

STATEMENT of the expenses to the State arising out of and connected with the Auditing of the foregoing claims, together with the amounts of mileage and per diem of the Auditing Board from their appointment to the present time:

Office Rent, Advertising, Blank Books, Stationery and	
Postage,	\$124 32
Notarial fees,	156 00
Mileage,	1,552 35
Per diem,	2,061 00
Total	\$3,893 67

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JOHN N. DEWEY,
S. R. INGHAM,
F. R. WEST.

DES MOINES, February 27, 1862.

REPORT.

To the Hon. S. J. Kirkwood, Governor of Iowa:

I hereby submit my report as Commissioner of the blind asylum at Vinton.

On the 11th day of June, 1860, I received the appointment of Commissioner and immediately entered upon the duties of my office. In order to conform to the Act of the Legislature, approved April 3, 1860, requiring the plans of the building to be so changed as to bring the cost of completing the same within a specified sum, I employed Messrs. Finkbine & Lovelace, Architects, to furnish plans and specifications for the above named changes.

On the 3d day of July, I published a notice in the "Vinton Eagle" inviting proposals for enclosing and completing the building, until the 20th inst. Said notice stating that the contractor would take the building in the condition it then was, together with all the tools owned by the State, the materials on hand, and the brick contracted to the State, and that the proposals would be for a specific sum in addition to the above. I received three propositions, the most favorable of which, for the State, was that of Messrs. Finkbine & Lovelace, which I accepted, a copy of which together with a copy of the contract made with said parties is annexed.

Before making the contract for enclosing the building, I submitted the plans and specifications for the same together with the proposal of Messrs. Finkbine & Lovelace to the Governor, who approved the same by so endorsing them. I found on file in my office two contracts for furnishing brick to the State, neither of which had been fulfilled, and to both of whom my predecessors in their reports, had shown balances due. One of the said contractors, Mr. G. W. Sells, subsequently filled his contract and was paid the balance due him. The other, Mr. E. Erwin, still owes to the State eighty-five thousand brick, and has been paid according to the report before alluded to, within one hundred and forty-six dollars of the whole amount of his contract price.

This at the contract price per thousand is overpaying him two hundred and thirty-six dollars and fifty cents (\$236.50.) There is yet unpaid of the original subscription notes three hundred and seventy seven dollars and twenty-one cents (\$377.21,) all of which will be needed to pay the contractors, and very little, if any of which, will be paid except enforced by law.

Having no funds in my hands with which to pay attorney's fee, I addressed the Attorney General and the District Attorney for this Judicial District, requesting them to act for the State, both of whom declined taking any action in the premises, consequently I have been unable to collect the notes or enforce the performance of the brick contract.

It is due Mr. Erwin to state that he now informs me, that he has the balance of the brick burned and will deliver them as early in the spring as they can be used.

The contractors Messrs. Finkbine & Lovelace have completed their contract, with the exception of a part of the partition walls in the third story, which delay is occasioned by the failure of Mr. Irwin to furnish the brick contracted to the State, and to be furnished by the State to Messrs. Finkbine & Lovelace.

I would suggest an additional expenditure of about three hundred dollars on the plastering. The material for plastering at this place is of an inferior quality, and the ceilings should be guazed on with plaster paris. An area wall around the entire building should be built and the area paved, to prevent water from settling around the building, this will involve an expenditure of five hundred dollars. Out buildings consisting of a work-shop, stables, privies and two cisterns are also needed.

These if the work-shop is built of brick, and the privies and stable frame, including the vaults and cisterns will cost two thousand dollars. Should the appropriations for completing the building be made so that work early in the spring, the building could be got ready for occupancy by the middle of October.

For a statement of the account between the State and the contractors; between the State and myself, and the condition of the notes in my hands, your attention is called to the annexed exhibits.

JAMES B. LOCKE, Com.

VINTON, Nov. 25th, 1861.

COPY OF PROPOSITION OF MESSRS. FINKBINE & LOVELACE.

Mr. J. B. Locke, Commissioner of Blind Asylum :

We hereby propose to enclose the Blind Asylum Building, at Vinton, in accordance with the plans and specifications in your hands, for the sum of ten thousand four hundred and twenty (\$10,420) dollars, of which sum ten thousand dollars are to be drawn from the State Treasury, and the further sum of four hundred and twenty (\$420) dollars to be collected from notes in your hands; you as Commissioner, to collect the same and pay to us. We further propose to complete said building, in accordance with the plans and specifications, for the further sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, provided the Legislature makes an appropriation therefor.

July 14th, 1860.

FINKBINE & LOVELACE.

Accepted by me July 24th, 1860.

