## NINTH BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

IOWA INSTITUTION

FOR THE

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND,

LOCATED AT VINTON, BENTON CO.,

TO THE

THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT.

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

The Board of Trustees, in pursuance of the requirements of the statute, would respectfully submit the following report:

Since the last session of the General Assembly, some changes have been made in the organization of the board, including a change in the important position of superintendent. This change occurred at the commencement of the present term. The present incumbent of that office, Prof. S. A. Knapp, brings to the discharge of its duties an extensive experience in the management of similar educational institutions, and a reputation for ability and devotion to his profession which, with the evidences already given of his adaptedness to the place, leaves no doubt in the minds of the other members of this board, that his administration of the affairs of the institution will prove a most decided and gratifying success.

It has been found necessary, or, at least, every way desirable, to intrust the financial as well as educational and general control of the institution in the hands of the superintendent, thus demanding a combination of qualities in that officer not readily attainable. We have tried the experiment of employing a steward separate from the superintendent, but we have not found this course at all satisfactory. If the number of pupils were twice what it now is, that course would then, perhaps, become a necessity; and in that event, by fixing such a salary as would command the requisite experience and ability, the finances would be well managed. But the amount we are permitted to pay to a steward, will only command moderate or inferior capacity, and we find by experience that it is more economical, and generally

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more satisfactory, that the superintendent should discharge the duties of both positions, thus casting upon him the entire responsibility of the success of the institution. We need not add that this combination of duties renders the position a laborious one, and requires a comprehensive capacity as well as untiring industry. The position is by no means a sinecure.

Another change occurred on the resignation of Hon. James Chapin. This gentleman had been a member of this board from the time the institution was removed to this place, and during the entire time had filled the office of treasurer. His position, as local member of the board, has occasioned an unusual draft upon his time, and it is due to him to say that he has ever labored untiringly and devotedly for the best interests of the institution and its inmates, and has endeared himself to all connected with it, whether as its manager or the recipients of its benefactions. We feel that his resignation was a serious loss.

In pursuance of the powers conferred by the statute, the board appointed Samuel H. Watson, Esq., of Vinton, to fill the vacancy thus occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Chapin. Mr. Watson was also elected treasurer, and, after giving the requisite bonds, entered upon the discharge of the duties of that office, which he still fills.

Rev. G. G. Truesdell, who was elected by the last General Assembly a member of this board, being about to remove from the State, also resigned his position; and thereupon the board appointed Hon. Wm. G. Donnan, of Independence, to fill the vacancy.

## CURRENT EXPENSES.

The sum of five thousand dollars, hitherto appropriated by the State to pay salaries of officers, teachers and employes of this institution, also to meet current expenditures for library, apparatus, musical instruments, furnishing, repairs and incidentals, is found entirely insufficient. For obvious reasons it requires a teaching force to instruct the blind much larger than that for a seeing school.

Such a large number of pupils receive instruction in music, that this department alone, including tuning and repairs, can not be sustained at much less than two thousand dollars per annum; while the demand upon the above appropriation to meet expenses, which could not be foreseen, and for which, of course, no provision was made, amounts in the aggregate to a large item.

After the most careful analysis of the expenses of this institution, for the two years included in this report, we are convinced that it will require eight thousand dollars annually, to meet the expenses arising from the various sources enumerated above. We, therefore, recommend that in addition to the five thousand dollars, the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated annually for the department of music and one thousand dollars for furnishing, repairs and contingencies.

The treasurer's report shows that the institution is indebted to the amount of two thousand four hundred and two dollars and ninety one cents for current expenses, which amount has been accumulating for several years. This deficit is due to facts above stated, that the annual appropriations were not sufficient to meet the necessary current expenses. It is vitally important to the interests of the institution that some provision be made by your honorable body, to meet this deficiency at an early day.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

The contract for the erection of the south wing was awarded to Messrs Franklin and Lovelace of Iowa City, for the sum of twenty-nine thousand one hundred and sixty dollars.

The foundation of the building was laid in the fall of 1868, and a portion of the material for the main structure was collected. The present season the superstructure has been erected. It is a substantial building of cut stone  $32 \times 60$  feet with a rear projection  $19 \times 48$  feet, the whole three stories above the basement.

It is constructed of the best material, thoroughly painted and covered with slate roof. The work has been prosecuted during a season unusually inclement, with commendable vigor, and has been completed in a manner highly creditable to the contractors and eminently satisfactory to the trustees.

The amounts appropriated by the Twelfth General Assembly for work shop, rear veranda, library and apparatus, painting and repairs,

furnishing, improving grounds and musical instruments, have been expended, to the best of our judgment, in accordance with the design of the appropriations, and to the best interests of the institution.

For the several items and balances we refer you to the treasurer's exhibit accompanying this report.

## HEATING APPARATUS.

Two years since the General Assembly appropriated the sum of 5,000, to furnish the main asylum building with a new heating apparatus, the old having been found totally inadequate. At a subsequent meeting of the board of trustees, Messrs Finkbine and Chapin were appointed a committee to investigate the best methods of warming buildings of this character. After a thorough investigation the committee made the following report:

VINTON, Jan. 6th 1868.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE IOWA ASYLUM FOR THE BLIND.

Gentlemen.—The undersigned, appointed by resolution of your body, to examine and report upon the best method of heating the asylum buildings, would report, That we have, in the execution of the trust confided to us, visited a number of public buildings in this State, together with both public and private buildings in Illinois, which are heated by furnaces and steam by both direct and indirect radiation. As the result of our investigation we would recommend that the system of heating by steam, with indirect radiation, combined with a fan driven by an engine, be adopted. The leakage of pipes either from corrosion or bursting, or any other cause, is not attended with danger. It does not require the heat to be shut off and the use of rooms to be dispensed with until repairs can be made.

It is less expensive than any other method and affords an equal amount of heat. We have examined the various plans presented by different parties, and would recommend that, when adopted, the board require the contracting parties to guarantee that the apparatus shall afford a uniform heat of not less than 65° Farenheit, to each and all the rooms heated, during the coldest weather.

In regard to the cost we have been unable to ascertain the exact

amount, but the lowest figures we could obtain from responsible parties, agreeing to guarantee a uniform temperature, were \$9,000, which includes engine, fan, pipes, and registers, of sufficient capacity for heating the main asylum building.

For the wing it will require a larger engine, boiler and fan than for the main building alone, which additional cost, together with the necessary pipes and registers, will be about \$5,000. The above does not include the alterations and repairs to the main building to adapt it to this system of heating.

For construction of air chambers, repairs to floor, plastering and painting, we approximate the additional sum of \$1,000.

In order to secure the greatest amount of safety, the furnace, engine and boiler should be in a separate building, situated in the rear of the main asylum building. The engine-house should be of brick with stone foundation, and covered with metal or slate roof. It should have a smoke-stack of brick, extending above the asylum building, in order to insure safety and a good draught. This building should either be two stories in hight or sufficiently large on the ground to furnish a wash and drying-room, where the steam and power could be used for laundry purposes. The cost of such a building, with the smoke-stack, will be \$4,000. Making a total cost for the necessary building and heating apparatus, of \$19.000.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. S. FINKBINE, JAMES CHAPIN.

Committee.

The board of trustees adopted this report, and voted to use only so much of the appropriation of five thousand dollars as was necessary for repairs, until the whole subject could be referred to the General Assembly for consideration.

We respectfully urge that an additional appropriation of fourteen thousand five hundred dollars be made to enable us to carry out the design contemplated in the above report. A portion of the above estimate is for heating the wing, for which no appropriation has been made. The wing has been constructed with registers opening into

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each room, on the hypothesis that the General Assembly would deem it advisable to make the additional appropriation requested.

We again urge the imperative necessity of removing the furnaces now in use, and substituting some more improved heating apparatus, for the following reasons:

- 1. They are very unsafe. The institution has caught fire from them several times the past year.
- They heat only a small portion of the building, and even that insufficiently except in mild weather.
- 3. They constantly emit smoke, and frequently in large quantities which irritates the already inflamed eyes of the pupils.
- 4. They consume an extraordinary amount of fuel for the amount of heat produced.

