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AT BRIDGEWATER, MASS.,
FOR THE
SPRING AND SUMMER TERM, 1865.

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CATALOGUE

FOR THE

SPRING AND SUMMER TERM, 1865.

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STUDENTS.

GRADUATES, 1865.

WINTER TERM.

LADIES.

Mary E. Barker, New Bedford.
 Amy Crosby, Milton Hill.
 Isabel L. Cushing, Bridgewater.
 Martha A. Dowse, Sherborn.
 Mary A. Hollis, North Bridgewater.
 Emma F. Leonard, Bridgewater.
 Elizabeth M. Leonard, Bridgewater.

Abby J. Mosher, Milton Hill.
 Josephine P. Raymond, E. Bridgewater.
 Annie F. Stanley, North Attleborough.
 Abbie D. Whitney, New Bedford.—11.

GENTLEMEN.

Frank M. Lawrence, Castine, Me.
 Edward T. McManus, Boston.—2.

SPRING AND SUMMER TERM.—*Graduates present.*

Elizabeth M. Leonard, Bridgewater.
 John T. Prince, Kingston.

Albert E. Winship, Cochesett.
 Charles H. W. Wood, Campello.—4.

SENIOR CLASS.

LADIES.

Caroline R. Brown, East Machias, Me.
 Abbie M. Doton, Pomfret, Vt.
 Emeline F. Fisher, Southboro' Centre.
 Lucia A. Kingman, North Bridgewater.
 Adelaide Reed, Kingston.
 Harriet V. Richardson, Dracut.

Mary B. Richardson, Dracut.
 Maria S. Ricketson, New Bedford.
 Earlmira M. G. Sanborn, Neponset.—9.

GENTLEMEN.

Cyrus A. Cole, East Boston.
 Beriah T. Hillman, Chilmak.—2.

SUB-SENIOR CLASS.

LADIES.

Mary J. Bassett, Bridgewater.
 Mary E. Bates, Bridgewater.
 Ellen G. Brown, E. Greenwich, R. I.
 Cora L. R. Daggett, Attleboro' Falls.
 Georgiana Decker, Newton Centre.
 Minerva Farnum, Millville.
 Hattie W. Freley, Pomfret, Vt.
 Mary C. Hall, Cohasset.
 Susan B. Holmes, Kingston.
 Florence A. Jenkins, East Bridgewater.

Leora B. Keith, Bridgewater.
 Paulina S. Kenney, Orleans.
 Katie Mitchell, Bridgewater.
 Philena R. Perkins, Pomfret, Vt.
 Abbie F. Tillson, Bridgewater.
 Lucy Washburn, Bridgewater.—16.

GENTLEMEN.

Isaac F. Hall, Dennis.
 Edward W. Stephenson, Hingham.—2.

EX-JUNIOR CLASS.

LADIES.

Elvira M. Clark, Stow.
 Ellen I. Cows, Milton.
 Abbie M. Dexter, New Bedford.
 Matilda E. Gilbert, East Boston.
 Mary Gilbert, East Boston.
 Eunice D. Hedge, Plymouth.
 Harriet A. Holbrooke, Joppa Village.
 Fannie Howland, Bridgewater.

Martha A. Kingman, Bridgewater.
 Mary F. Reed, East Bridgewater.—10.

GENTLEMEN.

Samuel T. Bowthorpe, Jamaica Plain.
 George D. Davis, West Newton.
 Frederic Knowlton, Worcester.
 William H. Lane, Raymond, N. H.
 Emery G. Wetherbee, Northboro'.—5.

JUNIOR CLASS.

LADIES.

Annie L. Arnold, South Braintree.
 Ella A. Brett, East Stoughton.
 Mary I. Burgess, Grafton, Vt.
 Louise F. Copeland, West Bridgewater.
 Hattie W. Davidson, Easton.
 Nellie C. Davis, East Falmouth.
 Lucinda Dunbar, West Bridgewater.
 Esther Emerson, Reading.
 Isabella J. Fuller, Kingston.
 Emma L. Fox, Cohasset.
 C. Fannie Gould, Falmouth.
 Sarah J. Keith, Middleborough.
 Amanda F. King, Tiverton Four Corners, R. I.
 Mary H. Leonard, Bridgewater.
 Hannah O. Noyes, Joppa Village.

Mary E. H. Ottiwell, New Bedford.
 Emma M. Packard, West Bridgewater.
 Hannah M. Richmond, W. Bridgewater.
 Sarah A. Spaulding, Easton.
 Flora C. Swift, Bridgewater.
 Olena A. Wakefield, Reading.
 Ella F. Young, Bridgewater.—22.

GENTLEMEN.

C. Irving Fisher, Canton.
 Edward L. Hersey, Cochesett.
 Henry Hill, Springfield, Ill.
 Thomas S. Holmes, West Bridgewater.
 E. Frank Locke, Rochester, N. H.
 Eugene Sanford, East Bridgewater.
 W. Clifton Spring, Sandwich.—7.

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL,

BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

This Institution was established by the State, for the direct preparation of teachers, of both sexes, to instruct in the Public Schools of the Commonwealth. It is under the direction of the State Board of Education. The first class was received on the ninth of September, 1840, and the whole number of students has been fourteen hundred and seventy-one; of these, nine hundred and forty-five have completed the prescribed course of study, and received certificates or diplomas.

SCHOOL-YEAR AND TERMS.

The School-Year is divided into two Terms; the Spring Term commences on the *second* Wednesday in March, and continues twenty weeks, including a recess of one week near the middle of the Term. The Fall Term commences on the *third* Wednesday in September, and continues twenty-one weeks, including a recess of one week near the middle of the Term.

