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# Students.

## Advanced Course.

### Gentlemen.
- Herbert I. Conant, Bridgewater.
- Fred W. Craig, Farmington, Me.
- Frank G. Jewett, Pepperell.
- Frank F. Murdock, Charlestown.
- William F. Nichols, Reading.
- Webster E. Potter, Waltham.
- Benjamin Smith, Reading.
- Calvin F. Stanley, Kingfield, Me.

### Ladies.
- Augusta Bunker, Nantucket.
- L. Roberta Capen, Stoughton.
- Lucy W. Cahn, Hingham.
- Edith S. Copeland, W. Bridgewater.
- Florence L. Crocker, Bridgewater.
- Alice E. Cutter, Jaffrey, N.H.
- Elizabeth II. Hutchinson, New Bedford.
- Addie J. Goodhue, Hyde Park.
- Helen M. Kimball, New Portland.
- Anna P. Parker, Stoneham.
- Mary E. Reed, Middleborough.
- Eliza M. Reed, Stow.
- Caroline B. Thacher, Bridgewater.
- Addie L. Thompson, Stoneham.

## Senior Class.

### Gentlemen.
- Walter R. Hussey, Nantucket.
- Willard E. Jones, Rockville.
- Frank M. Wels, Boston. — 5.
- Tilson A. Mead, Hingham.
- Charles O. Turner, South Boston.
- Ella F. Ball, Hollis, N.H.
- Mary E. Barnes, Hardwick.
- Emiee P. Barrett, Chelsea.
- Cora I. Bates, Braintree.
- Alice E. Bodish, W. Barnstable.
- Mabel Bryant, E. Bridgewater.
- Annie B. Carroll, Dedham.
- Jennie C. Carroll, Dedham.
- Hannah M. Costigan, Fall River.
- Elizabeth H. Cotting, Lowell.
- Martha Donaghy, New Bedford.
- Jennie S. Edson, E. Bridgewater.
- Clara A. Emerson, Lewiston, Maine.
- Hattie A. French, Peterborough, N.H.
- Henrietta T. Hamblin, W. Falmouth.
- Amelia Hearsey, Charlestown.
- Jessie K. Hill, Norwood.
- Elsie M. Kelley, E. Dennis.
- Isabelle C. Kingman, Brockton.
- Ellen G. McDonnell, Quincy.
- C. Adelaide Mason, Medfield.
- Clara I. Metcalf, St. Louis.
- Clara L. Oyler, Black Hawk, Col.
- Edith Paine, E. Bridgewater.
- Caroline M. Sayer, New Bedford.
- Susan True, Salisbury.
- Clara S. Vincent, New Bedford.
- Salome A. Waite, Stanford, Conn.
- Emma F. Wheelock, Norwood.
- Lucinda W. Whorf, Providence.
- Mary B. A. Wight, Medfield.
- Hattie B. Rice, Newton, L. Falls. — 32.
Sub-Senior Class.

GENTLEMEN.

Henry L. Armes, Woodstock, Conn.
Henry M. Cole, Bridgewater.
Maynard B. Copeland, Norton.
Hammond T. Fletcher, Littleton.
Nelson Freeman, Milton, N.S.
Artemas H. Hobart, Bridgewater.
Charles W. Robinson, E. Sandwich.

LADIES.

Elizabeth C. Baker, Yarmouth Port.
Irene C. Chipman, Rehoboth.
Myra E. Clarke, Holbrook.
Hattie A. Corthell, South Abington.
Sarah R. Damon, N. Scituate.
Julia L. Harding, Truro.

Ex-Junior Class.

GENTLEMEN.

William H. Alden, Bridgewater.
Marcellus D. Barnes, Lee, Me.
Charles N. Bentley, Upper Stewiacke.
William H. Burns, Lowell. [N. S.
Lawrence Copeland, Norton.
Francis A. Gray, Danversport.

LADIES.

