:

That the  
Teachers, Elected this day, and here-  
-after to be Elected, be employed with  
the understanding, that they are to contrib-  
-ute of their time and attention to the  
maintenance of order, in the Building,  
Halls, and on the grounds of the  
Building and perform such other  
reasonable duties as the Principal—  
under the direction of the Board of  
Trustees, may require, and for such  
service they are to receive no compen-  
-sation, the Board holding—that work  
of this character, is part of the duties—  
belonging to Teachers.

Duties  
of  
Teachers.

Upon motion duly made & seconded  
the above resolution was unanimously  
adopted. Upon motion adjourned to  
meet upon call of the President.

W. B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

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July 15, 1878. Board met pursuant to  
call at office of Silas M. Clark, Esq.  
Present: Clark, Wolf, Lewis, Taylor,  
Wilson, A. W., White, Stewart, Dougherty,  
Marshall, Smith, Kimmel, & Hildebrand.



Resignation  
of  
J. O. Smith  
and its  
acceptance.

com. on  
resolutions.

Profs. Fair &  
McKay  
protest  
&  
their case  
referred.

Dr. French.

Sec. presented a letter from Prof. J. O. Smith tendering his resignation to take effect at the close of present school year. Upon motion duly made and seconded the resignation of Prof. Smith was acceptable, and the Pres. and Sec. were authorized to draft resolutions, expressing the sense of the Board, in accepting the resignation. Secretary read a communication from Profs. Fair & McKary, expressing their dissatisfaction at the amount of salary voted them. Upon motion the matter was referred to the committee on Teachers. On motion the President was authorized to telegraph to Doc. Jno. L. French to come and see us, with a view of future negotiations—in regards to the Principalship of our school.

Adj.

Wm B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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07.18.1878

Dr. French

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July 18, 1878. Board met at the call of the President, at the Normal School Building. Present: Clark, Smith, E. H. Wilson, A. W. Wilson, Dougherty, Wolf, Kimmel, Taylor, Marshall, & Hildebrand. Doc. French having in person responded

in person                      to a telegram sent him—The object of  
the meeting was stated to be, for the pur-  
-pose of having a personal interview,  
with the Doctor with reference to the  
Interview                      Principalship of our school. After a  
short, but very pleasant and satisfactory  
Favorable                      interview and in which the Doctor made  
Impressions.                      a very favorable impression, on the

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minds of the Board, upon motion  
duly made and seconded—the matter  
was referred to the Teacher’s Committee  
Referred.                      with instruction to report at next  
meeting. Adjourned to meet at  
Clark’s office To Morrow Evening  
at 7 ½ o’clock.

W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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**07.16.1878<sup>12</sup>**

Board met pursuant to adjournment  
at Clark’s office. No Quorum:  
Doc. French                      Mr. Clark made an informal state-  
return home                      -ment to the effect, “That after a very  
and the                              satisfactory interview with Doc. French,  
Board                                it was thought advisable, that he—  
deliberates.                      should return home, that we might

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<sup>12</sup> In the ms. 07.16.1878’s minutes follow the 07.18.1878 notes.

have time to deliberate on the import—  
matter of selecting a Principal.

after testi-  
-monials.

want to  
hear from  
“Houck.”

It was also  
suggested that Mr. Taylor, and Clark,  
should write to such parties of their  
acquaintance, (who may have knowledge  
of Doc. French) in regard to him. It was  
also suggested that Mr. Wolf write  
to Mr. Houck & Ehrenfelt at Harrisburg.

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\$550.00  
offered Prof.  
Smith to  
remain.

July 25, 1878. Board met pursuant to  
call in reception Room at Nor. School.  
Present: Clark, E. H. Wilson, A. W. Wilson,  
Kimmel, Wolf, Marshall, Paul & Hildebrand.  
Mr. A. W. Wilson moved, that we  
tender to Prof. J. O. Smith, the offer of  
\$550.00 for the ensuing year, and—  
Upon a vote, being taking<sup>13</sup> the motion  
of Mr. Wilson was agreed to. Prof.  
Smith was summoned to appear, before  
the Board in person, to which he

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Smith appears  
[?] <sup>14</sup> a  
speech &

promptly responded and upon being  
informed of the action of the Board, respond-  
-ed in a neat speech in which he thanked

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<sup>13</sup> Misspelling original to manuscript.

