

Centre College

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
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Note: the minutes contain extensive notes on the "Asylum" or "Institution" for the Deaf and Dumb, which would later become the Kentucky School for the Deaf. Centre's Trustees administered the school from its founding in 1823 until 1870. In 1826 the federal government granted the Trustees one township of land in Florida. It then became the Trustees responsibility to survey and sell the land to provide funds to help support the institution.

Danville August 1, 1827

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Honorable John Boyle, Chairman, Messrs. James Birney, Joseph McDowell, Ephraim McDowell, John Green, Edward Worthington, David G. Cowan, Charles Henderson, William Craig, Michael G. Youce, James Barbour, William Miller.

Mr. Cowan offered the following preamble and resolution which was adopted unanimously:

"Whereas the Honorable Thomas Montgomery a member of this Board has failed to attend meetings in consequence of indisposition for more than one year, and whereas the nature of his complaint is such that he will not probably be able to attend the meetings of the Board hereafter, therefore it is hereby declared that the seat of Montgomery is vacated."

The Board proceeded to the election of a president of this institution (two thirds of the members being present) whereupon the Reverend Gideon Blackburn was elected. Ordered that the committee of correspondence inform Dr. Blackburn of his appointment.

The committee of superintendence of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum stated to the Board that they had employed Barney McMahan as assistant teacher. Ordered that the question of ratification be postponed until the next meeting.

Ordered that the professorship established in Centre College by an order of this Board on the 16th day of October 1826 be called and known by the name of "The Nelson Professorship" in memory of late Rev. Samuel K. Nelson.

Ordered that the Board adjourn.

Danville September 27, 1827

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present John Boyle, James Birney, James Barbour, Jeremiah Fisher, William Miller, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan. David G. Cowan, Secretary pro tem.

The Faculty having recommended the following gentlemen students of Centre College to receive the degree of A.B., to wit, Jacob F. Rice, David W. McCaleb, Sidney S. McRoberts, William D. Jones, and George D. McAfee.

Resolved that the Faculty do confer the degree of A.B. on the said gentlemen and grant them diplomas accordingly.

The Board then adjourned till Saturday at 2 o'clock.

Danville September 29, 1827

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present John Boyle, James Birney, James Barbour, Jeremiah Fisher, Charles Henderson, Edward Worthington, David G. Cowan, John Green. David G. Cowan was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Mr. Worthington offered a resolution to reduce the price of boarding of the indigent pupils in the Asylum. A vote was then taken on the question to reduce the same to \$80 per annum in Commonwealth Bank paper, which passed in the negative.

The yeas and nays being required thereon were as follows: yeas - Messrs. Green, Barbour, Fisher, and Cowan; nays - Messrs. Boyle, Birney, Henderson, Worthington, and Miller.

The question was then taken on \$75 when the same passed in the affirmative: yeas - Messrs. Boyle, Birney, Henderson, Worthington, and Miller; nays - Messrs. Green, Cowan, Barbour, and Fisher.

Resolved that hereafter the price of boarding for pay pupils be \$75 in silver per annum, payable quarterly in advance, and that the tuition be hereafter \$35 in silver payable in like manner.

The Board took up the report of the superintending committee employing Barney McMahan as a tutor in the Asylum, which was confirmed with directions that the expending of his board and clothing shall not exceed \$115 in Commonwealth paper.

The Board adjourned.

Danville October 13, 1827

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Honorable John Boyle, Chairman, John Green, David G. Cowan, James Birney, Edward Worthington, Ephraim McDowell, Joseph McDowell, William Craig, Jeremiah Fisher, Michael G. Youce, James Barbour, Charles Henderson, John S. Higgins.

The letter was presented from Benjamin H. Perkins resigning his seat as a member of the Board, and the same is accepted. Edward Worthington, Jeremiah Fisher, and James Birney resigned their seats as members of this Board.

The Board being now reduced to eleven members, the members thereof by their mutual consent proceeded to reduce the number to eight by lot, whereupon the seats of William Craig, James Barbour, and John Green were vacated.

John S. Higgins then resigned his seat as a member of this Board. The Board then proceeded to fill his vacancy, whereupon John Green was appointed, who took the oaths of office before David G. Cowan, Esq., a Justice of the Peace for Mercer County, and took his seat.

Ephraim McDowell, David G. Cowan and *[name not shown]* were appointed a committee upon the subjects contained in another communication from Rev. John McFarland which is in substance, to wit - an electrical machine was furnished by an individual of Bourbon County *[Kentucky]* and handed over to Dr. Smith for the use of this institution upon this condition, that the same be received at its value to be ascertained by the said committee and placed to the credit of the Synod of Kentucky, and also Rev. Samuel K. Nelson and Mr. McFarland made some

purchases of books upon their own responsibility. This committee is to take this matter into consideration and report, etc.

The Board then adjourned to meet at the College on Monday the 15th instant.

Centre College October 15, 1827

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College and pursuant to adjournment, present John Boyle, Chairman, David G. Cowan, John Green, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, Ephraim McDowell.

The Chairman presented to the Board a paper of which the following is a copy:

Danville October 15, 1827

We, Carr B. Bailey and Andrew Todd, Clerks of the Synod of Kentucky, do certify that the Synod this day elected Benjamin Mills, James Barbour, and David Nelson trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky.

Carr B. Bailey, Andrew Todd

James Barbour then appeared before the Board and took the oath of office before David C. Cowan, Esq., a Justice of the Peace of Mercer County, and took his seat as a trustee of this institution.

James Barbour was then re-elected Treasurer of the Board.

Present Joseph McDowell.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville October 20, 1827

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present John Boyle, Chairman, James Barbour, Joseph McDowell, Michael G. Youce, Charles Henderson, John Green, David G. Cowan. The Secretary being absent, David G. Cowan was appointed pro tem. David Nelson, a member duly appointed by Synod, appeared, was duly sworn by David G. Cowan, Esq., a Justice of the Peace of Mercer County, and took his seat.

It was moved and seconded that the fees in the College be hereafter \$35 in silver for the four regular classes, and \$30 in silver for the Preparatory Department, payable half yearly in advance - Irregulars to be included in the higher classes.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville November 9, 1827

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present James Barbour, Chairman pro tem, John Green, Ephraim McDowell, Joseph McDowell, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan.

The Rev. Gideon Blackburn, D. D., appeared and was regularly installed into the office of President in presence of the Board, receiving the oath of office from David G. Cowan, Esq., a Justice of the Peace of Mercer County.

Resolved that the President and Faculty adopt from time to time such rules and regulations for the government of the College for the present.

Resolved further that the President and Faculty be requested to revise the statutes of College and report to the Board for ratification such alterations and amendments as they may think advisable.

Resolved that Dr. Blackburn be requested to furnish for publication a copy of inaugural address delivered this day.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville February 23, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Honorable John Boyle, Chairman, John Green, David G. Cowan, James Barbour, Ephraim McDowell, Michael G. Youce.

The Chairman laid before the Board a communication Mr. John A. Jacobs upon the subject of his salary. Ordered that it be referred to John Green and David G. Cowan, who are requested to have a personal interview with Mr. Jacobs touching the subject contained in said communication, and report to the Board, etc.

A verbal communication from Mr. Kerr upon the subject of increasing the price of boarding of the indigent pupils received and ordered to lay on the table.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville April 22, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Honorable John Boyle, John Green, David G. Cowan, Joseph McDowell, William Miller, Charles Henderson, David Nelson.

Ordered that John Green, David G. Cowan, and William Miller be a committee to procure a suitable person to take charge of the Refectory in place of Mr. Mills, who intends resigning.

Absent Honorable John Boyle, Chairman. John Green appointed Chairman pro tem. James Barbour entered and took his seat.

Danville April 29, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Ephraim McDowell, pro tem, James Barbour, John Green, Charles Henderson, William Miller, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan.

A communication was received as follows:

President of the Board of Trustees of Centre College

Sir, in obedience to the above resolutions, I communicate to you these papers.

With sentiments of high regard I am,
James K. Burch, Chairman

[Content of papers not shown]

Danville April 22, 1828 [continued]

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Educational Society of the Synod of Kentucky the following resolution was adopted, viz.,

Resolved that the Chairman present to the Trustees of Centre College a copy of the constitution of this Society, and ask from them an agreement on their part to receive conveyances and hold real estate and other property for the use of this Society.

Teste David G. Cowan, Clerk to the Committee

Constitution of the Presbyterian Education Society of Kentucky

Article 1. This Society shall be called "The Education Society of the Presbyterian Churches under care the Synod of Kentucky"

Article 2. The object of this Society shall be to assist indigent and pious young men destined for the gospel ministry in acquiring an academical and theological education.

Article 3. The young men assisted by this Society shall receive their academical education at Centre College and their theological education at the same institution, where the Synod of Kentucky shall have established a theological department or appointed a theological professor in said institution.

Article 4. Every person paying \$3 or more annually shall be a member of this Society, and every person paying \$30 or more at one time shall be a member for life.

Article 5. The officers of this Society shall be a President to preside and keep order at the meetings, and to call special meetings; seven Vice Presidents to take the place and perform the duties of the President in his absence; a Secretary to record the proceedings and keep the books and papers of the Society; a corresponding Secretary, with an assistant; and a Treasurer to receive and hold the funds of the Society and keep its accounts.

Article 6. To constitute a bond of union, etc., a Board of Directors shall be appointed to conduct the business of the Society, consisting of officers mentioned in the preceding Article and 24 other persons, one half ministers and one half lay members of the Presbyterian Church. Seven members of the Board, three of whom being ministers, shall constitute a quorum. The business of the Board shall be to appoint an Executive Committee; to receive reports from it; to send out agents; to hold and invest funds, or direct the investiture thereof by the Executive Committee; to appoint the exercises of the annual meetings of the Society; to publish whatever they may think proper relating to the Society; and to do everything not expressly assigned to the Executive Committee. The Board shall hold, at least, two meetings annually, in Danville. They shall report their doings to the Society at every annual meeting. The officers and other Directors shall be elected by the Society, at each annual meeting.*

*The Board of Directors will hold their first meeting in Danville on Wednesday, 11 o'clock am the 16th of July 1828, at which time and place it is hoped all the Officers and Directors who can will attend

Article 7. The Board of Directors shall annually appoint an Executive Committee, consisting of seven persons, in or out of the Board indifferently, provided they all be members of the Presbyterian Church, at least two of them ministers, and all of them residents in Danville or its immediate vicinity. The Executive Committee shall have power to choose their own officers, to make their own bylaws, to collect funds for the common treasury, to procure and stock a farm contiguous to the College, to manage all the concerns of the farm, to select young men to be educated, to direct their labors on the farm, to appropriate the funds to their support, etc.

They shall keep a record of all their proceedings, and make a full and particular report to the Board of Directors at their semiannual meetings. They shall take care of the property of the Society, and for the purpose of securing the title of the real estate of the Society, shall, by and with the consent of the Trustees of Centre College, cause all such estates to be conveyed to that corporation, to be held for the uses and purposes of the Society as expressed in this constitution, and shall have and exercise all the powers of the Board of Directors until the first meeting of the Board shall be held.

Article 8. It is to be regarded as a fundamental principle of this Society that no young man shall in any case be selected for education who does not possess good natural talents and hopeful piety, who is not in the communion of the Presbyterian Church, and who does not express it to be his intention to enter the ministry in said Church, and in case any young man who may receive the pecuniary aid of this Society shall, by his own fault, fail of entering the Gospel ministry, he shall, when able, refund to the Executive Committee the whole amount of expense incurred by them in his education, if called upon to do so.

Article 9. Any person or persons associated, any church or churches associated, may endow in this Society forever a scholarship, name it, and select for it their own beneficiary, by paying into the Treasury \$1,000; or they may endow a scholarship for any limited time by paying \$60 per annum. In the former case, the Society will vest the \$1,000 as a permanent fund, using only the interest or annual proceeds thereof, for which they will procure the tuition, board, lodging, and washing for one beneficiary annually. In the latter case, for the \$60 per annum, while paid, they will procure the tuition, board, lodging, and washing for one beneficiary; it being understood that such beneficiaries, as well as others, are to labor on the Society's farm two hours every day, if required by the Executive Committee.

Article 10. That first annual meeting of the Society shall be held in Danville on the Monday after the first Wednesday in October 1828, 11 o'clock a.m. The Society shall afterwards meet on its own adjournments, and fifteen members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. Should not fifteen be present, those who may be present shall have power to adjourn from day to day until a quorum can be formed.

Article 11. Special meetings of the Society, of the Board of Directors, or of the Executive Committee, may be at any time called by their respective presidents or chairmen on the request of any three members of either body in writing.

Article 12. Alterations may be made in this constitution at any annual meeting of the Society, provided three fourths of the members present concur in a vote for the purpose.

The Officers, Directors, and Executive Committee of the Society at present are the following:

President

Honorable Benjamin Mills

Vice Presidents

Rev. James Blythe, D. D.

Rev. Archibald Cameron

Rev. Samuel Finley

Rev. Samuel Robertson

Rev. Gideon Blackburn, D. D.

Mr. William Hodge

Mr. Cyrus Walker

Rev. James K. Burch, Corresponding Secretary

David G. Cowan, Assistant Secretary

David A. Russel, Recording Secretary

Michael G. Youce, Treasurer

Directors

Rev. John R. Kerr

Eli Smith

Samuel K. Sneed

James C. Barnes

John McFarland

Andrew Todd

Thomas Cleland, D. D.

Nathan H. Hall

William Scott

Robert Stuart

William M. King

John Howe

Mr. Thomas T. Spillman

Thomas Porter Smith

Daniel F. Price

Benjamin F. Pleasants

William S. Vernon

Emanuel G. Byers

James Stonestreet

James J. Miles

Nathaniel Morton

Lewis W. Green

Samuel E. McElroy

Dr. Venable of Richmond

Executive Committee

Rev. James K. Burch

Rev. David Nelson

John Green, Esq.

Col. Joseph McDowell

Mr. Phineas G. Rice

James Barbour

Charles Henderson

Whereupon the Board came to the following resolution: we deem the object contemplated by said Society promotive of the interests of the College. Resolved unanimously that this Board accede to the request contained in said communication.

James J. Miles having resigned the stewardship of the Refectory, John A. Lapsly was chosen to fill that office, and Messrs. Green, Cowan, and Barbour were appointed a committee to draw up a contract with him.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville July 3, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present John Boyle, Chairman, John Green, James Barbour, David Nelson, David G. Cowan, William Miller, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, Ephraim McDowell.

The claim of Mr. John Tompkins for interest on the last payment \$2,000 Commonwealth paper due for the property purchased by the Trustees for the Asylum was taken up.

On motion, resolved that James Barbour, David G. Cowan, and William Miller be a committee to settle the controversy with Mr. Tompkins by referring the same to arbitration. But before said committee proceed with said arbitration they are directed to call upon and receive from Mr. Tompkins a proper deed of conveyance for the property purchased from him, in pursuance of the written contract entered into on the 28th January 1826. The power hereby conferred upon said committee shall extend only to the interest claimed by Mr. Tompkins on the \$2,000, the whole of the principal sum being paid.

Danville July 16, 1828

At a meeting of Trustees, present Benjamin Mills, John Green, James Barbour, Michael G. Youce, Charles Henderson, Joseph McDowell, David G. Cowan.

Mr. Benjamin Mills certificate of oath of office. Benjamin Mills appointed Chairman. A communication was received from Mr. Jacobs and acceded to. The sum not to exceed \$50.

Adjourned

July 17, 1828 7 o'clock

Board met, present Messrs. John Green, Ephraim McDowell, James Barbour, William Miller, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan, Ephraim McDowell. Chairman pro tem, David G. Cowan; Secretary pro tem, Thomas Nichols.

James Bush and Joshua Fry Bell, members of the Senior class, recommended for the degree of A.B. Resolved that the President confer said degree on those young gentlemen.

Ordered that Dr. Blackburn be allowed \$50 Commonwealth paper for the services of his black man as janitor of College for the last year.

Judge Mills took his seat.

Resolved that John Pope Trotter, A.B., receive the degree of M.A.

Resolved that the degree of Doctor of Divinity be conferred on the Rev. Jeremiah Chamberlain, president of the College of Louisiana, and the Rev. Robert Hardin of Tennessee.

The Board then adjourned.

Danville July 18, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Benjamin Mills, James Barbour, David Nelson, William Miller, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan. The chairman being absent, Benjamin Mills was appointed pro tem and David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

The Board proceeded to the appointment of the Standing Committee of Repairs: Youce, Henderson, and Miller. Collection of Debts: Green, McDowell, and Cowan. Apparatus, Library, etc.: Nelson, Barbour, and Ephraim McDowell.

Ordered that the Committee of Repairs cause a pavement of flagstones, not exceeding ten feet in breadth, to be made in front of the dormitories, and a like pavement of brick or flagstone in front of the Refectory.

Resolved that the Committee of Repairs be authorized to contract for improvements to be made in the near buildings of the Refectory, and also for the erection of a spring house to be paid for out of the accruing rents of the Refectory.

Resolved that the Treasurer address a letter to each drawer of the notes paid into his hands by Synod urging the payment of them at or before the meeting of Synod.

Ordered that the Committee of Repairs be authorized to cause gutters to be made at the College edifice [*Old Centre*], also to the Refectory.

Ordered that Messrs. Cowan and Barbour cause to be published a notice of the Commencement of the next session in the *Olive Branch*, *Luminary* at St. Louis, *Register* at Knoxville, *Focus* at Natches, Tuscaloosa.

Adjourned.

Centre College July 29, 1828

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, present Honorable John Boyle, Chairman, John Green, David G. Cowan, James Barbour, William Miller, Charles Henderson, Joseph McDowell, Michael G. Youce.

On motion of Mr. Green, ordered that the price of tuition be reduced to the following rates: \$24 per College year in the Preparatory Department and \$30 per College year in the Collegiate Department, which is required to be paid half yearly in advance.

Adjourned

Danville November 18, 1828

At a meeting of the Trustees of College, present Messrs. Joseph McDowell, John Green, Charles Henderson, James Barbour, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan. McDowell, Chairman pro tem; David G. Cowan, Secretary pro tem.

Ordered that the Treasurer refund to the representative of John C. Martin, deceased, the funds paid in advance for his tuition in College.

Resolved that David Nelson and David G. Cowan be a committee to visit the College, attend to the recitations of the classes at least once in each month, and report to the Board from time to time.

Ordered that James Barbour and David G. Cowan be a committee to complete the contract with D. B. F. Cochrane upon the best terms they can.

Resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to lend to John A. Lapsley \$600, and to William Munford \$400, to be repaid on or before the 1st of July 1829 with interest at 6 percent, with securities as the Treasurer and Mr. Henderson shall approve, not less than two in each case.

Ordered that David G. Cowan and James Barbour be a committee to correspond with Richard C. Allin, agent of the Asylum, and give him the necessary instructions as to his proceedings.

Ordered that Messrs. Green, Barbour, and Cowan be a committee to prepare report to the Legislature [*Kentucky General Assembly*].

Ordered that Mr. Green be authorized to draw from Bank of Kentucky dividends due on two shares of stock.

Adjourned.

David G. Cowan

Danville April 28, 1829

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. Boyle, Green, Miller, Henderson, Youce, Cowan.

Resolved that Daniel Brown of Greensburg be appointed steward of the Refectory to succeed Mr. Lapsley, who wishes to decline after the end of the present session, and that Messrs. Green, Cowan and Henderson be a committee to notify Mr. Brown of his appointment and make all necessary arrangements with him, and close the accounts of the Board with Mr. Lapsley.

Messrs. Barbour and Miller a committee to ascertain and inquire into the expediency of building more dormitories, and to have power to contract for the building if they deem it necessary.

The Board adjourned.

Danville July 16, 1829

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College of Kentucky, present Messrs. Miller, Ephraim McDowell, Michael G. Youce, Charles Henderson, James Barbour, John Green.

A communication was received from the President of Centre College recommending the following students as entitled to the degree of A.B. under the authority of this Board, viz. Robert Grundy, Joshua Fry Rout, Robert Todd Stewart, George Robertson McKee, and John N. Allin.

Therefore resolved unanimously by the members present that the degree of A.B. be conferred upon said Grundy, Rout, McKee, Stewart, and Allin.

Adjourned till Tuesday next.

Danville September 26, 1829

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. Mills, Green, Nelson, Henderson, Youce, Cowan, Barbour, Joseph McDowell, Miller. Mr. Mills in the Chair, David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

Resolved that a committee of Benjamin Mills and David G. Cowan be appointed to wait upon Synod to settle and adjust the accounts of this Board with them and to receive any payments made to the Board.

Adjourned.

Danville October 7, 1829

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present John Green, Ephraim McDowell, Joseph McDowell, James Barbour, David Nelson, Michael G. Youce, David G. Cowan. Ephraim McDowell Chairman and David G. Cowan Secretary.

James Barbour, Treasurer, made a detailed report of the state of our accounts with Synod which was unanimously approved and ordered to be filed.

Resolved that Messrs. Cowan and Green be a committee to prepare an address to be sent to the executives of the states in the valley of Mississippi and the Carolinas and Georgia with a request to lay the same before the respective legislatures thereof, and to invite them to make provision by law for the support of their indigent deaf and dumb at this institution.

Adjourned

Danville December 1, 1829

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Messrs. John Green, Barbour, Henderson, Youce, Cowan.

And James C. Barnes and Lewis W. Green, which latter gentlemen having been duly elected by the Synod of Kentucky as trustees as appears by the certificate of the Clerk's of that body, and the said Barnes and Green having severally taken the oath of office before David G. Cowan, Esq., Justice of the Peace for Mercer County, took their seats as members. Which certificate*

The seat of Chairman being vacant by the resignation of the Honorable John Boyle, the Honorable Benjamin Mills was unanimously chosen Chairman of the Board. Mr. Barnes was then appointed Chairman pro tem and David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

A communication was received from the Faculty in relation to the application of sundry students to board elsewhere than in the Refectory, whereupon the Board came to the following resolution:

*Synod of Kentucky, Paris, October 16, 1829. We, David G. Cowan and Carr B. Bailey, Clerks of the Synod of Kentucky, do certify that on this 16 day of October 1829 Lewis W. Green, Esq., Rev. Thomas Cleland, and the Rev.

James Barnes were by said Synod duly appointed Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky in the room of John Boyle and William Miller and Ephraim McDowell whose seats had been previously vacated.

David G. Cowan, Carr B. Bailey

Whereas it was on the 16th day of April 1826 resolved that all students thereafter entering College residing at a distance from Danville be required to board in the Refectory, unless permitted by the Faculty to board elsewhere, which resolution is in full force, therefore be it resolved that this Board will not take cognizance of the present application, but remit it to the Faculty for their decision as in other cases.

