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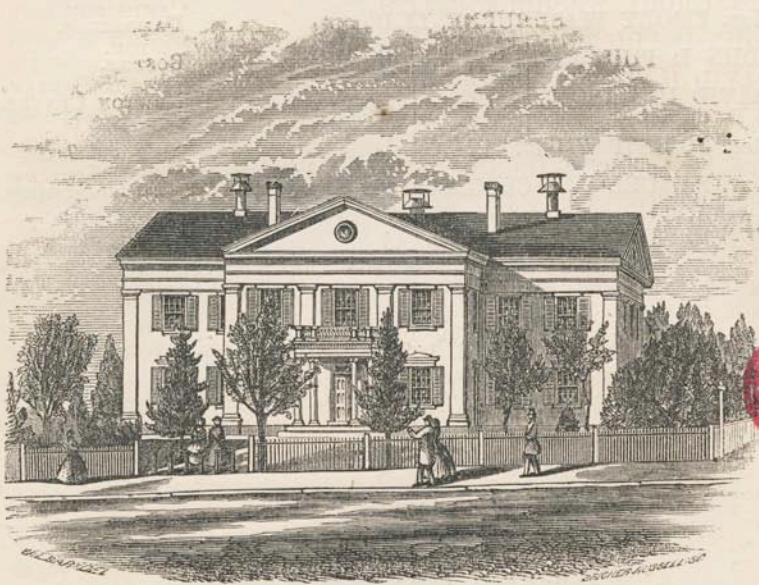
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STATE NORMAL SCHOOL,



AT BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

FALL AND WINTER TERM, 1867-'68.

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LADIES.

Ella M. Armes, Barrington, N.H.
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Hattie A. Cobb, East Bridgewater.
Isabella J. Dunham, South Carver.
Laura A. Leonard, South Middleboro'.
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LADIES.

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 Olivia S. Holmes, West Bridgewater.
 Clara Kenrick, South Orleans.
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 Lucia Millett, Bridgewater.
 Lucretia G. Osborne, E. Bridgewater.
 Sarah L. Porter, South Braintree.
 Sarah E. Pratt, Reading.

Rosa C. Shaw, Carver.
 Abbie Smith, East Bridgewater.
 Melora A. Whitcomb, Templeton.—14.

GENTLEMEN.

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 Barrett B. Russell, Dartmouth.—7.

JUNIOR CLASS.

LADIES.

Evantia F. Chesley, Fall River.
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 Lydia A. Ryder, West Bridgewater.
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 Laura A. Thomas, South Carver.
 Mary G. Westgate, Fairhaven.
 Lucretia F. Wyer, Nantucket.—22.

GENTLEMEN.

Henry J. Clarke, Southbridge.
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 James N. Parker, Marblehead.
 Henry W. Smith, Russell's Mills.—4.

Whole number in attendance during the term, 78.

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 fifteen hundred and eighty-six; of these, one thousand and one have completed the prescribed course of study, and received certificates or diplomas.

TERMS AND VACATIONS.

THE SCHOOL-YEAR is divided into two Terms, — each containing twenty weeks of study, with a week's recess near the middle of the Term. The Fall Term is preceded by a vacation of eight weeks, and the Spring Term by a vacation of two weeks.

The next SPRING TERM will commence TUESDAY, February 25, 1868; and close TUESDAY, July 14, 1868.

The next FALL TERM will commence TUESDAY, September 8, 1868.

The present Term will close on TUESDAY, January 28, 1868, with public exercises of Examination and Graduation, commencing at 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ o'clock, A.M.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Gentlemen applying for admission must be at least seventeen years of age; ladies, sixteen. Candidates must make an explicit declaration of their intention to become teachers in the 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, Spelling, Writing, 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.

The examination for admission takes place on TUESDAY, the first day of each Term, beginning at 9 o'clock, A.M. Except in extraordinary cases, no one will be examined later in the Term.

DESIGN OF THE SCHOOL.

The design of the Normal Schools is strictly professional; that is, to prepare, in the best possible manner, the pupils for the work of organizing, governing, and instructing the public schools of the Commonwealth.

To this end there must be the most thorough knowledge: *first*, of the branches of learning required to be taught in the schools; and, *second*, of the best methods of teaching those branches.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The *time* of the course extends through a period of two years, and is divided into Terms, of twenty weeks each, with daily sessions of not less than five hours, five days each week.

BRANCHES OF STUDY.

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.—English Grammar and Analysis; Arithmetic; Geography, Physical and Political, with use of Globes and Map-drawing; History of 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, Astronomy, Botany, and Zoölogy, Mineralogy and Geology, Book-keeping, the Civil Policy of Massachusetts and the United States, 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.—Mental and Moral Science, Theory and Art of Teaching, including Principles and Methods of Instruction, School Organization and Government, School Laws of Massachusetts, and Teaching Exercises.

In connection with the foregoing, constant and careful attention to be given throughout the course to Drawing and delineations on the black-board; Music; Spelling, with derivations and definitions; Reading, including analysis of sounds and vocal gymnastics; and Writing.

The Latin and French languages may be pursued as optional studies, but not to the neglect of the English course.

General exercises in Composition, Gymnastics, Object Lessons, &c., to be conducted in such a manner and at such times as the Principal shall deem best.

Lectures on the different branches pursued, and on related topics, to be given by gentlemen from abroad, as the Board or the Visitors shall direct, and also by the teachers and more advanced scholars.

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

EXAMINATIONS.

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 inspection, and the friends of education are invited to visit it at their convenience.

EMPLOYMENT OF GRADUATES.

The Graduates of the School readily find employment in teaching. The number of applications for teachers received the past year is many times the number of graduates. A large number of these applications have been for "Graduates of successful experience," to take charge of Annual Schools, with a good salary.

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 the more important principles in natural Philosophy, Chemistry, Astronomy, and Physiology; 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, animals, 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.

EXPENSES.

TUITION IS FREE to all who comply with the condition of teaching in the Schools of Massachusetts, wherever they may have previously resided. Pupils who fail to comply with this condition are charged a reasonable sum for tuition. A fee of \$2.00 is paid by each pupil, at the beginning of the Term, to meet incidental expenses.

BOARDING. Board is obtained in private families. The price, the present term, is \$4.00 a week; washing, fuel, and lights are a separate charge.

A Club is established which enables Gentlemen to board at cost; at present the cost of the table is \$2.50 a week.

Students also board themselves. The rent of rooms in private houses is \$1.00 a week, which, in some instances, includes furniture and bedding; in others, only furniture. The average expense for room-rent, fuel, and lights, is \$0.80 a week for the school-year, estimated on the supposition that two students occupy the same room.

Pupils living on the line of the railroad, and wishing to board at home, can obtain season tickets at one half the usual rate.

TEXT-BOOKS. Most of the text-books required are furnished to the student, without charge, from the School Library. Each pupil will need a Bible. 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 State 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.

This aid is furnished to those only who remain and complete the prescribed course of study, the first three terms of which must be consecutive. Pupils who fail to comply with this condition are expected to refund any amount they may have received. It is also expected that pupils who fail to teach in the public schools of Massachusetts, will return any amount they have received from the bounty of the State.

BRIDGEWATER, December, 1867.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The next term of the State Normal School, at Bridgewater, Mass., will commence with an Examination of Candidates for Admission, on **TUESDAY**, February 25, 1868.

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 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.