<sup>14</sup> Damaged ms.

accepts

the Board, for the confidence ~~responded~~  
reposed in him and accepted the position

His resigna-  
-tion rescin-  
-ded.

to which he was re-elected, whereupon,  
the action taken upon his resignation  
at a meeting held July 15, 1878 was upon  
motion rescinded, and the same with-  
-drawn by Prof. Smith. On motion  
of Doc. Lewis, it was agreed that Miss  
Leonard be engaged to distribute cata-  
-logues, and answer all necessary  
correspondence during the present  
vacation. Mr. Marshall offered the  
following resolution:

Miss Leonard  
play  
[?] P. T.<sup>15</sup>

Resolved: That it

Requirements  
of  
Teachers.

is the duty of all members of the Faculty in  
this school, and that they are hereby re-  
-quired, to attend to such outside work,  
such as County & Local Institutes, Educa-  
-tional Conventions, or associations &c. and  
therein labor for the interests of the Indiana  
Normal School of Pa, when detailed or  
appointed to such service by the  
Principal of the School or the Trustees,  
without any extra compensation—  
excepting necessary expenses.  
On motion, adjourned.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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<sup>15</sup> Damaged ms.

**08.12.1878**

Aug. 12, 1878. Board met at office of S. M. Clark, Esq. Present: Lewis, Clark, Kimmel, Smith, Dougherty, Stewart, Taylor, & Hildebrand. On motion, the Finance Committee were authorized to audit the Treasurer's account for the past year, and also to prepare a statement showing the receipts and Expenditures for

Auditing  
accounts  
  
Receipts &  
Expenditures.

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the past year. Upon motion of the Sec. the Board proceeded to the Election of a teacher of Elocution in place of Vice Prof. Sharp. Secty. placed the name of Miss Fannie L. Ells in nomination for the position.

Miss Ells  
Elected  
Salary  
\$400.

Selecting  
a Principal.

Testimonials.

No other nominations being made, on motion duly made & seconded the Election was proceeded with and resulted in the unanimous election of Miss. Ells, at a Salary of \$400.00 per year—time optional with the Board. The next question for consideration was the selection of a Principal. A number of certificates, of applicants were presented by Mr. Clark, and also read ~~a~~ proposals from Dr. French—as follows:  
1<sup>st</sup> He Doctor French would pay the

Proposals by Doc French. Willing to assume the responsibility

Board \$1000.00 for the use of the Building apparatus &c. for the 1<sup>st</sup> year and \$1500.00 per year, for the following two years and open the School upon his own responsibility, Employing his own teachers, help &c. paying all Expenses himself or would accept a Salary of \$1500.00 per year, including ~~the~~ a Home, Board &c. in the Building for his family—consisting of Four persons. After some discussion A. W. Taylor Esq. moved the Election of Doc. Jno. H. French, as Principal of our School, at a Salary of \$1500.00 per year, including, Rooms, Boarding, &c. in the Building. The motion was duly seconded and resulted in a— unanimous vote in the affirmative. Mr. Clark was requested to inform Doc. French of his Election.

Dr. French Elected Principal.

Prof. S. & Wife

Upon motion duly made & seconded, Prof. Sensenig and wife—were (at

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Relieved of duty winter term

their own request, relieved from service for the winter term, and their service and pay to commence at the beginning of the Summer term March 24, 1879.

Fair's Salary \$550.

Mr. Clark reported: a conference with Mr. R. W. Fair, in regard to salary, and stated Prof. F. would remain with us at a salary

Oil  
versus  
Gas

of \$550.00. Upon motion the report was received and adopted. Doc. Lewis moved that owing to the great expense in lighting the Building with Gas, that it be dispensed with, and that carbon oil be substituted for illuminating purposes. The motion of Doc. Lewis, was seconded by the Secty. After some discussion the matter was referred to the House Committee

Killed.

Religious  
opening  
Exercises.

(which for the present kills it) Sec.—  
The question of Religious Exercises in the opening of the School each morning &c. was discusses & upon motion referred to the Committee on discipline and instruction, & Doc. French.  
On motion adjourned,

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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08.17.1878

Aug. 17, 1878. Board met at usual place.  
Present: Clark, Marshall, A. W. Wilson, Lewis, Smith, Dougherty, Kimmel, Stewart, & Hildebrand.