JAMES B. LOCKE,

Commissioner Blind Asylum.

Approved by me, July 24, 1860.

SAMUEL J. KIRKWOOD.

COPY OF CONTRACT MADE WITH FINKBINE & LOVELACE.

This agreement made and entered into this twenty-sixth day of July, 1860, by and between Finkham & Lovelace, of the first part, and Jas. B. Locke, Commissioner of the Blind Asylum, of the second part, witnesseth: The said Finkbine & Lovelace hereby agree to enclose the Blind Asylum Building, at Vinton, Benton County, in accordance with the plans and specifications adopted by said Commissioner, and approved by the Governor, which plans and specifications are hereby made a part of this contract, said parties to commence the said work as soon as possible after the signing of this contract, and to complete the same on or before the first day of December, A. D. 1861. In consideration of the above agreement, the said Jas. B. Locke, Commissioner, hereby agrees to pay to the said Finkbine & Lovelace the sum of ten thousand four

hundred and twenty (\$10,420 00) dollars, as follows: one thousand dollars in hand, and the balance in monthly installments, to be paid on the first of each month, upon estimates made by the said parties, in sums not exceeding the amount of work done. It is hereby further agreed by and between the said parties that the said Finkbine & Lovelace shall complete said building in accordance with the plans and specifications, for the additional sum of ten thousand dollars, to be paid by said Commissioner in similar payments to those mentioned in the first part of this agreement. The last-mentioned portion of this contract to be null and void unless the Legislature shall make the appropriation therefor as contemplated in an "Act entitled an act making further appropriations for the Blind Asylum at Vinton, approved April 3d, 1860."

In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands, this 26th day of July, A. D. 1860.

FINKBINE & LOVELACE,
JAS. B. LOCKE,
Com. Blind Asylum.

Know all men by these presents, that we, Finkbine & Lovelace, as principals, and Thomas Hughes and Geo. W. McCleary, as securities, are hereby firmly bound to the State of Iowa, in the sum of three thousand dollars, upon the following conditions, to wit: Whereas, the said Finkbine & Lovelace have contracted to enclose the Asylum building at Vinton, in accordance with certain plans and specifications; now, if the said Finkbine & Lovelace shall well and truly perform said work according to said plans and specifications, then this penalty to be null and void, otherwise in full force and effect.

Witness our hands, this 26th day of July, A. D. 1861.

FINKBINE & LOVELACE,
THOS. HUGHES,
GEO. W. McCLEARY.

EXHIBIT "A."

NOTES RECEIVED BY ME.

NAMES.	DATE.	AMOUNT.	BALANCE	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
			DUE, JULY	COLLECTED	YET DUE
			1860.	BY ME.	
John E. Palmer,...	May 10, 1858,	\$200 00	\$100 00	\$100 00	\$. . .
John S. Tilford, ..	" " "	500 00	25 24	25 24	...
B. W. Jones,	" " "	25 00	3 25	...	3 25
Rock & Norton,...	" 25, "	100 00	44 28	44 28	...
Luther Ellis,	" " "	50 40	37 08	20 15	16 93
W. D. Oyler,	" " "	40 00	40 00	30 00	10 00
J. W. O. Webb, ...	" 10, "	250 00	147 65	40 38	107 27
J. L. Bartlett,	" " "	25 00	25 00	25 00	...
John F. Pine,	" " "	30 00	28 87	...	28 87
Joseph Smith,	" " "	25 00	25 00	...	25 00
Alex. Sanders,	" " "	25 00	25 00	23 50	1 50
J. C. Parmeter,	" " "	25 00	25 00	25 00	...
John Epperson,	" " "	25 00	25 00	...	25 00
J. N. Dickenson, ..	" " "	15 00	8 50	...	8 50
Geo. H. Webb,	" " "	25 00	21 14	...	21 14
Boyd & Clingham, ..	" " "	100 00	29 26	5 00	24 26
William Hale,	" 27, "	35 00	35 00	...	35 00
J. S. Hunt,	" 10, "	50 00	50 00	50 00	...
Peter Martel,	" " "	25 00	25 00	25 00	...
Milton Richey,	" " "	10 00	5 95	3 57	2 38
C. D. Reupp,	" " "	25 00	15 92	8 16	7 76
H. Stanton,	" " "	50 00	50 00	50 00	...
C. Ellis,	" " "	25 00	25 00	18 75	6 25
A. H. Ellis,	" " "	25 00	25 00	25 00	...
P. C. Branch,	" " "	25 00	25 00	25 00	...
W. C. Smith,	" " "	40 00	40 00	...	40 00
I. Strann,	" " "	5 00	5 00	5 00	...
Honk & Bro.,	" " "	15 00	15 00	15 00	...
W. C. Connell,	Oct. 21, 1858,	15 00	15 00	15 00	...
P. B. Smith,	May 10, 1858,	15 00	15 00	4 15	10 85
David Shields,	" " "	10 00	3 25	...	3 25
Total,			\$960 39	\$583 18	\$377 21

The above are the Notes subscribed by the citizens of Vinton to the State.

