

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FROM JUNE 30, 1883, TO JUNE 30, 1885, AND  
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1885.

FUND.	Amount expe'ded.	Balance.
Current expense fund .....	\$ 213,163.63	\$ 4,022.52
Contingent fund] .....	4,645.53	608.62
Cottage building fund .....	24,479.05	520.95
Boiler fund .....	2,546.30	
Water supply fund .....	3,921.81	1,578.88
Steam pump fund .....	700.00	
Exercise ground fund .....	500.00	
Carpenter shop fund .....	3,000.00	
Painting fund .....	500.00	
Steam main fund .....	5,000.00	
Cold storage house fund .....	2,630.87	369.13
Repairing ventilating tower fund .....	245.85	
Cow barn fund .....	671.29	2,328.71
Plastering basement fund .....		1,000.00
Extending sewer fund .....		5,500.00
Storm sash fund .....		1,000.00
Enlarging wash-house fund .....		2,500.00
Total expenditure for biennial term .....	\$ 262,472 33	
Total balance June 30, 1885 .....		19,428.81

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. BEMIS,

*Treasurer.*

## FINAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

OF THE

## IOWA HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE

AT

INDEPENDENCE,

TO THE

TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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## FINAL REPORT.

*To the Honorable, the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

The Commissioners appointed by the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa to superintend the erection of the Iowa Hospital for the Insane at Independence would respectfully submit this their final report, as required by Section two (2) of Chapter two (2), Laws of the Twentieth General Assembly. With their report will be found an exhibit of the treasurer of the board giving a detailed statement of the expenditures of the balance of the appropriation made by the Nineteenth General Assembly for building and furnishing the fifth and sixth sections of the south wing of the hospital, accompanied by a report of the committee appointed to examine his vouchers and accounts; also a report from the Superintendent of Construction.

At the date of our last report, January 18th, 1884, there were unexpended, of the appropriation of sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) made by the Nineteenth General Assembly for building the fifth and sixth sections of the south wing of the hospital, nine thousand five hundred and thirty-six dollars and forty-three cents (\$9,536.43), and of the appropriation of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) made at the same time for furnishing these sections, three thousand eight hundred and nineteen dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$3,819.28). The Commissioners have expended this money as follows: For completing the unfinished portion of the south wing, four thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$4,888.78), and for furnishing the same three thousand and ninety-nine dollars and fifty-four cents (\$3,099.54).

By the provisions of Section 1, Chapter 2, of the Laws of the Twentieth General Assembly, the Commissioners were authorized to use the unexpended balance of the appropriation, or so much thereof as was necessary, in constructing a portico over the front entrance, and pointing the outside walls of the building. In compliance with this provision the Board contracted with John McBride to furnish, cut, and put in place the granite foundation, steps, and platforms of



the portico for the sum of one thousand two hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$1,295.00). The superstructure is of limestone, and was furnished from the State quarry near Anamosa, and cut by the convicts at the penitentiary under the supervision of Warden Martin, as per sections three and four, Chapter fifty-eight, Laws of the Nineteenth General Assembly. Some of the stone so furnished had to be recut at the building, which made an additional expense. The roofs of the portico are covered with copper. The total amount expended in building the portico was four thousand and thirty-six dollars and four cents (\$4,036.04); the original design and the estimate contemplated a one story structure, but the plan was changed to two stories, which necessarily increased the cost.

The Commissioners have had the first, second, and third sections of the north wing, the main center and rear center buildings, and the first, second, and third sections of the south wing of the hospital pointed, for which they paid one thousand three hundred and thirty-one dollars and thirty-five cents (\$1,331.35). This leaves three sections of the south wing unpointed, which we estimate can be done at an expense of about five hundred dollars.