It will require about one thousand dollars, in addition to the above, to remove and reconstruct out-buildings.

## DRAIN.

The institution has long felt the want of a drain to conduct the waste water from the kitchen, laundry, etc. Other pressing wants of the institution have hitherto restrained us from presenting the subject for your consideration; but we do not feel warranted in further delay, for, unless suitable drainage is provided soon, the surface soil will become so impregnated with impurities as to materially affect the well-water.

The services of a competent engineer were secured to survey the ground and report a plan of drain with estimates. He reported in favor of an arch stone drain, with concrete bottom, at a total estimated cost of four thousand and thirty five dollars.

The cost of the drain is augmented by the fact of the large amount of excavation necessary to sink it below the basement floor.

## BATHING.

The institution is entire!y destitute of apparatus and conveniences for bathing; a matter of the utmost importance to persons with diseased eyes. We recommend that the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated for a cistern, pumps and apparatus for two bathing rooms.

We also recommend that the sum of two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for furnishing the wing and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to purchase two pianos and a fire proof safe for institution records, these being the estimates made by a competent committee appointed for that purpose.

We estimate the sum of twelve hundred dollars necessary to replace fences and improve grounds.

## SLATE ROOF.

The sum of fifteen hundred dollars, appropriated for the purpose of slating the roof of the main asylum building, was found insufficient, and we ask that the further sum of two thousand five hundred and ninty-three dollars and twenty-two cents be appropriated. This amount includes an estimate for replacing the tin gutters and for painting and shading the belfry and cornice, which have not been re-painted since the construction of the building. For all of the above appropriations we have had itemized estimates made.

In the discharge of the trusts confided to us, we have thus endeavored to represent the condition of the Institution for the Blind at the present time, its wants and its necessities, all of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McQUINN, C. H. CONKLIN, JOSEPH DYSART, JOHN HOGDON, SAM'L H. WATSON, WM. G. DONNAN.

Members of the Board of Trustees.

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

HIS EXCELLENCY, SAMUEL MERRILL, GOVERNOR OF IOWA:

SIR:—I have the honor to present the Ninth Biennial Report of the Iowa Institution for the Education of the Blind.

It affords me pleasure to be able to add this chapter to the history of an institution that holds such a conspicuous position among the noble benefactions of the people of this great State; an institution that will be one of the most enduring monuments of the enlightened policy and philanthropy of this generation.

It is a source of congratulation that the years embraced in this report have been marked by such success as to entitle the Iowa Institution for the Blind to the most favorable consideration of the public and to demonstrate, beyond question, that the funds appropriated to it were worthily bestowed and have been judiciously expended. It is a matter of devout thanksgiving to an Allwise Being, that this period has been one of healthfulness to the inmates of the institution, and has been free from calamity of every kind.

## LOCATION.

The institution is situated upon an elevation of land on the western border of the city of Vinton, commanding a fine view of the city and the country which stretches far away toward the sky, an ever-varying field of verdure, dotted with farm-houses and groves, and interlined with silvery streams.

Here a portion of the rolling prairie, about a mile in width, extends through the bluffs that line the southwestern bank of the Cedar, and the noble river sweeps around in a grand curve of miles, as if

eager to afford its clear waters an out-look upon the fair fields through which they flow. Perhaps few more picturesque locations could be found in this most beautiful State.

Vinton has attained a celebrity for healthfulness and for the moral tone and character of its inhabitants scarcely inferior to that for the beauty of its scenery; thus vindicating its selection as the location of a benevolent institution.

The early completion of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Minnesota Railroad to this place, now rendered certain, will remove a serious embarrassment under which the institution has so long labored, viz: that of being remote from railroad communication.

## BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

The main building is a substantial structure of cut stone, 108 feet long, 63 feet wide and three stories high above the basement. The basement is used for culinary and laundry purposes; the first floor is devoted chiefly to public and officers' rooms; the second floor to recitation and teachers' rooms; the third floor to dormitories. The south wing, just completed, is 60 feet long and 32 feet wide, with a rear projection 48 x 19 feet; is three stories high. In architecture and material it is in structure similar to the main building. It is devoted to sitting-rooms and dormitories for the male pupils.

The plan of the wing could scarcely have been improved, and the structure meets a want long felt in the economy of the institution. The broom-shop, 21 x 46, two stories, is situated near the south-west corner of the wing.

The grounds contain forty acres, divided into ten acre lots. That on which the buildings are located, is ornamented to some extent with shrubbery; the other lots are devoted to meadow and pasture.

## HISTORY.

In the year 1853, this institution was established at Iowa City, largely through the unwearied efforts of Mr. Samuel Bacon. Mr. Bacon's long experience as an instructor of the blind, enabled him to inaugurate measures that have contributed largely to the prosperity of the school, and have, in no small degree, commended it to the

fostering care of the State. In the month of August, 1862, the institution was removed from Iowa City to Vinton, Benton county, and has continued until the present time in uninterrupted prosperity under the able management of its board of trustees and a wise and liberal policy of legislation by the General Assembly.

The following gentlemen have consecutively held the position of superintendent: Samuel Bacon, Esq., Rev. O. Clark, Rev. Reed Wilkinson, and Gen. James L. Geddes. The present incumbent entered upon his duties, July 1st, 1869.

The number of blind who have enjoyed the advantages of this institution since its establishment, is one hundred and eighty-six.

The causes of blindness of the pupils since the establishment of the institution are the following:

Inflammation	60
Bad treatment	3
Small Pox	9
Serofula	9
Neuralgia	3
Fever	9
Conjuctiveness	1
Unknown	3
Ophthalmia	1
Accidents	40
Congenital	24
Opacity	4
Measels	7
Cataract	6
Cancer	1
Amaurosis	5
Water on the brain	1

A complete report of the number of blind in the State of Iowa would doubtless show that there are about six hundred. Of this number, at least one hundred and twenty-five should be pupils o this institution: and, in my judgment, all that prevents is the lack of information, by the parties interested, in regard to the character of the institution.

## THE LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

This embraces a course of instruction in the branches usually taught in common schools and seminaries.

The pupils are taught to read in embossed books, to write with a pencil in common and legible letters, to understand topographical geography by feeling outline maps, and to cypher upon metal frames with movable type instead of slate and pencil. The Braille system is also taught. The main instruction is oral. The apparatus in some instances is not sufficient to enable the teacher to convey the necessary information. The want is mostly felt in geography.

The principal instructors in this department are Mrs. M. H. Knapp, Miss. Jennie L. Wilson, Miss Lizzie Kiddoo, and Mr. George W. Tannihill. All teachers of energy, suavity, culture and large experience. Under their competent instruction the pupils have made great progress, and every day evince a greater love of study. The character and tone of the department is all that could be desired.

## THE MUSICAL DEPARTMENT

Aims to give a thorough practical and theoretical knowledge of that important branch of education. The value of music to the blind can not be measured by dollars and cents. Confined mostly to one place by the loss of sight, precluded from society, and at the same time deprived of the privilege of reading popular literature or current news, without education how could they spend their hours of solitary leisure but in moody silence? Music meets this want more perfectly than any other branch of education.

This department is under the direction of Prof. D. S. Wilkinson, a gentlemen of thorough musical education and considerable experience in teaching. As a performer upon the flute he has few equals in the land, but he gives instruction with almost equal skill upon the various instruments taught in the institution.

## INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

The male industrial department is under the direction of Mr. John Cisna—a blind man of excellent judgment and character. The fact that he has retained this position from the founding of the institution is a sufficient testimonial of his worthiness and competency.

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The female industrial department is now in charge of Miss Lorana Mattice, a lady educated in this school, and appointed to that position on the resignation of Miss M. A. Rittgers.

No more judicious selection could have been made. She is a blind lady of remarkable skill, can sew both by hand and on a sewing machine, knit, and makes nearly all kinds of fancy work; in addition, she possesses all the qualifications essential to a good teacher.

## DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.

It is the design of the institution, as far as practicable, to meet the conditions of a home in its domestic economy. Some of the pupils have no other home. This design modifies, to some extent, every department and gives to the school at times the character of a family. Everything is very satisfactory in this department under the direction of Mrs. S. C. Lawton, who discharges the difficult and onerous duties of matron in a manner very commendable and well calculated to secure and retain the respect of every inmate of the institution.

## SANITARY REGULATIONS.

Vigorous health should be cultivated as a part of education. Much dependence is placed upon regular and appropriate exercise in the open air, upon bathing and diet, to secure and maintain perfect health.

Our efforts in this direction have been quite successful, but much more might be accomplished if increased facilities for bathing could be provided.

## ORDER OF EXERCISES.

The following is the order of exercises for each day of the week: Six o'clock-rise.

Six and a half o'clock-breakfast.

Seven and three-quarters o'clock-prayers.

Eight to nine o'clock-mental and written arithmetic.

Nine to ten o'clock-grammar and geography.

Ten to eleven o'clock—algebra, raised print, penmanship, and general history.

Eleven to twelve o'clock -history, geography, and orchestra.

Twelve o'clock—dinner.

One to two o'clock-geometry.

Two to four o'clock-industrial departments.

Four to five o'clock-choir.

Five and a half o'clock-supper.

Six and a half to eight o'clock—history, reading current news, and spelling.

Nine o'clock-retire.

Literary exercises on Saturday forenoon, bathing and preparation for the Sabbath in the afternoon.

Sunday morning the pupils are expected to attend church in the city; in the afternoon services are held in the institution.

## EDUCATION OF THE BLIND.

The methods of instruction in the education of the blind are similar to those employed in schools where the pupils can see. An advance lesson is read to the class by the teacher, each day, and memorized. The general arrangements do not differ materially from such as are found in well-regulated boarding schools.

From the experience of the most eminent teachers of the blind, the following deductions may be drawn in regard to their capability of education as compared with those that can see:

- 1. The blind have a stronger desire for knowledge.
- They pay more strict attention to the subject in hand, and as a result, their memories are better disciplined.
- 3. Their method of studying produces the best mental culture. After hearing the lesson once read, they review it mentally, instead of repeatedly reading it over, as those that can see are inclined to do, thus their education is critical rather than superficial, while their constant dependence for knowledge of the world upon the relation of things, instead of vision, cultivates the logical to the highest point.

Dr. Howe justly observes of the blind: "They are precocious thinkers. Some persons do not discover, until years after leaving school, that the lessons which they committed to memory, and the rules of grammar or logic which they recited glibly, really have a

deep meaning; but blind scholars generally go down to the root of the matter, and understand the meaning of whatever they learn."

If the education of the blind was limited only by possible attainments, I apprehend there are but few branches that could not be taught with success. It is wonderful what persistent effort can accomplish.

There are scholars in this institution well versed in mathematics, history, literature and philosophy. They apprehend forms, geometrical figures and degrees of latitude and longitude with remarkable precision. By means of the Braille system of writing, the blind can correspond with each other, keep their own accounts, write and read music. &c. Two pupils are making complete copies of "Richardson's Method" in Braille, for future use.

It is not in the acquiring of knowledge that the greatest obstacles. are to be overcome by the blind. It is when they attempt to make that knowledge remunerative. Here they are brought in competition with persons that can see. If the fostering care of the State could in some manner be extended beyond the time that the pupils are retained here, and assist them in securing remunerative situations in life, it would be a great blessing.

## GENERAL REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Within a few years machinery has revolutionized the methods of manufacture, and has rendered unprofitable many branches of handcraft, or reduced the profit to a mere pittance.

Dr. Howe, in his report of 1868, to the legislature of Massachusetts, says:

"It is becoming more and more difficult for blind workmen to support themselves by handicraft, owing to the inventions and improvements which supersede the use of the hand. Twenty years ago our workmen could earn fair wages at brush-making, now they can hardly earn their salt.

"Five years ago they made and sold at good profit, thousands and thousands of door mats; to-day a machine has been contrived which does in a few hours what a blind man could do in a week.

"The sharpened competition for livelihood by simple handicraft,

such as making mats, brooms and the like; the increase of foreigners, especially Germans, whose wives and children work in the evenings, and at odd hours, upon such trades, and the invention of machinery, superseding the hand, are still further narrowing the already small circle of occupations by which the blind could earn their bread."

In view of these facts I would respectfully suggest that there be a thorough investigation of the industrial department by a competent committee, appointed by the Governor or General Assembly, and such changes instituted as will meet the conditions of the case.

I would call your attention to the importance of establishing at an early day an industrial home for the blind.

Perhaps all those who have completed their course and need a home could, for the present, be accommodated in the institution, and under judicious restrictions, be employed in the work-shops. The following are some of the reasons for the above request:

- 1. They can do more work, realize larger profits, and enjoy themselves better in a permanent home together. They perform their work in a manner peculiar to themselves and, hence, can labor to much greater advantage under the direction of persons who understand them.
- 2. Some of the blind pupils are orphans, and have had no home, from childhood, but the institution, and hence have gained but little practical knowledge of men and things, belonging to the outside world, which is so necessary to success in life. They can work well but need supervision.
- 3. A few of the blind are too frail to earn more than a partial support; removed from judicious supervision they could earn nothing. To educate such and send them out for the counties to support is a refinement of cruelty.

Several instances have recently come to my knowledge where a parent has refused to send a blind child to this school because the expenses would be too great, thus evincing total ignorance of the fact that board and instruction are free.

If some plan were devised by which the name and post-office address of every blind person in the State of Iowa would be forwarded to this institution, it would be a great blessing. Circulars

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with full information could then be issued directly to the parties. Perhaps the county school superintendents could obtain this information better than any other person.

Allow me to call your attention to that portion of the report of the trustees which refers to improvements and repairs. An adequate appropriation for these objects is of pressing necessity, and without it the institution will be seriously crippled in its work.

## INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENTS.

The following tables exhibit the financial condition of these departments from November 1st, 1867, to September 1st, 1869, as it appears in the books of the institution:

## MALE DEPARTMENT.

Received for brooms and brushes	\$815,57
Expended for material	
Proceeds	

## FEMALE DEPARTMENT

Received for bead and worsted work	
Proceeds	\$84,95

## CURRENT EXPENSES.

By reference to the treasurer's report it will be seen that the institution is indebted to the amount of \$2,402.91; which indebtedness obliges the steward to purchase mostly on credit, and thus largely prevents taking advantage of the markets, to the serious detriment of the interests of the State. As to the cause of this indebtedness, it is due to the fact that there has been no contingent fund in the hands of the trustees. Thus every improvement, not foreseen at the time of the session of the General Assembly, is charged to current expense account. Let any one keep an exact account of repairs and improvements upon buildings, fences, grounds. wells, pumps, etc., etc., that are necessarily made upon a homestead

in a single year, and he will have some conception of the amount required for such a property as this.

The question arises, can the corps of instructors be materially diminished? In my judgment it cannot, and for the following reasons:

1. Much of the labor which the pupil accomplishes in other schools must be done by the teacher in a school for the blind. The teacher must read the lesson to the pupil, as well as explain it, and hear it recited. Letters for the younger pupils must be written to parents. Music, letters received, current news and general literature must be read; work arranged, etc., etc.

2. Anything like a complete classification of pupils in their studies is impossible, from the fact that pupils are in attendance from various ages from eight to fifty-six years. Some when admitted have a fair English education, others none at all. Thus the instruction ranges from the alphabet to the higher branches of a college course.

The question may arise why the blind are not employed to do all this teaching. They do a portion of it, and possibly could do more, but there is a limit. About so many pairs of good eyes are as necessary in a school for the blind as in any other.

