The Regent was authorized to have last year's agricultural and scientific periodicals bound, and such other binding done as may be necessary in the University Library.

Dr. J. M. Gregory and Prof. T. J. Burrill, were authorized to employ foremen on farms and orchards.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, November 2, 1870.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1870.

The Executive Committee met at the Regent's office, on Thursday, November 10th, 1870, at 6:30 P. M., Dr. Gregory in the chair.

Present — Messrs. Brown, Cobb, Goltra, Lawrence, Pickrell and Wright.

Absent—Messrs. Cunningham and Griggs.

The Regent read the report of Prof. S. W. Robinson, of the Mechanical Department, of the work and cost of the shop, and also his statement of the cost of the steam-heating apparatus put into the building under his direction. Total cost of material, freights, etc., $1,469 83.

The work was entirely done by the students of the Mechanical Department, and, on recommendation, the committee allowed a compensation of $100 for the work, to be adjusted by the Regent and Professor.

It was further voted that the unexpended amount of $400 from the appropriation made for the steam-heating apparatus, should be assigned to the Mechanical Department, to be expended in the manufacturing of models and apparatus for that department.

Dr. Gregory then read the report of Prof. Burrill, of the Horticultural Department, of the state of orchards and work done there, reporting also a number of donations of flowers, plants and trees for the department.

The report was accepted.

The Bookkeeper's statement of expenditures to date was then read and approved; an amount of $38 56, expended by him from the contingent fund, was audited and ordered to be reimbursed.

The bills presented for payment were then audited and allowed.
On motion, Dr. J. M. Gregory and Hon. W. C. Flagg were appointed a committee and authorized to arrange courses of lectures at Pekin, Cobden and some point to be selected in the northern part of the State.

It was further resolved that the Regent be authorized to engage Dr. Hull to give a course of lectures on Horticulture and Dr. Miles to give a course of lectures on Agriculture during the winter term.

On motion, it was decided that the sum of $400 be appropriated for the payment of insurance premiums, and that the Regent and Judge J. O. Cunningham be a committee to arrange the insurance on the various buildings as they may judge most proper.

The Regent then read a petition signed by 16 students, who, being provided with brass instruments, asked for instruction in music that they might act as a military band to the University Battalion.

After deliberation, the amount of $60 was granted for such instruction.

The meeting then adjourned, to reassemble on Monday, December 12th, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1870.

The Executive Committee met at three o'clock P. M., December 12, and proceeded to visit and inspect the University farm and gardens.


At 6.30 P. M., the Committee went into session at the Regent’s office. It was decided that the reading of minutes of last meeting be dispensed with.

The following resolution of Judge A. M. Brown was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. A. C. Burnham has offered to sell to the University, bonds of the county of Champaign to the amount of $6,800, at par, and bonds of the township of Champaign, in said county, to the amount of $2,000, at the rate of 97 1/2 per cent; and, also, bonds of Blue Ridge Township, in Piatt county, to the amount of $29,000, at the rate of 92 1/2 per cent.; therefore,

Resolved, That the Regent, Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee be, and they are hereby, authorized to purchase said bonds, or any part of them, if they are satisfied said bonds are secure.

The Regent then made a verbal report of the work carried on in the different departments.