

Albany March 11, 1850.

The Executive Committee met at the office of the Secretary of State at 4 P. M.

Present Messrs. Morgan, Hawley & Campbell.

Mr. Morgan in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The committee to revise the course of studies presented their report, which was adopted & is as follows:

"The committee appointed at the meeting of the Executive Committee held Jan^y 25, 1850, 'to revise the present course of studies pursued in the Normal School, & to report such modifications, as they may think necessary', would respectfully report:

That they have carefully examined the books now studied in the school, & have made themselves acquainted with the length of time, occupied in the study of each subject; & as the result of their deliberations, would present the following recommendations.

- 1 That the study of Willson's History of the United States be discontinued, & that Worcester's compend of Ancient & Modern History be substituted for it.
- 2 That in Higher Algebra, the application of the Binomial Theorem & the use of Logarithms be studied, but that the study of the theory of these two subjects be discontinued.
- 3 That the problems in Geometry of no practical use be passed over.
- 4 That the following sections of Silliman's Chemistry be studied: 1-5, 181-203, 205-214, 245, 246, 249-263, 273, 276, 281-288, 292, 298-317, 329-345, 347, 354, 358-361, 366, 369, 370, 374-381, 383-393, 396, 399-408, 413-416, 418, 419, 424, 425, 428-433, 436-443, 446-448, 450-458, 460-472, 473-497, 506-508, 515-532, 538-542, 545, ~~546~~ 547, 549, 550, 556-561, 563, 564, 565, 566, 568, 571-574, 576-578, 586-591, 606-607, 609-610, 613, 615, 620, 621, 634, 635, 645-647, 649-653, 659-663, 667-668,
- 5 That the course of study be continued through four

Terms, & that Parker's Aids to Composition, Harper's Edition, be introduced as a text book, & that Book Keeping be hereafter a prominent subject.

- 6 If Book Keeping is introduced, they recommend that Mr. Eaton be permitted to select either Winchester or Preston's system.
- 7 That the study of Physiology be confined to the text book, without lectures thereon.
- 8 They herewith ~~submit~~ ^{submit} the course of study (see filed papers) sent to them by Prof. Perkins, & recommend its adoption.
- 9 That Webster's Quarto Dictionary be adopted as the standard in the Normal School.
- 10 They are not yet prepared to name a text book on Astronomy, & would recommend that the subjects of study & text books, not ~~named~~ ^{mentioned} by them, remain as before.

Wm. H. Campbell }
G. Hawley } Com.

Resolved:

That a 13 inch globe be purchased for the Experimental School.

Resolved:

That the sum of \$6 be appropriated for the purchase of thermometers ~~in~~ ^{for} the use of the Normal School, & that one of them be a centigrade.

Resolved:

That Prof. Perkins be authorized to have trees planted in front of the Normal School.

Resolved:

That Dr. W. H. Campbell be invited to address the school at the closing exercises.

Wm. H. Campbell
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