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REPORT

OF THE

VISITING COMMITTEE

TO THE

SOLDIERS' ORPHANS HOME,

LOCATED AT

CEDAR FALLS, BLACK HAWK CO., IOWA.

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## REPORT.

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MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to visit and report upon the condition of the Cedar Falls branch of the "Iowa Soldiers' Orphans Home," having performed the duty assigned to them, respectfully ask leave to submit the following report:

### LOCATION.

The Institution is located nearly in the center of the town of Cedar Falls, which place is about 75 miles west from the northern and about 100 miles from the eastern boundary of the State, in Black Hawk county. It is quite easy of access from the east and west by means of the Dubuque and Sioux City Railroad, which passes through the town, and by means of the railroad which is now being completed northward from that point to the Minnesota line. The locality is probably as pleasant and healthful as any in the State, but a site more retired from the business of the city and upon more elevated ground, would, in the opinion of your committee, be decidedly preferable.

### MANAGEMENT.

At the time of the State Board of Trustees, appointed by the Eleventh General Assembly, accepted control of this institution, to-wit: on June 9th, 1866, it was under the superintendence of Arthur Morrison, who was retained in such position until about the 1st of October, 1866, when he was replaced by J. B. Abbott. Some two months since Mr. Abbott gave place to Mr. S. W. Cole, of Fayette county, whom your committee found dilligently employed in the active duties of superintendent—ably and efficiently assisted by the following officers:

Matron — Mrs. M. H. Cole.

Physician — Dr. O. A. Goodhue.

Steward — Mr. J. J. Van Orden.

Nurse — Mrs. J. J. Van Orden.

Teacher High Department — Miss Mary Sweeney.

Intermediate Department — Miss Clara Wightman.

Primary — Miss Tillie Briggs.

Your committee take pleasure in saying that these officers seemed considerate of the welfare of all under their charge, and were uniformly active, courteous, kind, and judicious in the performance of their several duties, and the result appears to be a thorough discipline of the many children and youths—and yet a kindness and gentleness of tone and expression on the part of all, reminding one only of parental and filial care and affection of a *home in fact*.

#### INMATES.

The institution has now in its care 278 orphans of soldiers, none of whom are over seventeen years of age, and some as young as three years.

The following counties are represented, viz: Alamakoe, Benton, Blackhawk, Boone, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Cerro Gordo, Chickasaw, Clayton, Dallas, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Floyd, Franklin, Hardin, Jackson, Jones, Linn, Marshall, Pottawattamie, Tama, Webster, Winneshiek and Wright—in all twenty-six counties—the number of children of each varying from one to forty-three. On June 9th, 1866, there were 180 children at the Home. Since which time there have been received 250. Total number received, 430; of this entire number, 140 have been discharged or removed by parents or guardians; five have absented themselves without leave; one has been expelled and six have died.

Of those discharged many had reached the age of sixteen years, and were believed to be able and willing to care for themselves, and one of them has been employed at the Home, and is now useful as manager of one of the wards.

#### THEIR CONDITION.

The children are very plainly but comfortably clothed. Almost all the articles of clothing are made at the Home.

Six employes are kept constantly at work in the sewing department. Each child's clothing is plainly marked—kept by itself—frequently changed—well washed and ironed.

The food is very plain, but well cooked, and undoubtedly a wholesome diet. The bill of fare is somewhat varied each day of the week,—but each day has its regular fare, a sample of which is Wednesday:

For breakfast, beefsteak, potatoes, bread and butter. For dinner, soup and crackers. For supper, bread, butter and molasses. Their meals are taken very regularly and with most excellent decorum, whilst at the table, and without noise and confusion in going thereto and returning therefrom.

Their rooms are thoroughly cleaned every day, and the children are bathed regularly once each week. This care of clothing and food and cleanliness of person and apartments has a double reward in the neat, tidy and cheerful appearance of the children themselves and in the preservation of their health.

Your committee found but one under the care of the physician, and that one was quite convalescent. Only one death has occurred since December, 1866. The younger children are required to retire at 7 o'clock, p. m.; the elder ones at 9 o'clock, p. m., and *all* rise at 5 o'clock in the morning. Chapel exercises are held morning and evening, and on the Sabbath the children attend such church service in the city as the parents or guardians may direct.

#### SCHOOLS.

Ten months of the twelve within the year are devoted to daily school instruction.