EXHIBIT "B."

FINKBINE & LOVELACE,

By Architectural service, Cr \$300 00

July 12, 1860, To Cash, Dr. \$ 20 00

Aug. 21, " " "	100 00
Sept. 19, " " "	180 00—\$300 00

ON CONTRACT.

FINKBINE & LOVELACE,

	<i>Dr.</i>
Aug. 21, 1860, To Cash, as per receipt, No. 1,	\$1,000 00
" 24, " " " 2,	44 28
Sept. 17, " " " 3,	1,000 00
" 20, " " " 4,	100 00
Oct. 15, " " " 5,	115 00
" 24, " " " 6,	1,000 00
Nov. 9, " " " 7,	634 63
" 10, " " " 8,	76 00
" 29, " " " 9,	1,896 86
Dec. 6, " " " 10,	32 76
" 6, " " " 11,	160 16
" 20, " " " 12,	488 48
May 18, 1861, " " " 13,	1,131 50
July 1, " " " 14,	502 51
" 29, " " " 15,	399 74
Aug. 9, " " " 16,	564 00
Sept. 26, " " " 17,	118 99
" 26, " " " 18,	784 00
Nov. 22, " " " 19,	145 35
Total,.....	\$10,194 26
Contract price,	10,420 00—10,420 00
Balance on Contract,.....	225 74

DUPLICATE.

"Received of James B. Locke, Cmmissioner, ten thousand one hundred and ninety-four dollars and twenty-six cents (\$10,194.26,) on contract of enclosing the Blind Asylum building; said sums having been received by us at the times and in the amounts as shown in the original receipts, from November 1 to 19, inclusive.

FINKBINE & LOVELACE.

November 22, 1861."

EXHIBIT "C."

STATE OF IOWA, TO JAMES B. LOCKE,

Dr.

June 26, 1860, To Stationery,.....	\$ 2 60
July 27, " Expenses to Iowa City, to submit plans to the Governor,	\$15 55
Aug. 21, " Office rent one month,	3 50
" " " Stamps and envelopes,	1 50
" " " 35 days service as Commissioner, at \$2, 70 00	
" " " Paid for publishing notice in Vinton Eagle,.....	\$3 00
Aug. 24, 1860, Expenses to Independence and Water- loo, to collect State Warants of Co. Treasurers,	\$ 9 00
Oct. 21, 1860, Expenses to Toledo to collect State Warrants on Co. Treas.	\$ 6 00
Nov. 23, 1860, Expenses to Independence and Water- loo,.....	\$11 75
Nov. 24, 1860, Expenses to Marion,.....	1 00
" " " To Stationery,	1 50
" 29, " 80 days service as commissioner at \$2, 160 00	
July 3, 1861, To Stationery,.....	1 50
" 6, 1861, To 57 days service as commissioner, 114 00	

\$400 90—400 90

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Sept. 4, 1860, By Auditor's Warrant on incidental account,	\$ 96 15
Oct. 10, 1860, By Auditor's Warrant on incidental account,.....	\$189 25
July 20, 1861, By Auditor's Warrant on incidental account,.....	\$115 50
	\$400 90

Dr.

Nov. 22, 1861, To 80 days service as commissioner, \$160 00
For which I have not yet drawn on the Auditor.

EXHIBIT "D."

JAMES B. LOCKE, COMMISSIONER, TO THE STATE OF IOWA,
Dr.

To cash received of former Commissioner,.....	\$ 24 46
To note " " " "	960 39
To Auditor's warrants, amount of appropriation, 10,000 00	
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	\$11,191 85

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By amount paid Finkbine & Lovelace for architectural services as per receipts,.....	\$ 300 90
August 18th, 1860, by cash paid G. W. Sells, on brick contract,	209 00
July 5th, 1860, by cash paid J. C. & J. W. Traer on stone contract,	86 65
July, by amount paid Finkbine & Lovelace on contract,	10,185 26
By amount paid Express charges on records from Des Moines,	4 65
By amount of notes uncollected.....	377 21
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	\$11,171 87

Of the above the amounts, paid Messrs. Sells and Traer, were due on former contracts. See the report of the former Commissioner.