A public examination is held at the close of each Term, under the direction of the Board of Visitors. The school is at all times open to visitors, and the friends of education are invited to visit it at their convenience.

The present Term will close with exercises of Examination and Graduation, on Wednesday, July 26th.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Male applicants for admission must be at least seventeen years of age; female applicants, sixteen. They must make an explicit declaration of their intention to become teachers in the Public Schools of Massachusetts;* must present a satisfactory certificate of good moral character; must declare their full intention of faithfully observing the regulations of the School while members of it; and must pass a satisfactory examination in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Defining, Arithmetic, Geography, the History of the United States, and English Grammar. A greater age than is here prescribed, with some experience in teaching, will make the course of instruction in the School much more valuable to the pupil.

*Persons intending to teach in other States, or in Private Schools, may be admitted by paying fifteen dollars a term for tuition.

The examination for admission takes place on Wednesday, the first day of each Term, beginning at nine o'clock, A.M. Except in extraordinary cases, no one will be examined later in the Term.

STUDIES.

The regular course of study includes the following branches. They are given without reference to the order in which they are pursued, or the length of time devoted to them:—

First.—Reading, English Grammar and Analysis, Geography (Physical, Mathematical, Civil, and Map-drawing), Arithmetic, History of the United States, Algebra, Vocal Music, Drawing, Physiology and Hygiene, which are prescribed by law for all the Public Schools of the State.

Second.—Geometry, Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, Botany, Book-keeping, the Civil Polity of this Commonwealth and of the United States, and General Principles of Government, Rhetoric, and English Literature, which, with the exception of the last, are prescribed by law for the High Schools of the State; and a knowledge of their elements, at least, is deemed essential to a competent preparation for teaching in all the Public Schools.

Third.—The Theory and Art of Teaching, including Mental and Moral Philosophy, General Principles and Methods of Instruction, School Laws of Massachusetts, School Organization and Government. Principles and Methods of Instruction, both elementary and more advanced, in the different branches of study, illustrated by Practical Teaching Exercises.

Exercises in Writing, Orthography, Etymology, Composition, Vocal Music, and Gymnastics, extend through the whole course.

Trigonometry, Surveying, Latin and French, are optional.

The primary object of the course of instruction is to secure a thorough investigation of the principles of the studies pursued, and of the best modes of teaching them. All the exercises of the school are conducted with constant regard to preparation for the work of instruction in the Public Schools.

Pupils who have successfully completed the prescribed course of study, receive the regular Diploma of the Institution.

The prescribed course of study extends through two years; but pupils may enter in advance, whenever their examination shows that they can do this advantageously.

There will be an Advanced Class in which the Graduates of the School may continue their studies beyond the prescribed course.

The demand for teachers from among the graduates of the School has been constantly increasing, and at the present time is much greater than the supply.

LIBRARY, APPARATUS, AND CABINET.

The Institution has, besides the supply of text-books upon the different branches of the course of study, a valuable LIBRARY of works for general reference and reading, to which the pupils have access without charge. It is also supplied with APPARATUS for the illustration of some of the more important principles in Natural Philosophy, Astronomy, Physiology, and Mathematics; and has the foundation of a good CABINET of minerals and geological specimens.

Valuable donations, from various sources, have been received during the past year. Further additions, of books for the Library, of chemical and philosophical apparatus, of minerals, plants, shells, and other specimens of natural history, will be made as frequently as the funds of the School, or the donations of its friends, will permit.

The School Building has recently been entirely remodelled and greatly enlarged. It now presents ample accommodations for the School, including separate rooms for the Library, Apparatus, and Cabinet.

EXPENSES.

Tuition is free to all who comply with the condition of teaching in the Public Schools of Massachusetts, wherever they may have previously resided. A fee of \$1.50 is paid by each pupil, at the beginning of the Term, to meet incidental expenses.

Board is obtained in private families. The price, the present Term, is \$4.00 per week, including washing; fuel and lights (and, in some instances, washing) are a separate charge. It is expected that the diminution of other prices will soon materially reduce the price of board.

Most of the text-books required are furnished to the student, without charge, from the School Library. Each pupil will need a Dictionary and an Atlas. It is also recommended that the pupils should bring with them, for the purpose of reference, such text-books as they may have.

PECUNIARY AID.

For the assistance of those students who are unable to meet the expenses of a course of instruction in the School, the Commonwealth makes an annual appropriation of one thousand dollars. One-half of this sum is distributed, at the close of each Term, among deserving pupils from Massachusetts. This aid is not furnished during the first thirteen weeks of attendance, unless the pupil enters prepared to complete the prescribed course of study in less than two years. After that time, those who reside not more than twenty miles from the School, receive fifty cents per week; those residing between twenty and thirty miles, one dollar per week; and those more than thirty miles, one dollar and fifty cents per week.

Applications for this aid are required to be made to the Principal, in writing, stating the reason, and giving good reference.

Through the bounty of THOMAS LEE, Esq., of Boston, awards are made, to the amount of seventy-five dollars a year, for excellence in Reading.

BRIDGEWATER, July, 1865.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The next Term of the State Normal School, at Bridgewater, Mass., will commence with an Examination of Candidates for Admission, on WEDNESDAY, September 20, 1865.

This Institution is open to young ladies not less than sixteen years of age, and young men not less than seventeen (wherever they may have previously resided), who may desire to pursue a Course of Study in preparation for the work of Teaching in Public Schools. TUITION IS FREE to all who intend to teach in the Public Schools of Massachusetts. Text-books are mostly furnished from the School Library.

From the State appropriation, \$1,000 is annually distributed to deserving pupils.

For further information, address the Principal.