In severing our connection with the Iowa Hospital for the Insane at Independence, with the building of which we have been so long identified, we desire to renew our acknowledgments to all who have been associated with us in the work. By the provisions of an act passed by the Thirteenth General Assembly, the Governor of the State was made a member of the Board *ex-officio*. To Governors Samuel Merrill, Cyrus C. Carpenter, Samuel J. Kirkwood, Joshua G. Newbold, John H. Gear, and Buren R. Sherman we were placed under many obligations for assistance rendered during the erection of the building, and we would also thank the people of the State for the confidence and aid which they have extended to us through their representatives in the several General Assemblies, in making the appropriations of money for carrying on the work intrusted to our care. Nor are we unmindful of the fact that great credit is due George Josselyn for the faithful and valuable service he has rendered the State as Superintendent of Construction, from the laying of the corner stone until the completion of the building.

We believe it would be eminently proper, before closing this report, that some mention should be made of our colleagues who have been engaged with us in our labors as Commissioners. Of the original Board, as constituted by the laws of the Twelfth General Assem-

bly, Mr. Morgan, of Webster county, is the only member now living. Hon. Albert Clarke, of Buchanan county, who took an active interest in securing the location of the Institution, and lived to see the site selected, plans procured, and a contract let for three sections of the north wing, died in November, 1868. We may be pardoned for here reproducing what was said in a former report of this commission concerning this gentleman: "While the commission was yet at the beginning of its labor in this enterprise for alleviating the sufferings of minds diseased, one of their number, Hon. Albert Clarke, was suddenly stricken down by the hand of death. Mr. Clarke was a man of superior talents, cultivated and invigorated by a finished education, and of the highest probity of character; yet he was a man of such singular, retiring, unambitious modesty, that the knowledge of his worth was limited to a narrow circle." Hon. George W. Bemis, of Buchanan county, was shortly afterward appointed as Mr. Clarke's successor.

Hon. Maturin L. Fisher, of Clayton county, a man of rare and scholarly attainments, who had made the construction and administration of hospitals for the insane a study, was of great service to the commission in selecting a site, maturing plans, and looking after the general details of the building, by reason of his superior knowledge, acquired through many years of active service as a Trustee of the Hospital at Worcester, Massachusetts, and of that at Mt. Pleasant, in our own State. From his long experience as a trustee he was able to suggest many improvements, which were readily adopted, in the construction of this hospital. After more than ten years' continuous service on this commission, he died on the 5th day of February, 1879. Mr. A. G. Case, of Floyd county, was appointed to fill the vacancy thus occasioned.

As required by section 2, chapter 2, laws of the Twentieth General Assembly, we have turned over to the Trustees of the Hospital all books, vouchers, and papers in our possession pertaining to the commission, and taken receipts in duplicate, one of which we have filed with the Auditor of State, as required by law. This, with the submission of this report to the Twenty-first General Assembly, completes the work for which the commission was created.

ERASTUS G. MORGAN.  
GEORGE W. BEMIS.  
ALMON G. CASE.

*Des Moines, Iowa, February 17, 1886.*



## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Detailed statement showing the expenditure of the balance of the appropriation on hand January 14, 1884, made by the Nineteenth General Assembly for building and furnishing:

By cash paid for carpenter work.....	\$ 1,235.92
By cash paid for paints and painting.....	486.25
By cash paid for salary of superintendents.....	400.00
By cash paid for traveling expenses of superintendent.....	9.12
By cash paid for commissioners, secretary and treasurer.....	351.08
By cash paid for radiators.....	401.77
By cash paid for hardware.....	140.73
By cash paid for castings.....	251.92
By cash paid for brass stop-cocks.....	130.45
By cash paid for pipe and steam fittings.....	193.93
By cash paid for lumber.....	140.84
By cash paid for galvanized iron work.....	70.96
By cash paid for plasters and brick masons.....	368.20
By cash paid for steam fitting and plumbing.....	309.50
By cash paid for hauling.....	63.86
By cash paid for railroad freights.....	18.37
By cash paid for common laborers.....	113.25
By cash paid for machine work and materials.....	45.85
By cash paid for lime.....	22.08
By cash paid for electrotype plates.....	35.00
By cash paid for blacksmithing.....	30.00
By cash paid for stucco and cement.....	17.65
By cash paid for postage.....	3.69
By cash paid for express charges.....	6.60
By cash paid for window guards.....	8.82
By cash paid for pails.....	4.10
By cash paid for blanks and stationery.....	5.50
By cash paid for gas fittings.....	4.10
By cash paid for brick.....	9.46
By cash paid for glass, lead, etc.....	9.77
By cash paid for furnishing.....	3,099.54

