

versally complied with by those who have the necessary qualifications, and that there are three hundred and eighty-five of the former students of the State Normal School now engaged as teachers in the various parts of the State.

Your Committee found the house very inconveniently crowded, there being three students on every seat, intended for two, in the assembly room; and the recitation rooms not being large enough to accommodate the classes and the necessary apparatus.

From what was learned at this visit, joined to previous study of the subject, your Committee have come to the conclusion that the Legislature of 1868, in making the State Normal School an integral and essential part of the Public School system, acted with great good judgment, and in accordance with the most advanced theories of public education. The great want of our schools has always been a supply of well-trained teachers, and in order to provide such teachers, the Normal School must be continued, and enlarged.

For this purpose your Committee recommend that the annual appropriation of \$9,500 be continued, and that a sufficient sum be appropriated to erect a building large enough to accommodate the school comfortably; and that an additional sum of \$3,000 per annum be appropriated for the rent of a building, until the State can provide one.

Your Committee have learned that the building at present occupied by the school cannot, in all probability, be rented longer than next July; and in view of the impossibility of finding any house, already built, possessing the necessary space and conveniences, your Committee would represent the necessity of taking such immediate action as will prevent the possibility of any interruption in the labors of this indispensable auxiliary to the Public School system.

All of which is submitted, and your Committee respectfully ask to be discharged.

WM. J. AYDELOTT,
CHAPMAN BILLINGSLEY,
On the part of the Senate.

EUGENE HODSON,
A. K. STAKE,
JOHN WIER,
O. H. P. CLARK,
On the part of the House.

Which was read, the Committee discharged, and,

On motion of Mr. Hodson,

The report was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.