The amount of current expenses, including salaries and clothing furnished pupils, from November 1st, 1867, to November 1st, 1869, are as follows:

Salaries for officers and teachers	. \$7040.45
Salaries of employes	2814.00
Clothing furnished pupils	416.08
Boarding department and contingent accounts	18,930.37
* Total	\$29,200.90

Amount expended for improvements from special \$44324.59 appropriation account

The abstracts and vouchers accompanying this report will exhibit the various articles purchased, and the treasurer's report, the expenditure and cash received.

Allow me, in submitting this report, to return my thanks to the trustees for the uniform courtesy with which they have treated me,

<sup>\*</sup> Note.—This includes only amounts audited and paid within that period.

and for their cordial co-operation in every effort to promote economy or thoroughness in the management of the affairs of the institution.

The integrity and ability of the board are a guarantee to the State that the finances of the institution will be managed with the strictest economy, and in a way to promote the greatest good of the pupils.

I feel deeply indebted to the officers and teachers for the entire harmony that has prevailed, and for the unanimity with which they have labored for the common good.

In conclusion, I desire to commend the interests of this institution and its inmates to the fostering care of the State. Some pupils have special claims; they have been soldiers, or are the orphaned children of soldiers; but all have claims upon a common humanity as the children of misfortune.

Respectfully submitted.

S. A. KNAPP, Superintendent.

VINTON, Benton Co., Iowa.

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# STATISTICS OF PUPILS ENROLLED DURING THE PERIOD EMBRACED IN THIS REPORT.

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	HOW LONG BLIND.	One yearFrom infancy	Partially blind	Three years From infancy From infancy	Six years	Eleven years	Six years From infancy	Four years.	Two years From infancy	Four years	Ten years	One year. Four years.	Two years
	CAUSE OF BLINDNESS.	Accidental Congenital Congenital	Accident	InflammationOphthalmia	Scrofula	Small Fox Inflammation Small Pox	Cataract	Inflammation	Scarlet Fever	Acute Conjunctivitis Typhoid Fever	Congenital Accident Scrofula	Accident	Casualty in late War
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32 Pifer, James W. 33 Poland, James H. 34 Slaughter, T. S. 35 Stapleton, Geo. W.	21 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	7 Linn County. 19 Johnson. ". 19 Dallas. ". 18 Benton. ".	Iowa Ohio Indiana		From infancy Three years	January 2d, 1868 August 3d, 1868 August 27th, 1860 September 1st, 1866
Smith, James D. Tate, Hugh K. Tannihill, Geo. W.	33 C 35 N	111	Minois			November 27th, 1867 December 30th, 1866 January 18th, 1863
39 Weaver, Charles A. L. 40 Wetherell, Edward. 41 Wright, Harvey. 42 La Rue, Isaac.	24 N 17 L 17 B 30 B	1111	Illinois	Hlinois Cataract Connecticut Congenital Hlinois Small Pox Olio Nervous Fever	From infancy From infancy One year	December 15th, 1868 October 30th, 1861 March 4th, 1868 October 29th, 1856

## LIST OF FEMALE PUPILS.

	August 25th, 1865 Sentember 1st, 1860 .	. September 23d, 1868.	September 26th, 1859 September 26th, 1866	October 26th, 1869 .	September 15th, 1859 October 1st 1869	April 16th, 1869	. September 1st, 1863.	. August 31st, 1865	October 96th 1869	. January 5th, 1869	November 8th, 1868	. October 15th, 1868 . Sentember 23d, 1868	. March 2d, 1863	
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## LIST OF PUPILS IN ATTENDANCE DURING THE TERM COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 1, 1869.

	RESIDENCE.	Vinton, Benton Co  Davenport, Scott Co.  Burlington, Des Moines Co  Brighton, Washington Co  Andrew, Jackson Co  Kossuth, Des Moines Co  Eewis, Cass Co  Lewis, Cass Co  Lewis, Cass Co  Talleyrand, Keokuk Co  New Sharon, Mahaska Co  Lisbon, Linn Co  Aplington, Butler Co	Muscatine, Muscatine Co Dudley, Fayette Co Sidney, Fremont Co. Mechanicsville, Cedar Co Burr Oak, Winneshiek Co Fayette, Fayette Co Palestine, Johnson Co	
MEMBERS.	NAMES.	on I.		
The second second	RESIDENCE.	Eldora, Hardin Co	Iowa City, Johnson Co Eagan, Kittie E Newburn, Marion Co Gardner, Mary E Palestine, Johnson Co Gardner, Arabella C Gensa, Wayne Co Guthrie, Elizabeth J. Marion, Linn Co	
	NAMES.	Bowman, Samuel Bonesteel, Jack Bonesteel, Jack Bristow, Riley Bristow, Arthur C. G Carpenter, Miles P Christian, John L Crowley, John Crowley, John Ferriby, Ashbel Fruch, Gaspar Hanchet, J. C Hawkins, John W	Bay, Ella Barnhart, Amanda Il Barnhart, Amanda Il Cisna, Josephine P Il Clary, Margaret Jane Downs, Eliza P C Clary, Margaret Jane C C Davis, Julia E.	

FEMALE MEMBERS-CONTINUE

No. 11.]

RESIDENCE.	Danforth, Johnson Co Leon, Decatur Co Wapello, Louisa Co Cambridge, Story Co Sandusky, Lee Co Waubeek, Linn Co
NAMES.	Ruckel, Mary E. Shinn, Laura Alice. Shinman, Lydia Alice. Tillotson, Carrie. Trimble, Mary. Williams, Eliza J
RESIDENCE.	Western, Linn Co
NAMES.	Imbody, Lavina E. Jay, Mary Augusta. Langford, Martha E. Lemberg, Christina. Lewis, Anna M. Paul, Margaret Ann. Bath, Mary.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Showing the Receipts and Expenditures of the Iora Institution for the Blind, from November 1st, 1867, to November 1st, 1869.

## CURRENT EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

To amount of over dreft on trees and let	
To amount of over draft on treasurer last report\$	291,25
To paid J. L. Geddes, principal, warrant 263.	263.00
To paid Mrs. N. A. Morton, matron, warrant 264.	125.00
To paid S. H. Price, teacher, warrant 265	125.00
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, teacher, warrant 266	87.50
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, teacher, warrant 267	87.50
To paid Miss A. M. Rittgers, teacher, warrant 268	37 50
To paid John Cisna, teacher, warrant 269	100 00
To paid Geo. W. Tannihill, teacher, warrant 270	25.00
Order 271 included in Eighth Biennial Report.	
To paid T. S. Slaughter, teacher, warrant 272	87,50
To paid J. L. Geddes, bills, warrant 273	1,043.80
To paid J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 274	200 00
To paid Mrs. N. A. Morton, salary, warrant 275	125 00
To paid S. H. Price, salary, warrant 276	125.00
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, salary, warrant 277	87.50
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, salary, warrant 278	87 50
To paid Miss A. M. Rittgers, salary, warrant 279	37.50
To paid Mr. John Cisna, Salary, warrant 280	100.00
To paid Mr. Geo. W. Tannihill, salary, warrant 281	25.00
To paid J. L. Geddes, current bills, warrant 282	
To paid J. L. Geddes, expenses to Des Moines, warrant 283	2,475.91
To paid James McQuin, mileage, warrant 284	68.80
To paid James Chapin, mileage, warrant 285.	30.00
To paid James Dysart, mileage, warrant 286,	21.00
To paid C. G. Truesdell, mileage, warrant 287	21.00
To paid John Hodgdon, mileage, warrant 288	25.00
To paid C. H. Conklin, mileage, warrant 289.	25.00
To paid J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 290.	18.00
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, salary, warrant 290	200.00
Para miss o. 12. Wilson, salary, warrant 291	87.50