## EXPENDITURES FOR FRONT PORTICO.

By cash paid for granite work.....	\$ 1,295.00
By cash paid for copper work.....	805.20
By cash paid for recutting lime stone.....	315.70
By cash paid for setting lime stone.....	500.00
By cash paid for lumber and carpenter work.....	134.09
By cash paid for iron beams.....	52.16
By cash paid for James & Rowen for stone.....	3.15
By cash paid for freight on stone.....	144.97
By cash paid for hauling stone from station.....	74.00
By cash paid for commissioners secretary and treasurer.....	98.60
By cash paid for salary of superintendent.....	168.00
By cash paid for traveling expenses of superintendent.....	7.35
By cash paid for Animosa Penitentiary.....	437.82
By cash paid for pointing outside walls.....	1,331.35
Total.....	\$ 13,355.71

GEO. W. BEMIS.

Treasurer.

Independence, Iowa, February 13, 1886.



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

*To the Commissioners for building the Iowa Hospital for the Insane, at Independence.*

GENTLEMEN: Your committee to whom was referred the matter of examining the books, vouchers and accounts of George W. Bemis, treasurer of this board, having in view the fact that this is the final report of the treasurer, beg leave to present the following:

We find that Treasurer Bemis had in his hands at the date of the last biennial report of the Commissioners three thousand three hundred and fifty-five dollars and seventy-one cents (\$3,355.71), and that he has since drawn from the State Treasury the unexpended balance of the appropriation of the Nineteenth General Assembly, amounting to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00). He has paid out on vouchers which have been approved by the Commissioners and duplicates filed with the Auditor of State for the purposes named the following amounts:

For completing the fifth and sixth sections of the south wing of the hospital.....	\$ 4,888.78
For completing the furnishing of the above named sections.....	3,099.54
For building portico over front entrance of main building.....	4,036.04
For pointing the outside walls of the building.....	1,331.35
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$13,355.71</b>

Respectfully submitted,

E. G. MORGAN,

A. G. CASE,

*Committee.*

*Des Moines, Iowa, February 17, 1886.*

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.

*To the Commissioners for building the Iowa Hospital for the Insane, at Independence:*

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit to you the following report of the progress of the work done on the Hospital buildings since January 2, 1884.

At the time the last report was made, the fifth and sixth sections of the south wing were not entirely finished, but were completed ready for occupancy by the first of June following.

The work did not progress as rapidly as was expected, in consequence of delays, in getting some of the material from a distance.

These two sections being finished, it completed the whole Hospital buildings, as contemplated in the original plan; and which has been carried out with but few changes, and at a cost but little exceeding the estimates made at the time of commencing the work.

The Twentieth General Assembly having appropriated a sum sufficient to build the stone portico to the main building; after looking over the original plan, which was for a one story structure, it was decided to change the plan and make it to take in two stories.

The furnishing and cutting of the granite work needed for the foundation, platforms, steps, etc., was let to John McBride, the cut stone work, for the superstructure, was furnished by the Anamosa Penitentiary, the copper work, for roofing, etc., by F. Hass, and the carpenter work was done by R. C. Hyde.

Contracts for pointing the outside of the stone work, which had not been done, was let to M. J. Baker.

This work was done during the summer and fall and was completed by the first of December, 1884.

This completes the Hospital Buildings at Independence, the charge of which I have had for the last seventeen years. In this, my last report to you, I take the opportunity of thanking you for the very kind and considerate manner in which I have always been treated by you.

I remain, gentlemen, very respectfully yours,

GEORGE JOSSELYN,

*Supt. of Construction.*