Helen K. Andrews, Bridgewater.
Sarah J. Austin, New Bedford.
Mary E. Balcom, Freetown.
Cornelia Bancroft, Reading.
Carrie P. Bursley, W. Barnstable.
Annie L. Cleave, Bridgewater.
Ida M. Clement, Great Falls, N.H.
Helen A. Davis, Fall River.
Josephine C. Flagg, Dover, N.H.
Annie C. Hart, New Bedford.
Mary B. Hathaway, Fall River.
Sarah E. Holbrook, Stoughton.
Annie L. Kendall, Brockton.
Clara C. Leonard, Middleborough.
Emma V. Levi, New Bedford.
Mary M. Macy, New Bedford.
Amanda L. Martin, Newton Centre.
Orpah L. Maxim, N. Rochester.
Katie L. Morse, Norwood.
Helen M. Packard, Brockton.
Charlotte E. Page, Stoughton.
Annie M. Pierce, Stoughton.
Elizabeth A. Rausch, Brookline.
Lizzie C. Richardson, Winchester.
Estelle Redington, Perry, Me.
Mary L. Stinchfield, Reading.
Emma L. Thomas, S. Carvel.
Mary E. Thompson, Fall River.
Sara J. Walker, Bridgewater.
Alice F. Wilbur, Bridgewater.
Helen W. Winslow, Freetown.
Evelyn S. Wordell, N. Dartmouth. —32.
STUDENTS.

Junior Class.

GENTLEMEN.

Joseph Belcher, 2d, Holbrook.
Wallace C. Boyden, Bridgewater.
Cyrus B. Collins, Rockland.
A. Frank Connell, Powneetown.
William Cronelly, Bridgewater.
David G. Eldridge, Jr., Yarmouth Port.
George H. Hastings, Lunenburg.

Albert E. Heard, Weston.
William D. Jackson, Bridgewater.
Edwin F. Kimball, Winchester.
Holden T. Moore, Raynham.
Fred H. Morton, Reading.
Louis D. Washburn, N. Perry, Me.
Samuel Dyer, Jr., Truro.—14.

LADIES.

Mabelle Almy, Somerville.
Maria L. Anderson, W. Windham.
Sarah L. Arnold, N. Abington. [N.H.,
Mary L. Ashley, New Bedford.
Carrie C. Ballon, Stoughton.
Ida M. Blaikie, Somerville.
Annie E. Carnes, Attleborough.
Angie C. Damon, Marshfield.
Ida M. Daniels, Charlestown.
Alice A. Deering, Denmark, Me.
Fannie J. Delano, Fairhaven.
Sarah E. Drew, Bridgewater.

Edith M. Gibbs, Brighton.
Florence W. Harris, E. Bridgewater.
Margaret Lane, Brewster.
Florence H. Lund, Bridgewater.
Abbie A. Mills, Brockton.
Lucy B. Mills, Lawrence.
Mary V. Morse, Quincy.
Hattie E. Noyes, Hampstead, N.H.
Annie E. Oglevee, Springfield, Ohio.
Marietta Sherman, Dartmouth.
Carrie F. Spear, Quincy.
Mary N. Taylor, Germantown, Pa.


Summary.

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Number of pupils in attendance the present term: Gentlemen, 49; Ladies, 118; Total, 167.

Number of different pupils during the past year: Gentlemen, 60; Ladies, 141; Total, 201.
State Normal School,
Bridgewater, Mass.

This institution is one of the five State Normal Schools under the direction of the Massachusetts Board of Education. It was established by the Commonwealth, with the co-operation of the citizens of Bridgewater, and the first class was received September 9, 1840. The number of different pupils since its establishment has been two thousand three hundred ten; of these, thirteen hundred fifty-two have completed the prescribed course of study, and received certificates or diplomas.

Conditions of Admission.

Gentlemen applying for admission must be at least seventeen years of age; ladies, sixteen. Candidates must present a satisfactory certificate of good character; must declare their full intention of faithfully observing the regulations of the school while members of it, and of afterwards teaching in the public schools of Massachusetts;* and must pass a satisfactory examination in Reading, Spelling, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, the History of the United States, and English Grammar. A greater age and higher attainments than those prescribed, with some experience in teaching, make the course of study in the school much more valuable to the pupil. These requirements will be strictly enforced.