To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, salary, warrant 292	87.50
To paid Geo W. Tannihill, salary, warrant 293	25.00
To paid John Cisna, salary, warrant 294	100 00
To paid Mrs J. Cisna, salary, warrant 295.	83.33
To paid Miss L. Mattice, salary, warrant 296	25.00
To paid Miss A. M. Kittgers, salary, warrant 297	12.50
To paid James McQuin, mileage, warrant 298	5.00
To paid C. G. Truesdell, mileage, warrant 299	25.00
To paid John Hodgdon, mileage, warrant 300.	25.00
To paid J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 301	200.00
To paid J. L. Geddes, current bills, warrant 302	209,40
To paid J. L. Geddes, current bills, warrant 303	668.48
To paid J. L. Geddes, current bills, warrant 304	462.32
To paid Wm. P. Lathrop, M. D., salary, warrant 305	56.66
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, salary, warrant 306	87.50
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, salary, warrant 307	87.50
To paid John Cisna, salary, warrant 308	100.00
To paid Geo. W. Tannihill, salary, warrant 309	25.00
To paid Miss L. Mattice, salary, warrant 310	37.50
To paid John Cisna, use of piano, warrant 311	50.00
To paid C. G. Truesdell, mileage, warrant 312	25.00
To paid James McQuin, mileage, warrant 313	5.00
To paid G. W. Patterson, canvassing for pupils, warrant 314	55.25
To paid S. H. Price and wife, salary, warrant 315	83.32
To paid J. L. Geddes, current bills, warrant 316	3,921.71
To paid J. L. Geddes, cur ent bills, warrant, 317	204 16
To paid J. L. Geddes, clothing for pupils, warrant 318	79.84
To paid J. L. Geddes, clothing for pupils, warrant 319	123.02
To paid Mrs. J. L. Geddes, salary as matron, warrant 320	208 33
To paid J. H. Shutts, wood, warrant, 321	50.00
To paid J. S. Patterson, grain, warrant 322	22.87
To paid James Chapin, wood, warrant 323	232.37
To paid C. H. Sanderson, produce, warrant 324	50.30
To paid Root & Cady, music, warrant 325	18.22
To paid Wm. Geddes, coal, warrant 326	25.00
To paid T. S. Talmage, beef, warrant 327,	19.06
To paid J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 328	250.00
To paid D. L. Wilkinson, salary, warrant 329	250.00
To paid Mrs. L. A. Berry, salary, warrant 330	125.00
To paid John Cisna, salary, warrant 331	112.50
To paid Mrs. J. Cisna, salary, warrant 332	50.00
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, salary, warrant 333	87.05
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, salary, warrant 334	87.50
To paid G. W. Tannihill, salary, warrant 335	37.50
To paid Miss L. Mattice, salary, warrant 336	37 50

To paid J. L. Geddes, sundries for labor, warrant 337	292.00
To paid Wm. G. Lathrop, salary, physician, warrant 338	44.25
To paid Henry Palmer, stationery, warrant 339	21.25
To paid Wm. M. Marsh, milk, warrant 340	58.45
To paid Wm. M. Loree, groceries, warrant 341	417.40
To paid Lew Quin, groceries, warrant 342	111.53
To paid J. S. Patterson, grain, warrant 343	24.56
To paid T. S. Palmer, drugs, warrant 344	9.35
To paid M. L. Webb, meat, warrant 345	287.69
To paid Watson & Smock, beef, warrant 345	24.71
To paid Young & Utley, flour, warrant 347	159.07
To paid J. M. Caldwell, harness repairs, warrant 348	12.95
To paid J. A. Bills, postal, warrant 349	12.15
To paid E. A. Hews, papers, etc., warrant 350	33.75
To paid S. R. Hamilton, groceries, warrant 351	81.95
To paid Crandall and Sutton, blacksmithing, warrant 352	96.10
To paid Stedman Bros., groceries, warrant 353	321.73
To paid C. D. Taylor, clock and repairs, warrant 354	19.75
To paid J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 355	250 00
To paid J. L. Geddes, pupils clothing, warrant 356	104.20
To paid Wm Dyer, labor, warrant 357	10.20
To paid J. H. Ricket, washing machine, warrant 358	10.00
To paid S. R. Bart, broom corn, warrant 359	15.00
To paid Wm. Dyer, labor, warrant 360	9.60
To paid Wm. Dyer, labor, warrant 361	5.40
To paid Mr. Johnson, labor, warrant 362	8.94
To paid Mrs. A. Dowell, warrant 363	25.00
To paid Prof. D. S. Wilkinson, salary, warrant 364	250 00
To paid Mrs. L. A. Berry, matron, salary, warrant 365	125.00
To paid John Cisna, teacher, salary, warrant 366	112 50
To paid Mrs J. Cisna, teacher, salary, warrant 367	50 00
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, teacher, salary, warrant 368	87.50
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, teacher, salary, warrant 369	87.50
To paid G. W. Tannihill. salary, warrant 370	37.50
To paid Miss L Mattice, salary, warrant 371	37.50
To paid J. L. Geddes, sundries labor, warrant 372	287.66
To paid Wm. P. Lathrop, M. D., services, warrant 373	57.75
To paid S. H. Watson, paid bill of coal, warrant 374	130 00
To paid Mat. Stedman, groceries, warrant 375	493.97
To paid T. S. Palmer, stationery, warrant 376	32.00
To paid S. R. Hamilton, groceries, warrant 377	181.94
To paid Crandall & Sutton, blacksmithing, warrant 378	53.80
To paid Stookey & Patterson, meat, warrant 379	84 45
To paid Young & Utley, flour, warrant 380	106.12
To paid Lew Quin, groceries, warrant 381	150.84

To paid Stick & Matthews, groceries, warrant 382	132.73
To paid Mark Webb, beef, warrant 383	298.88
'To paid Wm. A. Loree, groceries, warrant 384	638.88
To paid Hanford & Holt, printing, warrant 385	43 80
To paid Marsh & Son, milk, warrant 386	111.44
To paid J. McQuin, mileage, warrant 387	5 00
To paid C. H. Conklin, miteage, warrant 388	3.00
To paid Jas. Chapin, mileage, warrant 389	3.00
To paid C. H. Gillett, ice, warrant 390	26.00
To paid Isband Noble, wood, warrant 391	270.00
To paid J. C. Marsh, wood, warrant 392	66.00
To paid Mrs. L. A. Berry, salary matron, warrant 393	42.00
To paid C G. Truesdell, mileage, warrant 394	50.00
To paid J. McQuin, milesge, warrant 395	5.00
To paid Jas. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 396	250 00
To paid Jos. Dysart, mileage, warrant 397	6.00
To paid C. H. Conklin, mileage, warrant 398	6.00
To paid S. H. Watson, mileage, warrant 399	3.00
To paid Parmenter & Walton, dray, warrant 400	7.50
To paid H. C. Wolfe, one coffin, warrant 401	27.00
To paid A. H. Brown, blanks, warrant 402	4 00
To paid S. L. Geddes, sundries, warrant 403	50.00
To paid Prof. D. S. Wilkinson, salary, warrant 404	250.00
To paid Mrs. J. L. Geddes, salary, warrant 405	83.00
To paid John Cisna, salary, warrant 406	112.50
To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, salary, warrant 407	87 50
To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, salary, warrant 408	87.50
To paid Mrs. J. Cisna, salary, warrant 409	50.00
To paid G. W. Tannibill, salary, warrant 410	37.50
To paid Miss L. Mattice, salary, warrant 411	87.50
To paid J. L. Geddes, sundries for labor, warrant 412	329.00
To paid Watson & Ravenscroft, groceries, warrant 413	11.72
To paid Stookey & Patterson, beef, warrant 414	225.12
To paid I. E. Haight, harness, warrant 415	80.00
To paid I. E. Haight, harness, warrant 416 To pain Wm. P. Lathrop, M. D., warrant 416	49.50
To pain Wm. P. Lathrop, M. D., warrant 417	222.00
To paid N. L. Williams, groceries, warrant 417	51.60
To paid S. R. Hamilton, groceries, warrant 419.	70 20
To paid S. R. Hamilton, groceries, warrant 420	683.44
To paid E. M. Stedman, groceries, warrant 420	6.00
To paid Tuttle & Skinner, livery, warrant 421	213.75
To paid Mark Webb, wood, warrant 422	176.53
To paid Jones & Becket, meat, warrant 423	511.56
To paid Wm. M. Loree, groceries, warrant 424	6.11
To paid John A. Bills, postage, warrant 425	117.41
To paid Webb & Scott, flour, warrant 426	