Resolved further that the President be required to assure the students that the Trustees will cause the steward to furnish at all times a sufficient supply of good wholesome food properly prepared and in sufficient variety.

The Rev. Dewey Whitney was appointed solicitor of this Board to solicit donations for the theological department in Centre College and the Education Society.

Adjourned

Danville December 30, 1829

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. Joseph McDowell, John Green, Lewis W. Green, Charles Henderson, Michael G. Youce, James Barbour, David G. Cowan, James C. Barnes. Joseph McDowell Chairman pro tem, David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

Ordered that Messrs. Green, Barbour, and Cowan be a committee to prepare and forward to Congress a petition praying for further time to make sale of lands and manage the application.

A letter was received from the Rev. John Hudson, Stated Clerk of the Synod of Kentucky, enclosing a copy of the constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of Kentucky, and requesting this Board to adopt the same. Whereupon it was resolved that this Board do sanction and adopt the same, and it is hereby sanctioned and adopted as a compact between the Synod of Kentucky and the Board of Trustees of Centre College. Which compact or constitution is in the words and figures following, that is to say:

Plan for the Theological Seminary of the Synod of Kentucky.

Section 1. The design of the Seminary

It is the design of Synod to provide for the

[The plan is incomplete. The following page of the minute book is blank, followed by a list of graduates, and minutes of the March 30, 1830 meeting]

[The following list of graduates was inserted in the minute book between the meetings for December 30, 1829, and March 30, 1830.]

	Graduates	President Chamberlain	Professions
1824	Lewis W. Green John P. Trotter		Minister Minister
1825	Charles McDowell Pendleton Bryant		Agriculture Agriculture
1826	John T. Stuart Asbury Coffee		Law Law
1827	Jacob W. Price David W. McCaleb Sidney S. McRoberts William D. Jones George G. McAfee	President Proctor	Ministry Agriculture Ministry Ministry Ministry
1828	Thomas C. Nichols Joshua F. Bell	President Blackburn	Professor Centre College Law
1829	Robert C. Grundy Joshua Rout Robert T. Stuart George R. McKee John W. Allen		Ministry Law Law Law Ministry
1830	Henry J. Venable Sidney Cleland William B. Rice John G. Miller William T. Allen William W. Hall		Ministry Ministry Ministry Law Ministry Ministry
1831	William M. Dickey Caleb McDowell	Preident Young	Agriculture Agriculture
1832	Henry G. Comingo William Y. Allen David D. McKee Joseph J. Bullock David I. Caldwell		Ministry Ministry Ministry Ministry
1833	John B. Huston John Lyle John Stonestreet Lewis Mason George Fishback John Price		Law Ministry Ministry Law Agriculture Law
1833	Whitfield McElroy Frank Saylor William Preston		Ministry Engineer Ministry
1834	James Bemiss Joseph Platt Charles H. Rochester Beriah McGoffin		Medicine Ministry Agriculture Law

	Warwick Tunstall	Law
1835	William Tod	Law
	Samuel Woodson	Law
	Thomas W. Fry	Medicine
	Willilliam W. Hill	Ministry
	John Montgomery	Ministry
	Ormond Beatty	Professor Centre College
1836	Thomas Todd	Medicine
	John C. Bayless	Ministry
	Daniel B. Railey	Law
1837	Lewis Thompson	Ministry
	Ezekiel Forman	Ministry
	James Barbour	Law
	Samuel D. Burchard	Ministry
	Aaron A. Hogue	Ministry
	James Baldwin	Law
	William Alexander	Law
	Robert McCown	Ministry
	Robert T. Johnston	Law
	Willilliam Robards	Law
	James Graham	Professpr Preparatory
1838	Andrew Allison	Ministry
	Thomas H. Cleland	Ministry
	William J. Morton	Medicine
	David M. Irwin	Medicine
	James S. Irwin	Law
	Robert A. Johnstone	Ministry
	John L. Williamson	Teacher
	Thomas D. Lea	Ministry
	Samuel H. Stevenson	Teacher
1838	Andrew Allison	Ministry
	Thos. H. Cleland	Ministry
	Will J. Morton	Medicine
	David M. Irwin	Medicine
	James S. Irwin	Law
	Robt. A. Johnstone	Ministry
	John L. Williamson	Teacher
	Thos. D. Lea	Ministry
	Samuel H. Stevenson	Teacher
	Ambrose Barbour	Law
	John C. Breckinridge	Law
	Eugene Underwood	Law
	Samuel R. Bullock	Law
	John C. Richardson	Law
1840	William Alexander	Law
	Daniel Breck	Law

	William L. Martin	Law
	Thomas H. Cleland	Ministry
	Lyman Crittenden	Ministry
	Presley Ewing	Law
	John D. Meek	Ministry
	John R. Parkhill	Law
	Thomas Turner	Law
	James Weir	Law
	Joseph Wallace	Ministry
	Robert C. Wickliffe	Law
	James D. Elder	Teacher
	Thomas D. Telford	Law
	Richard J. Brown	Law
	Michael Myer	Medicine
1841	Warren Burgess	Teacher
	Robt. H. Crittenden	Law
	Will Elder	Teacher
	Hugh F. Ervin	Law
	Brice G. Fields	Ministry
	James A. Gaither	Law
	Eli. R. McCall	Law
	A.S. Mitchell	Law
	M. Branch Price	Ministry
	John M. Sharp	Law
	R.C. White	Merchant.
	R.C. Wintersmith	Law
	Henry C. Wood	Law
1842	James R. Alexander	Law
	Daniel D. Atchison	Law
	John C. Bullitt	Law
	Richard H. Collins	Editor
	Loman P. Hawes	Ministry
	Joseph Helm	Law
	Isham Henderson	Law
	Thomas Martin	Law
	John McGoffin	Medicine
	Robert M. Moore	Law
	JohnOwsley	Law
	Henry D. Small	Law
	James E. Thompson	Ministry
	Andrew J. Dunlap	Agriculture
1843	Samuel G. Baird	Ministry
	John A. Boyle	Ministry
	Nat. S. Brooks	Law
	Cahrles D. Carr	Law
	Sam. B. Cheek	Ministry
	Lewis E. Harvie	Law

Llewelyn Harvie	Law
Will Huston	Merchant
Jo. Lewis	Law
Jo. A. McClarty	-
Will L. McKnight	Merchant
Nicholas S. Ray	Law
W.W. Rice	Law
Robert Rodes	-
Sol. L. Sharp	Law
Will Short	Agriculture
Thos. Taylor	Law
I.R. Thompson	-
Elisha Warfield	Law
Geo. R.C. Tod	
Will H. Woods	
John J. Hickman	

Danville March 30, 1830

Trustees of Centre College. At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. McDowell, John Green, Barbour, Youce, Henderson, Lewis W. Green, Cowan. Joseph McDowell President pro tem, David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

Mr. John Green moved the following resolution:

Resolved that from and after the next College Commencement the salaries of the President and faculty of College shall be as follows: the salary of the President \$1,000, the salary of the professor of mathematics \$750, and the salary of the professor of languages \$750 dollars per annum, all in specie.

Ordered that the further consideration of said resolution be postponed for the present.

Mr. John Green offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved that the President of Centre College be requested to establish a Bible class in College which shall be attended by all the students, including the Preparatory Department, on the Sabbath day. Provided that any student may be excused from giving such attendance on the request of his parent or guardian or for other good cause, and providing that nothing herein shall be construed to dispense with a regular attendance in public worship as heretofore.

Resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to loan to William Ball \$800 upon his note with good security to be approved by him for the term of twelve months, of the funds of the Asylum.

Messrs. Henderson and Youce are appointed a committee to enquire the payments of tuition fees.

Adjourned till Saturday next 9 o'clock

Danville April 3, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Joseph McDowell, Chairman pro tem, John Green, Barbour, Youce, Henderson, Cowan, Lewis W. Green.

Ordered that Messrs. Cowan, Joseph Green, and Barbour revise the orders and resolutions in relation to boarding in the Refectory and report.

Adjourned to 21st. And the Clerk is hereby directed to notify distant and absent members.

Adjourned

Danville April 21, 1830

At an adjourned meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College, present Messrs. Cleland, Barnes, John Green, Lewis W. Green, Youce, Henderson, McDowell, Cowan.

A letter from the Honorable Benjamin Mills was received.

Ordered that the consideration of the resolution offered by Mr. John Green at a meeting of this Board on the 30th March last in relation to the salaries of the President and professors be postponed until Wednesday the 19th May next. Ordered that Messrs. Mills and Nelson be notified of it.

Mr. John Green moved the following resolution:

Resolved by the Board of Trustees of Centre College that the President be and he is hereby required to establish and superintend from and after the Commencement of the next session a Bible class in College, which shall be attended by all the students, including the Preparatory Department, on the Sabbath Day. Provided that any student may be excused from such attendance on the request of his parent or guardian, or for other good cause to be judged of by the President, and provided also that nothing herein contained shall be construed to dispense with a regular attendance on public worship, as heretofore. The President, in case of necessary absence, may employ a competent minister to perform the duty.

On motion, ordered that the consideration of said resolution be postponed until the 19th May next. And the yeas and nays being required thereon they were as follows: yeas - Messrs. Cleland, McDowell, Henderson, Youce, and Cowan; nays - Messrs. Barnes, John Green, and Lewis W. Green.

Ordered that Messrs. Youce, Henderson, and Barbour be a Committee of Repairs.

Ordered that Messrs. John Green, McDowell, and Cowan be a committee to superintend the collection of debts.

Ordered that Messrs. Cowan, Lewis W. Green, and Youce be a committee on the library.

Resolved that the librarian be allowed \$30 as a yearly compensation for his services to be paid out of library fees.

The members of the Blackburn Literary Society are permitted to use the southwest room in the lower story of the College edifice *[Old Centre]* until directed otherwise.

Resolved that the Faculty attend to all matters of complaint concerning the Refectory, and investigate and act upon the same.

Resolved that Lewis W. Green and David G. Cowan be a committee to procure a suitable copper plate engraving for diplomas for graduates.

Adjourned

Danville May 19, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College, present Messrs. Barnes, Cleland, John Green, Lewis W. Green, Barbour, Henderson, Youce, Cowan. Mr. Barnes Chairman pro tem and David G. Cowan Secretary pro tem.

Ordered that the gentlemen of Synod be invited to attend examinations in the College and the Commencement.

The Board were informed that the present steward Mr. Brown intended resigning at the close of the present session. Ordered that Messrs. Barbour, Henderson, and Youce be a committee to procure a successor.

The resolution concerning the salaries of the President and professors was taken up and amended so as to take effect the 20th day of November next. It was then moved that the further consideration of said resolution be postponed until the 1st day of November next and negatived. The said resolution was then adopted by the following vote: yeas - Messrs. Barnes, Youce, Lewis W. Green, Barbour, and John Green; nays - Messrs. Cowan and Henderson. Mr. Cleland was excused from voting.

The resolution offered by Mr. Green on the 21st April last requiring the President of College to establish and superintend a Bible class in the College was called up for consideration and adopted. The yeas and nays being required thereon by Mr. John Green were as follows: yeas - Messrs. Barnes, John Green, Barbour, Lewis W. Green, Youce, Cleland, and Cowan. Mr. Henderson was excused from voting.

Mr. Henderson resigned his seat as a member of this Board.

A communication from F. Yeiser was read, and resolved that this Board does not conceive itself authorized to remit any subscription.

Resolved that Messrs. Cowan, Youce, and John Green be a committee of advice who with the Treasurer shall be authorized to make loans of the funds of the Asylum, a majority to concur in making a loan.

Phineas G. Rice was unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Charles Henderson.

Lewis W. Green is appointed a member of the committee to superintend the Asylum.

Danville June 3, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College, present Messrs. Mills, Chairman, McDowell, Barbour, Youce, John Green, Lewis W. Green, Cowan, Barnes.

A letter addressed to David G. Cowan and John Green from the Honorable John Kincaid enclosing a copy of an act of the Congress of the United States giving to the Trustees of this institution, who are also trustees of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, the further period of five years from and after the 5th day of April 1831, to dispose of the lands heretofore granted to the Asylum by a former act of Congress. Mr. Cowan offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted. Resolved that the thanks of this Board be tendered to the Honorable John Kincaid for his efficient attention to the interests of the Asylum at the late Session of Congress.

Ordered that the Secretary transmit a copy of the above resolution to Mr. Kincaid.

Mr. Barbour moved that the resolution adopted on the 19th May in relation to the salaries of the President and professors be reconsidered, and on the question of reconsideration the same was negatived.

The Board adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock am

Danville June 4, 1830

The Board met according to adjournment, present Messrs. Mills, Cowan, Barnes, Barbour, John Green, Lewis W. Green, Youce.

Mr. John Green resigned his seat and Charles Henderson was duly chosen unanimously in his place.

Danville July 1, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Benjamin Mills, David G. Cowan, Charles Henderson, Phineas G. Rice.

The two latter having taken the oath of office as trustees before David G. Cowan, Esq., Justice of the Peace for Mercer County, took their seats as members and the Board was then duly constituted, opened with prayer by Mr. *[illegible word]*.

Rev. David Nelson, having vacated his seat as a member of the Board, the Rev. John D. Paxton was unanimously chosen to fill the vacancy. The Rev. John D. Paxton appeared, was duly qualified before David G. Cowan, Esq., Justice of the Peace for Mercer County, and took his seat as a member.

Resolved that Alexander W. Campbell, licentiate of West Lexington, be commissioned a solicitor for the College in the Eastern and Northern States, the Board not to be bound for any compensation unless out of the collections.

Present Joseph McDowell

Resolved that D. B. F. Cochran be appointed steward of the Refectory, and that Messrs. Cowan, Henderson, and Youce draw up and execute on behalf of the Board a contract according to his written proposals and verbal explanations.

Adjourned till 8 o'clock a.m. Closed with prayer.

Danville July 2, 1830

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. Mills, Barbour, McDowell, Paxton, Youce, Henderson, Cowan, Proctor. Constituted with prayer.

Whereas an application to the Board by Vivian W. Edwards for the degree of A.B., and it appears he was formerly a student of this institution and regular in his standing in the Senior class, but left this before the last Commencement and became a student in Transylvania University, where it is represented he has since continued in regular standing, and where it is expected he can graduate in September next. But he has not stood a regular public examination here previous to this Commencement, nor is he regularly recommended as candidate by the faculty of this institution, and on consideration of his case it is resolved that under these circumstances it is inexpedient to grant the degree aforesaid at this time.

Resolved that in pursuance of the recommendation of the Faculty the degree of A.B. be conferred on Henry J. Venable, Sydney Clelland, William B. Rice, John G. Miller, William T. Allin, and William W. Hall.

It was moved that the vote heretofore taken adopting the plan and constitution of a theological seminary be reconsidered, and it was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, to wit: ayes: Messrs. Mills, Paxton, McDowell, Youce, Henderson, Cowan; nay - Mr. Green. Non: Mr. Barbour. And it was then moved that said plan and constitution be adopted and ratified except so much of the last paragraph as reserves to the Synod of Kentucky the exclusive right to appoint the Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, and that it be recommended to Synod so to amend said paragraph as to permit any Synod in the Valley of the Mississippi, who shall first provide the funds to endow a professorship by paying or securing with its interest the sum of \$20,000, to nominate a professor to any professorship that may then be vacated, and such provision we conceive would better comport with the charter of this institution. Which motion was adopted.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted, to wit: resolved that the Rev. Gideon Blackburn, D.D., President of this College, be appointed as a missionary during the present vacation of College for the purpose of soliciting donations further for the College proper, or the education or for the theological department, and enlisting public sentiment on these subjects, and that he act either in this or the Southern states and that commissions issue in each case accordingly.

Mr. Cowan offered a resolution, which was laid over for consideration.

Danville September 22, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College, present Messrs. Paxton, Chairman pro tem, Cowan, Secretary pro tem, Barbour, Henderson, McDowell, Youce, Rice. Constituted with prayer.

On the application of Lewis W. Green, A.B., of this College, resolved unanimously that the degree of Master of Arts be conferred upon him, he having received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the year 1825.

Resolved that David G. Cowan, James Barbour, and Charles Henderson be a committee to confer with Mr. Kerr and Mr. Jacobs upon the subject of procuring and qualifying a suitable person as an additional teacher in the Asylum, and make report to the next meeting of the Board.

David G. Cowan, Secretary pro tem

Danville October 7, 1830

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Barnes, McDowell, Paxton, Henderson, Youce, Cowan. Opened with prayer

Resolved that William D. Kerr be appointed assistant teacher in the Asylum according to the terms reported by the committee on that subject, and that said committee reduce the contract with Jonathan R. and William Kerr to writing and report to the Board, and it is further ordered that Mr. Jacobs use his best endeavors to instruct and qualify Mr. William D. Kerr as a teacher of the deaf and dumb.

The resignation of Mr. Lewis W. Green was received and accepted.

Frankfort October 16, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College, present Messrs. Mills, Chairman, Cleland, Barnes, Paxton, McDowell, Cowan. The Board proceeded to fill the vacancy of Mr. Lewis W. Green when Mr. Robert Russel was duly chosen.

Ordered that Mr. Thomas T. Skillman's account of \$10 be paid.

David G. Cowan, Secretary pro tem

Danville October 26, 1830

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, present Messrs. James Barbour, Joseph McDowell, Charles Henderson, David G. Cowan, Michael G. Youce, Phineas G. Rice. McDowell Chairman pro tem, Cowan Secretary pro tem.

John Green, Esq., produced the following certificate of his appointment as a trustee of the Board:

Frankfort October 18, 1830

We, David G. Cowan and Luke Munsell, Clerks of the Synod of Kentucky, do certify that on this day John Green, Esq., was by a vote of Synod duly chosen a trustee of the Centre College of Kentucky in the place of Robert Russel.

David G. Cowan, Luke Munsell, Clerks of Synod

And thereupon took the oath of office before David G. Cowan, a Justice of the Peace of Mercer County, and took his seat as a Trustee.

The Rev. Gideon Blackburn, D.D., President of the College, appeared and in a friendly conference intimated his wish to dissolve the connection existing between him and the Board, and it was mutually agreed that on Thursday evening next he would surrender the keys of the College with his charge to such committee as might be appointed to receive it. Ordered that David G. Cowan be that committee.

Resolved that in thus dissolving the connection which has existed for three years with Dr. Blackburn, this Board feel it due to him to say that he has faithfully discharged his duties, and has zealously and ardently, by all the

means in his power, devoted his time and talents to build up our infant institution, and his efforts entitle him to our thanks.

The Board proceeded to the election of a successor to Dr. Blackburn when the Rev. John C. Young of Lexington was unanimously chosen President pro tem, a sufficient number of members not being present in the Board to make a permanent appointment. Ordered that he be notified thereof.

Resolved that the Rev. Gideon Blackburn, D.D., be commissioned as agent on behalf of this Board to compromise claims of heirs in relation to John W. Hundley's will on such terms as he may deem proper, subject to ratification by this Board, within one month.

Resolved that any expenses incurred by Dr. Blackburn, or others, in relation John W. Hundley's will be paid by this Board.

Resolved that Robert A. Lapsley be and he is hereby appointed agent [to] collect subscriptions and solicit donations, which when paid may be applied as a credit upon his note to this Board.

Resolved that Messrs. McDowell and Youce be a committee to wait upon and request the Rev. John D. Paxton to perform the duties of president of the College ad interim.

November 3, 1830

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Cleland, Chairman pro tem, Rice, Secretary pro tem, Barnes, Green, McDowell, Youce, Henderson, Cowan.

Resolved unanimously that the appointment heretofore made of the Rev. John C. Young as President pro tem be now made permanent.

Application John Nichols for payment of \$25 for galvanic battery postponed for consideration.

Also of students for refunding monies to those wishing to leave College postponed.

Danville November 16, 1830

Trustees met. Present Messrs. McDowell, Green, Henderson, Rice, Cowan.

Messrs. Green, Henderson, Cowan, and Barbour are appointed to meet the committee of Synod appointed to inquire into the state of the funds of College, etc.

Adjourned till tomorrow.

November 17, 1830

Present in addition, Messrs. Mills, Chairman, and Barnes.

Resolved that an English instructor ought to be attached to the Preparatory Department.

Resolved that Messrs. Barbour and Rice be a committee to arrange the course of study to be pursued under said instructor and report to the Board at its next meeting.

Resolved that Messrs. Green and Cowan be a committee to request from Rev. John C. Young a copy of his inaugural address this day delivered, and cause the same to be published. Messrs. Barnes and Cowan a committee to superintend inauguration of the President.

Benjamin Mills, Esq., Chairman of this Board, having assigned his reasons therefore, resigned his seat as Chairman and as a member of the Board.

The Board proceeded to the choice of a successor in the Chair when the Rev. James C. Barnes was duly appointed.

Adjourned till tomorrow.

November 18, 1830

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Barbour, in the Chair, Green, Henderson, Youce, Rice, Cowan, McDowell.

The case of Charles Bedford, referred to the Board by the Faculty, was taken up, and Mr. Bedford being heard before the Board and alleging that he was absent and ignorant of the statutes of College in relation to boarding in the Refectory, and after due consideration thereupon, resolved that said Bedford be allowed till Monday next to resume his boarding at the Refectory, and unless he complies he stands dismissed from College on that day.

Adjourned.

[No date shown]

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Green, Henderson, McDowell, Youce, Barbour, Cowan.

Treasurer authorized to refund to Christopher P. Jones fees, on account of his inability from ill health to prosecute studies, on producing regular dismissal from the Faculty.

January 24, 1831

Trustees met. Constituted with prayer. Messrs. McDowell, in the Chair, Cowan, Secretary pro tem, Green, Barbour, Youce, Rice.

Ordered that \$50 paid by John Green for expenses of removal of John C. Young, President, be refunded to him.

Resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky that the period of instruction or College year shall consist of 43 weeks, and be divided into two sessions, to be designated the Winter Session and the Summer Session. The Winter Session shall commence on the third Wednesday in October and continue for twenty-two weeks. And the Summer Session shall commence on the fourth Wednesday in April and continue for twenty-one weeks. The close of the Summer Session shall be the end of the College year and the stated time of conferring degrees. The close of the present session shall be the last Wednesday in March next. And as by this regulation the present session is curtailed to seven tenths of the College year, it is ordered that tuition fees for that length of time only shall be required of the students.

February 9, 1831

Trustees met. Present Messrs. McDowell, in the Chair, Green, Barbour, Youce, Rice, Cowan, Secretary pro tem.