The next examination for admission takes place on Tuesday, September 5, 1876, beginning at nine o'clock, A.M.

Design of the School.

The design of the Normal School is strictly professional; that is, to prepare, in the best possible manner, the pupils for the work of organizing, governing, and teaching 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.

Shorter Course of Study.

The Board of Education, by a vote passed January 9, 1866, prescribed the following course of study for the State Normal Schools:—

"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."* 

* Persons intending to teach in other states, or in private schools, are admitted by paying fifteen dollars a term for tuition.
Branches of Study to be Pursued.


SECOND TERM.—1. Arithmetic, completed; Algebra, begun. 2. Geometry, completed; Geography and History, begun. 3. Physiology and Hygiene. 4. Grammar and Analysis, completed. 5. Lessons twice a week in Botany and Zoology.

THIRD TERM.—1. Algebra, completed; Book-keeping. 2. Geography and History, completed. 3. Natural Philosophy. 4. Rhetoric and English Literature. 5. Lessons twice a week in Mineralogy and Geology.


"In connection with the foregoing, constant and careful attention to be given throughout the course to Drawing and Delineations on the blackboard; Vocal 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, etc., 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 of Visitors shall direct, and also by the teachers and more advanced scholars.

"The order of the studies in the course may be varied in special cases, with the approval of the Visitors."

Advanced Course.

A supplemental course of study, occupying two years, is provided for the graduates of the shorter course who desire to prepare themselves for the higher departments of teaching, which includes the Latin, French and German languages, the higher Mathematics, and the other branches required to be taught in the High Schools of the State.

Pupils who, on entering the school, have in view the completion of this higher course, may take a part of its studies in connection with a part of the branches in the shorter course, and in this way, at the end of four years, be prepared to graduate from both courses simultaneously. This arrange-
ment gives the students the benefit of the study of the languages in connection with the study of the other branches of the course. *Graduates of the School who may desire to take the Advanced Course are requested to communicate with the Principal as early as possible. Graduates from this course are in special demand for the best positions. An Advanced Class will be formed at the opening of next term.*

**Aims and Methods of Study and Training.**

The ends chiefly aimed at in this school are, the acquisition of the necessary knowledge of the Principles and Methods of Education, and of the various branches of study, the attainment of skill in the art of teaching, and the general development of the mental powers.

From the beginning to the end of the course, all studies are conducted with special reference to the best ways of teaching them. Recitations, however excellent, are not deemed satisfactory, unless every pupil is able to teach others that which he has himself learned. In every study the pupils in turn occupy temporarily the place of teacher of their classmates, and are subjected to their criticisms as well as those of their regular teacher.

During the Senior term, object lessons are given to classes of primary school children, so that every pupil obtains, before graduating, considerable experience in teaching children to observe, think, and give expression to thought.

All the studies are conducted upon the topical plan. Text-books are used, only as books of reference. The committing of text-books to memory is avoided, the students being trained to depend upon objects of thought rather than words.

Students are expected to govern themselves; to do without compulsion what is required, and to refrain voluntarily from all improprieties of conduct. Those who are unwilling to conform cheerfully to the known wishes of the Principal and his Assistants, are presumed to be unfit to become teachers.

It is not deemed necessary to awaken a feeling of emulation, in order to induce the scholars to perform their duties faithfully. Faithful attention to duty is encouraged for its own sake, and not for the purpose of obtaining certain marks of credit.

**Examination, Graduation and Employment.**

Examinations, both oral and written, are made each term in every study, and the result in each must be satisfactory to enable the pupil to advance to the studies next in order. Only those pupils who have satisfactorily passed all the examinations in the prescribed course of study receive the diploma of the Institution. The demand for graduates of both sexes, to fill good positions in the public schools, is greater than the school can at present supply.
Library, Apparatus and Cabinet.

This institution has a valuable library of works for general reference and reading, to which the pupils have daily access. Text-books in nearly all the required studies are furnished to students without charge. It also has apparatus, excellent in quality, for the illustration of the more important principles in the physical sciences. It has a cabinet of minerals and other specimens used in teaching Natural History.