The educational system consists of a graded school, divided into three departments—Primary, Intermediate, and Higher. In the Primary Department are nearly 100 little scholars crowded into a small room certainly not more than half the size it should be. To these are taught principally reading and spelling. To the Intermediate class are taught reading, writing, spelling, and

arithmetic. About 80 scholars are in the Higher Department, to whom are taught, reading, writing, geography, grammar and arithmetic. All classes are taught vocal music. Some few of the larger scholars are attending Shaw & Lansing's Commercial School, located in the city. By the liberality of the proprietors, their tuition is furnished at reduced rates, which tuition is not paid in any instance by the State, but by some kind friend of the orphans.

The schools are kept in better condition than could reasonably be expected in such small rooms as they are compelled to occupy, which are very illy furnished, and the scholars so closely together as really to be in each others way. Notwithstanding all this, your committee are of the opinion that very fair progress is being made, and that the opportunities here afforded to the orphans are such as will prepare them as men and women for the active duties of life in any intelligent community.

#### LIBRARY.

The library (if it may be called such), consists of a few more than 300 volumes which have been read and re-read. Your committee are of the opinion that nothing is better calculated to cultivate taste for profitable reading among youth than a well selected "Youths' Library," and would recommend an appropriation of three hundred dollars for that purpose.

#### BUILDINGS.

The property leased and occupied by the Home, consists of the following buildings:

*First.*—An old brick hotel, three stories high, 30 by 62 feet, from the rear of which are two wooden projections, two stories, 28 by 40 feet.

*Second.*—A two-story brick building, 32 by 40 feet.

*Third.*—A cheap, wooden structure, filling the space between the other two buildings—width 20 feet.

*Fourth.*—A small wooden building, a few rods from the other buildings, in which are quartered the children of the ninth ward.

The rent for the last-named building (which is \$180) your committee regarded as double its fair rental value, but no other building could at the time be procured.

The aggregate rents paid for these buildings amount to the sum of \$866 per annum. The buildings are cheaply furnished—the beds well filled with straw, are very large, filling a bunk about five feet by six feet, and in each of these four little fellows are tucked side by side.

The school rooms are not nearly so well finished or furnished as are ordinary common school-houses.

The two main buildings are quite old and dilapidated and are not well adapted to their present use. Your committee examined a forty-acre tract of land, proposed to be donated to the State by the citizens—provided a suitable building be erected thereon and referred to in the Report of the Trustees—and found it to be located nearly one-half mile outside the city limits, and is a fine, high, undulating piece of land, an excellent site for building purposes. And believing this institution will be needed for years to come; that it has proven already and will continue to prove itself a great blessing to the indigent children of those soldiers of Iowa who have either fallen for their country, or have become unable through disease or wounds to provide bread and education for them, your committee unite with the said Board of Trustees in recommending an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars for the erection of suitable buildings upon the tract of land above referred to, for the use of the Orphans' Home.

#### PAY OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.

The monthly pay of officers and employes is as follows:

Superintendent.....	\$66 66
Matron.....	40 00
Physician.....	21 00
Steward.....	50 00
Nurse.....	20 00
Teacher Higher Department.....	30 00
Intermediate Department.....	22 00
Primary.....	10 00

Two Washerwomen, \$10 each.....	20 00
Two Laundresses, \$8 and \$12 each.....	20 00
One Baker.....	50 00
One Superintendent of Kitchen.....	20 00
One Assistant.....	12 00
Two Kitchen Girls, \$8 each.....	16 00
Two Dining Room Girls, \$10 each.....	20 00
One Shoemaker.....	30 00
Nine Ward Managers, \$10 each.....	90 00
One Seamstress.....	16 00
Two Ladies Sewing with Machines, \$12 each.....	24 00
Three Ladies Sewing without Machines, \$10 each....	30 00

Aggregate per month.....\$610 66

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The total expenses for January, 1868, were \$3,071.74, with an average of about two hundred and seventy-eight orphans, or a trifle over eleven dollars for each per month. From an examination of monthly expenditures for the year last past, your committee are of the opinion that it will be difficult to render the children comfortable and pay the employes reasonable wages for a less appropriation than ten dollars per month for each Orphan.