James Harlan, Esq., is appointed the attorney of the Board for all suits in Mercer County.

Ordered that Messrs. Green, Cowan, and Barbour be a committee to employ counsel and manage the defense of the suit in Jefferson [County] against John W. Hundley's will, as they may deem most advantageous.

Ordered that the same committee cause publication of Commencement.

February 18, 1831

Trustees met. Present Messrs. McDowell, in the Chair, Cowan, Secretary pro tem, Green, Barbour, Rice, Youce.

Resignation of William R. Thompson as Professor of Languages was accepted.

Ordered that Messrs. Cowan and Barbour be a committee to express to Mr. Thompson the sentiments of the Board in relation to the dissolution of his connection with the Board, and request him to continue his services to the close of the present session.

The resignation of Charles Henderson as a member of this Board heretofore presented is now accepted, and thereupon the Board proceeded to fill his vacant seat in the unanimous choice of the Rev. John D. Paxton, and by a vote the Honorable John Boyle was chosen to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Honorable Benjamin Mills.

Resolved that the Rev. John J. Pierce be elected Professor of Languages at a salary of \$750 per annum, two thirds of the whole Board being present.

Adjourned.

Danville March 22, 1831

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Centre College, present Rev. James Barnes, Chairman, Joseph McDowell, James Barbour, Michael G. Youce, John Green.

Robert J. Breckinridge, a trustee elect, appeared and having taken the oath of office took his seat as a member of the Board.

The Board took into consideration the propriety of appointing the Rev. R. A. Lapsley as a travelling agent and collector for the College. Whereupon it was resolved that he be employed as an agent for this institution on the terms contained in the proposals of the 9th of March 1831. (Which see)

A letter was received from the Rev. Gideon Blackburn proposing to submit to arbitration certain matters of difference between him and the Treasurer of the Board respecting a part of his account, whereupon it was ordered that the Clerk of the Board be directed to request Mr. Charles Henderson, the agent of Dr. Blackburn, to file with the Board his account with such vouchers and other evidence as he may rely on to sustain the same, and that the

Treasurer lay before the Board an account of all monies he has paid Dr. Blackburn and such set offs as he may think he has a right to claim.

June 4, 1831

The Trustees met. Present Messrs. Green, Chairman, McDowell, Barbour, Youce, Cowan, Rice.

Mr. Cleland's resignation of date of 14th May last accepted. James K. Burch elected trustee in place of Charles Henderson. Robert Russel elected in place of John Boyle refused service. Adjourned till Wednesday 8 o'clock.

June 8, 1831

Board met. Present John Green, McDowell, Youce, Cowan, Trustees. James K. Burch and Robert Rusell, Trustees elect, who being duly affirmed before David G. Cowan, Justice of the Peace for Mercer County, took their seats as members. Present Messrs. McDowell, Barbour, Rice, Col. McDowell in the Chair

Letter from John A. Jacobs - salary raised to \$750 to commence 20th November 1830, not at liberty to cancel. Resolved as opinion of the Board that Mr. Jacobs ought without hesitation to give instructions to any person in the Asylum whom the Board may choose to place there for the purpose.

Whereas the committee have not heretofore reported according to order a contract with Mr. Kerr and William D. Kerr, and whereas Mr. Kerr is not yet able to perform full duty, resolved as the opinion of this Board that said contract should contain a stipulation that Mr. Kerr should board William D. Kerr and that William D. Kerr shall receive for clothing \$100 per annum, and that Mr. Henderson having resigned, Mr. Green is added to said committee.

Messrs. Burch, Green, and Cowan committee on publication with power to print, also to draft a code of bylaws.

Agreed with Fleece and Weisiger at \$30 per annum commencing January 1, 1831.

July 19, 1831

The Trustees met, present Messrs. Burch, Chairman, David G. Cowan, Clerk pro tem, Barbour, McDowell, Youce, and Green

Case of Mr. Mullins taken up, his letter read and consideration postponed. Resolved that Mr. McNickel's application for retaining fees be rejected.

Mr. Green added to the committee of correspondence with Colonel Allin, and give such instructions as may be deemed proper.

Ordered that Messrs. Burch, Cowan, and McDowell be a committee to communicate with Mr. Pierce and call his attention to the subjects of reports.

Ordered that Mr. Jacobs be authorized to visit the legislature of Tennessee to engage them to send their pupils to this Asylum.

That Messrs. Burch, Youce, and Russel be added to the committee of the Asylum with full power to contract, build, etc.

That Mr. Burch be added to library committee, and that the committee be authorized to cause a room to be fitted up for the philosophical apparatus.

Resolved that it be recommended to the faculty and teachers in the Preparatory Department to arrange the classes in the department so that a separation into different rooms may take place, and from the College edifice. They may use the old church or any of the dormitories.

July 27, 1831

Regular meeting. Board met. Present Messrs. Burch, Chairman pro tem, David G. Cowan, Secretary pro tem, Green, McDowell, Barbour, Rice, Russel, Youce. Constituted with prayer.

The committee appointed to communicate with Mr. Pierce reported a compliance with the duty and a letter of resignation from Mr. Pierce which was unanimously accepted to take affect at the end of the present session.

June 29, 1831

Board met. Present Messrs. Burch, Green, Barbour, Russel, Youce, Cowan. Barbour, Chairman, Cowan, Secretary pro tem. Opened by prayer by Mr. Burch.

Resolved that Burch, Cowan, and the President be a committee to revise statutes and report.

The application Deaderich to have tuition refunded rejected. Ditto John M. Sharp on avowal of leaving for ill health consideration postponed. Robert Russel appointed to the Committee of Repairs in the place of Charles Henderson. Resolved that Burch, Green, and Youce be a committee to report on Refectory. Ordered that the President be added to the committee to procure a plate for a diploma. Messrs. Barbour and Cowan a committee for building at Asylum to report Friday morning.

August 6, 1831

Board met. Present Barnes, Chairman, Burch, Green, McDowell, Barbour, Youce, Russel, Rice, Cowan, Secretary pro tem. Opened with prayer by Mr. Barnes.

Resolved unanimously that the Rev. David H. Riddle of Blanchester, Virginia, be and he is hereby appointed Professor of Latin and Hebrew. Resolved Lewis W. Green and he hereby is appointed Professor of the Greek Language. Mr. Green and Barbour declined voting, Mr. Barbour by letter. The salaries of the above officers be \$750 per annum payable quarterly. Charles Henderson elected trustee in place of Thomas Cleland.

September 22, 1831

Board met. Present Burch, Chairman pro tem, Barbour, Youce, Cowan, Russel, Charles Henderson, the latter having heretofore been qualified before David G. Cowan, Justice of the Peace. Constituted with prayer by prayer. Present Joseph M. McDowell

Ordered that William M. Dickey and Caleb H. McDowell being recommended by the Faculty receive the degree of A.B.

Ordered that the degree of A.B. be conferred on Greenbury D. Murphy, late of this College. Ordered that Thomas Nichols, Joshua F. Bell, James M. Bush, William D. Jones, and Robert C. Grundy are alumni of this institution. Mr. Cochran proposal to leave Refectory agreed to. Henderson and Cowan a committee to settle with D.B.F. Cochran. Resolved Burch, Green, and Cowan be a committee to request a copy of Mr. Young's address for publication. Mr. Young to have the Refectory building, garden, and etc. at the rent of \$27, and at liberty to make any repairs he may think proper. President and David G. Cowan are appointed a committee for publication.

Concluded by prayer.

September 24, 1831

Board met. Present Messrs. Burch, President pro tem, Green, McDowell, Barbour, Henderson, Youce, Russel, Cowan. Constituted with prayer.

Mr. Jacobs' accounts under consideration.

Opinion of the Board that the boarding account is in Commonwealth and not specie.

Resolved that the Secretary close Mr. Jacobs' account up to 20th of August 1831 as per account rendered for the balance due him. Resolved further that the Treasurer be authorized to loan to Mr. Jacobs any sum not more than \$200 upon the same terms as the Board have heretofore made loans. Resolved that Mr. Pierce be allowed \$312.50 as salary and \$50 for traveling expenses.

October 13, 1831

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Barnes, Burch, Green, Barbour, Breckinridge, Youce, Russel, Cowan, Henderson. Opened by prayer.

Adjourned till 12 noon.

September 28, 1831

Stated meeting. Present Messrs. Burch, Chairman pro tem, Green, Russel, Barbour, Henderson, Youce, Cowan.

Subject of Mr. Pierce's compensation recommended, and resolved that the Treasurer pay to Mr. Pierce the sum of \$400 in full. Mr. Russel committee to make a flagway in College campus. Course of studies reported and approved. Resolved that Mr. Nichols' salary be \$400 from and after Commencement of next session. Ordered that Messrs. Rice and Cowan be a committee to procure 4 stoves with pipe for the use of College.

October 14, 1831

Trustees met. *[Present]* Burch, Green, Henderson, Youce, Breckinridge, Cowan.

Cowan and Henderson appointed to settle and audit the Treasurer's account and report. Green and Cowan to make reports of new members to Synod.

October 22, 1831

At a meeting of the Trustees of Centre College of Kentucky, present John Green, James Barbour, Trustees, David G. Cowan, Michael G. Youce, Charles Henderson, Thomas G. Rice, Trustees elect by the Synod

When the following compact was produced, to wit

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Also the following was produced of the Clerks of the Synod, to wit.

And thereupon Thomas G. Rice, Michael G. Youce, and Charles Henderson took the oath of office prescribed by the charter, and James K. Burch affirmed as such before David G. Cowan, Esq., Justice of the Peace of Mercer County, and David G. Cowan took the oath of office before Michael G. Youce, a Justice of the Peace for said county, whereupon James K. Burch, Chairman pro tem and David G. Cowan, Secretary.

The following classification of the Trustees pursuant to the charter was then produced and concurred in, to wit.

Resolution - (Mullins) adopted -

A communication proposing certain questions was received from John J. Pierce, whereupon resolved that the Clerk transmit to Mr. Pierce a copy of the resolution of the Board of the 28th September last.

Resolved, no tuition fees refunded.

Dormitories may be rented at \$5 per session.

Adjourned

November 19, 1831

Trustees met, constituted with prayer. Present Messers. Burch, Chairman, Green, Youce, Barbour, Henderson, Rice, Cowan.

Cowan a committee to settle Mr. Polk's account for printing and draw on Treasurer.

David Riddle's resignation is accepted unanimously. Rev. William L. Breckinridge is elected Professor of Languages pro tem at a salary of \$750 per annum to commence on the day of entering on his duties.

Ordered that Charles Henderson settle the account of Joshua Nichols and draw upon the Treasurer.

Adjourned and concluded with prayer.

November 30, 1831

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Burch, Green, Barbour, Rice, Youce, Henderson, Cowan, Joseph M. McDowell, Trustee elect. Joseph McDowell took the oath of office before David G. Cowan, Justice of the Peace, Mercer County. Constituted with prayer. Mr. Burch, Chairman pro tem, David G. Cowan, Clerk pro tem.

William L. Breckinridge appointed Professor of Languages at \$750. Henderson, Green, and Cowan Committee to confer in relation to purchase of grounds near College.

Danville January 28, 1832

Trustees met. Present Messrs. Burch, Green, Barbour, McDowell, Cowan, Henderson.

Resolved that owners of Refectory stock be authorized to receive the same in tuition fees.

Resolved that the Rev. John D. Paxton be requested to deliver a course of lectures and experiments on chemistry and natural philosophy to the students of the Senior and Junior classes in College. Resolved further that John Green be a committee to communicate this resolution.

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Minutes of a meeting not recorded, appointing Rev. John C. Young agent for the College in the Eastern States.

March 19, 1832

Board met. Opened with prayer. Present Messrs. Barnes, Chairman, Burch, Green, McDowell, Henderson, Youce, Rice, Cowan.

A communication from Messrs. Bullock, Mason, Price, and Stonestreet, students of College, praying that Thomas Nichols, principal of the Preparatory Department, might be removed from office, also a communication from Mr. Nichols on the same subject, were received and read.

Mr. Green submitted a preamble and resolution for the adoption of the Board upon the subject of said communications. Upon a motion to strike out that part of it which declares that the presentation of the memorial by said students was a breach of College discipline, and subversive of good order and subordination, the yeas and nays were as follows: yeas, Barnes, Youce, Burch, Cowan; nays, Green, McDowell, Henderson. The question was then taken up on the adoption of said preamble as amended and passed as follows: yeas, Barnes, Burch, Youce, Cowan; nays, Green, McDowell and Henderson. The said preamble as amended reads as follows: The communication of the aforesaid students specifies no charge, exhibits no grievance under which it is pretended to labor. They are, none of them, under the instruction of Mr. Nichols, and their necessary intercourse with him is confined to the simple observance of that respectful deportment which should always be exhibited by each towards the other. While then it is admitted that occasions might arise when it would be proper for the students to memorialize the Board for the redress of grievances, it is manifest in the memorial before us none is shown to exist. The Board sees nothing in the memorial to call for their action against the principal Department. In regard to the communication from Mr. Nichols, however much the Board may respect the feelings which prompted it, they can see nothing in the occasion which renders an enquiry with his conduct necessary.

April 18, 1832

Board met. Present Messrs. McDowell, Green, Barbour, Youce, Rice, Henderson, Cowan. McDowell, Chairman, Cowan, Secretary

Board proceeded to the settlement of a claim presented by Dr. Blackburn. Whereupon, resolved that the item of \$2 for expenses about Hunley's will, also \$32 for same, also \$50 for expenses to Alabama. Then moved to reject the other items and determined by nays and yeas - McDowell, Green, Barbour, Youce, Cowan and Rice; nays - none. Ordered charge Dr. Blackburn \$15.

Received on Lyman Whitney's subscription. Robert J. Breckinridge's resignation accepted. James Harlan's resignation as secretary accepted.

Ordered that David G. Cowan perform the duties of Secretary till otherwise indicated.

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The minutes of a meeting here omitted and lost, at which John C. Young handed a report of his agency which was affirmed and filed away in secretary's papers.

August 11, 1832

Present Burch, Green, Barbour, Youce, Henderson, Rice, Cowan, Secretary.

Burch Chairman. Rev. Joseph Haber appointed agent and solicitor. Mr. Burch a committee

Resolved that in pursuance of *[blank line]* Resolved that Lewis W. Green be appointed Professor of Belles Lettres and Political Economy.

Adjourned till Monday.

August 13, 1832

Board met. Present Burch, Green, Barbour, Youce, Cowan, Henderson, Rice. Prayer

Ordered Green and Burch be a committee on salaries of Asylum officers with power to fix them subject to ratification by the Board.

Resolved that there be two teachers in the Preparatory Department at a salary of \$300 each per annum under the superintendence of a rector, to be appointed by the Faculty, to be appointed from their own members from and after the commencement of next session.

Taylor's claim rejected.

Resolved that from and after the commencement of next session the order of this Board of the 28th September 1831 increasing the salary of Mr. Nichols be rescinded and held for naught.

Adjourned

see this amended next page

August 25, 1832

Board met. Present Burch, Henderson, Youce, Rice, Cowan, Barbour.

Resolved Mr. Huber's salary \$750. Luke Munsell appointed Professor of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, salary per annum, \$750.

The resolutions of last meeting amended by fixing salaries of Preparatory Department at \$250 each, and that the Secretary communicate the same to Mr. Nichols and request him to inform the Board whether he wishes to continue in the Preparatory Department as teacher under the new arrangements.

Adjourned

September 14, 1832

Board met. Present Messers. Green, Barbour, Youce, Henderson, Cowan. Prayer by Young.

Faculty recommended for degree A.B. - William T. Allen, Henry G. Comingo, David D. McKee, Joseph J. Bullock, David J. Caldwell - adopted.

Burch, Cowan, Henderson, committee to visit and inspect Asylum, etc.

The Faculty recommended the degree of A.M. to be conferred on George G. McAfee; adopted.

Mr. Nichols' resignation received.

William T. Allen and Henry G. Comingo appointed tutors in the Preparatory Department.

Doctor Munsell accepts, and requests granted.

Ordered Secretary to pay Mrs. Finley's hire at \$60.

Salary \$750 per annum and travelling expenses.

Adjourned.

October 20, 1832

Opened with prayer College meeting. Present John D. Paxton, Green, John C. Young, Luke Munsell, William L. Breckinridge.

William L. Breckinridge and James Burch were appointed a committee to converse with Mr. Barnet in relation to his continuance as superintendent of the farm, and report to the executive committee at the next monthly meeting.

Whereas the Education Society at its late annual meeting at Louisville did so alter the constitution of the Society as to prevent other students besides beneficiary to come upon the farm at the discretion of the executive committee master, therefore John C. Young, William L. Breckinridge, Luke Munsell, and John Green are appointed a sub-committee upon this subject.

Adjourned.

William L. Breckinridge, Chairman pro tem

May 25, 1833

Board met. Present Messrs. Burch, Barbour, Cunningham, Hopkins, Rice, Cowan.

Took up the report of Faculty recommending the dismissal from College of Messrs. John H. Wilson and Alex H. Brown; upon the request of Messrs. Brown and Wilson, they were heard at length before the Board (The President and Professor of Languages being also present and heard). Whereupon after due consideration, the Board resolved that the decision of the Faculty be confirmed. Ordered that the Secretary notify the Faculty of this decision, and that the Treasurer refund the balance of tuition fees in proportion to the time.

Adjourned

Danville August 8, 1833

The Board of Trustees of Centre College convened at the house of Mrs. Cocke. Present Rev. James K. Burch, Chairman, James Barbour, Charles M. Cunningham, James S. Hopkins, Phineas G. Rice, John Green.

Mr. David G. Cowan, a member of this Board and Secretary hereof, having departed this life since the last meeting of the Board, John Green was appointed Secretary pro tem to the Board, and the Rev. John C. Young was appointed a trustee of this Board in the place of Mr. Cowan; whereupon Mr. Young had the oath of office administered to him and took his seat as a trustee. The seat of the Honorable George Robertson being vacated by his failure to take the oath required by law, he was re-appointed, and being present he had the oath of office administered to him, and thereupon took his seat as a trustee.

The Board took under consideration the appointment of a superintendent and matron of the Asylum of the Deaf and Dumb rendered necessary by the death of Mr. and Mrs. Kerr, the late superintendent and matron of the institution. Whereupon Doctor Luke Munsell and his wife were appointed superintendent and matron of the institution.

The Board took into consideration the salary of Mr. William Kerr, teacher in the Asylum, and it was ordered that his salary be raised to and fixed at \$500 per annum from the first of September next. It was further ordered that Messrs. Burch and Green be a committee to settle with Mr. Kerr, and also with the administrator of Mr. John Kerr, with authority to draw on the Treasury for what may be due to either of them.

Resolved that the Professor of Chemistry and Natural Philosophy be required to perform the duties of his department for only two months in each session, and that \$200 be allowed as his compensation, of which sum \$150 is allowed for salary and \$50 for repairs of apparatus and contingent expenses.

Mr. Young was appointed a member of the Committee of Finance in place of David G. Cowan, deceased. James Harlan is appointed Secretary of this Board in place of David G. Cowan, deceased.

The Board then adjourned.

John Green, Secretary pro tem

September 1833

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees appears to be no record by the Secretary.

John Lyle, John Houston, John Stonestreet, Louis Mason, George Fishback, John Price, W. McElroy, Francis Taylor, William Preston received the degree of A.B.

Danville December 3, 1833

The Board met. Present Green, Barbour, Rice, Hopkins. John Tod, and James G. Birney, having been appointed by the Synod at its late meeting and duly qualified took their seats.

Resolved that Messrs. Comming and Bullock be appointed teachers in the Preparatory at a salary of \$125 per annum for each.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville January 24, (Friday) 1834

The Board met. Present Doctor Todd, Chairman pro tem, John Green, James Barbour, James G. Birney, James S. Hopkins, Phineas G. Rice.

Mr. Green reported that Mr. Harlan agreed to serve the Board as special agent in the business of the Asylum and to visit Florida, the Board bearing his expenses and giving him \$3 per day as compensation. The Board resolved to engage the services of Mr. Harlan. Mr. Birney was appointed on the Building Committee. The Board resolved to hold monthly meetings at half past 2 o'clock. The Board appointed Doctor L. Munsell Secretary of the Board.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville March 21, 1834

The Trustees met. Present Honorable George Robertson, Chairman pro tem, John Green, James G. Birney, Phineas G. Rice, James Barbour, James S. Hopkins.

It was resolved by the Board to grant to Dr. McDowell a loan of \$1,800 on the usual terms, he giving bond and approved security for the payment thereof.

Resolved that the tuition fee of each student who may be preparing for the Gospel ministry, and receiving assistance from any benevolent society or Church of any denomination of Christians to effect this object, shall be reduced to \$10 per annum; and that this regulation take effect from the commencement of the Fall session of 1834.

Resolved that the Treasurer of the Asylum, Major Barbour, receive as compensation for his services hitherto rendered the sum of \$250.

Resolved that Messrs. Birney and Todd be appointed a committee to consider the expediency of devising a plan for providing manual labor for the youth at the Asylum.

Resolved that the Treasurer of the Asylum hereafter receive for his services the sum of \$50 per annum.

Resolved that Messrs. Rice and Doctor Todd be a committee to settle the accounts of Major Barbour as treasurer of the Asylum.

Resolved that Dr. Luke Munsell, as physician of the Asylum, shall receive two dollars per pupil per annum.

Resolved that Dr. Crass be appointed agent in Europe for the College, to receive donations of books, funds, and apparatus for Centre College; the services of Dr. Crass to be rendered without charge.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville May 16, 1834

The Board met. Present Doctor Todd, Chairman pro tem, James Barbour, Phineas G. Rice, John Green, James G. Birney, James S. Hopkins.

Professor Green appeared before the Board and announced his intention to visit Europe on the first of August next, with the expectation of being absent for 12 or 18 months, and wished the Board to take such measures in reference to the subject as they shall see fit. The consideration of this subject was postponed to a future meeting.

Resolved that the Visiting Committee of Ladies be re-organized, and the following ladies be appointed as its members: Mrs. P. Cocke, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. C. Breckinridge, Mrs. F. Breckinridge, Mrs. Youce, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. David Russel, Mrs. Robert Russel, Miss Martha Ayres, and Miss Lucy A. Kerr.

Resolved that the Visiting Committee be requested to visit the Asylum every week by a delegation of two from their number, the members performing this duty in regular rotation.