32 Institution for the blind.	[No. 11.	No. 11.] INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.	33
To paid C. G. Truesdell, mileage, warrant 427	5.00	To poid O G Island	
To paid John Hodgdon, mileage, warrant 428	25.00	To paid O. C. Isbell, tuning pianos, warrant 479	15.00
To paid John Dysart, mileage, warrant 429	3.00	To paid Miss L. Kiddoo, teacher, warrant 473	87.50
To paid Jas. McQuin, mileage, warrant 430	6.00	To paid Miss J. L. Wilson, teacher, warrant 474	87.50
		To paid Prof. D. S. Wilkinson, teacher, warrant 475	250.00
To paid S. H. Watson, mileage, warrant 431	3.00	To paid Miss L. Mattice, teacher, warrant 476	37.50
To paid C. H. Conklin, mileage, warrant 432	3.00	To paid Dr. W. P. Lathrop, salary and medicine, warrant 477	32.75
To paid John Hodgdon, mileage, warrant 433	25 00	To paid T. S. Palmer, repair furniture, warrant 478	35.75
To paid Jos. Dysart, mileage, warrant 434	3.00	To paid S. A. Knapp, bills paid, warrant 479	24 98
To paid James McQuin, mileage, warrant 435	6.00	To paid Barnum Bro's., beads, etc., warrant 480	46.95
To paid S. H. Watson, mileage, warrant 436	3.00	To paid Smart & Parrott, book, warrant 481	7.50
To paid C. H. Conklin, mileage, warrant 437	3.00	To paid J. H. Lawrence, wood, warrant 482	45.00
To paid J. L Geddes, salary, warrant 438	251.00	To paid Young & Utley, flour, warrant 483	68.63
To paid Wm. Marsh, milk, warrant 439	121.00		105.06
To paid Griffin & Carpenter, drugs, warrant 440	8.55	To paid L. & R. H. Quinn, crockery, warrant 485	42.80
To paid Divine & Donelaw, groceries, warrant 441	60.97	To paid Mr. Rohl, repair horns, warrant 486	8.00
To paid Stick & Matthews, groceries, warrant 442.	28.30	To paid L. W. Mickey, onions, warrant 487	
To paid Geo. Horridge, hardware, warrant 443	126.98		12.00
To paid J. L. Geddes, hogs, warrant 444			448.71
To paid D. I. Stookey, meat, warrant 445	24.00		112.50
To paid John Reiss, bread, warrant 446.	21.92	To paid Mrs. J. Cisna, teacher, warrant 490	50.00
To paid John Miller, meat, warrant 447	2.20		113.56
To paid S. H. Hall, grain, warrant 448	9.51	To paid D. S. Wilkinson, violin strings, etc., warrant 492	20.35
To paid Stick & Matthews, groceries, warrant 449	3.93	To paid J. M. Caldwell, harness repairs, warrant 493	4.90
To paid E. M. Stodman graceries, warrant 449	123.35	To paid Warner & Felix, broom material, warrant 494	45.41
To paid E. M. Stedman, groceries, warrant 450	43.14	To paid D. J. Stookey, meat, warrant 495	18.70
To paid C. Flie & Park, heads warrant 451.	135 92	To paid Ed. A. Hews, stationery, warrant 496	20.65
To paid C. Ellis & Bro's., lumber, warrant 452.	20.89	To paid sundries for labor as per voucher, warrant 497	134.66
To paid W. H. H. Callen, labor, warrant 453	32.50	To paid Boggs & Son, grass-seed, warrant 498	1.06
To paid J. B. McCaslin, cemetery lot, warrant 454	13 25	To paid B. W. Jones, meat, warrant 499	32.34
To paid E. C. George, milk, warrant 455	46.63	To paid Thomas Wright, labor, warrant 500	2.75
To paid T. S. Palmer, furniture and drugs, warrant 456	123,85	To paid John F. Pyne, one cow, warrant 501	30.00
To paid Sundries for labor, warrant 457	73.50	To paid J. N. Stewart, oats, warrant 502	28.00
To paid, Thomas Wright, labor, warrant 458.	22.00	To paid N. T. Reed, one cow, warrant 503	40.00
To paid L. S. Patterson, grain, warrant 459	2.40	To exchange on drafts	75
To paid L. Ralyea, livery, warrant 460	12.00	To bills paid by steward to July 1st, 1869, per vouchers	803 92
10 paid Hanford & Holt, printing warrant 461	27.35	는 것도 마른데 : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	
10 paid Matten & Parmenter, drayage, warrant 462	12.00	사용하다 <b>(2018년 1988년 1987년 1</b>	9,308.82
15 paid S. D. Redneid, store hogs, warrant 463	25 00	Balance in hands of Treasurer, November 1st, 1869	89.03
10 paid 1. A. McDaniels, pupils' clothing, warrant 464	109.02		9,397.82
10 paid John Hodgdon, mileage, warrant 465		the partners the live of the partners the live of the partners to the	,001.02
Paid James McQuin, mileage, warrant 466	25 00		
Para C. H. Conkin, mileage, warrant 467	6.00	Nov. 19, 1867.—By State appropriation one quarter 3.250.00	
20 Para Samuel II. Watson, mileage, warrant 469	3.00	Feb. 19, 1868.—By State appropriation one quarter 3,370.00	
Para William G. Donnan, mileage warrant 480	3.08	Feb. 19, 1868 —By State appropriation, pupils' clothing 202.86	
Part I. Heagle, 1800r. Warrant 470	10.00	May 19, 1868.—By State appropriation, one quarter 3,450.00	
To paid Geo. W. Tannihill, salary, warrant 471	6.00	Aug. 19, 1868.—By State appropriation, one quarter 3,410.00	
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Total		\$29,397.85
By products of industrial department to Sept.	951.82	1.104.82
July 1, 1869.—By amount of produce sold to date	153.00	
By balance of special appropriation, 1867	196.95-	- 196.95
Aug. 19, 1869.—By State appropriation, pupils' clothing	109.02-	-\$28,096.08
Aug 19, 1869.—By State appropriation, one quarter	3,650 00	
May 19, 1869 —By State appropriation, one quarter	3,650.00	
Feb. 19, 1869.—By State appropriation, one quarter	3,610.00	
Dec. 9, 1868.—By State appropriation, pupils' clothing .	104.20	
Nov. 19, 1868 By State appropriation, one quarter	3,290.00	

## SAMUEL H. WATSON, Treasurer.

Note.—The above Treasury report does not give the present (Nov. 1st, 1869) financial condition of the institution, as quite a number of accounts have matured which have not been audited, and for which warrants have not been issued. I therefore, append a report of all accounts against the institution, matured; also a statement of the material on hand, showing the exact indebtedness at this date.