It will be remembered that the appropriation by the State has heretofore been \$8.33 for each child, per month. The insufficiency of that sum has compelled the Board to appeal to the citizens for donations. Upward of \$3,000 have been donated for the Cedar Falls Home by individuals since it became a state institution. This your committee believe to be all wrong. The State should provide for the necessities of so noble a charity — not by any means with a prodigal hand — nor yet with grudging insufficiency. On the other hand the Board of Trustees recommend an increase of appropriation to twelve dollars per month for each orphan. Your committee are of the opinion that by making regular details of the larger girls to aid in the kitchen and dining room, and also on Saturdays in the sewing department, thereby securing to the girls a more practical knowledge of those useful arts, viz: *Washing dishes,*

*cooking and sewing* (which in the opinion of your committee is no disgrace to any lady of Iowa), thereby saving the wages of three or four employes, and also (should the State provide a building of its own for this Home) the large saving of rent; that the appropriation of ten dollars per month for each orphan will, with care on the part of the officers, be quite sufficient to render comfortable the orphans of our soldiers, and also provide for them a good education. In conclusion, your committee agree that the unsurpassed liberality, sympathy and kindness of the citizens of Cedar Falls to this large class of unfortunate children located among them, can not be too highly complimented — that the appropriations heretofore made by the State, have been well and economically expended, and that the present judicious management of this Institution unites with its laudable object in commending this noble charity to the fostering care of the State.

Accompanying this report is returned a complete alphabetical list of the children and youths now at the Home — from what county — sex — and present age.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. P. GAYLORD,  
THOMAS B. KNAPP,  
*On the part of the House.*  
W. G. DONNAN,  
*On the part of the Senate.*

March, A. D., 1868.

#### NAMES OF ORPHANS AT THE CEDAR FALLS HOME, MARCH 3, 1868.

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	AGE.	
			BOYS.	GIRLS.
1.	Armstrong, Charles.....	Buchanan.....	15	
2.	Armstrong, Clara.....	Buchanan.....		11
3.	Armstrong, Frank.....	Buchanan.....	9	
4.	Allen, Lucy S.....	Jackson.....		11
5.	Allen, Sallie S.....	Jackson.....		9

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS, GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
6.	Barry, Mahala A.	Black Hawk	11	
7.	Barry, Amelia J.	Black Hawk	9	
8.	Barry, Emma E.	Black Hawk	7	
9.	Borton, Alice A.	Clayton	14	
10.	Borton, Eugene	Clayton	11	
11.	Brown, Adeline	Winneshiek	10	
12.	Brown, Frances	Clayton	11	
13.	Brown, Emma	Clayton	10	
14.	Butler, Willie	Black Hawk	4	
15.	Butler, Fayette	Black Hawk	8	
16.	Barber, Anna	Fayette	14	
17.	Bartholomew, Flora	Clayton	12	
18.	Bartholomew, Sarah	Clayton	16	
19.	Bartholomew, Barney	Clayton	9	
20.	Boyce, John A.	Alamakee	10	
21.	Brown, Mary	Delaware	12	
22.	Brown, Cynthia	Delaware	11	
23.	Brown, Joseph	Delaware	10	
24.	Brown, George	Delaware	7	
25.	Barnum, Francis A.	Fayette	7	
26.	Barnum, Lucy R.	Fayette	10	
27.	Clark, Lorenzo	Pottawattamie	16	
28.	Christian, Charles	Hardin	4	
29.	Cox, Emma A.	Clayton	8	
30.	Crandell, Lorenzo	Buchanan	12	
31.	Crandell, Dewight	Buchanan	13	
32.	Crandell, Rosa	Buchanan	10	
33.	Crandell, Lucius	Buchanan	8	
34.	Cox, Martha A.	Clayton	6	
35.	Colton, Albert	Boone	13	
36.	Colton, Milford D.	Boone	6	
37.	Conklin, Leonard A.	Buchanan	3	
38.	Conklin, Avery S.	Buchanan	8	
39.	Conklin, George M.	Buchanan	10	
40.	Conklin, Alice A.	Buchanan	11	
41.	Conklin, Albert W.	Buchanan	6	