Resolved that two of the members of the Board of Trustees will visit the Asylum semi-monthly, the members of the Board taking the duty in rotation.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Report of a Committee of Synod Appointed to Confer with the Board October 1834

Extract from minutes of Synod

The Committee appointed to confer with the Board of Trustees of Centre College reports the following resolutions:

1. That the authority of Synod to release any of our brethren from the payment of their notes for the endowment of Centre College ceased when the notes were assigned.
2. That in all cases where the agent or agents of Synod have taken up contributions in churches which were previously pledged by the notes of their representatives in the Synod of 1826, without a previous conference with the officers of the same - provided the subscribers should certify that had they known the precise state of the notes, they would have subscribed in reference to them - such certificates with the payment of the subscriptions should entitle the note to a credit, and the Synod hereby pledge themselves to the Board to make good to Centre College any deficiency of funds arising by reason of this act.
3. That the Trustees ought to require absolutely the annual payment of interest on all the notes, and they ought to take immediate steps for collecting or securing the whole unpaid amount of each note.
4. That the salary of the collecting agent, Mr. Huber, should be paid jointly from the funds collected for the Theological Department and from those collected for the College proper, and these separate funds charged with the payment of this salary in the relative proportion to the whole amount collected for each of them.

John C. Young

Danville September 18, 1834

The Board met. Present Charles M. Cunningham, Chairman pro tem, James Barbour, James S. Hopkins, Phineas G. Rice, Abijah Bayless, Doctor Todd.

James Bemiss, Warwick Tunstall, Beriah McGoffin, Jr., Charles Rochester, and Joseph Platt were recommended by the Faculty to the Board as having passed through their collegiate course and being worthy of the degree of A.B. Resolved that the degree of A.B. be conferred on each of those young gentlemen. Mr. Hughes, on application, received a remission of a portion of his tuition fee of last session.

Resolved that Messrs. Bullock and Allen for additional services in the College proper, occasioned by the absence of Mr. Professor Green during the present session, be allowed \$26.75 each as additional compensation, and that Mr. Graham receive \$25 for services rendered in the Preparatory School.

Resolved that Messrs. Bullock and Allen be appointed tutors of the College and teachers of the Grammar School, and that their compensation be increased in consideration of the higher duties they are required to perform as tutors in the College to \$400 per annum each. Resolved that Mr. Graham be appointed assistant teacher in the Preparatory Department at a salary of \$136 per annum.

Mr. Huber's report was presented to the Board by the Secretary, and referred to the Financial Committee.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville November 17, 1834

The Board of Trustees met. Present Doctor John Todd, Chairman pro tem, Phineas G. Rice, James S. Hopkins, James Barbour, John Green, James G. Birney.

Ordered that the account of Samuel M. Brown for \$50, formerly presented by him as his fee in the suit against Hunley's heirs be allowed, and the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the same to John Green who has advanced the same to Mr. Brown.

Ordered that James Barbour and James G. Birney be appointed a committee to draw up a letter of instruction to James Harlan, the agent for the Asylum, to transact business in Florida.

Ordered that the regular meetings of this Board be hereafter held on the second Friday in every month, at 11 o'clock a.m.

The Board then adjourned.

Luke Munsell, Secretary, John Todd, Chairman pro tem

Danville November 24, 1834

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, at Danville, present Doctor John Todd, Chairman pro tem, James Barbour, James S. Hopkins, James G. Birney, John Green, Phineas G. Rice.

A form of a power of attorney from the Board to James Harlan, Esq., bearing date the 22nd day of November A.D. 1834, and prepared under and in pursuance of a former order of the Board, was submitted to the Board and approved, and ordered to be recorded; and the seal of the Corporation was affixed thereto.

The following is a copy of the Power of Attorney referred to in the above minute, viz.

The Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky, To all to whom these presents may come. Know ye that whereas this Corporation have, by virtue of several Acts of Congress and sundry patents issued in pursuance thereto, titles to sundry tracts of land in the Territory of Florida, and also the right to enter and locate sundry other sections and parts of sections of land in said Territory, and have right to sundry large sums of money in the hands of their present Agent Colonel Richard C. Allin of said Territory, and of divers other persons residing in Florida. Now we, being desirous to locate and carry into grant all such portions of land as have not yet been located, and to make sale of all the lands belonging to this Corporation, and to collect all moneys due to the same for lands already sold within said Territory of Florida, have to that end and intent, nominated and appointed and do, by these presents, nominate and appoint James Harlan, Esq., of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, our Attorney at Law and in fact, and do hereby give unto him full power and authority to proceed forthwith to Florida, to demand and receive from our resident Agent Colonel Richard C. Allin all moneys now in his hands, or which may be in his hands coming to this Corporation. And likewise, at his discretion, to demand and receive all bonds, notes, or covenants in his the said Allin's possession respecting any lands which may have been sold by said Allin; and to receive from said Allin for our information, a full and complete expose of all his actings and doings as our Agent and Attorney. Likewise to enter and locate, either in conjunction with our said resident Agent and Attorney or by himself as shall be most convenient, all such portions of land as this Corporation may be entitled to enter and locate by the several Acts of Congress above referred to; and to make sale of the same and all other lands belonging to this Corporation as have not yet been disposed of. Also, to receive all moneys now due, or which may be due, or in any manner coming to this Corporation for lands sold or to be sold, and the same to pay over to this Corporation or to any legally appointed officers. And also to execute in our corporate name all deeds, receipts, acquittances, and covenants, which we as a Corporation may or can legally execute. And we do hereby bind ourselves (in our corporate character only,) and our successors in office to ratify and confirm whatsoever our said Attorney may lawfully do in

the premises. It is to be fully understood that this letter of Attorney is not to be construed as a revocation of all or any of the powers heretofore granted to our said resident Agent and Attorney Colonel Richard C. Allin, but the said Harlan is to aid and assist said Allin to bring our said affairs to a speedy and prosperous termination,; and to that end is to act either jointly with him, or separately, as our business and interests may require.

In testimony whereof, we the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky have caused these presents to be sealed with our corporate seal, and attested by our Secretary Doctor Luke Munsell, this 22nd day of November A. D. 1834

Luke Munsell, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Centre College

Danville January 23, 1835

The Board met. Present Barbour, Green, Hopkins, Tod, Barnes, Rice.

A letter from Dr. Price to Mr. Young was read, offering to convey to the Board for the endowment of three professorships, his right to the sales of a patent truss for as many states as may be necessary to raise the requisite funds. Resolved that the offer be accepted and that Messrs. Tod and Green be appointed a committee to confer with Dr. Price and receive the conveyance of the offered right, and also to procure agents for the sale of the right.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville March 25, 1835

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College held this day, present Doctor John Todd, Chairman pro tem, John Green, James Barbour, Phineas G. Rice, James G. Birney, Charles M. Cunningham, James S. Hopkins.

The committee heretofore appointed to receive from Doctor John L. Price a conveyance of the right to construct, use, and vend to others the said Price's improvement in the construction of a metallic truss for the cure of hernia, reported that they had received from Doctor Price a conveyance accordingly for the states of New York and Pennsylvania, which conveyance was accepted by the Board and it is thereupon ordered that said conveyance be recorded in the Clerk's office in the county of Jessamine. And it is further resolved that Dr. Barnett and Samuel D. Burchard be appointed by this Board their agents and attorneys in fact for the purpose of constructing, using, and vending to others to be used the aforesaid metallic truss, and that the aforesaid committee be authorized by this Board to assign to said agents and attorneys in fact their respective fields of labor, and to prescribe to them the rules by which they are to be governed in acting and reporting to this Board, and to furnish them with Powers of Attorney accordingly.

It is ordered that the salary of Mr. Graham for the ensuing year as tutor in the Grammar School be increased to the sum of \$250 per annum. And it is further ordered that John B. Huston be appointed an assistant teacher in the Grammar School with a salary of \$150 per annum.

On motion, it is ordered that James G. Birney, James Barbour, and Phineas G. Rice be appointed a committee to report generally upon the best measures to be taken to promote the interests of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum.

On motion, it is ordered that after the commencement of the next session of the Kentucky Asylum, in October next, the price of boarding and tuition in the institution shall be \$80 per annum for each pupil, and that the same sum be thereafter received from the State for each of the indigent pupils received on its support.

Resolved that the Secretary of this Board be instructed forthwith to address a letter to Colonel Richard C. Allin, the agent for the Kentucky Deaf and Dumb Asylum in Florida, requesting him to collect and transmit as speedily as possible all moneys due in that quarter to this Board.

Adjourned to the regular meeting of the Board.

Luke Munsell, Secretary

Danville March 26, 1835

The Board met. Present Messrs. Green, Barbour, Todd, Cunningham, Hopkins, Rice.

Resolved that the committee for appointing agents to dispose of the metallic truss be also empowered to authorize any of those agents to solicit and receive funds and donations for Centre College.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville April 10, 1835

The Board of Trustees met. Present Doctor John Todd, Chairman pro tem, John Green, James Barbour, James S. Hopkins, Phineas G. Rice, James G. Birney.

James G. Birney handed in to the Board a certificate in favor of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky for 50 shares in the stock of the Maysville, Washington, Paris, and Lexington Turnpike Company, with a letter from Thomas P. Smith, surviving trustee of John and Elizabeth Moore, representing said stock to be a legacy from Elizabeth Moore deceased. Whereupon it was resolved that this Board accept said legacy, and bind themselves and their successors in office to refund to said Smith or his successors such part of said stock as may be necessary to pay any debts or demands which may hereafter appear against the said John and Elizabeth Moore and the costs attending the recovery of such debts. Resolved that the certificate above mentioned be filed by the Treasurer, and the letter enclosing it by the Secretary.

Mr. Birney, chairman of the committee appointed on the 25th instant to report on the general interests of the Asylum, presented the following report, viz.

The committee to whose consideration were referred the general interests of the Asylum, beg leave respectfully to report, that they would recommend

1. The erection of a school room and four lodging rooms for the accommodations of the male pupils, all separate from the present dwelling house, and of such plan and construction as the Building Committee would approve. In addition to the above named buildings, it is recommended that a large and well arranged necessary for the males be erected.
2. The digging of a well on the Asylum lot, and the procuring of water there, for the use of the establishment on such terms as the Board may think reasonable.
3. That the present lodging rooms be converted into shops for the prosecution of some of the mechanic arts, in which the mutes, under the general direction of the superintendent, may be instructed.
4. That the mutes be distinctly informed, in the presence of the Board of Trustees, that it is required of them not to leave the Asylum premises unless it be by the consent of the superintendent or matron, to whom

they are to submit in everything pertaining to their department and conduct whilst members of the institution, and while not under the control of the teachers in school hours.

5. It has been thought worthy of presenting to the consideration of the Board, in the view of future action, how far it might conduce to the prosperity of the Asylum and the harmony of all who are engaged in its management to have a part, at least, of the remuneration of its officers dependent upon the number of pupils who may be in the institution at some given period of the session or year. The committee is strongly inclined to believe that this mode of recompense is equitable in principle, and that, generally speaking, it will be found in practice beneficial to all parties concerned.

James C. Birney, James Barbour, Phineas G. Rice

The above report was received and unanimously adopted, except the 5th recommendation, the consideration and determination of which was postponed to a future meeting.

A building committee, consisting of Messrs. Todd, Hopkins, and Barbour, was then appointed, whose duty it is to carry into effect as speedily as possible the other measures recommended and approved in the report.

Resolved that Messrs. Green, Barbour, and Hopkins be appointed a committee to prepare an address to the public, duly attested by the Secretary, on the subject of the Asylum generally, to be circulated throughout this and the adjoining states.

Resolved that Mrs. John Green and Mrs. Buchanan be appointed to fill the vacancy in the Visiting Committee of Ladies of the Asylum, occasioned by the removal of Mrs. C. Breckinridge and the refusal to serve of Miss Lucy Ann Kerr.

Resolved that Messrs. Green, Barbour, and Todd be appointed a committee to confer with the Rev. J. C. Barnes on the subject of his undertaking an Agency for Centre College.

Resolved that Messrs. Barbour and Green be appointed a committee to subscribe the funds of the Asylum to any amount not exceeding \$5,000 to the stock of the Northern Bank of Kentucky, if they deem proper.

Adjourned.

Luke Munsell, Secretary

Danville June 30, 1835

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College, present Doctor John Todd, Chairman pro tem, James G. Birney, James Barbour, James S. Hopkins, Phineas G. Rice, John Green.

Resolved that James Barbour be authorized to say to Mr. Thomas of Florida that this Board will receive \$2.50 per acre, payable in installments of one, two, and three years, for the balance of the land, both located and unlocated, belonging to the Kentucky Asylum. And if the said Thomas should accede to the proposition, that Colonel Richard C. Allin, the agent, will be authorized to close the contract with him.

(See memorandum signed by the Trustees July 11, 1835, on file.)

Luke Munsell, Secretary

Danville July 23, 1835

Board met. Present Barnes, Todd, Birney, Barbour, Hopkins, Rice.

Mr. Young was requested to take into his possession all the books and papers of College, and as speedily as possible to draw up and present to the Board a complete statement of the present pecuniary conditions of the institution.

An honorary degree of A.B. was conferred on the Rev. Morrow of Somerville, Alabama.

Philip Yeiser requested of the Board that they would accept of his payment of the original subscription given by him to Centre College and abate the interest. In consideration of Mr. Yeiser's change of circumstances his request was granted.

Resolved that thereafter the regular semi-annual vacations commence and terminate with the commencement and termination of the respective months of October and April, and that after the ensuing commencement, the time of holding the Commencement be fixed on the last Thursday in September of each year.

Resolved that Mr. Young be authorized to engage the services of two tutors in the room of the two whose term of service expires with the present session.

John C. Young, Secretary pro tem

Danville August 8, 1835

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College, present Barbour, Tod, Green, Hopkins, Rice, Birney.

A letter was received from Dr. Munsell resigning his charge of the Asylum, the resignation of the latter to take effect from the 20th of September instant.

Mr. Young was appointed Secretary and Mr. John A. Jacobs Principal of the Asylum. The Board requested Mr. Jacobs to visit different parts of the state during the present vacation to diffuse information relative to the Asylum, Mr. Jacobs' expenses to be defrayed by the Board.

Resolved that no tutor or teacher in the Preparatory is hereafter to absent himself from his duties in College, unless with the consent prior procured of four members of the Board.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville September 23, 1835

Board met. Present Barbour, Barnes, Hopkins, Rice, Green, Tod, Birney, Cunningham.

The degree of A.B. was conferred on the recommendation of the Faculty upon Ormond Beatty, William M. Hill, Samuel H. Woodson, John Montgomery, William N. Tod, and Thomas Walker Fry. The degree of A. M. was conferred upon William W. Hall, John B. Huston, John G. Miller, and Joseph Bullock.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon George Robertson, Chief Justice of Kentucky.

John Montgomery was appointed tutor in College at a salary of \$300 per annum, and William N. Tod teacher in the Preparatory at the usual salary of \$250 per annum.

A letter was received from Judge Robertson resigning his seat in the Board. Mr. Birney also tendered his resignation. A letter was received from Professor James Buchanan [*professor of mathematics*] tendering his resignation.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville November 19, 1835

The Board met. Present Green, Barbour, Tod, Rice, Hopkins. Joseph McDowell appointed Trustee by Synod at its late meeting in room of James G. Birney, resigned, appeared, and having taken the oath of office before the Board, took his seat as a member.

Mr. William Breckinridge [*professor of Greek and Latin*] appeared, and desired the Board to accept of his resignation, to take effect at Christmas. The Board postponed the consideration of this request until its next meeting.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville December 1, 1835

The Board met. Present Rice, Barbour, Hopkins, Green, Tod, McDowell.

Professor Breckinridge's resignation being taken up, the following resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Resolved that the Board accept the resignation of Mr. Breckinridge to take effect on the 24rd instant.

Resolved that the Board express their regret that Mr. Breckinridge's views of duty have compelled him to relinquish his professorship, and that they record their satisfaction with the ability and faithfulness he has exhibited in the discharge of his duties as a professor.

Resolved that the Secretary and Treasurer be directed, in settling with Mr. Breckinridge, to rectify a mistake as to the period from which he was to draw his salary as a professor, so that the commencement of his salary may date from his departure from Maysville to enter upon his duties.

Mr. Thomas Nichols was appointed Professor of Languages pro tem, and Messrs. Green and Hopkins were appointed a committee to inform Mr. Nichols of his appointment. The salary of Mr. Nichols to be at the rate of \$750 per annum.

Mr. Michael G. Youce, one of the trustees recently appointed by Synod, sent to the Board his declination of his appointment, whereupon it was resolved that Joshua F. Bell be appointed to fill the vacancy in the Board occasioned by Mr. Youce's declination.

Resolved that the resolution prepared by this Board at their meeting on the 25 day of March 1835 reducing the sum heretofore received from the state for support and care of indigent pupils in the Deaf and Dumb Asylum from \$150 to \$80 per annum be and hereby is repealed, and that from and after the *[date not shown]* day of October last, the amount against the state be made out by the Secretary at the rate of \$100 per annum for each pupil supported on account of the state, and that the committee shall make out the account report to the next Legislature recommending a change of the law, so as to reduce the pay of state pupils to the sum of \$100, and also that they state the reasons why more is asked for the state pupils than for those supported by individuals.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville December 8, 1835

The Board met. Present Green, Barbour, Hopkins, Rice, Tod, Bell.

General James Shelby, having proposed to become the purchaser of that portion of the lands granted to this corporation for the benefit of the Kentucky Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb which remains unlocated at the price of \$2.75 per acre, and this Board being unapprised of the amount of lands so granted which remains unlocated, therefore it is resolved by the Board that the sale be referred to Colonel Richard C. Allin, an agent, and that he be directed to sell to General Shelby all such portion of said land as may be unlocated and unsold, when said Allin may be applied to by said Shelby or his agent at the price above mentioned.

John C. Young, Secretary

Joshua Bell presented his certificate of qualification, which was filed.

February 1, 1836

The Board met. Present Barbour, Green, Tod, Bell, McDowell, Rice, Hopkins.

Mr. William Dod was elected Professor of Mathematics pro tem, at a salary of \$750 per annum, payable quarterly, salary to commence from the 1st of May next. Fifty dollars was voted to Mr. Dod for his traveling expenses to this place.

The resignation of his agency by Mr. Barnes was presented and accepted, and the Treasurer and Secretary were appointed a committee to settle his accounts.

John C. Young, Secretary

May 5, 1836

The Board met. Present McDowell, Barbour, Rice, Barnes, Hopkins, Tod, Green.

The Treasurer was directed to draw from the executor of the estate of Mr. Wardlaw the \$1,000 held by him subject to the order of the Board.

Messrs. Bayless, William Bullitt, and William L. Breckinridge were appointed a committee to examine and ascertain whether a permanent investment of the College funds could be advantageously made in Louisville lots, and to this committee the Secretary be directed to transmit a proportion laid before the Board by him in reference to the purchase of a lot or lots from Mr. Averill.

Resolved that the Treasurer and Secretary report to the Board the amount of available funds belonging to the College.

Resolved that the President of the College be directed to forward to Mr. Harlan a petition to Congress for a township of land.

Mr. Young presented a note received by him from Robert J. Breckinridge giving to the Board full title to a bond of \$1,000 held on Miles and Price and secured by a lien on a Louisville lot.

Messrs. Green and Barbour were appointed a committee of repairs.

In consequence of the increased cost of boarding, resolved that there be allowed to John A. Jacobs, superintendent of the Asylum, as a compensation for the boarding of the state pupils, \$100 per annum for the time they may be actually present, to commence from and after the 1st of January last, and like compensation for the other pupils after the close of the present session. The pay of the state pupils to be in such funds as the State pays to the Board.

September 29, 1836

The Board met. Present Green, Barbour, Rice, Tod, Bell, Bayless.

The degree of A.B. was conferred on the recommendation of the Faculty upon each of the following young gentlemen who have closed their senior year, viz., Thomas Tod, John Clark Bayless, and Daniel Boon Railey.

An order was prepared that hereafter the salary of the Treasurer be \$100 per annum, one half to be paid out of the funds of the College, the other half out of those of the Asylum. The Treasurer was also required to give bond in the penalty of \$5,000 for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. Mr. Young (the Secretary) was authorized to give to Mr. Samuel Laird of Fayette County, Kentucky, on behalf of the Board, such an instrument of writing as would pledge the Board to appropriate his donation of \$1,000 to such purpose only as he should direct. Mr. Young presented a report showing the results of an agency in which he had been engaged for raising \$20,000 to increase the permanent funds of the College. It was directed to be entered on record.

Mr. Young presented an exhibit of the receipts and expenditures of the College for the coming year, and a recommendation that a professor of chemistry be appointed, that the salary as of Messrs. James Graham [*teacher in grammar school*], William Dod [*professor of mathematics*], and Lewis W. Green [*professor of Greek*] should be raised. This exhibit was ordered to be recorded.

Mr. Ormond Beatty was appointed Professor of Chemistry with a salary for the first year of \$500. Mr. Graham's salary was raised to \$500 and Messrs. Dod's and Green's to \$900 each.

Messrs. Bell, Cunningham, and Green were appointed in conjunction with the Secretary to inspect the Treasurer's account, as well as to arrange and report on the funds of the Board.

John C. Young, Secretary

November 26, 1836

The Board met. Present Bell, Green, Alexander, Tod, Barbour, Rice.

A resolution was passed to pay to Mr. Jacobs the board of William Hoagland for six months, commencing from the 6th of October last.

Messrs. Barbour and Tod were appointed a committee of supervision for the Asylum, with power to receive and dismiss pupils, advise with the instructors, and authorize expenditures.

The Secretary was empowered to procure the assistance of Mr. John J. Jacobs in corresponding with Mr. Allin, the agent of the Asylum in Florida, and in procuring and laying before the Board full information as to the state of the funds and lands belonging to the Asylum in Florida.

John C. Young, Secretary

February 13, 1837

The Board met. Present Hopkins, Green, Barbour, Bell, McDowell, Tod.

Letters were received from Messrs. Kerr and Jacobs requesting on the part of Mr. Kerr an increase of salary, and on the part of Mr. Jacobs an increase of salary, and also of the price of board paid by the pupils in the Asylum. Messrs. McDowell, Tod, and Hopkins were appointed a committee to confer with the applicants.

John C. Young, Secretary

February 17, 1837

Board met. Present Hopkins, Green, Barbour, Bell, McDowell, Tod

Mr. Burchard handed in his report of his agency for the Trustees, also a report of an agency he performed in soliciting funds for the College, accompanied with a list of the subscriptions and donations received by him for the College. The Board resolved to allow Mr. Burchard for his duties as agent for the College \$650, payable on the receipt of the money deposited by him in the hands of Mr. Dymond of New York in two equal payments, the first payment to be made on the 1st of September 1837, and the second on the 1st of September 1838.