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[?] students.

Mr. Marshall moved: that Prof. J. O. Smith be employed during vacation, to solicit for students. Referred to the following committee Marshall, Wilson, Doc. Lewis, and Dr. French. The Secty. suggested the Building of an Ice House on plea of Economy. Stated that our Ice bill for last year was over \$300.00 &c. &c.

Ice House.

Treas.: Referred to House Committee—with instruction  
to submit plan for an Ice House.  
Jno. Sutton Jno. Sutton, Jr. offered his resignation  
resigns. as Treasurer. Upon motion accepted,  
and the thanks of the Board unanimously

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Thanks for  
his Fidelity.

Thos. Sutton  
Elected Treas.

Pay. Honor.  
same as  
always.

Prof. Young  
in the Build-  
-ing.

tendered. Mr. Jno. Sutton, Jr., for the—  
faithful and satisfactory manner  
in which he discharged the duties  
of the office. Doc. Lewis moved the Election  
of Thomas Sutton, Esq. for Treasurer  
the motion was duly seconded, and upon  
a vote being called—resulted in the  
unanimous election of Thomas Sutton,  
Esq. as Treasurer, provided: that he,  
accepts the office, with the understanding,  
that no salary whatever attaches to  
the duties of the office. Honor is the  
only compensation. The question of  
having Prof. Young & family boarding &c.  
living in the Building—was discussed &  
on motion was referred to the committee  
on Teachers. On motion adj. to meet  
at Building on Thursday morning  
next at 8 o'clock.

W. B. Hildebrand

Sec.

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**08.22.1878**



Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Stewart, E. H. Wilson, A. W. Wilson,  
Marshall, Lewis, Kimmel, Hildebrand,  
& Principal. On motion Doc. French

[?]ffing<sup>16</sup> the  
school.

was requested to write an article for  
the “Centennial” (published in Kittanning)  
in the interest of our school, Doc. French  
objected on account of not being familiar,  
with the part History of the School. Mr.  
Marshall offered to amend, by commit-  
-ting the matter, in the hands of the Secty.  
which was agreed to. Mr. A. W. Wilson  
offered the following resolution.

Improvement  
in the  
keeping of  
the Books.

Resolved: That the matter of keeping  
the Books, of the Normal School, for Boarding,  
Tuition, &c. including the Model School,  
accounts &c. be referred to E. H. Wilson, Esq.

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chairman of the finance committee, with  
instruction to cooperate with Dr. French,  
in establishing such a system of keeping  
the accounts as will be correct and intelli-  
-gible. The resolution was unanimously  
adopted. Committee on Ice House not present.

Ice House.

Committee on agent to solicit for students  
not ready to report. Com. on Prof. Young’s  
Boarding in Building—reported through  
Mr. A. W. Wilson as follows, Had an inter-  
-view with Mr. Y. who expressed himself

Young’s

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<sup>16</sup> Illegible due to damaged ms.

demand willing accept a salary of \$600.00 per  
\$600. &e. year, with Rooms, Board &e. in Building.  
Mr. E. H. Wilson moved that the proposition  
of Prof. Young be declined, no one seconding  
the motion of Mr. W. Mr. Marshall moved,  
that the committee be instructed to offer  
\$500.— Prof. Young \$500.00 with Boarding &e.  
suggested. The motion of Mr. M. was agreed to.  
Doc. French suggested the propriety of  
advertising in the Pittsburgh Dailies.  
Advt. in The matter was committee to Doc.  
Pittsburgh French with power to negotiate terms—  
dailies. with Pittsburgh Commercial and Post.  
The Doctor suggested some changes  
Water Closet. in one of the water closets—adjoining  
the cloak room of Model School: Referred  
H. Com. to House Committee—with power to make  
the alterations required.

On motion adj.:

W. B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

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08.31.1878

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August 31, 1878

Board met pursuant to call, at the  
office of the secretary. Present: Clark,  
Taylor, E. H. Wilson, Smith, Dougherty, Lewis,  
Marshall, Kimmel, A. W. Wilson, &  
Prof. Young Hildebrand. Committee report. That Prof.  
declines Young—declines to accept the offer of \$500.00

\$500. &e. salary with Board in Building &e.—

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\$600. & Board  
&e. to Prof.  
Young.