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS, GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
42.	Clark, Leroy A.	Clayton	12	
43.	Clark, Harmon	Clayton	10	
44.	Donelson, Lucinda	Clayton	13	
45.	Donelson, Sarah	Clayton	11	
46.	Donelson, Caroline	Clayton	10	
47.	Dixon, James	Dubuque	8	
48.	Dixon, Julia	Dubuque	15	
49.	Dixon, Hezekiah	Dubuque	10	
50.	Dixon, Carrie	Dubuque	7	
51.	Dixon, George W.	Dubuque	12	
52.	Dorland, Amanda	Fayette	14	
53.	Eakins, Samuel	Marshall	14	
54.	Eakins, Frances R.	Marshall	12	
55.	Eakins, Henrietta	Marshall	9	
56.	Eakins, Sarah	Marshall	8	
57.	Eastman, Charles	Clayton	15	
58.	Eastman, Henry	Clayton	11	
59.	Ellsworth, Phebe Matilda	Alamakee	6	
60.	Ellsworth, John C.	Alamakee	10	
61.	Evans, Olive L.	Clayton	9	
62.	Evans, Clara	Clayton	6	
63.	Evans, Frank	Clayton	11	
64.	Funchion, Andrew	Delaware	9	
65.	Funchion, Benjamin	Delaware	6	
66.	Franklin, Patience	Alamakee	14	
67.	Franklin, Douglas	Alamakee	7	
68.	Franklin, Welthy	Alamakee	16	
69.	Gardner, Martha	Fayette	13	
70.	Girard, Mary M.	Dubuque	19	
71.	Girard, Charles E.	Dubuque	8	
72.	Gothard, Mary A.	Fayette	17	
73.	Gothard, Andrew	Fayette	14	
74.	Gothard, Lonisa	Fayette	9	
75.	Gallerno, McLellan	Black Hawk	6	
76.	Gallerno, Frances W.	Black Hawk	14	
77.	Gallerno, Rebecca	Black Hawk	13	

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS. GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
78.	Gallerno, George W. ....	Black Hawk. ....	9	
79.	Garretson, Erastus M. ....	Clayton. ....	10	
80.	Garretson, James W. ....	Clayton. ....	7	
81.	Geno, Alfred R. ....	Clayton. ....	8	
82.	Geno, Edward L. ....	Clayton. ....	10	
83.	Grout, Louis E. ....	Buchanan. ....	9	
84.	Grout, Laura A. ....	Buchanan. ....		11
85.	Hodges, Sarah P. ....	Jackson. ....		17
86.	Hodges, Isaac B. ....	Jackson. ....	13	
87.	Hodges, Mortimore T. ....	Jackson. ....	8	
88.	Hodges, Edgar. ....	Jackson. ....	10	
89.	Hodges, John. ....	Jackson. ....	15	
90.	Harris, Mary M. ....	Delaware. ....	8	
91.	Harris, Ella May. ....	Delaware. ....	6	
92.	Hartman, Caroline E. ....	Delaware. ....		11
93.	Hartman, Clara. ....	Delaware. ....		8
94.	Hartman, John N. ....	Delaware. ....	9	
95.	Hotchkias, Carrie F. ....	Fayette. ....	12	
96.	Hazaleus, August. ....	Alamakee. ....	12	
97.	Hazaleus, Alexander. ....	Alamakee. ....	11	
98.	Huffman, John. ....	Chickasaw. ....	9	
99.	Huffman, Eli B. ....	Chickasaw. ....	11	
100.	Huffman, Joseph H. ....	Chickasaw. ....	13	
101.	Huffman, Rachel S. ....	Chickasaw. ....	8	
102.	Huffman, Martha. ....	Chickasaw. ....		5
103.	Hagerman, Lewis. ....	Fayette. ....	12	
104.	Hagerman, Albert A. ....	Fayette. ....	8	
105.	Hagerman, Margaret. ....	Fayette. ....		14
106.	Harper, Willie A. ....	Winnesheik. ....	5	
107.	Hosfelt, Mary Jane. ....	Clayton. ....		7
108.	Ingalls, Winowa. ....	Lima. ....	12	
109.	Job, Carrie. ....	Black Hawk. ....	10	
110.	Job, Isabella. ....	Black Hawk. ....	15	
111.	Job, John W. ....	Black Hawk. ....	8	
112.	Jones, Maria. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....	14	
113.	Jones, Lucy. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....	10	