By Mr. Burchard's report there was subscribed or donated to Centre College in the East through his agency *[amount not shown]*. Of this sum Mr. Burchard collected \$2,378. Mr. Burchard paid over to the Treasurer of Centre College \$1,200 in a note on Mr. Dymond of New York, \$200 in an order on David A. Sayre of Lexington, \$900 in a note of Youce and Russel of Danville, \$20 in a note on D. M. Barnett. The balance of \$58 had been expended in traveling, etc. The report was filed among the papers of the Board, with the subscription list.

The committee appointed at the last meeting reported in part that Mr. Kerr's salary ought to be raised to \$700 per annum, that Mr. Jacobs' to \$900, the increase to take effect from 1st January 1837.

John C. Young, Secretary

March 29, 1837

Present Bell, McDowell, Hopkins, Barbour, Green, Tod. Rev. William L. Breckinridge having been appointed by Synod at its last meeting as a trustee, took his seat in the Board on presenting a certificate of his having duly qualified before a magistrate.

William B. Rice received the degree of A.M.

Mr. Breckinridge was appointed a committee to settle the notes of Rev. Nathan H. Hall.

Mr. Green appointed to investigate the debt of Judge Bridges and the subscription of Joel Williams.

Secretary presented the case of Rev. D. Whitney, and received instructions to urge him to a settlement.

The committee appointed to confer with Kerr and Jacobs further reported in favor of increasing the price of board at the Asylum to *[amount not shown]* per week, which the Board agreed to do. The report was filed.

John C. Young, Secretary

July 8, 1837

At a meeting of the Board held this day, James Harlan's report of his visit to Florida on the business of the Asylum was laid before the Board. The report and the accompanying papers were referred to a committee consisting of Joshua Bell, John Green, and Joseph McDowell for examination and comparison with the accounts of the Treasurer.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 27, 1837

The Board met. Present Barbour, Rice, Hopkins, Cunningham, Bell, McDowell.

The following young gentlemen, members of the senior class, received on the recommendation of the Faculty the degree of A.B.: Ezekiel Forman, James Barbour, Samuel D. Burchard, Aaron A. Hogue, James Baldwin, William Alexander, Robert McKeown, R. T. Johnstone, Lewis Thompson, William Robards, together with James Graham, teacher of the Grammar School

John C. Young, Secretary

November 15, 1837

Present Bell, Barbour, Rice, Hopkins, McDowell, Tod.

Messrs. Hopkins and McDowell were appointed a committee to repairs and of the buildings on the College lot.

Resolved that the secretary be allowed \$50 per annum for his duties, half to be paid by the funds of the Asylum and half by those of the College.

Bell, Hopkins, and Tod were appointed a committee to settle with Mr. Henderson the note of \$1,000, given by Henderson, McDowell, Green, and others to the Board, and they are authorized, if they deem it expedient, to vest such portion of the note as may be necessary in the lands purchased by Henderson and others of Dr. Blackburn.

John C. Young, Secretary

July 26, 1838

The Board met. Present Bell, McDowell, Hopkins, Barbour, Cunningham, Rice.

The Board resolved to raise Prof. Thomas C. Nichols' [*professor of Latin and Greek*] salary to \$900 per annum, the resolution to take effect from the beginning of the present session.

Messrs. Hopkins and Jacobs were appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's account with the Asylum and to report to the Board.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 28, 1838

The Board met. Present Bell, Barbour, Cunningham, Rice, Hopkins, McDowell, Tod.

The degree of A. B. was, on recommendation of the Faculty, conferred on the following young gentlemen of the present Senior class, viz. Andrew Allison, Thomas H. Clelland, William J. Morton, David M. Irwin, James L. Irwin, Robert A. Johnstone, John L. Williamson, Thomas D. Lee, Samuel H. Stevenson, Ambrose Barbour, John C. Breckinridge, Eugene Underwood, Samuel R. Bullock, and John C. Richardson, and on Cary A. Wylie of a former Senior class.

The Board directed the Secretary to give L. D. Burchard an order on the Treasurer for \$600 as part of the salary allowed him by the Board.

John C. Young, Secretary

The Clerk of the Synod reported the following persons as elected trustees, viz. Daniel B. Price for the term of two years, and George T. Wood, William L. Breckinridge, John Tod, and Charles Cunningham for the term of three years.

Also visitors to the trustees examinations: Messrs. Humphrey, N. L. Rice, C. L. Todd, Mark Hardin, Davidson, Joseph Bullock, John S. Berryman, J. Stonestreet, Grundy, Hendricks, R. Thornton, Brown, Robertson, D. Reynolds, Barnett, McAfee, Letty, J. Marshall, William Morrison.

November 6, 1838

Present Hopkins, Barbour, McDowell, Tod, Cunningham, Rice. Daniel Price appeared and exhibited his certificate of qualification as a trustee.

The committee appointed to settle with Henderson reported that they had purchased the property formerly owned by Dr. Blackburn at the price of \$1,200.

The Secretary was directed, unless N. H. Hall should pay to the Treasurer the money received by him from William L. Breckinridge for Centre College with the interest before the next meeting of his Presbytery, to lay a statement of the facts of the case before the Presbytery and request them to take some action upon it.

McDowell, Bell, and Barbour were appointed a financial committee, with directions to have the notes in the Treasurer's hands renewed by the 1st of January and made negotiable at the Bank in Danville, at such times as they may deem proper, with additional security in all cases where they may deem it desirable. The Committee of Finance is directed to report the state of the funds at the meeting of the Board in March.

The salary of each of the following officers was fixed during the vacancy of the Professorship of Belles Lettres and Rhetoric and Professor of Economics at the rates respectively of \$600 per annum to Mr. Graham, Principal of the Grammar School, \$150 per annum to Mr. Johnstone, assistant, \$700 to Mr. Beatty, Professor of Chemistry and Natural Philosophy, and \$1,550 to the President.

Mr. John Montgomery was appointed agent with a salary of \$600 per annum, to collect the subscriptions due to the College, and to raise funds for building wings to the College and procuring the endowment of an additional professorship.

Messrs. Cunningham and Bell were appointed a committee, in conformity with a request of the Synod, to apply to the Legislature for such a change in the charter as would enable the Synod to appoint nineteen trustees, of whom seven might constitute a quorum.

The Board resolved that it was expedient to separate the treasurerships of the College and the Asylum, and thereupon which the present Treasurer was continued as Treasurer of the Asylum, David A. Russell was appointed Treasurer for the College. The former Treasurer was directed to hand over to his successor in office the funds, etc., of the College which were in his hand.

Mr. Kerr's salary was raised to \$800 per annum.

Mr. Young was commissioned to purchase for the College that portion of ground lying between the College property and street in the rear, now owned by R. Russell.

John C. Young, Secretary

January 10, 1839

Present Bell, Cunningham, McDowell, Barbour, Rice, Hopkins.

Mr. Jacobs laid before the Board the correspondence between himself and Mr. Allin, the agent of the Asylum in Florida. The Board thereupon directed Mr. Jacobs to request the Rev. John Rice to obtain from Mr. Allin a detailed statement of the present condition of its business in his hands, to obtain also and forward all information which may assist the Board in the settlement of their Florida transactions. Mr. Jacobs was further directed to inform Mr. Rice that the Board would compensate him for any time and trouble which it may cost him to comply with the above request.

Messrs. Hopkins and Jacobs presented a report on the funds of the Asylum which was accepted and filed. Resolved that Mr. Jacobs be appointed accounting secretary to the Asylum, and that he hereafter be authorized to check on the treasurer of the Asylum for all moneys to be paid out by the treasurer, and to keep an account of all moneys checked for.

John C. Young, Secretary

March 26, 1839

Board met. Present Messrs. Bell, Hopkins, McDowell, Barbour, Tod, Breckinridge.

The treasurer of the Asylum was directed to pay to the treasurer of the College the amount of money collected by Mr. Harlan on his agency for the Asylum, from Mr. Lapsley on his College note.

The treasurer of the Asylum tendered his resignation to the Board to take effect on the 1st of July. Messrs. Barbour, Hopkins, and McDowell were appointed a committee to procure a treasurer in the room of Major Barbour.

Messrs. Bell, Barbour, McDowell, and Cunningham were appointed a committee to examine the accounts of David Cowan with the College and Asylum, and take such legal steps to secure the balance due to the institution as may be necessary.

The Board directed Mr. Bell to collect forthwith the money due on the note of Knox, Harlan, and others.

The Board directed the financial committee to invest to the amount of \$5,000 of the College money in stock of the Bank of Kentucky.

Messrs. Young and Jacobs were appointed a committee to examine Mr. Harlan's account and report to the Board.

Messrs. McDowell and Hopkins were appointed a committee to superintend the building of wings to the College *[Old Centre]*.

Messrs. Hopkins and Barbour were appointed a committee to settle an account of Mr. Williams in Refectory stock.

Mr. Graham's salary was raised to \$700.

The Board determined (see 5th page in advance for the balance of the minutes for this meeting)

June 20, 1839

Board met. Present McDowell, Cunningham, Tod, Barbour, Hopkins, Rice.

Mr. Jacobs was directed to obtain assistance from Mr. Harlan in corresponding with Mr. Allin, and procuring from him a statement of his agency and a final settlement.

September 26, 1839

Board met. Present McDowell, Price, Tod, Hopkins, Breckinridge, Rice, Bell, Cunningham, Barbour.

A memorial from the president of the College touching his salary was received and ordered to be filed.

The degree of A. B. was, on recommendation of the Faculty, conferred on the following young gentlemen of the present senior class, viz. Adam Beatty, Levi Carr, Septimis R. Caldwell, Joseph Cogswell, Joshua Green, Francis Lee, Henry Thompson, James Lapsley, Jacob Parsons, William Venable, William H. Wood, Samuel Williams

It was then moved and seconded that the salary of the Rev. John C. Young as President of Centre College for the ensuing year be \$1,500, with the use of the house he now occupies. Upon this question the yeas and nays were required, which having been taken, stand as follows, viz. yeas - Tod, McDowell, Price, Barbour, Bell, Hopkins and Cunningham; nays - Breckinridge and Rice. And so the resolution was adopted.

Resolved that the Board decline permitting Mr. Young to withdraw the portion of salary relinquished by him at the meeting of March 26, 1839, and mentioned in the minutes.

On motion of Mr. Breckinridge it was resolved that Lewis Green be appointed Vice President of Centre College and Professor of Belles Lettres, Political Economy, and Rhetoric, and that he receive for his services a salary of \$1,200 per annum, commencing at the end of one year from the termination of his former salary in College.

Resolved that the dispersion of the students of College before the regular close of the session, including the Commencement exercises, is in the opinion of the Board improper and disorderly, and that the Faculty be directed to take the proper steps for the due observance of this resolution.*

*In the sickness of the President and his congruent absence, as well as that of one other Professor, many of the students had left College without permission.

Resolved that the students be required to attend the examination of the classes and the exercises of the Commencement.

Resolved that Hopkins and McDowell be a committee to rent the house now occupied by Prof. William Dod [*professor of mathematics*], and that they be instructed to give preference to a renter connected with the College or Asylum.

Resolved that Mr. Green be requested to regulate the order of exercises for tomorrow, and to (this is the conclusion of a minute commenced five pages) that the salary of the President of Centre College should be from this time at the rate of \$1,500 per annum, house rent inclusive, Mr. Young expressing his consent to this

arrangement and voluntarily relinquishing his claim to the amount due to him from last session above what would have been received had the present resolution been passed at the last full meeting of the Board.

John C. Young

preside over them in the absence of Mr. Young.

Resolved that in the opinion of this Board, the Bible class ought to be kept up among the students of College, including the Grammar School, and that said class ought to be under the immediate supervision of the President and Vice President.

Resolved that hereafter no compensation shall be allowed to any assistant in the Grammar School.

Resolved as the sense of the Board that the President of the College should hear two recitations each day, and devote also a portion of his time to the supervision of the Grammar School, and that each of the professors of College ought to hear four recitations each day, and the number of recitations in College not being sufficient to allot they ought to devote a degree of service equal to it to teaching in the Grammar School.

Resolved that hereafter the salary of Prof. Ormond Beatty be \$800 per annum, payable as heretofore.

Resolved that the President and Vice President be a committee to take the necessary steps to procure contributions to the funds of Centre College, either by the employment of a suitable agent for that purpose, or by devoting themselves such portions of their own time to that service as they may be able to spare from their other duties.

Resolved that the Secretary of the Board be instructed to prepare and forward to Synod at its approaching session a report of the condition of Centre College, including the state of its finances, and that Mr. Breckinridge be charged with the duty of presenting said report to Synod.

Charles Cunningham, Secretary pro tem, by John C. Young, Secretary

February 5, 1840

Present Hopkins, Bell, Barbour, McDowell, Tod, and Dr. Craig, who presented his certificate of appointment and qualification as a trustee.

Messrs. Hopkins, McDowell, Tod, and Bell were appointed a committee to examine and report upon the claim of George Caldwell.

Messrs. Bell, Barbour, and Craig were appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's accounts and report to the Board.

Mr. Bell was empowered to purchase from Matthew O'Brien the strip of ground lying between the College lot and the turnpike road.

March 24, 1840

Present Messrs. Tod, McDowell, Alexander, Hopkins, Craig, Price. Messrs. John S. Berryman and Nathan Rice, having appeared and produced testimonials of having been elected and duly qualified as trustees, took their seats.

Messrs. Jacobs and Young presented a report on the account of Mr. Harlan. The report was received and approved, and Mr. Bell was added to the committee, who were directed to settle finally with Mr. Harlan and not to allow him more than \$75 per annum for his services as secretary to the Board. The committee was further directed to pay over to the Asylum whatever might be due to the College from Mr. Harlan.

The Board do hereby sell to John A. Jacobs the land belonging to the Asylum in Florida that may yet remain unsold by the agent for the sum of \$2 per acre, half the money to be paid at the end of one year from this time, and the other half at the end of two years from this time. Messrs. Bell and Cunningham were appointed a committee to draw up the papers in reference to this sale.

Messrs. Bell, Craig, and Barbour were appointed a committee to advise with Mr. Jacobs in his correspondence with Mr. Allin, agent of the Asylum.

A copy of the will of Mr. Dannah Pyke of Bourbon County *[Kentucky]* was laid before the Board by the Secretary, and he was directed to ascertain whether there could be any arrangement made with the executor for securing any proceeds from the legacy of \$10,000 before the period should expire during which the executor was to have the use of the legacy without interest and without security.

Mr. Jacobs was allowed \$25 per annum as secretary to the Asylum.

Mr. Kerr's salary was raised to \$900 per annum.

Ordered that the Building Committee, Messrs. McDowell, and Hopkins to whom Dr. Craig was added, proceed forthwith to have wings constructed to the College edifice *[Old Centre]*.

Resolved that as the number of recitations in the College and Preparatory Department is not sufficient to employ the faculty and teacher of the Preparatory the number of hours assigned to each by the resolution of the Board at its last meeting, the Board direct the Faculty not to increase the number of recitations, but to divide the existing recitations between themselves in conjunction with the teacher of the Preparatory in such a way as they shall agree on among themselves.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 23, 1840

The Board met in the College library. Present Price, McDowell, Breckinridge, Hopkins, Barbour, Nathan L. Rice, Craig, Alexander. Messrs. George T. Wood, Rev. Jacob F. Price, and James K. Burch appeared, and having exhibited their certificates of having duly qualified as trustees appointed by Synod, took their seats. The meeting was opened with prayer, and the minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Secretary reported a donation from Mr. James Hill of Bath County, Kentucky, of three notes amounting in all to \$1,000. The Board directed the Financial Committee to take immediate measures for collecting the two smaller notes, and for collecting or additionally securing the larger one.

The Secretary reported that he had seen the executor of Mr. Pyke, and ascertained from him that he would in a few weeks be ready to make a proposition to the Board in relation to the payment of the legacy in his hands.

The Building Committee reported that during the present session of the Board they would hand in a full report of their contract for the erection of the wings.

Resolved that the Treasurer be required to report at every semiannual meeting on the state of the funds.

Whereas the Board has learned that some of the students of the College during the present session had formed a political club without the approbation or knowledge of the Faculty, resolved that the Board express their strong disapprobation of all such proceedings. At the same time that they express their gratification with the conduct of the students in cheerfully and immediately dissolving their political organization as soon as they learned that it met with the disapprobation of the Faculty.

Resolved that the societies [*literary societies*] or students be not permitted to invite any persons to deliver an address to them without obtaining the approbation of the Faculty.

The Board took a recess.

Afternoon Session

Joshua F. Bell appeared and took his seat.

The Building Committee reported that they had contracted with Messrs. Crutchfield and Russel for completing the improvement of the College buildings according to a plan exhibited and an agreement read by the committee. The sum to be paid to the contractors was \$5,466. The report was approved.

The accounts of the Treasurer were referred to a committee of three, Messrs. Burch, Alexander, and Hopkins, for examination.

September 24, 1840

The Board met according to adjournment. Present Craig, Hopkins, Price, Breckinridge, Wood, Burch, Jacob F. Price, McDowell. Rev. James Hawthorn, having presented his testimonial of having duly qualified as a trustee elected by Synod, took his seat.

The degree of A. B. was conferred on the recommendation of the Faculty upon the following young gentlemen, members of the present Senior class, viz. William Alexander, Daniel Breck, William T. Martin, Thomas H. Cleland, Jr., Lyman B. Crittenden, Presly W. Ewing, John D. Meek, John R. Parkhill, Thomas Turner, James Weir, Joseph W. Wallace, Robert C. Wickliffe, James D. Elder, Thomas D. Tilford, Richard J. Brown, Michael Meyer

The resignation of Professor Green was laid before the Board, upon which the following resolutions were adopted. Resolved that the resignation of Lewis W. Green be accepted, and that the Treasurer be directed to pay his salary to the 1st of November next, which will close his collegiate year.

Resolved that the Board express their regret that Mr. Green's views of duty have compelled him to relinquish his professorship with the ability and faithfulness he has exhibited in the discharge of his duties as a professor.

Resolved that the Building Committee be directed to have the buildings put into thorough repair, and that the Faculty be directed to have them kept in good order, and to enforce upon the students by every means the observance of propriety and decorum, and that the Faculty be empowered to hire a man to devote his whole time to keeping the building and ground in good order, and attending to such other services as may be required about the College. The Faculty is directed to assess any damages that may be done to the building, and if the individual offender can be discovered, he must be required to pay fourfold the amount necessary to repair them; if he cannot be discovered, an assessment is to be laid on all the students to cover the repairs.

Resolved that the Faculty prepare and lay before the Board at its next semi-annual meeting a set of laws for the government of the College.

The tuition in the Grammar School was raised to \$30 per annum.

On motion of Daniel B. Price, the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon the Rev. Lewis W. Green.

John C. Young, Secretary

The following part of the minutes was omitted owing to their being taken by a different hand in consequence of the absence of the Secretary; they are part of the proceedings on the 23rd of September:

The President of the College made a detailed report in writing as to the condition of the College. The report was referred to a committee (after being received) consisting of Messrs. Daniel B. Price, Jacob F. Price, Grundy, Breckinridge, and Wood. The report of the committee was received and approved. The report is as follows.

1. Resolved that there be a speedy collection and judicious investment of all notes and subscriptions, not exceeding \$500.
2. Resolved that the Synod be urgently requested to take into consideration the importance and necessity of adopting speedily some efficient measures to enlarge the endowment of the College, and that the Board cause to be laid before the Synod, through their Treasurer or otherwise, such a detailed statement of the pecuniary condition of the College as shall enable them to judge correctly of its real wants.

The contract heretofore made by this Board with John A. Jacobs, touching the sale of the Florida land owned by the Board for the benefit of the Asylum, is hereby cancelled and held for naught, Mr. Jacobs having expressed an anxiety to have it cancelled.

John C. Young, Secretary

December 8, 1840

Board met. Present Barbour, Daniel B. Price, Hopkins, Tod, Bell, Craig, McDowell.

The Board appointed Rev. J. Montgomery as agent to visit the church within the bounds of the Transylvania Presbytery for the purpose of raising funds for the endowment of the College, agreeably to the resolutions of Synod. The salary of Mr. Montgomery during the time he was to be engaged in the service of the Board was to be at the rate of \$1,200 per annum, he bearing his own expenses.

The salary of Prof. Ormond Beatty was raised to \$900 per annum.

John C. Young, Secretary

February 9, 1841

The Board met. Present Bell, Hopkins, Craig, McDowell, Barbour, Tod.

Messrs. Bell and Hopkins were appointed a committee to settle the claim of the College against George Caldwell, and to grant a release to Mr. Caldwell on the liquidation of the claim.

The Financial Committee, Bell, Barbour, and McDowell, were directed to examine the notes held by the College and employ an agent at such a compensation as they see fit, to collect interest on all notes on which interest is due.

The Board directs the Financial Committee to procure an exhibit from the Treasurer of all the funds of every description belonging to the College, and have it recorded by the Secretary on his books.

A proposition from W. W. Hall in relation to the Pyke legacy was by the Secretary laid before the Board, but action on it was postponed until the next meeting.

John C. Young, Secretary

June 2, 1841

The Board met at Mr. Barbour's office. Present Tod, Barbour, Craig, Hopkins, McDowell, Bell.

Mrs. Williams having presented a claim for \$50 paid by her husband in part of a share of Refectory stock, the Board resolved to allow her in liquidation of the claim, \$30 to be paid in the tuition of her son.

The Financial Committee were directed to prepare a deed conveying to Major Barbour the house purchased of the College by him, and to receive the purchase money.

Craig and McDowell were appointed to audit the accounts of Major Barbour with the Asylum.

Mr. Young presented to the Board a correspondence between himself and the executor of Mr. Pyke (W. W. Hall), upon which the Board appointed Walter Bullock, James K. Burch, Nathan Rice, and John L. Berryman to proceed to Paris and settle with W. W. Hall on such terms as they may deem advisable.

Hopkins and McDowell were appointed a committee to close the business connected with the purchase and sale of the Blackburn property.

The Board directed the President to procure the assistance of the professors in teaching the Bible class, when his other engagements prevented him from teaching it.

The Building Committee was directed to receive the wings of the College edifice [Old Centre] from the contractors, if they find them finished according to contract.

September 30, 1841

The Board met. Present Tod, Berryman, Daniel B. Price, McDowell, Craig, Barbour, Hopkins. Mr. Walter Bullock appeared, and having produced his certificate of having been duly qualified as a trustee of Centre College appointed by the Synod of Kentucky, took his seat.