The laboratory has been enlarged and furnished, so that each member of the class has a place at the chemical tables, and all perform experiments at the same time.

The art room is handsomely fitted up and furnished with the best kind of furniture and instruments, with a large number of the finest examples of casts, models, and flat copies, affording excellent facilities for teaching in the various departments of drawing, and furnishing a constant study of art to the members of the School.

School-Year and Terms.

The school-year is divided into two terms of twenty weeks each, including a recess of one week near the middle of the term.

The present term will close on Thursday, June 29, 1876, with public exercises of Examination and Graduation, commencing at 9 o'clock, A.M.

1876.

Biennial Convention of Bridgewater Normal Association, Friday, June 30, 1876.

Vacation nine weeks.

Fall Term commences, Tuesday, September 5.
Recess, Thanksgiving Week.
Fall Term closes, Tuesday, January 23, 1877.

Vacation three weeks.

Spring Term commences, Tuesday, February 13, 1877.

School Regulations.

Pupils are expected to attend public worship on the Sabbath, at any church they may select.

At least one hour of exercise in the open air is required each day, without communication.

The hour for retiring is not later than ten o'clock at all seasons of the year. Pupils must devote a proper amount of time to sleep. Seven hours of undisturbed repose is the minimum. Unreasonable rising and study will be regarded as a violation of the rules of the Institution.

No absence or tardiness is allowed except in extreme cases.

Every absence from town must be on leave previously obtained from the Principal.
The State has erected upon the school premises a very pleasant and commodious Boarding Hall, which will accommodate all the pupils who desire board. Two students occupy one room. Each room has two closets, is carpeted, supplied with furniture, including mattress and pillows, heated by steam, lighted by gas, and thoroughly ventilated. One wing of the hall is occupied by the gentlemen.

The Hall is under the charge of the Principal, who resides in the house and boards with the students. No pains are spared to make the Hall in every respect a home for the pupils. It has a beautiful location, and every room is pleasant. A Reading Room, supplied with newspapers, periodicals, and some of the best new books, and a Gymnasium, are provided for the daily use of the students.

The Hall was built and furnished by the State. The boarders are to pay the current expenses, which include board, fuel, light, washing, and the expense of keeping the Hall and its furniture in good condition. The aim is, to make these expenses not more than $80 a term, or $4 a week, for gentlemen; and for ladies not more than $75 a term, or $3.75 a week. Boarders who remain for any period less than half a term will be charged 25 cents a week additional. The expense thus far has not exceeded the sum specified.
PAYMENTS. — $40 for each gentleman, and $37.50 for each lady, at the beginning of the term; and the same amount for each at the middle of the term. The object of this payment in advance is, to secure the purchase of supplies at wholesale cash prices, thereby saving to each boarder much more than the interest of the money advanced.

FURNITURE. — Each boarder is required to bring bedding, towels, napkins and napkin-ring, and clothes bags. Each occupant will want, ordinarily, four pillow cases, three sheets, two blankets or their equivalent, and one coverlet for a double bed. It is required that every article which goes to the laundry be distinctly and indelibly marked with the owner's name.

Pupils living on the line of the railroad, and wishing to board at home, can obtain tickets for the term at reduced rates.

Expenses and pecuniary aid.

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, for incidental expenses.

For the assistance of those students who are unable to meet the expenses of the course of instruction in the school, the State makes an annual appropriation, one half of which is distributed at the close of each term among pupils from Massachusetts who merit and need the aid, in sums varying according to the distance of their residences from Bridgewater, but not exceeding in any case $1.50 a week. This aid is not furnished during the first term of attendance. It is expected that those who do not complete the prescribed course of study, and those who do not teach in the public schools of Massachusetts will refund any amount they have received from the bounty of the State. Applications for this aid are to be made to the Principal in writing.

Announcement.

The Biennial Convention of the Bridgewater Normal Association will be held on Friday, June 30, 1876. EDWIN P. SEAVER, Head Master of the English High School, Boston, will deliver the address.