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## STUDENTS.

### Graduates.

- Mr. Francis T. Crafts, Bridgewater.
- Henry C. Houghton, Dorchester.
- William H. Osborne, East Bridgewater.
- Theodore Rodman, Bridgewater.

### Senior Class.

- Miss Ellen M. Balkam, Lewiston, Me.
- Jane F. Burt, Berkley.
- Melissa E. D'Areys, East Boston.
- Ellen M. Holmes, Bridgewater.
- Sophia F. Howes, Middleboro'.
- Lizzie A. Kingman, North Bridgewater.
- Mary S. McIntyre, Roxbury.
- Susan A. Williams, Berkley.
- Mr. Josiah F. Baxter, Plymouth.
- Jonas P. Hayward, Ashby.
- Calvin Pratt, Bridgewater.
- Peter C. Sears, Mattapoisett.
- George A. Wheeler, East Bridgewater.

### Middle Class.

- Miss Maria Q. Adams, Sharon.
- Martha W. Brooks, South Scituate.
- Rebecca C. Brooks, South Scituate.
- Mary E. Dowse, Sherborn.
- J. Maria Frye, South Boston.
- Mary E. Hammond, Mattapoisett.
- Mary A. Howes, Bridgeport.
- Sarah A. Henshaw, West Brookfield.
- Harriet E. Hill, Sherborn.
- Mary F. Leach, Bridgewater.
- Ellen Lincoln, Hingham.
- Sarah Newell, Medfield.

Junior Class.


Whole number in attendance during the Term, sixty-seven.
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, and is under the direction of the State Board of Education. The first class was received on the 9th of September, 1840; and the whole number of students has been twelve hundred and sixteen; of these, seven hundred and ninety-nine 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 third Wednesday of March; and the Fall Term on the third Wednesday of September. The former is preceded by a vacation of four weeks, the latter by a vacation of eight weeks, with a week’s recess near the middle of each term.

A Public Examination is held at the close of every term, under the direction of the Secretary and the Visiting Committee of the Board of Education. The School is also open to visitors during any of its regular sessions.

The Examination at the close of the present term will commence on Monday, February 18th, at 9 o’clock, a.m., and continue two days.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Applicants for admission must make an explicit declaration of their intention to become teachers in the public schools of Massachusetts.* Males must be at least seventeen, and females at least sixteen, years of age. They must present a satisfactory certificate of good moral charac-

* Persons intending to teach in other States, or in private schools, may be admitted by paying $10 a term for tuition.
ter; and must pass a satisfactory examination in Reading, Spelling, Def-
ining, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, and English Grammar. After
the next Term, candidates will also be examined in the History of the
United States. Some experience in teaching will make the course of
instruction in the School much more valuable to the pupil. No one is
received for less than three successive Terms. If, after admission, a
pupil who has had much experience in teaching, is found to be well
qualified, he may complete the course in less time, but in no case in less
than two terms.

Candidates for admission must present themselves for examination at
the schoolroom, at 9 o'clock, A.M., on Wednesday, the first day of the
term. Except in extraordinary cases, no one will be examined later in
the term.

STUDIES.

The course of study includes Reading, Spelling, Defining, and English
Literature; General and English Grammar, History and Etymology of
English Language, and Prose Composition; Geography, Mathematical,
Physical and Political, with the Construction of Maps; Constitution and
History of the United States, and General History; Arithmetic, Mental
and Written, Algebra, Geometry, Plane Trigonometry, Mensuration and
Surveying, Natural Philosophy, and Astronomy; Physiology and Hygi­
ene, Writing, Book-keeping, Vocal Music, Drawing and Gymnastics;
and the Art of Teaching, with reference to Physical, Intellectual, and
Moral Culture, including Mental and Moral Philosophy, General Prin­
ciples and Methods of Instruction, School Laws, School Organization and
Government.

Rhetoric, Logic, Chemistry, Botany, Geology, Latin and other Lan-
guages, whenever the previous attainments of the pupils will permit.

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.

Those who complete, in a satisfactory manner, the prescribed course of
study, will receive the General Diploma of the Institution. The course
embraces a period of three terms; but those who desire it, (and all who
can will find it advantageous to do so,) may pursue a more extended
course, and, upon its completion, will receive an appropriate certificate, or diploma.

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. Additions to these are made as frequently as the funds of the School, or the donations of its friends will permit.

EXPENSES, AND STATE AID.

Tuition is free to all who intend to become teachers 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.

Good board is obtained in private families. The price usually paid is $2.75 per week, including washing; fuel and lights only, are a separate charge.

Most of the Text-books required, are furnished to the Student free of charge, from the School Library. Each pupil will need a Bible, 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.

For the assistance of those 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. This sum is distributed among deserving pupils from Massachusetts, who have been members of the School thirteen weeks, as follows:—to those who reside not more than twenty miles from the School, fifty cents per week; those residing between twenty and thirty miles, one dollar; and to 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, with good references.

Bridgewater, January, 1861.