Mr. Jacobs, having informed the Board of the death of Colonel Allin, Mr. Henry Washington was by a vote of the Board appointed agent for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum in his place. The committee of correspondence is directed to notify Mr. Washington of his appointment, and inform him that the Board will allow him five per cent of the proceeds paid into the treasury of the Asylum of all the sales made by him of the Asylum lands remaining unsold - and to inform him that he is directed to adjust and settle with Allin's representatives the unfinished business in Allin's hands, and that for this service the Board will allow him a reasonable compensation. The committee of correspondence is directed to give such instructions to the agent for settling with Allin's representatives as they shall deem to be just and reasonable. The committee of correspondence is authorized to pay Thompson and Hagner a reasonable fee for their services. If Mr. Washington declines accepting, the committee of correspondence is authorized to look out for an agent, and to report to a called meeting of the Board.

The degree of A. B. was on the recommendation of the Faculty conferred on the following young gentlemen, members of the Senior class, viz. Warren J. Burgess, Robert H. Crittenden, William Elder, Hugh F. Ervin, Brice G. Fields, James A. Gaither, Eli R. McCall, Abraham L. Mitchell, M. Branch Price, John M. Sharp, Richard C. White, Richard C. Wintersmitt, Henry C. Wood.

The following gentlemen, alumni of the College, received the degree of A. M., viz. William G. Allen, Henry G. Comings, Whitfield McElroy, William Preston, William Hill, John Montgomery, Thomas Walker Fry, William N. Tod, James Barbour, Samuel D. Burchard, Aaron A. Hogue, John L. Williamson, Ambrose Barbour, John C. Breckinridge, Samuel R. Bullock, John C. Richardson.

Afternoon Session

Present - same as in the morning.

The President presented and read to the Board a set of statutes for the government of the College. They were received, adopted, and committed to Messrs. Bell, Hopkins, and Craig to make any necessary additions and amendments, and cause them to be printed.

Mr. Bell was directed to endeavor to make the money due on a note from T. P. Moore owned by the College and secured by a mortgage and endorsed by David A. Sayre from the mortgaged property, and to bring suit against the endorser only in case of failure to recover on the mortgage.

The Financial Committee were directed to require new notes on the part of all those who held loans from the College - and to put in suit, forthwith, all notes for borrowed money on which the interest had not been paid up.

The committee was directed to require hereafter the punctual payment of interest, on penalty of immediate suit in case of failure.

Mr. Young presented a letter from Rev. W. McElroy declining the agency to which he had been appointed by Synod, whereupon the Board directed Mr. Young, as president of the College, to report to Synod the condition of the College, and to state the reasons why it was thought preferable by the Board that Synod rather than the Board should appoint another agent or agents in the place of Mr. McElroy.

Rev. J. Montgomery made a partial report (verbal) through the Secretary, informing the Board that he had taken in Danville and other Presbyterian Churches in Transylvania a number of notes payable to Centre College, but that he had not yet completed the work, as several churches had not yet been visited, and that after visiting those remaining churches he would render a detailed and complete report. The report was accepted.

Mr. Young reported to the Board a donation received through him of a donation from Samuel Laird of Fayette County [Kentucky] of \$10,000, to be added to \$2,000 heretofore received, and to be held on the same conditions, with a will to constitute a Laird Professorship in Centre College. Of the amount, \$1,500 were in Northern Bank stock, \$4,500 in Georgetown and Lexington Turnpike stock, \$3,000 in two notes of \$1,500 each on Samuel Laird payable in one and two years, and \$4,000 in notes on sundry individuals. Mr. Young reported to the Board a probability of one of the notes given by Mr. Laird on Burnes of \$1,600 in consequence of Burnes' failure since the note was received. The Financial Committee was directed to take any steps in addition to those already taken which they may deem necessary for the recovery of the money.

The Board received a report by Mr. Bullock from the committee on the settlement with Mr. Hall of the Pyke legacy. The papers were committed to Mr. Young, with directions, if he could not settle with Mr. Hall to hand over the papers to Mr. Berryman to bring suit.

The Board conferred the degree of D.D. on Rev. Robert Davidson, President of Transylvania University.

The Board declined, for the present, acting on the case of Rev. T. Edwards, as presented in a letter from Rev. Lord as a suitable person for receiving the degree of D.D.

John C. Young, Secretary

March 30, 1842

The Board met in College. Present Messrs. Craig, Tod, McDowell, Hopkins, Rice, Grundy, Berryman. Rev. John Montgomery and Mr. John Ford appeared, and having presented certificates of having been duly qualified as trustees of Centre College appointed by Synod of Kentucky, took their seats.

Messrs. Craig, Ford, and Hopkins were appointed a committee to arrange with the Mr. Rice for the payment or additional security of a note of \$1,000, on which they are principals, and on which judgment has been obtained.

Messrs. McDowell and Jacobs were appointed a committee to settle with Major Barbour and Mr. Henderson any claims which the College or Asylum may have against either of them, or which either of them may have against the College or Asylum.

The Financial Committee (Messrs. Bell, Barbour, and McDowell) are instructed to make arrangements with either Mr. Bell or Mr. J. Barbour, Jr., to collect or have secured all the notes due to College within this neighborhood.

Resolved that the Secretary of the Board give to Mr. John L. Berryman a power of attorney to perform any legal acts which may enable him as agent of the Board to secure the legacy of Mr. Pyke.

Mr. John A. Jacobs was appointed official agent to visit Florida, with full powers to make any arrangement which he may deem necessary for collecting or securing the funds due to the Deaf and Dumb Asylum in Florida, and in the deficiency of funds in the treasury of the Asylum. Messrs. Craig and Ford were appointed a committee to procure funds to defray Mr. Jacobs' agency. The Board do hereby revoke the appointment made at a previous meeting of Mr. Henry Washington as agent in Florida for the Asylum, and do empower Mr. Jacobs to a permanent agent or agents in Florida to manage the interests of the Asylum.

The Chairman was directed to give Mr. Jacobs a power of attorney containing the powers described above.

The Board sold to Mr. Jacobs the land remaining unsold in Florida.

The thanks of the Board were voted to Messrs. Thompson and Morehead for their efforts in Congress to aid the Asylum.

The Board directs the Treasurer to accept each warrant for a professor's salary when it falls due, and allow interest on it until it is paid.

Messrs. Young, Berryman, and Craig were appointed a committee to engage the services of a general agent, with powers to specify his work and salary.

Mr. James Graham's [*principal, grammar school*] salary was raised to \$800 per annum.

March 30, 1842

Board met at Major Barbour's store. Present Tod, Berryman, Craig, McDowell, Hopkins, Grundy, Ford. John A. Jacobs was appointed Secretary pro tem.

On motion, resolved that the Rev. W. W. Hill be appointed agent of the Board in the place of John A. Jacobs, and that all the powers conferred on Mr. Jacobs be hereby conferred on Mr. Hill. Resolved that Dr. Craig and John A. Jacobs be a committee to give Mr. Hill the necessary instruction to enable him to discharge the duties of his agency. Resolved that Mr. Hill's expenses will be defrayed by the Board, it being understood that he is willing to undertake the agency without any further remuneration.

These minutes were copied from the draught handed me by Mr. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 28, 1842

The Board met. Present Tod, McDowell, Montgomery, Hopkins, Craig, Berryman, Barbour, Ford.

The committee appointed to settle with Major Barbour and with Mr. Henderson presented a report, which was received, approved, and directed to be filed. The same committee was directed to make a deed to Major Barbour for the house bought by him of the Board as soon as he shall present evidence of having made full payment.

Messrs. Hopkins, Ford, and Barbour were appointed a committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer.

Messrs. Young and Berryman reported that they had found no agent to solicit funds, etc., but recommended to the Board the appointment of John A. Jacobs as Financial Agent with power to settle the debts of the College, secure the notes, receive the interest on all such due, and whenever he deemed it desirable, to collect the notes. Mr. Jacobs was appointed Financial Agent with full power to collect all debts due to the College, etc.

Colonel McDowell reported that he had examined into a claim against Harrison's estate, and had prepared it for settlement. He was instructed to close it by taking a note.

Mr. Berryman reported that he had commenced a suit in behalf of the College against W. W. Hall.

Messrs. Craig, Hopkins, and Young were appointed a committee to examine into the account of the College with the Asylum.

The Treasurer was directed to collect from Messrs. Dod and Kerr any rent that may be due from them to the college, and the interest on the note of W. Bridges.

Mr. Bell was directed to collect the money coming to the theological fund from the executor of the deceased Mr. Rose.

The Board authorized Professor Beatty to purchase a barometer for the use of the college.

The following young gentlemen of the Senior class were recommended to the Board by the Faculty in the degree of A. B. - viz., James B. Alexander, Daniel D. Atcheson, John C. Bullitt, Richard H. Collins, L. P. Haines, Joseph Helm, Isham Henderson, Thomas Martin, John Magoffin, Robert M. Moore, John Owsley, Henry D. Small, Thompson, Andrew J. Dunlap.

The following persons, former graduates, were recommended for the degree of A. M. viz. *[names not listed]*

The respective degrees were conferred on the persons recommended.

John C. Young, Secretary

Afternoon session at the office of James Barbour, Esq.

Present as in the morning.

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts reported that they had discharged the duty assigned to them, and had found the accounts to be correct. Their report was accepted.

Messrs. Ford and McDowell were appointed the committee to superintend the College buildings.

The committee directed Mr. Young to transmit to Mr. Kinney his note of \$100 - he having applied to the Board for a release from payment on grounds satisfactory to the Board. His letter was directed to be filed.

John C. Young, Secretary

July 23, 1842

The Board met at Major Barbour's. Present Barbour, McDowell, Hopkins, Bell, Craig, Ford. Colonel McDowell was appointed Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Jacobs read and handed in a report of Mr. Hill, giving an account of his Florida agency. The Board thereupon expressed their entire satisfaction with the manner in which Mr. Hill had conducted his agency, and directed that his report should be filed with the papers of the Asylum.

July 30, 1842

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Centre College July 30, 1842, present Messrs. Todd, Craig, Hopkins, Barbour, McDowell, Ford.

It was resolved that Mr. James Barbour, Jr., be appointed the agent for the Deaf and Dumb Asylum to proceed to Florida near the 1st of October next with full powers to settle all its business there of every description, including the location and sales of land, collection of debts and suits, at a salary of \$1,200 a year, and that he be required to remain in Florida eight months in the year necessary from the time of his departure from this country; and that he be authorized to employ such aid and counsel as it may be necessary in transacting his agency at the expense of the Board.

Further ordered that it be a part of his agency to attend to any interest the Asylum may have in Arkansas, and if any additional expense be thereby incurred in travelling above what would have been incurred by remaining in Florida, it should be borne by the Board.

It is further directed that Mr. Barbour take with him the Florida posted notes and make the best use of them he can and be authorized if he deem such the best use, to purchase cotton with them and ship it to New York.

Messrs. Barbour and Ford were appointed a committee to raise the funds necessary to bear Mr. Barbour's expenses.

John A. Jacobs was appointed a committee to draw up and give Mr. Barbour a power of attorney in the name and behalf of the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky to execute the above agency, and to annex the seal of the corporation to it, which power shall be signed in the name of the Board by the Chairman.

The correspondence secretary of the Asylum was directed to write to Mr. Dupont, and request him to attend to the business of the Asylum which may require attention in the interval between this time and Mr. Barbour's arrival in Florida.

John A. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem, John Todd, Chairman Board of Trustees

Centre College March 29, 1843

The Board met. Present Tod, Hopkins, McDowell, Rice, Montgomery, Ford, Craig. Mr. Alexander Sneed, appointed at the last meeting of Synod, appeared and having presented a certificate of having been duly qualified as a trustee of Centre College, took his seat.

Colonel McDowell reported that he had handed the account of Harrison, referred to him for settlement, to the Financial Committee to be settled by note.

Mr. John A. Jacobs, Financial Agent, read a detailed report of his doings as agent for the College, and presented various oral suggestions as to the measures necessary to be adopted by the Board to secure the interests of the College.

Adjourned till the afternoon.

3 o'clock

Board met in Mr. Young's study. Present as in the morning.

The Board appointed Messrs. Young and David A. Russel a financial committee, with whom Mr. Jacobs might consult in all cases of doubt as to the management of any of the business entrusted to him. They instructed the Financial Agent to collect all the debts due to the College from persons residing beyond the neighborhood of the College - and if their collection cannot be speedily secured, unless by process of law, the agent was directed to coerce them.

The Board further instructed the agent to require prompt semi-annual payment of the interest on all debts due in the neighborhood, and to call in twenty per cent semi-annually from this date on all such debts, and in all cases in which these terms are not complied with, to institute suits against the delinquent debtors.

The Financial Agent was directed to invest the amount which may be collected in Kentucky State bonds.

Mr. Young was requested to write to Rev. J. Price to ascertain if he will act as agent for raising the College endowment within the bounds of the Presbyteries of Louisville and Ebenezer, and also to state to Rev. J. J. Bullock the necessity for prompt action in completing the amount to be raised within the bounds of West Lexington Presbytery.

The administrators of Mr. Proctor were authorized to pay the debt due from Mr. Proctor's estate in such notes as the Financial Committee shall be satisfied to receive.

The Board appointed Mr. Williamson as assistant in the Grammar School at a salary of \$125 per session, requiring him to instruct three hours per day.

An application from the Chamberlain *[Literary]* Society for permission to occupy for their library the room adjacent to their hall, and to cut a door and run a partition through the room, was granted.

Messrs. Hopkins, McDowell, and Jacobs were appointed a committee to settle with Major Barbour in relation to the theological funds in his hands, and also in relation to the debt due from him on account of the house purchased of the College.

The committee on the settlement between the College and Asylum were not prepared to report.

The Board directed the Faculty to recommend to all parents and guardians to pay no debts, except for board, contracted in Danville or the vicinity by their sons or wards, unless such as shall be contracted by express permission of the parent or a local guardian resident in Danville. This resolution the Faculty is authorized to publish for the information of the public.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 27, 1843

The Board met. Present Tod, McDowell, Ford, Craig, Burch, Montgomery, Hopkins, Sneed.

On recommendation by the Faculty the following young gentlemen, members of the present Senior class, received from the Board the degree of A.B. - Samuel J. Baird, John A. Bogle, Nathaniel S. Brooks, Charles D. Carr, Samuel B. Cheek, Lewis E. Harvie, Llewellyn J. Harvie, William B. Huston, Joseph H. Lewis, Joseph Allen McCharty, William Logan McKnight, Nicholas S. Ray, William W. Rice, Robert Rodes, Solomon L. Sharp, William Short, Thomas H. Taylor, Joseph K. Thompson, Elisha N. Warfield, George R. C. Todd, William H. Woods.

The same degree was conferred on John G. Hickman, a member of the last Senior class till the middle of the second session of the senior year.

The degree of A.M. was conferred in course on the following graduates of 1838 and 1839: Thomas H. Cleland, Wilmington, Joseph Morton, John L. Williamson, Samuel H. Stevenson, Joshua Green, James Lapsley, William Venable, Ormond Beatty.

The honorary degree of A.M. was conferred on the Rev. John Brown of Richmond, Kentucky, on the Rev. Andrew Kerr of Clarksville, Tennessee, and on Mr. John A. Jacobs, Principal of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Danville, Kentucky, and Miller W. Richeson, teacher in Maysville.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred on William Owsley, late Judge of the Court of Appeals, and on Squire Turner of Richmond, Kentucky, and Chief Justice Ewing of Kentucky, as also on Judge Simpson of Clarke County.

The committee appointed to settle with Major Barbour reported that owing to his sickness and death they had not yet completed the business entrusted to them. Mr. Young reported that he had conversed with Rev. J. Price on the subject of the agency which the Board had desired him to undertake, but that Mr. Price had as yet given no definite and final answer.

In consequence of the death of Major Barbour, late treasurer of the Asylum, the Board appointed Mr. Nicholas Bowman treasurer of the Asylum. Messrs. Hopkins, McDowell, and Jacobs were appointed a committee to settle with the executors of Major Barbour all his accounts both with the College and the Asylum.

Dr. Craig was appointed in the room of Major Barbour on the Superintending Committee of the Asylum, consisting now of Drs. Todd and Craig. He was also appointed, in the room of the same, on the committee to report to the Legislature on the affairs of the Asylum, consisting now of Tod, Craig, and Jacobs.

The Board directed both secretaries to compare their accounts annually with the accounts of the respective treasurers, and lay the compared accounts annually before the Board at its meeting in September.

Messrs. Hopkins, Ford, and Sneed were appointed a committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of College, whose annual report was laid before the Board.

The Board directed the executors of Major Barbour to pay over the amount of the theological funds that had been in his hands to the present Treasurer of Centre College, David A. Russel, and the executors were authorized to pay over these funds in such notes as the committee appointed to settle with the executors may deem good, with the endorsement of the executor.

A letter was received from David A. Russel, administrator of the estate of Richard D. Crutchfield, asking the Board to cancel a certain note held by them on Richard D. Crutchfield on the ground of Mr. Crutchfield's having paid it. The Board not being satisfied with the proof of payment, declined acceding to the request.

The Board adjourned till 3 o'clock.

3 o'clock p.m.

The Board met in the President's study. Present as in the morning.

Mr. James Barbour appeared and read a report of his agency in relation to the Asylum fund in Florida. At his suggestion, Mr. Charles H. Dupont was appointed agent for the Asylum in Florida, with a power of attorney to sue for and receive all moneys due to Asylum in Florida, and to make deeds (on the payment of the purchase money) for such tracts heretofore sold as may be designated in the power of attorney, he to receive as compensation for his services ten per cent on all the moneys he collects and pays over. Mr. Dupont is required to make a detailed report of his agency every six months.

The Board authorized the Secretary of the Asylum to employ counsel in prosecuting the suit against the administrators or executors of Romeo Lewis.

The claim of Mr. Barbour for services rendered, as presented in his report, was allowed by the Board, and the Secretary was directed to issue an order in favor of Mr. Barbour for \$707, the balance due to him.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer reported that they had found them correct.

Adjourned till tomorrow at half past 8 o'clock.

September 28, 1843

Present Tod, Craig, Burch, Hopkins, Preston, Montgomery, Ford, Sneed, McDowell.

The Board directed the stock transferred on the books of the Kentucky banks to the College by David A. Russel to be retransferred to Mr. Russel, as the transfer was made under a misapprehension and without any action of the Board.

Resolved that the Board having ascertained by the report of the Financial Agent that the present amount of funds of all descriptions is probably about \$59,000, (part of which is not at par) appoint the President of the College to present this fact to the Synod of Kentucky at its next annual session, and to request the Synod, in behalf of the Board, to adopt some immediate and efficient measures for raising at least \$20,000 additional, as the interest of the present funds in conjunction with the tuition receipts is not sufficient to meet the current expenses of the institution, while it is highly desirable that an additional professor should be appointed as speedily as possible.

Resolved further that the Board judge it to be highly expedient that this additional fund be raised by the 1st of January next.

Messrs. Jacobs and Montgomery were directed to secure a debt due from the estate of Samuel Irving, deceased, by obtaining a note with sufficient personal security, the interest to be paid annually and the principal in three years.

The Board took a recess to attend the exercises of Commencement.

College, 4 o'clock

Present as in the morning.

Mr. Jacobs read a detailed account of his doings as Financial Agent. The Board directed that his book of memoranda from which the detail was given should be filed with the Secretary when Mr. Jacobs shall have finished his agency.

The committee appointed at a previous meeting of the Board to arrange with Gabriel Rice, Jr., a note held by the College on him and others, referred the matter to the Board for advice as to the allowance of a claim for certain credits which do not appear on the back of the note, and for which he has no receipts. The claim being based on entries made in Mr. Rice's own books without any other proof of the payments. The business was referred back to the same committee with the substitution of Mr. Alexander Sneed in the place of Dr. Craig before a member of the Committee.

The Board then adjourned.

John C. Young, Secretary

January 6, 1844

Board of Trustees met. Present Tod, Sneed, Ford, Craig, Henderson, Hopkins. Mr. Henderson having been duly elected by Synod and qualified took his seat.

The following power of attorney to Mr. Dupont was read and directed to be duly executed and sent to him.

Whereas the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky did, by an act approved January 21, 1819, incorporate the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky at Danville, and did afterward by an act approved December 7, 1822, establish the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb at the same place, and place it under the management and control of the Trustees aforesaid; and whereas the Congress of the United States did by an act approved April 5, 1826, endow the said Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb with a township of land to be located under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, and did, by several subsequent acts, recognize the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky as legal holders in trust for the said Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and more particularly did, by an act of the third session of the 27th Congress, transfer to them the control and title of the above-mentioned donation fully and entirely, together with all the patents that have issued to the said Asylum, as holders in trust for the benefit of the said institution for the education of the Deaf and Dumb:

Now, therefore, know all men that the Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky have constituted, and by these presents do constitute, Charles A. Dupont, Esq., of Quincy, Florida, their agent and attorney in fact, to finish and complete all the business relating to the above recited donation of a township of land by the Congress of the United States to the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, heretofore in the hand of Richard C. Allen, Esq., Rev. W. W. Hill, and James Barbour, Esq., with all the powers necessary to do the same, and more particularly with full powers to locate any portion of the said grant remaining unlocated, to receive patent for the same, or for any former locations not yet patented - to sell the portion of the grant aforesaid yet unsold, and to make proper deeds and conveyances in the name of the said Misters for the same, or for any part or parts of it sold heretofore by the late Richard C. Allen, to cancel or compromise any former sale made by the said Allen as he may deem the interests of the grantors of this power of attorney may require, to collect all the proceeds, as well of sales which he himself may make, as of former sales of lands of the said grant to collect all the notes left in his hands by James Barbour, Esq., belonging to the grantors for the use of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, and to have control over and collect all the judgments obtained by the said Barbour or since obtained in favor of the grantors for the use aforesaid, and to do any and every thing in the premises, which the said Trustees of the Centre College of Kentucky might lawfully do for the use and benefit of the institution aforesaid, except so far as relates to a sale made by the said Richard C. Allen to Romeo Lewis, both since deceased - the control and management of this claim (the said Lewis having died at Oxford, Ohio) is retained by the said Trustees.

In testimony whereof the said Trustees have caused this power of attorney to be signed by this Chairman, attested by their Secretary, and sealed with their seal, at Danville in the state of Kentucky on the 8th day of January in the year 1844.

Authority was given to the Treasurer of the Asylum to assign for the purpose of collection the notes of Rutgers now in his hand given to the Trustees of Centre College, but belonging to the Asylum.

