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The Executive Committee met at
the Office of the Superintendent of Public
Instruction.

Nov. 20th 1855

Present.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Mr. Austin

Mr. Townsend

✓ The Chairman stated that the Committee
had been called together on account of the
decease of Dr. S. Romeyn Beck, a member
of the Executive Committee, and ^{its} Secretary
& Treasurer.

The following preamble and resolutions
were offered by the Superintendent of Public
Instruction, and ordered to be entered on the
minutes:—

"The Executive Committee of the New
York State Normal School, in recording the
decease of their Secretary S. Romeyn Beck, M. D.,
take occasion to declare their deep and earnest
consciousness, that the spirit of a good and
useful man has withdrawn from the earth;
that from society has been taken one of its bright-
est ornaments; that the department of Science
has lost an efficient laborer and zealous
teacher, and that the school of which this com-
mittee have charge, has been deprived of an able
and constant friend. In consideration, and
as ^abefitting acknowledgment of this afflictive
dispensation, it is therefore hereby

Resolved, That in testimony of veneration
and respect for the memory of the deceased, and
with a desire to emulate his virtues, this com-
mittee will attend his funeral on Wednesday
next, and order that on that day the State

Normal School be closed and its exercises suspended.

Resolved, That we tender to his bereaved family the assurance of our sympathy with them in the loss which they have sustained, in the dissolution of relations, the duties of which were performed by the deceased with the most constant rectitude, affection and fidelity; and that a copy of this record, certified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, be transmitted to them as an evidence thereof.

The Committee then adjourned.

Jan 4. 1856.

Committee met at the call of the Chairman at his office.

Present The Superintendent of Public Instruction,

Mr. Austin,

Mr. Townsend,

Mr. Hammond.

The Superintendent presented the following communication from the Principal of the School.

Albany Dec. 10. 1855

Hon. G. M. Rice, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Normal School.

Having on the 4th inst. been elected Secretary of the Regents of the University, I hereby present my resignation as Principal of the State Normal School.

In communicating this to the Executive Committee, I beg you to express to them my high sense of their uniform courtesy & kind cooperation in all my efforts for the prosperity of the School, and to assure them of my my continued interest in its highest success.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully Yours Obd. Servt
S. H. Woolverton.