

September 13, 1889.

8 P.M.

The Executive Committee met, pursuant to the call of the Chairman, in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, present - Judge Draper; Messrs. Robert L. Pruyn, Marcus J. Hun, and Frederick Harris (appointed on the Committee since its last meeting) and Dr. Ward.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman announced the death of President Waterbury, and offered the following minute:

"After a very brief illness Mr. Edward P. Waterbury, President of the School for the last seven years, died at his residence in the school-building on Wednesday, the 28th day of August last. His death was not anticipated and its announcement shocked and pained a large circle of personal friends, and innumerable friends of the School throughout the country.

At his death he was fifty-eight years of age. His life had been largely given to teaching. Of accurate scholarship, affable disposition, and a sincere interest in the young, he was singularly successful in his work. It has fallen to the lot of but few men to influence so many lives, or to influence them so strongly for good.

During his Presidency of the Normal School that institution has been exceptionally prosperous. Largely through his efforts the new building was erected, and the school augmented in size, and brought to its present state of efficiency. At great labor he investigated and published a history of more than three thousand graduates, and succeeded in calling many of them together and in securing their efficient aid in promoting the success of the institution.

His memory will be revered by all interested in popular education, but by none more than by the members of this committee, whose privilege it has been to know and value his many excellent qualities during many years.

In view of the fact that his death occurred during the summer vacation, when the School was not in session, and when many others who would have desired to show respect to his memory were absent from the city, it is thought proper that a public memorial service be held at the school building as soon as suitable arrangements can be made therefor, and it would be highly satisfactory to the committee if Dr. David Murray, the life-long friend and associate of Dr. Waterbury, would consent to attend upon such occasion and deliver a memorial address.

It is therefore resolved that a sub-committee

of two be appointed to carry the foregoing resolution into effect."

Mr. Hunt moved the adoption of the minute, and his motion was carried. The chairman appointed as sub-committee on memorial exercises Mr. Pruyn and Dr. Ward.

Judge Draper reported that six bids had been received, from as many different dealers, for the supply of coal for the coming season, and that the contract had been awarded to R. B. Rock and Son, for 280 tons "Hazleton" Lehigh, egg, @ \$4.46; and 20 tons "Hazleton", chestnut, @ \$4.37

The action of Supt. Draper was approved.

In accordance with the resolution passed at meeting held April 26, 1889 (pgs. 252, these minutes) Supt. Draper offered the following:

"Whereas Dr. David Murray, for many years Secretary and Treasurer of this Committee, has removed from the State and severed his connection with the management of the State Normal School,

Resolved, That his ripe scholarship, his deep interest and large experience in the work of general education and his systematic business methods, which have been so generously devoted to the interests of the School, entitle him to the lasting gratitude of the Institution, and that he carries with him to his well-deserved and honorable retirement from public work, the esteem and best wishes of the Committee

and of all friends of the Normal School."

An motion this minute was adopted and ordered spread upon the records.

Sup't. Draper reported that, in accordance with instructions, that portion of the roof of the school-building on which the botanical garden is located, had been covered with asphalt by Davenport & Co, at an expense of \$325.; but that, notwithstanding these repairs, it still leaked. On motion of Mr. Pruyn the whole matter was referred back to the Superintendent with power.

Judge Draper next made a statement concerning extra services rendered by Asst. Janitor Mr. League since the discharge of Janitor Pritchard in May last; and it was ordered that the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.-), in addition to his regular salary, be paid him ⁱⁿ view of such services.

Mr. Harris moved that James Mr. League be appointed ~~Janitor~~ ^{Engineer} with a salary of \$66.66 per month; and that Thomas Kenroy be appointed ~~Asst.~~ Janitor, at the same salary. Motion carried.

Mr. Stone moved that Sup't. Draper be charged with the duty of arranging with the janitors to do all the cleaning of the school-building, and that an allowance for such services be made them, not to exceed, if possible, the gross sum of \$100.- per annum. The motion was carried.

Mr. Pruyn moved that the appointment of Dr. Waterbury's successor be laid over for about one month - to a meeting to be called by the Chairman - and that in the meantime Prof. Busted be designated as Acting Principal. ✓
 Motion carried.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

Saml. B. Ward,
 Secy.

Saturday, " Oct. 5, 1889.

9 P.M.

The Executive Committee met, pursuant to the call of its chairman, in the Superintendent's room.
 All members present.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Chairman stated that with the informal consent of all the members of the Committee, he had written to Dr. William J. Milne, Principal of the State Normal School at Geneseo, to ascertain whether he would under any circumstances accept the Presidency of this School if tendered to him. ✓ He then read two lengthy communications from Dr. Milne in reply, setting forth his views as to the best policy for the School in the future, and the conditions on which he would probably be