The Board directed, until further order be given, the Financial Agent to invest the moneys now collected, or which he may hereafter collect, in Kentucky Bank stock at not more 80 per cent.

The committee appointed to settle with the executors of James Barbour, deceased, reported the Executors have exhibited and given of claims on the College to the amount of \$1,000, and payment of the interest of to the day of settlement on the purchase by said Barbour of the house and lot bought by him of the Trustees situated on Main Street in Danville, Kentucky. The Board directs that a deed be made to Mrs. S. Barbour, that it be signed by the Chairman, counter-signed by the Secretary, and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

March 26, 1844

The Board met at the College. Present Tod, McDowell, Sneed, Craig, Ford, Hopkins, Grundy

The President of the College was requested to procure, as far as practicable, the renewal, unconditionally, of all such scholarship notes as had been given on the condition of the Board of Trustees raising the endowment of the College to \$75,000 by January 1, 1844. The Board authorized the President, in such cases as he shall judge it to be for the interest of the College, to receive payment for a scholarship in Kentucky Bank stock, at par.

Whereas the funds of the College are sufficient, in conjunction with the tuition fees, to meet the current expenditures of the institution, the Treasurer is directed not to use for the ordinary expenses, but to reinvest such portions of the principal as may, from time to time, be paid into the treasury, unless the Board give a special order to the contrary.

Mr. Jacobs read an exhibit of the funds of the Board classifying the various funds that yield, and showing the total amount of interest accruing from year to year, with the average amount of tuition fees for the last few years.

The Financial Agent was directed to except from the rule of the Board requiring the payment of twenty per cent on the principal of all debts due to the College in this region the debts due from Michael G. Youce, from Nelson Shields, and from Proctor's administrators.

Messrs. Hopkins, Henderson, and Young were appointed to arrange with the administrator of Richard D. Crutchfield for a share of Refectory stock held by said Crutchfield.

The President reported that there had been during the past session 156 pupils connected with the College. Of this number 114 belonged to the College proper, viz., 15 Seniors, 23 Juniors, 25 Sophomores, 29 Freshmen, and 21 Irregulars - thus showing the average of the regular classes to have been 23 1/4.

The Board authorized Mr. Jacobs to have a board fence put up in front of the Asylum school house, and to have the floors of the dining room painted.

The Board directed the Treasurer to pay to Alexander Sneed \$15 for a portion of land sold by him to the College, the deed for which land he is to deliver to Mr. Jacobs.

Messrs. Henderson and Ford were appointed a committee to procure the erection of the necessary outhouse for the College and Grammar School.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 24, 1844

The Board met. Present Tod, Ford, Craig, Sneed, Henderson, McDowell, Preston, Berryman, Hopkins

The Treasurer was directed to hand to Charles Caldwell the Rev. R. Grundy's note in exchange for one of equal amount on the Danville, Nicholasville, and Lexington Turnpike Company.

Messrs. Henderson and Ford reported that they had attended to the business committed to them at the last meeting.

The President of the College reported that he had procured from a part of the persons who had given conditional scholarship notes a relinquishment of the condition. He was requested to obtain the relinquishments of such others as had given their notes conditionally.

Mr. Jacobs made a report of his transactions as Financial Agent during the last six months.

The degree of A.B. was, on recommendation of the Faculty, conferred on the following members of the present Senior class: William Atwood, Robert D. Baker, John Russell Butler, Isaac W. Canfield, Gavin H. Cochran, Edward R. Elliott, William H. Fleece, Charles W. Forman, James B. Harbison, Lewis A. Lowry, Thomas H. Morehead, Richard M. Mosby, Joseph F. Ray, Henry K. Steele, David C. Sandy, Robert H. Wood, Edward S. Worthington

The degree of A.M. was conferred in course on the members of the class that graduated in 1840.

It is ordered by the Board that deeds for the land, or any part thereof, sold to Romeo Lewis by Richard C. Allin, agent of the Asylum, be made out, that the seal of the College be affixed to said deeds by the Chairman, that they be signed by the Chairman and countersigned by the Secretary, and be legally acknowledged and authenticated, and that Mr. Jacobs tender these deeds or procure them to be tendered to Mrs. J. N. Lewis, administratrix or executrix of Romeo Lewis, deceased, or to whomsoever he may be who is administrator or executor of said Lewis.

Resolved that Mr. Jacobs is authorized to draw on the Treasury of the Asylum for the purpose of defraying any incidental expenses which may arise in the prosecution of suits in behalf of the Asylum.

Mr. Jacobs is authorized to offer as a compromise to Mrs. Lewis of the suit against her that, if she will renew the notes of her late husband with sufficient security, the Board will wait for the payment of both principal and interest for a term of from two to five years.

The Secretary and Treasurer of the Asylum were directed to settle the accounts up annually to the 1st of January, and present their compared accounts at each spring meeting of the Board.

The accounts of the Treasurer of College were presented, and referred to Messrs. Henderson and Sneed to be examined.

The Board authorized Mr. Jacobs to draw on the treasury of the Asylum for the sums necessary to pay for spouting at the Asylum, and for binders, two hundred copies of the "Exercises" for the pupils of the Asylum.

September 24, 1844

Board met. Present as in the forenoon.

The committee on the Treasurer's accounts reported that they were accurate. The report of the Treasurer was ordered to be filed.

The Financial Agent was directed to cancel a note of David A. Russel, Treasurer, on proof presented to him by the Treasurer, that it had been paid.

Resolved that the sons of the Rev. J. C. Barnes be not charged with tuition fees during the ensuing year.

Mr. Jacobs presented a report on the accounts unsettled between the College and Asylum. After some investigation this report was referred to Messrs. Jacobs and Young to be examined and reported on at the next spring meeting of the Board.

The President of the College reported that the number of students was larger than it had ever been, the whole number in both College and Grammar School amounting to 159 - of which number 99 were in the 4 regular College classes. The whole number entered during the year had been 195 in both the departments. The report was filed.

Resolved that in view of the past success of Messrs. Bullock, Price, and Montgomery in raising funds for the College, the Board believes that if these brethren would spend a few months each year in procuring additional subscriptions and scholarships, a sum would be raised sufficient to warrant the employment of an additional professor.

Resolved that the Synod be urgently requested to procure the services of these brethren to finish the work of endowing the College.

Resolved that in view of the increased number of students, and of the fact that the number of professors in College is smaller than the ordinary number in respectable institutions, the services of an additional professor are greatly needed, and the Board deeply regret that the funds of the institution do not, at present, warrant them in making an appointment.

Resolved that the President of College present these resolutions of the Board to the Synod.

Mr. Jacobs presented an estimate of the income of the College made by himself and the Secretary, exhibiting in detail to various funds belonging to the College with the amount of interest yielded by each separate investment.

John C. Young, Secretary

October 19, 1844

Present McDowell, Henderson, Todd, Craig, Bell, Sneed.

It was resolved that, whereas at a meeting of five members of the Board of Trustees on the 15 of October, it was concluded by them to send William Ambrose Barbour as agent to Arkansas to endeavor to save the forfeitures of certain lands sold by the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb to Romeo Lewis, and which are in imminent danger of forfeiture for the taxes; and it was also further concluded to borrow from the Danville Branch Bank \$700 for the purpose above stated, and Messrs. Charles Henderson, Joseph McDowell, and John Ford were authorized to put in a note for that sum for the use of the Asylum. Now, therefore, it is ordered that the doings and proceedings above stated be authorized and confirmed, and that the funds of the Asylum be bound for the payment of the sum above borrowed for the purpose above stated, and the employment of Mr. Barbour be sanctioned and confirmed. This saving of the forfeiture of these lands is made in reference to an agreement on the part of Mr. Lewis that no advantage should be taken of the same.

John A. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

March 24, 1845

The Board met. Present, Tod, Hopkins, McDowell, Craig, Sneed, Ford, Henderson.

The Board having learned by a communication from the Stated Clerk of Synod that the Synod had reappointed for the term of four years as trustees of Centre College, George T. Wood, John Montgomery, John Tod, David C. Humphreys, John Ford, Robert C. Grundy, and James M. Preston, and had omitted to appoint any person in place of Nathan L. Rice, whose term of office had expired, proceeded to appoint a trustee to fill the vacancy until the next meeting of Synod, whereupon Rev. John Brown was chosen.

Mr. Jacobs was authorized to employ D. G. W. Leavitt as agent for the lands of the Asylum in Arkansas for the purpose of paying taxes, as well as redeeming some land, and to compensate him.

The Board authorized Mr. Jacobs to procure the services of some person or persons to secure the interests of the Asylum in any lands which Messrs. Allen or Romeo Lewis may hold in Mississippi or Arkansas. Mr. Jacobs was sanctioned by the Board in directing the agent in Florida, in case he took back any land from the purchases of Asylum lands, to take it back not in the name of the Asylum but in the name of Mr. Jacobs.

Mr. Jacobs presented a report of the Treasurer of the Asylum and stated that he had examined it, and found it to be accurate. He also presented to the Board a variety of letters received on business of the Asylum, and reported the action taken on each of them, all which was approved. Mr. Jacobs presented a detailed account of his actions during the last six months as financial agent, which was approved.

Mr. Jacobs, after stating to the Board that the funds of the Asylum were not adequate to meet its annual expenses, proposed to relinquish \$400 per annum of his salary, whereupon the following resolutions were unanimously adopted. Resolved that while the Board concur in the proposal of Mr. Jacobs, and reduce his salary to \$500 per annum in accordance with his own request, they cannot express their gratification with his ability and fidelity in the discharge of his duties as a teacher, as well as his disinterestedness in relinquishing part of the salary to which he is so fully entitled.

Resolved that, while the Board agree to reduce, for the present, the salary of Mr. Jacobs agreeably to his wish, they will raise it to its former amount as soon as the circumstances of the institution will render it prudent, or as soon as Mr. Jacobs shall express his desire that it should be done.

The report of the Secretary of the College and the Secretary of the Asylum on the unsettled accounts between the College and Asylum was read and approved by the Board, and the same committee was authorized to make such arrangements for paying over from the College \$1,200, the amount found due to the Asylum, as they shall deem most expedient, and to report to the Board at its next meeting a detailed statement of the mode in which this amount shall be paid.

A petition was presented by the President from the Deinologian *[Literary]* Society for the use of the north half of the room, the south half of which had been granted to the Chamberlain *[Literary]* Society for the use of its library. The petition was granted.

The petition of Daniel Brown to have his subscription released was granted.

The Board appointed Rev. J. D. Matthews agent to raise the endowment of the College, with the option of taking for his services at the rate of \$1,000 per annum, or ten per cent on all the funds raised by him, to be paid in the funds raised.

The Board Resolved that the College [*literary*] societies hereafter must meet only in daylight and that they may have an opportunity of doing so conveniently. The Board directed the President of the College to hold no exercises in chapel on Saturday morning.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 24, 1845

The Board met. Present Tod, Montgomery, McDowell, Hopkins, Henderson, Sneed, Ford, Jacob Price, Daniel B. Price, Craig. Rev. Edward P. Humphreys, having been appointed by Synod as a member of the Board of Trustees, appeared and having been duly qualified before Mr. Henderson, Justice of the Peace, took his seat.

The Secretaries reported the mode in which the amount due to the Asylum from the College had been liquidated, and their accounts fully settled, all which was approved by the Board.

The Financial Agent made a report in detail of his proceedings in collecting and securing the debts of the Board. He was authorized to compromise with J. Brikenmeyer for half the amount of the principal and interest of his note, if it can thus be collected without a suit. The Board further directed the Financial Agent to settle the doubtful claims in his hands according to his best judgment, abating with the interest or a portion of the principal as the good of the College may seem to demand.

The following persons, on recommendation of the Faculty, received from the Board the degree of A.B., viz. William C. Anderson, George O. Barnes, Robert L. Breck, Thomas Brown, William B. Craig, William L. Green, William L. Harlan, Aaron B. Knight, Joel K. Lyle, David K. Newell, James B. Patrick, William H. Pawling, Robert C. Sneed, Samuel D. Ward.

The Board conferred the honorary degree of A.M. on Rev. Samuel W. Cheney and the degree of A.M. in course on the following persons, graduates of former years [*names not shown*]

The degree of D.D. was conferred on the Rev. James Thornwell, Professor of Rhetoric and Sacred Literature in the South Carolina University, and on Rev. John D. Paxton of Kentucky.

Resolved that in case the number of indigent pupils in the Asylum shall exceed twenty five, the representative from this county and the senator from the district be requested to use their influence to procure a law increasing the number of the pupils to be supported by the state to thirty, and to obtain their support from the beginning of the session.

The Financial Agent was directed to collect the interest due on Dr. Pawling's note, and also to require that this note be paid within three years in equal annual installments, or that he bring suit upon it.

Messrs. Henderson and Price, having been appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's report, reported that it was found to be correct on comparing it with the vouchers. Their report was approved.

The Board directed that Messrs. Bullock and Price be allowed ten per cent on the amount of notes and moneys collected by them for the College, to be paid in the same kind of funds which the Board received from this agency - ten per cent in money on money received and ten per cent in notes on notes received.

The Board received and accepted Rev. J. D. Matthew's resignation of his agency.

The Rev. John Brown appeared, and having been qualified as a trustee appointed regularly by Synod, took his seat.

The Financial Agent was instructed to present to Synod a full exhibit of the pecuniary condition of the College.

A motion was made to instruct the Faculty to receive again into the institution Mr. McNickle, a student who had been dismissed at the close of the spring session, the Faculty having referred Mr. McNickle's application to the Board. The motion was lost, and the Faculty was directed to act in the case according to their own discretion.

Adjourned till tomorrow at 8:30 a.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Resolved that the Board request the Synod to express their concurrence in the relinquishment of the notes held by the College on the following persons, viz., Rev. R. A. Lapsley, Rev. A. Tod, Rev. Nathan H. Hall, Rev. Jeremiah Chamberlain, Rev. John Hudson, Rev. L. Finley, Rev. Samuel Taylor, Rev. James C. Barnes, and Rev. Dewey Whitney. On some of these notes more than the principal had been paid, viz Tod's, Finley's, Taylor's and Barnes'.

Messrs. Humphreys, Brown, Grundy, and Montgomery were appointed a committee to confer with the Faculty on the course of studies and report to the Board at its next meeting.

Resolved that the agents of the College be directed to present the wants of the College in respect to its library, apparatus, and cabinet, as well as the endowment of professorships, and to take subscriptions or donations for each of these specific objects wherever they can be procured.

John C. Young, Secretary

November 25, 1845

The Board met at Mr. Bell's office. Present Tod, McDowell, Ford, Hopkins, Craig, Henderson. Charles Caldwell having been appointed by Synod and having qualified as a member of the Board, took his seat.

Resolved that the Board of Trustees, on the petition of the two *[literary]* societies of the College, deem it expedient to suspend the operation of the law for the present session requiring these societies to meet on Saturday, and that they be permitted during the present session to meet as heretofore, with the proviso that they shall never hold their meetings later than eleven and a half o'clock at night, and that the President is requested to enforce this provision.

John C. Young, Secretary

September 24, 1846

The Board met in the President's study. Present Tod, Henderson, Hopkins, McDowell, Berryman, Jacob Price, Sneed, Ford, Montgomery, Caldwell.

The following persons, members of the present Senior class, on recommendation of the Faculty received the degree of A.B.: Lewis G. Barbour, George P. Bergen, Thomas C. Boston, Robert G. Brank, John R. Bright, Reuben M. Brown, John Coleman, Wellington A. Cunningham, Richard R. Evans, William P. Hockaday, Joseph A. Humphreys, Samuel P. Humphreys, Benjamin E. Johnson, Patrick Joyes, Samuel P. Little, John A. Lyle, Leonidas D. McCutchen, Volney A. McCutchen, Alexander McNickle, Blair H. Matthews, Thomas C. May, Charles W. Mitchell, Henry Nold, John B. Norton, William C. Piper, Rigdon Quinney, Robert Russel, Fouche T. Taylor, Thomas G. Taylor, David D. Thomson, Henry M. Warner, Thomas R. Welch, William L. Williams.

The honorary degree of A.B. was conferred on Christman. The degree of A.M. was conferred on James Graham, teacher of the Grammar School. The degree of A.M. was conferred in course on the following persons, members of the class that graduated in 1843. (See for this list the names of all the graduates on the minutes of the meeting of the Board on September 27, 1843) The honorary degree of A.M. was conferred on John C. Maxwell, of Lebanon, Kentucky.

The Financial Agent was empowered, on consultation with the Financial Committee, to vest the funds which may come into his hands from time to time either in the Northern Bank, Bank of Louisville, or the Kentucky State Bank, as the investment in one or the other of these banks may promise the most advantage.

The Board directed the Financial Agent to pay back to R. Stone two dollars, claimed as over paid by said Stone in the final settlement of his note, on which note he had been indulged for four years while failing to pay the interest regularly. The Financial Agent is directed to defer bringing suit, for the present, on the note of Pawling and Bridges.

The report of the Treasurer, after being referred to Hopkins and Caldwell and examined, was approved.

Mr. Jacobs was authorized to insure the Asylum in the Mutual Insurance Company, if he saw proper to change the insurance from the office of the company in which the property has been heretofore insured.

The Financial Agent is directed to compromise the claims of the Asylum against the heirs of Romeo Lewis on such terms as he, with the advice of the Committee on the Asylum, shall deem advisable, and also to obtain from the government at Washington locations in lieu of those locations by the Asylum which had been covered by preemptions.

Mr. Jacobs presented a list of various objects needed by the Asylum, including a wash-room, well, staircase, door, and books, estimated as costing in all about \$400, and offered to defray at his own charge half the expense that might be incurred in making the improvements. The Board authorized him to make the improvements, etc.

The Financial Agent and the Treasurer were directed to make out a clear exhibit of the deficiency in income of the College, and hand it to Young and Montgomery, who are appointed a committee to present it to Synod, and call the attention of Synod to it.

Henderson, Ford, and Sneed were appointed a committee to have a kitchen built for the President's house [Hillcrest], and were directed to use for this purpose the materials of the former dormitories, so far as they may be needed, and to dispose of any surplus of materials for whatever price they can procure for them.

Mr. Jacobs was authorized to employ Mr. John Blount, a mute, as a monitor or assistant to aid in the instruction and government of the pupils in the Asylum, to be paid by himself so as to enable Mr. Jacobs to be absent, if he see fit, half of each day.

Mr. Young made a donation to the College of the scholarship paid for and owned by him.

The report of the Committee of Visitors, appointed by the Board last fall, was received and directed to be filed - also the report of the Visiting Committee made to Synod last fall, and referred by Synod to the Board, was received and ordered to be filed. In accordance with the suggestion of the Committee of Visitors in their report to the Board, it was resolved that the grounds and buildings of the College be specially placed under the charge of Professor Beatty to be kept in a neat condition, that the library also be placed under his control, and that he be requested to form a catalogue of the books and make an annual report of its condition as well as the condition of the grounds and buildings with a statement of the necessary outlay to keep everything neat and in good repair.

Letters were received from Professors Dod and Nichols tendering their resignations to take effect at the close of the ensuing session (viz. in July). On motion, it was resolved that while the Board of Trustees accept the resignations of Professors Dod and Nichols to take effect at the close of next session, the Board deem it but due to these gentlemen to express their entire confidence in their scholarship and their satisfaction with the manner in which they have discharged their duties as professors in the College, and to state that they look forward with regret to the period when the College shall be deprived of their services. Resolved that a copy of the foregoing resolution be transmitted to each of the professors.

Messrs. Young, Price, Montgomery, Grundy, and Hopkins were appointed a committee to find persons to fill the places of the professors who have resigned, and to report to the Board at its next meeting.

The Board directed that the sessions of College should be so changed here after as to have but one session in the year, and that the next session continue till the last Thursday in July next. The Faculty was empowered to grant a recess at Christmas and another in April. The next Commencement was appointed to be held on the last Thursday in July, and the subsequent session to begin on the first Monday of October 1847. The tuition fee was changed to \$31 for the one session, and it is to be paid at the beginning of the session.

While no appointment was made of an assistant in the Grammar School, the president and treasurer of the Grammar School were empowered to employ such assistance as they may deem necessary, in case the number of pupils shall at any time demand an increase of teachers.

Price, Grundy, and Montgomery were appointed a committee to memorialize Synod on the importance of increasing the endowment of Centre College and especially of procuring endowment of an additional professorship.

Thursday September 25, 1846

Present the same persons noted as present on the minutes of yesterday, except Montgomery.

Drs. Pauling and Waggener, on Dr. Tod's resignation of the office of physician to the Asylum, were appointed in his place, to be paid at the rate of \$40 per annum.

Colonel McDowell was elected Chairman of the Board in the room of Dr. Tod, who resigned.

John C. Young, Secretary

The following minutes of Synod were transmitted by the Stated Clerk.

Resolved that it is the mind of the Synod that attending on the examination of the students of Centre College is an important part of the duties of the trustees, but as it may often be impracticable for all to attend, the trustees be respectfully requested to appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to attend, and in connection with the visitors appointed by Synod, pay special attention to said examination, and unite with the Committee of Visitors in a joint detailed report both to the Board and to the Synod.

Also the following.

The Synod made the following appointments of trustees, viz. Jacob F. Price, Daniel B. Price, Edward P. Humphrey, Waller Bullock, Joshua F. Bell, and Dr. William Craig for three years; Charles Henderson, Robert A. Johnston for two years; and John Barclay for one year.

March 31, 1847

The Board met in Mr. Young's study. Present McDowell, Craig, Hopkins, Caldwell, Sneed, Henderson, Grundy, Ford, Bullock, Daniel B. Price, Berryman, Brown, Humphrey, Montgomery. Messrs. Barclay and Johnson, having appeared and been duly qualified, took their seats.

The committee appointed to find persons suited to fill the vacant professorships having not had a meeting, the Chairman and several other members of the committee presented to the Board a variety of letters conveying information on recommendations in regard to several gentlemen regarded as qualified for the professorships.

After some conversation the Board proceeded to vote for a Professor of Mathematics. On counting the votes, Mr. Ormond Beatty was declared to be elected by thirteen votes.

The Board resolved to proceed to the appointment of a Professor of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry in the room of Mr. Beatty, transferred to the Chair of Mathematics. In the absence of any knowledge of any other candidate for the professorship, and of any satisfactory testimonials of the qualifications of Mr. Brown for the office, the Board elected Mr. Joseph Brown pro tem to hold the professorship from the 1st of October 1847 to the 31st of August 1848.