Mr. A. W. Taylor, stated, that believing,  
the advantage of having Mr. Young  
Board in the Building, worth more than  
\$100.00, he would move that we—  
accept his (Mr. Y's) first proposition,  
to wit. Salary \$600.00—including rooms,  
Boarding, &e. in the Building. The motion  
of Mr. Taylor being seconded, a vote  
was taken and the question decided  
negatively as follows:

Negatived  
6 to 5.

| <u>ayes.</u>  | <u>nays.</u>  |
|---------------|---------------|
| Taylor.       | E. H. Wilson. |
| Smith.        | A. W. Wilson  |
| Marshall.     | Dougherty.    |
| Hildebrand. 4 | Kimmel.       |
|               | Lewis.        |
|               | Clark. 6.     |

On motion adj.

W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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09.14.1878.

Sept. 14, 1878. Board met at the office  
of S. M. Clark, Esq. Present: Clark, Lewis,  
Marshall, Smith, A. W. Wilson, Taylor,  
Dougherty, Hildebrand, and Dr. French.

Miss. Lida Butler, through Mr. Clark,  
asked, that in consequence of her taking  
her dinner down street, a reduction be  
made on her board bill at the Normal  
School. On motion her boarding was  
reduced to \$3.50 per week. The Secty.  
presented the case of Mr. McGrew a  
student, who on his way here lost his  
pocket Book, containing all his money,  
and which was intended to pay his Board,  
Tuition, &c. that unless the Board could  
give him some accommodation, he  
would be compelled to leave the  
School, as he had no other resources,  
—up.

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On motion duly made & seconded it was  
Resolved: That the Board receive from  
Mr. McGrew a note payable in two years,  
without interest for the amount of his  
tuition, for the first half of the present  
term. Doctor French desired to know,  
what arrangement could be made  
for a teacher of vocal music, and  
suggested, that probably an arrangement  
could be made with Mr. Nissley, one  
of our students—to teach v. music temporally.  
The matter was referred to the committee  
on Teachers. The committee on Ice  
House, reported in favor of building,

Lida Butler.

Mr. McGrew's  
misfortune.

the Board  
sympathizes.

Vocal Mu-  
-sic.

Mr. Nisley.

Referred.

Ice House  
ordered.

and upon motion duly made and seconded,  
it was unanimously resolved to ~~an~~  
authorize the House Committee to Erect  
a suitable building for an Ice House.

Reduction  
of Salaries.

The committee on Receipts & Expenditures,  
reported as follows, on salaries of  
Engineers, Cook and Steward. The  
Steward and Engineer to receive  
each \$750. per year and ~~provide~~  
their engineer to provide and pay for  
any assistance he may need. The  
cook receive \$600.00 per year  
and to provide and pay for any  
assistance he may need. The salary  
of the Steward, includes his wife's services.

Time of  
Service—  
optional.

These wages to commence Sept. 1, 1878,  
time optional with the Board.

Upon motion duly made and seconded,  
the report was received & adopted,  
The committee on supplies, reported,  
that they contracted, with Mess. Hay's  
& Page to furnish meat—for the current  
year—upon the following terms.

|        |                                            |     |      |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|-----|------|
| Meat   | Good Roast & Stake <sup>17</sup> as needed | \$. | 8 ¼¢ |
| Supply | Beef round—                                |     | 7 ¢  |

The Committee to use their pleasure

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from time to time, in taking the

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<sup>17</sup> Spelling original to ms.

meat upon either of these terms as  
may best suit them. The meat to  
Hay's & Page be delivered, by Mess. H. & P. at the—  
to supply. School Building. Upon motion  
duly made and seconded—the  
report was received and approved  
Transient by the Board. The question in regard  
Boarders. to charges to transient Boarders, as  
parents, or friends, visiting the—  
Referred to school was discussed, and upon  
Dr. French. motion—was referred to Doc. French,  
with discretionary power, to adjust  
all such cases, as he may deem  
for the best interests of the School.  
Book Room. Mr. Fair was appointed to take charge  
of the Book Rooms. Dr. French, pre-  
-sented the case of Mr. Dixon, a stu-  
Mr. Dixon -dent, who went home every Friday  
Evening and returned on Monday  
morning, ~~the~~ reduction of one dollar  
a week was agreed upon. The Ed. of  
"Centennial" Kittanning Pa—agreed to  
furnish 500 copies of that paper  
containing our advt. &e. for \$7.00  
Doc. French was authorized to  
accept the proposition. On motion  
adjourned.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

**10.28.1878**

Oct. 28, 1878. Board met at Nor.  
School Building in the reception  
room. Present. A. W. Wilson, Smith,  
Lewis, Marshall, Stewart, Dougherty,  
E. H. Wilson & Hildebrand.