## SAMUEL H. WATSON, Treasurer.

## TREASURER'S EXHIBIT OF BILLS MATURED.

## To Bills Matured Nov. 1st, 1869.

To Crandell & Sutton, blacksmithing, voucher 6\$	14.10
To C. H. Gillet, drawing wood, voucher 7	5.00
To Divine & Donelan, butter, voucher S	6.75
To A. K. Watson, ice, voucher 9	3.50
To C. C. & W. C. Lawton, white-washing, voucher 10	3.00
To John Stanley, corn, voucher 11	5 95
To Smart & Parrott, blank books, voucher 12	27.50
To Matthew Gillespie, beef, voucher 13	14.82
To James Johnson, potatoes, voucher 14	6 25
To St. Louis Asylum, Braille paper, voucher 15	23.25
To W. D. Armstrong, sour krout, voucher 16	6.00
To Chas. V. Mount, spoons, etc., voucher 17	25.25

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To Hyman & Colton, blacksmithing, voucher 18	83.4
To J. F. Pyne, repair of harness, voucher 19	
To L & R. H. Quinn, groceries, voucher 20	
To Joseph Moss, wood, voucher 21	
To George Horridge, hardware, voucher 22	
To E. M. Stedman, groceries, voucher 23	
To S. Williams, dry-goods, voucher 24	
To T. S. Palmer, cement and drugs, voucher 25	
To J. M. Colwell, harness, etc., voucher 26.	
To C. Ellis & Bro., lumber, voucher 27	
To Ed. A. Hews, stationery, voucher 28	
To N. B. Kneass, magazine blind, voucher 29	
To D. I. Stookey, meat, voucher 30	
To J. A. Bills, postage, voucher 31	
To Watson & Ravenscroft, posts, voucher 32	6.25
To W. S. Hall, groceries, voucher 33	
To Young & Utley, flour, voucher 34	
To Stick & Matthews, goods and groceries, voucher 35	
To J. A. McDaniel, dry-goods, voucher 36	
To Thomas Wright, cabbages, voucher 37	5.80
To Jonathan Urmy, beef, voucher 38,	6.41
To Stick & Matthews, wood, voucher 39	120.00
To Frank W. Ball, broom corn, voucher 40	250 00
To Frank W. Ball, broom corn, voucher 41	62.40
To Chant & Jackson, repair organ, voucher 42	109.50
To F. P. Dukes, butter, voucher 43.	16.81
To Samuel Voris, broom corn, voucher 44	52,40
To S. S. Seburn, wood, voucher 45	68.75
To Nathan Dunn, pump, voucher 46	25.50
To Samuel Voris, broom corn, voucher 47	80.60
To S. A. Knapp, bills paid, voucher 48	13.00
To amount due teachers Nov. 1st	866.66
To amount due employes	241.00
Total amount of bills matured Nov. 1, 1869	*3,216.54
	Machine 1
By material on hand Nov. 1st. \$473. By articles manufactured in the Industrial Department,	40
not reported	
By balance in hands of Treasurer 89,	03 812.63
Total indebtedness of the Institution for the Blind,	2 44411 12 17
Nov. 1st, 1869	\$2402.91
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1868.		Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR FURNITURE, SEC. II.	Amt. \$2400.00
August	8	1	5	To paid Spear, Prince & Holbrook, carpets, oil cloth	\$215.70
				and mats	\$210.10
August	8	2	9	" Henry Liebentein, iron bedsteads, mattrasses and pillows	261.00
Amount	14	3	15	"B. Kendall, papering rooms	55.00
August	20	4	21	" T. S. Palmer, furniture	331.10
August	20			" Spear, Prince & Holbrook, carpets	269.98
Sept.	5	6	28	" H. O. Hutchinson & Co., signs for doors	82 00
Sept.	8	7	31	" White & Gerbrich, wall-paper	20.98
Sept.	10	8		" Eming & Co., furniture	186.00
Sept.	12	9		" Butler & Evans, carpet	35.05
Sept.		10		" Wm. B. Van Horn, wall-paper	74.97
Sept.	12		40	" Ross & Withrow, one sewing machine	72.10
Sept.		12	42	" Eaton & McGuire, chandeliers and lamps	61.21
ctober		13		" C. G. White, sundries for furnishing	68.40
October		14		" J. A. McDaniels, bed-comforts	125.6
October		15		" Barr & Freeman, repairing furniture	20.5
October		16		" Stedman Bros., merchandise for bead de-	
Ji 100		-	-	partment	46.6
Vov.	13	17	66	" Eming & Co, furniture	53.50
Nov.		18	68	" Jacob Wily, woolen blankets	28.0
Nov.	22	19	69	" T. S. Palmer, two dozen chairs	22.0
Nov.	23	20	72	" Lew. Quin, crockery	32.8
Nov.	25	21	73	" J. A. McDaniels, sheeting	154.1
Nov.	30	22	74	" Stedman Bros, for Ross & Creamer, twenty	401 =
				pair blankets	181.5
				To balance carried to contingent account	1.7
					22 400 0
				5.472	\$2,400.00
		1		By appropriation	2,400,0

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94.

1868.		Voucher	Order.	A	PPROPRIATION FOR LIBRARY—SEC. III.	Amt. \$1500.00
August	0	1	6	To poid	T A Panaroft & Co. hooks	
	8 8	1 2 8	7	10 paru	J. A. Bancroft & Co., books. J. B. Lippincott & Co., books.	
August	0	9	8		Pennsylvania Institute for Dial backs	258.38
August	0	0	0		Pennsylvania Institute for Blind, books in	
A	8	4	10		raised print	87.75
August	0	**	10		W. G. McAllister, philosophical and astro-	
	0		11	- 66	nomical apparatus	214.20
August	8	5		"	John Krider, museum of birds	60.00
August	8	6	11	"	Geo. Dall & Co., assorted papier mache ani	
			000	"	mals	15.60
Sept.	12	7		"	Stedman Bro's., McAllister's bill and freight.	52.90
Sept.	12				N. B. Knears, Jr., library in raised print	137.00
October	20	9			R. E. Hall, analysis of the Bible	7.75
Nov.		10		14	Stedman Bro's, 6 Braille slates, and express.	20,60
Nov.	21	11	70	"	Stedman Bro's., McAllister's bill and ex-	
					press	30.30
February					T. S Palmer, bill of school-books	44.78
February	7 1	13	90	44	Ed Hewes, apparatus,	23.75
March	15	14	93	"	Ed. Hewes, sundries, for music department.	33.68
April	30	15	97	64	Asher & Adams, map of Iowa	12.00
Mav	8	16	99	"	Ed. Hewes, apparatus.	10.10
May	26	17	102	16	Mat. Stedman, apparatus	37.25
May				**	Henry Palmer, school books	17.20
				To balar	ace carried to contingent account	410.34
				- Julius	same to comment account	410.04
					TO THE WAY TO SEE THE SEE	\$1.500.00
				B	y appropriation,	1 500.00
				D,	appropriation,	1,500.00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.	Amt. \$2,500.00
Sept. 23 Sept. 24 Sept. 30 Sept. 30 Sept. 30 Nov. 30 Dec. 10 Jan. 2 May 5	2 3 2 2 4 5 6 7	49 57 46 76 83 104 105		700 00 978.00 626.00 25.00
			By appropriation	\$2,500.00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94.

INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVEMENT OF GROUNDS.	Amt. \$700.00
Angust 31 Sept. 26 Sept. 31 October 21 1869.		44 47	To paid Cole & Bro's, water pump  B. Kendall, work on grounds  James Chapin, bill improving grounds  B. Kendall, improving grounds	\$ 19.00 58.50 182.75 30.00
May 8 July 6	6	1		302 83 24.00 82.94
			By appropriation	\$700.00 700.0

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94, SEC. III.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	FOR PAINTING AND REPAIRS.	Amt. \$2,000.00
Angust	8 1	18	To paid R. B. Milholland, painting	119.25
August 1		14	P. S. Shockley, painting	75.00
August 1		16	" Geo. Horridge, hardware	188.11
			" A. Sanderson, carpenter-work	549.47
August 1 August 1	2 1		" S. Stickney, lumber	26.63
	-		" R. B. Milholland, painting	97.50
	2	20	" C. C. & C. W. Lawton, plastering, white-	THE S
August 2	9	20	washing, &c	317.70
Amount 9	2 8	3 22	" R B Milholland, painting	94.50
	9 9	23	" R. B. Milholland, painting	79.50
	5 10		" R. B. Milholland, painting	79.50
The same of the sa	7 1			85.35
				53.05
				110.98
-	2 1	100		129.58
	2 1			100.00
	0			28.58
The state of the s	0 1	1	James B. Bocke, mason work.	
		m none		\$2,134.62
	1		To balance carried to contingent account	89.78
			By appropriation	The same of the sa
			By balance, rear veranda account	224.40
				\$224 4

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94, SEC. III.