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS. GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
114.	Jones, James. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....	5	
115.	Jones, Albert. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....	15	
116.	Kelly, Barton. ....	Black Hawk. ....	9	
117.	Kelly, Byron. ....	Black Hawk. ....	6	
118.	Kittall, George I. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....	10	
119.	Kittall, Allie D. ....	Cerro Gordo. ....		6
120.	King, Charles. ....	Alamakee. ....	16	
121.	King, George. ....	Alamakee. ....	13	
122.	King, Addie. ....	Alamakee. ....		10
123.	King, Cora. ....	Alamakee. ....		7
124.	King, Alice. ....	Alamakee. ....		5
125.	Knapp, Wm. S. ....	Black Hawk. ....	6	
126.	Knapp, Lillie May. ....	Black Hawk. ....		4
127.	Lawrence, Mary A. ....	Clayton. ....		10
128.	Lawrence, La Forrest. ....	Clayton. ....		7
129.	Lawrence, Josephine. ....	Clayton. ....		15
130.	Lamfear, Ernest D. ....	Buchanan. ....	14	
131.	Linderman, Ernest. ....	Fayette. ....	14	
132.	Linderman, Walter S. ....	Fayette. ....	11	
133.	McComb, Clara B. ....	Marshall. ....		8
134.	McComb, Hattie. ....	Marshall. ....		10
135.	Mitchell, James E. ....	Alamakee. ....		7
136.	Mitchell, Nathaniel H. ....	Alamakee. ....		14
137.	Martin, Eunice. ....	Clayton. ....		15
138.	Martin, Maggie I. ....	Clayton. ....		13
139.	Martin, John C. ....	Clayton. ....	11	
140.	Martin, Mary A. ....	Clayton. ....		9
141.	Martin, Liberty G. ....	Clayton. ....		7
142.	Martin, Isaac Union. ....	Clayton. ....		5
143.	Mitchell, Carrie A. ....	Webster. ....		9
144.	Montgomery, Charles. ....	Floyd. ....	10	
145.	McLain, John S. ....	Bremer. ....	14	
146.	McLain, James. ....	Bremer. ....	12	
147.	Morris, Lydia J. ....	Delaware. ....		8
148.	Nichols, Bruce. ....	Clayton. ....	16	
149.	Nichols, Henry. ....	Clayton. ....	14	

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS, GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
150.	Nichols, Anstin.....	Clayton.....	12	
151.	Nichols, Alonzo.....	Clayton.....	5	
152.	O'Brian, Elva A.....	Delaware.....	13	
153.	O'Brian, Emily.....	Delaware.....	13	
154.	O'Brian, Sarah E.....	Delaware.....	8	
155.	Orr, William S.....	Black Hawk.....	9	
156.	Orr, Selina A.....	Black Hawk.....	7	
157.	Pitt, Robert E.....	Clayton.....	10	
158.	Pitt, Catharine.....	Clayton.....	13	
159.	Pitt, John H.....	Clayton.....	8	
160.	Pitt, William H.....	Clayton.....	17	
161.	Palmer, Mary.....	Butler.....	9	
162.	Pugh, John.....	Tama.....	14	
163.	Pugh, Amanda.....	Tama.....	11	
164.	Pettit, Henrietta.....	Black Hawk.....	6	
165.	Pettit, Francis L.....	Black Hawk.....	10	
166.	Pettit, Harriet.....	Black Hawk.....	9	
167.	Pettit, William.....	Black Hawk.....	12	
168.	Pettit, George James.....	Black Hawk.....	15	
169.	Pierce, Martha M.....	Franklin.....	15	
170.	Pierce, Emma C.....	Franklin.....	12	
171.	Pierce, Jane C.....	Franklin.....	12	
172.	Post, Emily.....	Benton.....	10	
173.	Perkins, Eliza S.....	Clayton.....	8	
174.	Pate, Emily.....	Delaware.....	10	
175.	Price, Nancy E.....	Floyd.....	13	
176.	Price, Milford F.....	Floyd.....	10	
177.	Price, Wilber O.....	Floyd.....	8	
178.	Ross, Alice C.....	Clayton.....	8	
179.	Ross, Elizabeth A.....	Clayton.....	11	
180.	Ross, Mary J.....	Clayton.....	13	
181.	Ross, Squire F.....	Clayton.....	6	
182.	Rachan, Minerva.....	Winneshiek.....	11	
183.	Rachan, Sarah.....	Winneshiek.....	9	
184.	Reed, Emma.....	Clayton.....	11	
185.	Reed, John.....	Clayton.....	9	

NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS, GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
186.	Reed, Amelia.....	Clayton.....		7
187.	Reese, Charles A.....	Clayton.....	9	
188.	Reese, Edward S.....	Clayton.....	13	
189.	Reese, Frances.....	Clayton.....		11
190.	Stephens, Eli J.....	Delaware.....	10	
191.	Stephens, Albert W.....	Delaware.....	12	
192.	Stephens, Ephraim.....	Delaware.....	6	
193.	Stephens, Sarah A.....	Delaware.....		8
194.	Spink, Charles.....	Cerro Gordo.....	11	
195.	Spink, Sylvester E.....	Cerro Gordo.....	10	
196.	Spink, Lewis.....	Cerro Gordo.....	6	
197.	Surfus, Sophia.....	Butler.....		14
198.	Surfus, Amanda.....	Butler.....		10
199.	Surfus, Jesse E.....	Butler.....	8	
200.	Surfus, K. Baker.....	Butler.....	6	
201.	Shira, George W.....	Fayette.....	8	
202.	Shira, Angelina V.....	Fayette.....		7
203.	Shira, Mary E.....	Fayette.....		5
204.	Schoolrud, Horace M.....	Clayton.....	7	
205.	Schoolrud, Ivory J.....	Clayton.....	5	
206.	Schoolrud, Nancy E.....	Clayton.....		13
207.	Schoolrud, Cyrus E.....	Clayton.....	9	
208.	Schoolrud, Savitta L.....	Clayton.....		12
209.	Stockton, Julia.....	Clayton.....		10
210.	Stockton, Martha L.....	Clayton.....		8
211.	Stoopes, Ida.....	Clayton.....	10	
212.	Stoopes, Mina.....	Clayton.....	8	
213.	Spaur, Jacob.....	Butler.....		8
214.	Spaur, George B.....	Butler.....	10	
215.	Sabine, Charles.....	Dubuque.....	9	
216.	Servill, Philander.....	Clayton.....	12	
217.	Servill, Roamy.....	Clayton.....		9
218.	Shipton, George A.....	Dubuque.....	11	
219.	Shipton, Charles E.....	Dubuque.....	9	
220.	Smith, Charlotte A.....	Fayette.....		11
221.	Smith, Atlanta E.....	Fayette.....		6
222.	Thompson, Emma.....	Black Hawk.....		12
223.	Thompson, Hattie.....	Black Hawk.....		9
224.	Thompson, Jennie.....	Black Hawk.....		7
225.	Virden, Ella E.....	Black Hawk.....		16
226.	Virden, Milton A.....	Black Hawk.....	13	
227.	Virden, Charles W.....	Black Hawk.....	6	
228.	Vaughen, Edward.....	Benton.....	14	
229.	Vaughen, Chester.....	Benton.....		11
230.	Wells, Ella.....	Black Hawk.....		15
231.	Welch, Frances J.....	Benton.....		11



NO.	NAME.	COUNTY.	BOYS. GIRLS.	
			AGE.	AGE.
232.	Welch, Albert L.	Benton	8	
233.	Welch, Alonzo M.	Benton	6	
234.	Welch, Mary E.	Benton		10
235.	Welch, Florence J.	Benton		12
236.	Welch, George W.	Mahaaska	7	
237.	Welch, John J. W.	Mahaaska	10	
238.	Ward, Addie I.	Franklin		11
239.	Ward, Jenetta B.	Franklin		10
240.	Ward, Helen M.	Franklin		13
241.	Ward, Annie R.	Franklin		14
242.	West, Leoti L.	Dubuque		16
243.	West, Mary.	Dubuque		12
244.	West, Anna.	Dubuque		11
245.	Wagoner, John F.	Clayton	8	
246.	Wagoner, Arthur W.	Clayton	6	
247.	Wagoner, Carrie.	Clayton		3
248.	Wyatt, John K.	Franklin	4	
249.	Walker, George K.	Black Hawk	8	
250.	Walker, Frank J.	Black Hawk	11	
251.	Walker, Kate E.	Black Hawk		14
252.	Whipple, Edgar J.	Clayton	6	
253.	Whipple, Darwin	Clayton	4	
254.	Whipple, Olive E.	Clayton		9
255.	Wilt, Jane M.	Franklin		11
256.	Wilt, Eve E.	Franklin		9
257.	Wilt, Marcus J.	Franklin	13	
258.	Waldron, Charles	Buchanan	15	
259.	Whited, Kirk.	Wright	13	
260.	Whited, Rose	Wright		13
261.	Wheelock, Charles E.	Cerro Gordo	6	
262.	Wood, Andrew.	Delaware	6	
263.	Wood, Mary E.	Delaware		14
264.	Wood, Albert.	Delaware	4	
265.	Welch, Perrey L.	Dallas	5	
266.	Wilson, Edwin L.	Fayette	8	
267.	Wilson, Emma T.	Fayette		6
268.	Wilson, Emma M.	Clayton		10
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I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of the children of the Home at Cedar Falls.

S. W. COLE,  
Superintendent.

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