The President being absent, A. W.  
Wilson was called to the chair.

Want  
Rooms  
changed.

Mr. Fair made application for  
a change of Rooms. Referred to  
Committee on House, with power to

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Money  
Wanted.

act. The Secretary presented a statement  
setting forth the condition of our finances  
and showing a pressing need for money.  
Whereupon E. H. Wilson, Esq. offered  
the following resolution.

Resolved:

Borrowing  
\$1500.00

That the Board negotiate a temporary  
loan for a term of 5 months at 6% int.  
for the sum of \$1500.00 to be used in  
the payment of such claims, that  
are now pressing us and that the  
President and Secretary are hereby  
authorized to issue a note of the corpo-  
-ration—for the amount above named,  
provided that said note is to be paid  
out of the first moneys received  
on the next term of School. The motion  
of Mr. E. H. Wilson to adopt, was seconded

by Doc. Lewis, and upon vote was unan-  
-imously adopted. On motion adj.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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**11.06.1878**

Nov. 6, 1878. Board met at Normal  
School. Present: Clark, Wilson, E. H.,  
Wilson, A. W. Taylor, Lewis, Stewart,  
Kimmel, Smith and Hildebrand.

Thackara  
Buck & Co.  
want their  
money.

The Board being informed, that Jno. W.  
Banks, atty at Law, was about to issue  
an Execution on the Judgment of Thackara  
Buck & Co. The Board authorized Mr.  
Taylor, to call upon Mr. Banks, and  
guarantee payment of the claim, as,  
soon as we receive our appropriation  
from Harrisburgh. Miss Ells made

another  
room.

referred to House Committee with  
full power to determine finally.

Adj.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

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**11.11.1878**

Nov. 11, 1878. Board met pursuant to  
call at Clark's office. Present: Marshall,  
Taylor, Kimmel, Smith, Dougherty, &



Sensenig  
wants to  
know.

Can he  
teach a  
little.

Clark to  
enlightens  
him.

Wants to  
Cancel.

Want mon-  
-ey.

Hildebrand. Secty. read a communication from Prof. Sensenig, asking information in regard to the rooms, they were to occupy on their return and which he understood had been promised to Mr. Fair &c. Also another communication from him, stating, That he had offers for Normal work—from several Schools, and desiring to know if there would be any objections to his accepting such position during the time intervening, until our summer terms opens. On motion, it was re-solved, That Prof. Sensenig is at liberty to use his own discretion, in regard to what work he may do, until the time he is to return. Mr. Clark, was authorized to inform him of the action of the Board, and also in regard to Rooms. Mr. W. B. Marshall, moved the adoption of the following resolution. Resolved:

That the Prest.

be requested to correspond with Prof. Sensenig, with a view of cancelling our engagement with him.

The motion, was seconded by E. H. Wilson, & upon vote, adopted,

Upon motion, it was resolved to place all old accounts in the

hands of Thomas Sutton, Esq.  
for collection.

On motion adj.,  
W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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11.25.1878

More trouble  
about  
Rooms.

Marshall  
make a mo-  
-tion.

Marshall  
motion. Sec-  
-oned, but  
receiving no  
votes—it  
modestly

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Nov. 25, 1878. Board met pursuant to call at office of Silas M. Clark, Esq., Lewis, Kimmel, Smith, Taylor, Marshall, Dougherty & Hildebrand. The primary object of the meeting—was stated by Mr. Smith to be; To make some final disposition, in regard to rooms for Prof. Fair. After some discussion Mr. Marshall moved: That the House Committee be authorized to make the necessary change, in the two class rooms, in the W. E. corner of the Building, on first floor, so as to make them suitable, for occupancy as a home for the superintendent of the Model School & that the rooms now occupied by Miss. Butler, as a residence, be given to Prof. Fair. The motion, was seconded & after some discussion, a vote was called, and no one voting in the affirmative, Mr. Marshall (modestly) withdraw the motion. (The House Committee refused to have anything