1868.		Voucher	Order.	HEATING APPARATUS.	Amt. \$5,000.00
June	6	1	1	To paid R. S. Finkbine, expenses to Chicago to investigate the best method of heating	
June	6	2	2	" James Chapin, expenses to Chicago to investigate the best method of heating	
Sept. 1869.	30	3	50	" Finkbine & Lovelace, repairing furnaces	
	14	4	118	" Geo. Horridge, one stove	200.00
October	26	5	120	" Finkbine & Lovelace, registers	99 00
• • • • • • • •					\$656 46
				Balance of appropriation not drawn	
	100		0 000		\$5,000 00
	1700	24000	100000	By appropriation	

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR REAR VERANDA.	Amt. \$1,500.00
October 28 1869.	1	65	To paid Finkbine & Lovelace, for building veranda	
	1	96	" A. Sanderson, benches shop	15.60
			Balance of appropriation carried to account of paint-	
			ing and repairs	224.40
			By appropriation	\$1,500.00 1,500.00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94, SEC. IV.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR WORKSHOP.	Amt. \$3,000.00
Nov. 30 1869.	1	75	To paid Finkbine & Lovelace, building workshop	\$2,925.00
No company of the com			"S. H. Watson for Allen & Woodruff, bill of freight	70.80
***********			By appropriation	\$3,000 00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94.

1868.	Voucher	Order.	APPROPRIATION FOR SLATING ROOF.	Amt. \$1,500.00
Nov.	) 1	122	To paid Finkbine & Lovelace, for slating a portion of the roof of the main building  Amount of appropriation unused	\$ 68.13 1,431.87
			By appropriation	\$1,500.00 1,500.00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94, SEC. IV.

1868. Noncher			Order.			Amt. \$30000.00				
July	23	1	3	To paid	Finkbine	& Lovelace,	for plans	and spec	ifi-	
					cations.					\$ 550.00
August	8	2	4	"	Finkbine	& Lovelace,	for materia	al		1000.00
Sept.	5	3	27	**	**	•				2000.00
Sept.	26	4	45	"	"	"	"			2000 00
Sept.	30	5	53	66	Hanford &	Frost, pri	nting propo	sals		13.00
October		6	62	**	Finkbine	& Lovelace	, material.			1000.00
Nov.	16	7	67	66	"	- "	labor and	material		1000.00
Dec.	17	8	84	"		*6	u	"		1500.00
1869.		"	-							
Jan.	4	9	85	"	"	u	"	"		250.00
Jan.	21	10	86	"	"		"	"		250.00
Jan.	29	11	88	"		"	44	"		500 00
Feb'y	13		91	a	**	"	"	**		500 00
March	13		92		"		"	"		500.00
March	20			66	44		"	"		500.00
April	10			46		"	"	"		-500.00
	30					44		**		2000.00
April May	25			1000	**	"	"	66		2000 00
	10		113			- 44	"	"		5000 00
August	10		117	"		44		44		2500 00
Sept.	9		121		"	66		"		4000.00
		21		46	**	"	extra worl	windox	w.&c	48.50
Nov.		21			"	"	"	plasteri	ng.	150.00
Nov.		22			"	"	balance of	contrac	t	
Nov.	10	42	124		of ennror	riation une				
	• • •			Balance	or approp	riation due	apondou			
• • • • • • •	• • •									\$30000.00
				T	By appropr	lation				30000.00

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION OF THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94.

Voucher Order.		
August 8 1 11	To paid Stedman Bros., express	\$ 52.90
August 8 2 12	S. H. Watson, exchange	2 50
Sept. 30 3 48	" J. L. Geddes, expenses to Boston	123.20
Sept. 30 4 54	" First National Bank, Exchange st., warrant.	16.47
Sept. 30 5 51	" Mr. Wheeler, freight on carpet	5 60
Sept. 30 6 55	" Sundries	9.00
Dec. 9 9 81	" C. G. Truesdell, mileage	25.00
Dec. 9 10 82	" Joseph Dysart, mileage	3.00
Dec. 9 11 80	" Jas. Chapin, services on committee	9 60
Dec. 9 12 79	C. II. Conklin, services on committee	9.00
Dec. 9 13 77	C. II Conkin, drawing ponds	10.00
Dec. 9 14 78 1869.	" James McQuin, mileage	5.00
August 10 15 109	" John Hodgdon, mileage	25 00
August 10 16 110	" James McQuin, mileage	6 00
August 10 17 111	" S. H. Watson, mileage	3 00
August 10 18 112	" C. H. Conklin, mileage	3 00
August 3 19 107	" E. Howard, one cow	50.00
August 5 20 108	" A. W. Boggs, one cow	50 00
August 10 21 114	" J. B. Locke, well, &c	116,38
August 10 22 115	" J. B. Locke, labor on cellar	25.87
August 10 23 116	Finkoine & Lovelace, labor on drain	12.00
Sept. 26 24 119	" A. Hyman, one wagon	80.00
		\$641.92
	By balances of appropriations not otherwise ex-	
	pended By balance on appropriation for furnishing	1.78
	By balance on library and apparatus	410.34
	By balance on musical instruments	18.19
	By balance on grounds and fences	82.94
	By balance on painting and repairs	89.78
	By balance on rear veranda	000
	By balance on work-shop	4 20
	By balance on south wing	78.50
	Total balances	\$685.73
	Amount in hands of the treasurer	43.81

SAMUEL H. WATSON, Treasurer.

## SUMMARY

OF AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED BY THE TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CHAPTER 94, AND EXPENDED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF IOWA INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.

	Amt. Exp'nded	Amt. Appr' ted.
A Commence of the Commence of	\$ 2,398 22	\$ 9 400 00
	1,089.66	
Library and apparatus	2,481.81	
Musical instruments	617.06	
Improving grounds		
Pointing and general repairs	2,134.62	
Heating apparatus	656.46	
Rear veranda	1,275 60	
Work-shop	2,995 80	
Slating roof of main building	68.13	
South wing	29,921.50	
Contingent expense account	641.92	
	944 980 78	\$50 100 00
Total amount expended	49 81	
Polonge in the treasury		
Delenge of enpropriation for heating. In State treasury		
Balance of appropriation for slate roof, in State treasury	1,451.07	
	\$50,100.00	\$50,100.00
To orders 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, on auditor, in favor		
of treasurer, to November 10, 1869\$44,324.59		
Total amount expended		
Total amount expended		
In hands of treasurer		

SAMUEL H. WATSON, Treasurer.

## NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.

This school is strictly educational, and not for the treatment of disease. The annual term commences the first Wednesday in September and closes the fourth Wednesday of June, giving July and August as a vacation in which the pupils visit their homes and friends.

Scholars from Iowa, of a suitable age and capacity for education and who conform to the regulations of the Institution, will receive their boarding and instruction at the expense of the Institution. Their friends will be expected to furnish them with a suitable supply of clothing, and to be at the expense of their traveling to and from the Institution.

Pupils may be admitted from other States upon payment of \$170 per annum.

Applications should be addressed to S. A. Knapp, Principal, Vinton, Benton county, Iowa, and should contain answers to the following questions:

1st. What is the name, age, residence, nativity and cause of blindness of the applicant? Who is the nearest friend, and to what post-office should the reply be sent?

2d. Is the applicant of sound mind, free from contagious diseases, and of sufficient physical strength to receive an education?

3d. Is he or she totally blind? If not, is the degree of blindness such as to prevent the acquirement of an education in a school for the seeing?

4th. How has the applicant been heretofore employed? What instruction has he or she received, and at what age did he or she become blind?

5th. Who will provide clothing for the applicant, and take charge of him or her during vacation?

Upon proper answers to the foregoing questions, parties interested will be notified as to the result of the application.

NOTE.

The thanks of the teachers and pupils of the Iowa Institution for the Education of the Blind, are hereby tendered to the proprietors of the following newspapers: "Iowa State Register," "Cedar Rapids Times," "Vinton Eagle," Benton County Journal," "Iowa Homestead," "Iowa Temperance Standard," "Belle Plaine Union," "Des Moines Bulletin," and "Soldiers' Friend," for a copy of each sent weekly and gratuitously to the Institution.