withdrawn. further to do in the matter.) Upon motion,  
a committee of three (to be named  
House Com. by the chair) was appointed, to confer  
[?] of patience. with Mr. Fair, and make such—  
temporary arrangement, with him  
in regard to rooms as would prove  
New satisfactory for the time being.  
Committee The chair appointed the following  
committee, A. W. Wilson, Lewis, &  
Doc. French. In consequence of  
continued failing health, Prof. Smith,  
Mr. Smith through Mr. Clark tendered his  
[?] more resignation, to take effect on the  
resigns. 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1879. On motion  
his duly made & seconded, the resig-  
[?]lived.<sup>18</sup> nation of Prof. Smith, was accepted.

→over.

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On motion, Clark, Taylor, & the Secty.  
were appointed to draft resolution,  
Come on Expressing, the regrets of the Board  
resolutions. for the reasons assigned, causing  
the resignation of Prof. Smith.  
Jess. Lloyd. Sect. read a card from Jess Lloyd  
of Ebensburg, proposing to advertise,  
our school, in the Daily Institute,  
to be published during the “County  
Institute.” Referred to the Secty—with  
power to act. The filling of the

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<sup>18</sup> Illegible due to damage to ms.

Ice.                                      Ice House, was referred to the  
Committee on Supplies, Mr. S. S.  
S. S. Simpson                              Simpson, asked, that his bill for  
tuition at the Normal School,  
might be credited on a note, he  
holds against the corporation. The  
request was granted. Doc. French  
Fuss &                                      stated; That a son of Jno. McLarn,  
a few                                              who was suspended, from the Common  
feathers.                                        Schools of West Indiana, has since  
been attending the Model School,  
and that Miss. Butler, Supt. desires  
instruction from the Board as  
to what is proper for her to do in  
the case. Referred to the Committee  
on discipline. Doc. French propo-  
Dr. French's                                      -sed as an advertising medium,  
advt. Card—                                      a card, containing a programme,  
for common schools, on one  
side and an advertisement,  
for our school on the other.  
On motion, the proposition, was  
adopted and Dr. French was  
authorized to have the same  
executed.                                      Adj.

W. B. Hildebrand

Secty.

Present: Clark, Dougherty, Kimmel, Smith,  
Stewart, Marshall, Lewis, Wilson, E. H., Wilson,  
A. W., & Hildebrand. Mr. Clark read a  
[?]ord<sup>19</sup> communication from Prof. Sensenig, in  
from Prof. reference to his returning, in fulfillment of  
Sensenig. his contract with the Board, After some  
discussion, the further consideration of the  
matter was postponed, until next  
meeting, to give Doc. French time to  
ascertain, what was actually needed  
in the various departments, for the  
Summer Term. Upon motion duly made  
and seconded, the rooms heretofore  
occupied as the Principal's offices was  
granted to Prof. R. W. Fair, as a temporary  
residence. Doc. French offered the  
following resolution: Resolved: That  
the House Committee, and Doc. French  
be requested to take in consideration  
the question of rooms—for the Teachers, &c.  
of the several departments, and to  
report a permanent fixed and final  
allotment of rooms, to take effect at  
the opening of the Summer Term, 1879,  
and to report their conclusions at a  
meeting to be held at the Normal School  
on Friday Morning next, at 10 o'clock,  
adopted. Adj.  
W. B. Hildebrand  
Secty.

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12.13.1878

Friday morning Dec. 13, 1878. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Clark, Taylor, Wilson, E. H., Wilson, A. W., Marshall, Dougherty, Smith, Hildebrand, & Doc. French. Mr. & Mrs. Sensenig. Prest. stated that one object for which this meeting was called, was to decide finally whether, we would retain Mr. & Mrs. Sensenig, in accordance with our contract with them. Mr. Sensenig had other good offers, “To be or not to be,” that’s the question.

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and in order, that he might know, what to do, desires an answer from us at an early day.”

Doc. French made the following report, as to the force of Teachers, that would probably be required for the approaching Summer Term:

Doc. French’s report.

|                    |                 |                |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Language           | 1 Gent. (Prof.) | 1 Lady (asst.) |
| Mathematics        | 1 “ ( “ )       | 1 Gent. ( “ )  |
| Nat. Science       | 1 “ ( “ )       |                |
| Geog. & History    | 1 Lady ( “ )    |                |
| Graphics           | 1 Gent. ( “ )   |                |
| Elocution          | 1 “ or Lady     |                |
| Supt. Model School | 1 Lady          |                |

Music 1 Gent. or Lady

Eng. Branches 1 Lady

Total { 11 Teacher.

1 Principal

Report,  
adopted.

On motion duly made and seconded,  
the report of Dr. French, was—  
approved and adopted as the basis,  
of the faculty for the ensuing Summer  
Session.

Mr. and Mrs.  
Sensenig  
disposed of.

Mr. Taylor offered the following res-  
-olution, in regard to the case of Prof.  
Sensenig. Resolved: "That the Board  
of Trustees regret their inability to re-  
-tain Prof. D. M. Sensenig & Lady, as  
be released from their engagement,  
for the next term and that the  
President of the Board be directed  
to inform Mr. and Mrs. S. of this action  
of the Board," The resolution of Mr.  
Taylor on motion duly made and  
seconded, was unanimously  
adopted, Mr. Smith, on behalf of Com.  
on room allotment, reported as follows:

Smith  
embarrassed.

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found

"That they difficulties in the way, in arriving  
at a conclusion, in this matter of rooms.

1<sup>st</sup> That they do not know to a certainty  
what number of Teachers, would be required,

Relates

2. They did not know how many of each

his diffi-  
-culties.  
  
Clarks  
opinion—  
in way  
clear & the  
committee  
should dis-  
-pose of this  
believed ques-  
-tion.

The Board  
[?]dosed Mr.  
C., and Con-  
-tinued the  
committee.

Raising the  
standard  
of Music.

Consented  
to stay for

sex.

3. Whether married or unmarried.

With these difficulties in the way—they  
felt that they could not make an  
intelligent allotment of rooms.

Mr. Clark, remarked in substance, “That  
he could not see—that the reasons—  
assigned, were real obstacles, in the  
way of the Committee, in the allotment  
of rooms for Teachers. The question is  
one, that has for a long time annoyed  
the Board, and should be finally  
disposed of, before the opening of the  
Summer Term. He thought the Committee  
should be continued and required  
to report finally at an early day.”

The Board endorsed the position taken  
by Mr. C. and continued the Committee  
with instruction to report fully and finally  
as early as possible. The raising of the  
standard in our musical department  
(was next introduced) by the employment  
of an eminent and scientific professor,  
both in Inst. & Vocal music. The question  
was pretty fully discussed and resulted  
in authorizing Doc. French, to endeavor  
to ascertain, at what salary, a person  
suited to our requirements could  
be secured for. The dinner hour having  
arrived, Stewart Rowley—presented  
himself and invited the Board to



dinner. remain for Dinner, and to which invitation  
the Board—very cordially assented,  
On motion adjourned,

W. B. Hildebrand,  
Secty.

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12.17.1878.

Dec. 17, 1878. Board met pursuant to  
call at office of Silas M. Clark, Esq.  
Present: Clark, Taylor, Wilson, E. H., Lewis,  
Kimmel, Smith, Dougherty, Stewart—  
Marshall, & Hildebrand. Sec. read  
a communication from Dr. Wickersham,  
asking whether our Board, desired  
Distributing a hearing in regard to the division  
the of the (\$100,000.00.) appropriation to  
appropriations. Normal School—granted by the state  
last winter. On motion duly made,  
and seconded, Mr. Clark was authorized  
to inform the distributing Committee—  
that we desired in good faith to sub-  
Willing to -mit to the resolution passed by the  
abide by the convention of Principals of Normal Schools  
rule. and delegates who assembled in Harris-  
-burg last fall to wit: “That appropri-  
-ations hereafter made to Normal Schools  
by the state be divided equally among  
all the Normal Schools.”  
provided: however, that in case any other  
want to be Normal School or Schools claimed a

on a par—  
with other  
schools.

hearing—that there, we also, claimed to  
be heard:           Adj.  
                          W. B. Hildebrand, Sec.