After various ballotings for Professor of Languages, Rev. L. J. Halsey of Jackson, Mississippi, was elected. The Board proceeded to discuss the propriety of filling the vacant Professorship of Belles Lettres and Political Economy. On motion, it was resolved to reconsider the appointment of Mr. Halsey to the Professorship of Languages - the motion was carried. Mr. Halsey was then elected to the Professorship of Belles Lettres and Political Economy with a salary of \$1,200 per annum.

A subscription being started in the Board to raise the salary for the Professor of Belles Lettres and Political Economy for four years, until the time can be given for securing its permanent endowment, \$450 was subscribed, and Messrs. Barclay, Ford, Henderson, and Jacobs were appointed a committee to endeavor to complete the requisite sum.

Resolved that if Bridges and Pawling will fulfill the terms proposed by them for the settlement of their debt, the Financial Agent is directed to grant them indulgence; if they fail he is to bring suit at the next term of the court.

The Board directed the Financial Agent to grant the Turnpike Company leave and retain, for the present, the balance of principal due on their note on their regular semi-annual payment of the interest.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to employ a physician in the Asylum by the year, and that henceforth the Board will not procure any medical services by annual contract.

Resolved that Mr. Jacobs be authorized to raise another story on the family house of the Asylum, and to make the new fences and pavements necessary about the Asylum to the amount of \$1,600, he paying one half of these expenses.

Mr. Henderson was placed on the Asylum committee in the room of Dr. Tod.

Thanks were voted to Messrs. Hardin and Mitchell for their services rendered to the Asylum in the Legislature of Kentucky; also to J. F. Bell for his services to the Asylum in Congress.

Hopkins and Henderson were appointed a committee to advise with Mr. Beatty in reference to repairs and improvements about the grounds and buildings.

The Board directed Mr. Dod's joint scholarship note to be credited with the amount of principal and interest due by him. The Faculty was empowered to procure from Mr. Dod, if they should deem it advisable, certain articles of apparatus owned by him, such as a compass, a lath, etc., at such price as they may judge them to be worth.

The Financial Agent was directed to pay off the professors who have resigned by borrowing from the permanent funds of the Board, and to charge it to the annual income.

The Board proceeded to ballot for a Professor of Languages, and on the second ballot Mr. William M. Scott was ascertained to have a majority of the votes, and was declared duly elected.

The Board conferred the degree of A.M. on Mr. Burwell B. Sayre, teacher, of Frankfort, Kentucky.

Resolved that as it appears from the report of the Treasurer of the College, through the Financial Agent, that Mr. Price's collections in bearing notes for the College have amounted to such a sum as entitles him to a percentage equal to the amount now due on Miles' and Price's bond within \$61, and that Mr. Price has placed in the hands of the Treasurer notes to the amount of \$1,750 to be paid at the death of the donors, in addition to the above collections, and that Mr. Price also promises to render his future services to the College gratuitously, the Financial Agent be directed to deliver up to Mr. Price the aforesaid bond.

Resolved that the Financial Agent be recommended to examine into the expediency of vesting such funds as he may collect in the securities of the government of the United States.

John C. Young, Secretary

June 17, 1847

The Board met. Present Messrs. McDowell, Craig, Montgomery, Caldwell, Berryman, Daniel Price, Ford, Henderson, Barclay, Hopkins, Bell.

The Secretary then stated that in consequence of its having been ascertained to the satisfaction of many of the members of the Board on the day after their last adjournment that Mr. William M. Scott's supposed majority had been the result of a mistake in counting the votes given in, he had not furnished to Mr. Scott any official notice of his appointment, with a view to leaving the Board to act at its next meeting according to what they should deem most advisable. The Board thereupon took up the business of filling the Chair of Languages, and after having heard a number of testimonials showing the high qualifications of Mr. Scott, and all previous candidates having been withdrawn from nomination, Mr. Scott was unanimously elected.

The Secretary having read a letter from Mr. Brown declining his pro tem appointment, and proposing to present himself as a candidate for a permanent appointment, provided he could have time to procure suitable testimonials, the Board thereupon accepted the declination of Mr. Brown, and resolved to leave the chair vacant till the regular meeting in July. Messrs. Schaeffer and Brown were then put in nomination as candidates for the vacant professorships at the election to take place in July.

The Secretary read a letter from M. Halsey declining the appointment to the professorship of belles lettres. The Board, thereupon, resolved to postpone for the present filling the Chair of Belles Lettres.

The Board resolved to appoint annually a committee to examine the Asylum and make a report. The committee appointed for the present year were Young, Ford, and Henderson.

Messrs. Young and Montgomery were appointed a committee to ascertain when the Board can procure a suitable person to fill the Chair of Belles Lettres and Political Economy.

John C. Young, Secretary

July 28, 1847

The Board met. Present McDowell, Johnston, Barclay, Henderson, Ford, Caldwell, Brown, Montgomery, Hopkins.

The degree of A.B. was conferred upon the following young gentlemen, members of the present Senior class, viz. Sidney R. G. Clay, William H. Cunningham, Robert E. Grundy, James I. Hall, William M. Hall, Hugh S. McElroy, James S. Montgomery, Francis R. Morton, Charles J. Morton, Henry Clay Read, Isaac Shelby, John H. Todd, Richard Valentine, James Frederick Youce, James Shelby Young.

The degree of A.M. was conferred on the following members of the class that graduated in 1844, viz., Attwood, Worthington, Lowry, Forman, Fleece, Harbeson, Ray, Butler, Cochran, Elliot, Sandy.

The Honorary degree of A.M. on Mr. David Arnell of Tennessee, and on E. B. Walker of Lebanon, Kentucky, also the honorary degree of A.M. conferred on Rev. B. Crawford and William D. Kerr. The degree of D.D. was conferred on James Holmes of Tennessee.

Resolved that the Secretary inform Synod that in consequence of an oversight from pressure of business at their meeting in the spring, the Board had neglected to appoint a committee of their body to attend the examinations and unite with the committee of Synod in their report to the Synod and the Board.

Mr. Jacobs was authorized to send to Mr. Edingcon, the agent of the Asylum in Arkansas, \$120 to effect the extinguishment of the claim of Norndorff to section 24 of the Asylum lands in Arkansas.

Inasmuch as the Asylum has recently procured funds sufficient to make the necessary alterations in the buildings which the increased prosperity of the institution demands, resolved that the order of the Board passed March 31, 1847, authorizing Mr. Jacobs to expend \$1,600 in enlarging the Asylum be so altered as to allow him to expend said amount on condition of his paying one fourth of the sum expended instead of one half.

Resolved that Mr. Jacobs be authorized to subscribe and pay in behalf of the Asylum \$25 toward turnpiking the street before the Asylum.

Resolved that Messrs. Young and Jacobs be appointed a committee to explain to Rev. Robert J. Breckinridge the circumstances under which the Board surrendered to Mr. Price in payment of his salary as agent the bond on Miles and Price, given by him.

The following minute was adopted in reference to the death of Rev. Jacob F. Price.

The Board have been called to mourn the sudden death of the Rev. Jacob F. Price, one of its most active and efficient members; and while we would ever cherish a spirit of resignation to the will of our heavenly Father, yet we deeply feel and deplore his loss, and earnestly pray that the same Providence which has so deeply affected us may raise up someone to fill his place, who will feel a similar interest and expend similar energy for the prosperity of the institution, the supervision of which is committed to our hands.

Resolved that the Secretary transmit a copy of this minute to the family of the deceased and to the congregation of which he was the pastor.

The Board, having received a letter from Prof. Beatty asking for more definite instructions in regard to repairs to be made in the College, authorized Professor Beatty to expend \$200 in repairs at present, and directed him to make such arrangements in reference to the care of grounds and buildings as he shall deem expedient. They further authorized him to hire a servant to attend the College.

The Board proceeded to elect a Professor of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, and on counting the votes Mr. George C. Schaeffer was found to be unanimously elected.

A committee, consisting of Ford, Hopkins, and Barclay were appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer and report at the next regular meeting.

Professor Beatty, having given his half-scholarship to the College absolutely and unconditionally, with the request that the Board should appropriate that amount to increase the apparatus, therefore, resolved that the Financial Agent be directed to pay over to the Treasurer this amount from the permanent funds in his hands, subject to the order of the Secretary to be transmitted to Mr. Schaeffer, professor elect, for procuring additional apparatus.

After some conversation in the Board on the cultivation of the manners of the students, the President, being appointed to draft some resolutions on the subject, submitted the following, which were adopted:

1. Resolved that the Board urge upon the Faculty as a matter affecting the reputation of the College, as well as the present character and future interests of the students themselves, the importance of steady and diligent efforts to secure in all the students the habitual observance of all those laws of propriety and decorum in the recitation room, as well as at public examinations, which should ever regulate the public deportment of gentlemen.
2. Resolved that the Board expect the Faculty to secure from the students not only quietness and attention to their recitations and lectures, but also a strict regard to the neat condition of the rooms in which they recite, and to the decorum of the postures which they assume while in attendance upon their instructions.
3. Resolved that the President be directed to read these resolutions accordingly before the students in chapel.

The Board adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

July 29, 1847

The Board met. Present McDowell, Brown, Montgomery, Grundy, Barclay, Johnstone, Caldwell, Ford, Craig, Henderson.

Professor Beatty was directed to have the recitation rooms furnished with comfortable seats, and report the cost to the Board.

A committee consisting of Young, Barclay, and Craig were appointed to publish an advertisement of the College in such papers as they may select to the amount of \$50.

The Board proceeded to elect a person to discharge the duties of Professor of Belles Lettres and Political Economy, and of agent for completing the College endowment at a salary of \$1,200 per annum. On counting the votes the Rev. John Brown was declared to be unanimously elected. Resolved that the Board pledge themselves to raise the salary of Mr. Brown for one year by special contributions, independent of the contributions to the permanent funds. Messrs. Barclay and Jacobs were appointed the committee to secure the \$1,200 in case Mr. Brown shall accept.

Messrs. Henderson and Craig were appointed a committee to settle with the retiring professors the arrearages of their salaries.

John C. Young, Secretary

August 16, 1847

The Board met at Mr. Henderson's. Present McDowell, Craig, Caldwell, Hopkins, Barclay, Henderson, Ford, Sneed.

Resolved that the Commencement be hereafter fixed on the last Thursday of June, and that the session after the present year shall open on the first Monday in September.

Resolved that Messrs. Young and Ford be a committee to publish, if they shall deem it advisable, an advertisement of the College to be suspended in steam-baths and hotels.

Resolved that the Board hereafter appoint regularly at each spring meeting a committee to make arrangements for celebrating the Commencement.

John C. Young, Secretary

October 4, 1847

The Board met at Mr. Henderson's. Present McDowell, Hopkins, Barclay, Johnstone, Henderson, Berryman, Ford, Bell.

A letter having been received from Rev. J. Brown declining his appointment as professor and agent, Mr. J. S. Berryman was unanimously appointed agent for raising the endowment of Centre College by subscriptions, donations, and scholarships, and his remuneration was fixed at the same rate with that of the past two agents, viz. at 10 per cent on the amount collected, payable in the description of funds collected, according as they may be in notes or moneys.

John C. Young, Secretary

January 12, 1848

The Board met at Mr. Charles Henderson's. Present McDowell, Hopkins, Sneed, Caldwell, Johnstone, Berryman, Henderson, Ford, Bell, Craig, Grundy. Rev. [Stuart] Robinson and Mr. Peter R. Dunn, appointed as trustees at the last meeting of Synod, having appeared and qualified, took their seats.

The Secretary laid before the Board certain resolutions offered at the last meeting of Synod, and referred for action to the next meeting a copy of these resolutions having been sent to the Board by order of Synod.

The following resolution was adopted. Inasmuch as a committee of Synod appointed in reference to the matter of the foregoing resolutions is now in session, and the Board has been convened to meet this committee, therefore resolved that the committee of Synod be invited to meet with the Board for the purpose of conferring on the matters touched on in the resolutions of Synod.

Messrs. Bell and Henderson were appointed a committee to enquire into the facts touching the contract between the Board and William Bridges, and to report the facts to the Board.

The committee of Synod having appeared and made a statement to the Board of particular points towards which their investigations were specially directed, the Board appointed Messrs. Bell, Hopkins, Craig, and Grundy a committee to examine, in conjunction with the committee of Synod, the Treasurer's report.

It was moved that the resolutions proposed to Synod, and the one passed, be spread when the minutes of the Board, together with the letter of the chairman of the committee of Synod to the Secretary of the Board. While this motion was pending the Board adjourned.

January 13, 1848

The Board met at Mr. Henderson's. Present the same members as yesterday.

The motion pending at the time of adjournment yesterday was passed.

The following is a copy of the resolutions passed, as well as those proposed at the meeting of Synod - (for these resolutions see the close of the record of January 13, 1848, the present session of the Board commencing on the page ahead).

In view of the resolution passed at the last meeting of Synod expressing regret that the trustees failed to appoint a committee of examination, as well as failed to transmit to Synod the report of the Treasurer, resolved that the Secretary communicate to Synod the fact that through inadvertency arising from a pressure of business at its previous meeting, the Board had omitted to appoint a committee of examination; that the Board had at its subsequent meeting directed the Secretary to explain to Synod the cause of their failure to appoint the committee; and that the Secretary was prevented from fulfilling this direction by his providential detention from the last meeting of Synod.

Resolved further that the Secretary be directed to communicate to the Synod the fact that no member of the Board, nor any of its officers, had ever been notified of any resolutions of Synod requesting the Board to report annually in any way to Synod, and that the Board having now been informed of the existence of such resolution will cheerfully comply with it.

The Board having had under consideration the various resolutions proposed at the last meeting of Synod and deferred, do adopt the following resolutions:

Resolved that Messrs. Robertson, Johnstone, and Craig, having been put in possession of the views of the different members present by a full conference on the subject, be appointed a committee to draft the opinion of the Board with their reasons therefore, in regard to the expediency of the connection of the President of the College with the Presbyterian congregation in Danville.

Resolved that while the Board fully concur in the opinion that the expenditure of the College should be kept within the income, they would most respectfully suggest that in case of an insufficient income, the number of professors should be diminished, rather than a reduction be made in the salary of the professors, as the latter course would seem to require from the professors a guaranty for the productiveness of funds over which they have no control.

Resolved that Messrs. Jacobs, Barbour, Young, and Hopkins be appointed in behalf of the Board to furnish the Synod of Kentucky with all the information now to be obtained in regard to the funds of Centre College from its commencement up to the year 1831; also all the information now to be obtained in regard to the finances from that year up to the appointment of the present Treasurer; also a detailed statement of the accounts of the present Treasurer from the period of his appointment.

Resolved that in answer to the resolution touching the contingent expenses and implying that they have been too large, the Board would respectfully explain that from 1st January 1843 to 1st January 1844, the contingent expenses were \$460.48, as stated by the Treasurer, which this Board do not regard as extravagant, as clearly appears from the items furnished, the chief of which are: \$50 for Treasurer's salary; \$63 for wood and \$25 for barometer; \$191 for fencing; \$20 for periodicals for library; \$31.50 for wood, with many smaller items. The

contingent expenses from 1st January 1844 to 1st January 1845 were \$295.24, which clearly are not too much, as most of the items stated above regularly recurring will show. The contingent expenses from January 1st 1845 to January 1st 1846, besides smaller items mentioned above, included \$1,400, an old debt paid to the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb; \$115 paid to Rev. J. Matthews as agent for raising funds; \$75 for share of Refectory stock; \$40 for a strip of land; \$150 servants hire of preceding year and \$125 servants hire for the current year; \$45 Secretary's salary for two years; \$87.50 and \$22 for fencing. When the extraordinary expenditures of this year are subtracted, it leaves the contingent expenses proper little more than those of former years and by no means excessive. It is proper to say that the contingent expenses are here made up from January to January, while the ordinary reports heretofore made by the Treasurer have been from one fall meeting of the Board to another. In review of the above exhibit in submit it to the Synod, neither with a due regard to the want and necessities of the College, the \$657 interest upon the professors' salaries, referred to in one of the resolutions, could have been paid out of the amount expended for contingent purposes during the three years particularly referred to in the resolutions offered to Synod.

The following resolution was offered and after considerable discussion and modification was passed.

Inasmuch as some members of the Board have doubts as to the competency of the Board to make permanent appointments at the meetings in June and July last in consequence of the numbers then present, resolved that the appointments of Professors Scott and Schaeffer, made respectively at the meetings in June and July, be confirmed and these Professors be continued in office.

Mr. Scott was then nominated as permanent Professor of Languages, and the yeas and nays being called for, the vote stood as follows: yeas - Grundy, Craig, Dunn, Ford, Robertson, Bell, Henderson, Barclay, Sneed, Berryman, Hopkins, Johnstone, Caldwell, McDowell; nays - none.

Mr. Schaeffer was then nominated as permanent professor, and the yeas and nays being called for the vote stood as follows: yeas - Craig, Ford, Henderson, Barclay, Bell, Sneed, Berryman, Hopkins, Johnstone, Caldwell, McDowell; nays - Grundy, Dunn, Robertson.

Resolved unanimously that the Board appoint Mr. Schaeffer pro tem Professor of the Natural Sciences.

Resolved that the President communicate to Mr. Schaeffer the facts of the case in regard to his nomination and election, and inform him that the sole ground of the nays on the vote for his permanent appointment was his religious opinions. A motion was made to reconsider the resolutions touching the appointments of the professors, and after some discussion the motion was carried, and the following resolutions were offered and adopted in the room of the resolutions that had been reconsidered.

Whereas, in the opinion of various members of the Board, the election of Mr. Scott to the Professorship of Languages could not be a permanent appointment owing to the fact that but eleven members were present at the election, resolved that the Board now proceed to elect a permanent Professor of Languages.

Resolved, as the understanding of the Board, that according to the charter a vote of two thirds of the trustees is required to appoint a permanent professor. The election was then entered upon, and Mr. Scott received the unanimous vote of the fourteen members present.

Mr. Schaeffer was nominated as permanent Professor of the Natural Sciences, and the consideration of the nomination was postponed to the regular meeting at the Commencement in June.

The secretary was directed to communicate the action of the Board on the resolutions presented to Synod, to the Chairman of the Synod's Committee.

John C. Young, Secretary

The following are copies of the papers directed, in the previous minutes of the Board, to be spread upon the minutes as exhibiting the grounds of the Board's action in the resolutions adopted.

Stanford, Kentucky

October 27, 1847

To the Board of Trustees of Centre College

As Stated Clerk of the Synod of Kentucky it is my duty to furnish the Board of Trustees with official information of all the action of Synod respecting the College.

At the late sessions of Synod in Henderson, Kentucky, the following persons were appointed Trustees, viz. Rev. Stuart Johnson for two years; Rev. Robert C. Grundy, Rev. John H. Brown, James M. Preston, Esq., John S. Berryman, Peter R. Dunn, John R. Ford for three years

The following resolution was adopted. Resolved that the Synod regrets that the Board of Trustees of Centre College failed to appoint a committee of their number to meet with the visitors, and to attend with them on the examinations of the students, and to unite with them in a report, both to the Synod and to the Board of Trustees, and further that the Synod has no report from the Board on the Treasurer.

The following series of resolutions was also introduced and made the order of the day for 3 o'clock of the second day of the next meeting of Synod.

1. The Board of Trustees of Centre College are requested to cause reports from their Treasurer and Financial Agent to be made annually to this Synod, and to cause these reports to enter into such details as will enable the Synod to understand precisely the whole state of the accounts of the College; that the Treasurer be requested to keep his accounts in such a manner that the stated income and stated expenses may be kept distinct from the contingent expenses of the College.
2. The Synod is of opinion that the expenses of the College ought to be kept by the trustees rigidly within its income, the more especially as the income of the College from the students fees and permanent funds appears, as far as the Synod is informed, to have amounted to a sum amply sufficient for the ordinary expenses of the institution.
3. The Synod is of opinion that the contingent expenses of the College ought to be reduced to a scale of economy corresponding with the necessities of the College, and the trustees are requested to cause detailed statements of the contingent account to be made annually to Synod.
4. The Synod regrets that under the circumstances the sum charged as interest on professors' salaries, which for the last three years reported to this body amounts to \$657, was not paid out of the very large sum used during those years for contingent expenses, the nature of which has not been explained.
5. It is the opinion of Synod that the interests of the College require that no member of the Faculty shall engage statedly in employment which would prevent him from devoting all his time to the service of the institution, and the Synod thinks it is the more reasonably to be expected that none of them should do so as the salaries paid to them are ample.
6. The Synod reiterates the expression of its deep sense of the importance of the College and of the solemn duty of the Presbyterian Church in Kentucky to sustain it and extend its means of usefulness, and that

while one means of doing its duty in the premises is to proceed with the further endowment of the institution, another equally important one is to secure the wise and economical management of the actual resources of the institution, and to that end they are clearly of opinion that the ordinary expenses must be kept within the ordinary income; that if this cannot be done by curtailing the contingent expenses, it must be done by a temporary reduction of the salaries of the members of the Faculty until the annual deficit reported to Synod is made up out of the ordinary income.

7. A certified copy of this minute will be sent by the Stated Clerk of Synod to the Board of Trustees of Centre College.

It was then ordered that a committee of five be appointed to whom the management and condition of Centre College, as presented in these resolutions, shall be referred, and who shall report it at the next meeting of Synod.

The following committee was then appointed by ballot to examine into the affairs of Centre College, viz. Robert J. Breckinridge, W. C. Matthews, E. H. Hopkins, M. Hardin, and W. W. Hill.

True extracts from the records and documents of the Synod of Kentucky.

S. S. McRoberts, Stated Clerk of the Synod of Kentucky

Danville November 17, 1847

Rev. and Dear Sir

The committee appointed by the Synod of Kentucky to make examinations into the condition of Centre College - according to the official communication already made to you - as secretary of the Board of Trustees of the College - by the Stated Clerk of the Synod, will meet in this place on the morning of the 12th of next January. I address you this note to inform you of that fact in your double capacity of President of the College and Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and to desire, in behalf of the Committee and as its Chairman, that you would communicate the fact to the College Faculty, as their head, and to the Board of Trustees, as their secretary, so that both bodies may be duly notified, and may take such action respectively as they may consider necessary.

If no regular meeting of the Board of Trustees should occur before the 12th of January, I respectfully suggest that if there is any lawful mode in which it can be done, and the matter appears to you of sufficient importance to justify a call of the Board of Trustees, they be requested to convene on the day appointed by the Committee to meet in this place; my own opinion being that the convenience of all parties, and the successful and satisfactory prosecution of a business in which all are deeply interested, would be decidedly promoted by a concurrent meeting of the Trustees of the College and the Committee of the Synod; and my fear being that the Committee may find it very difficult to meet a second time in this place.

I beg leave to refer you to two notes which I have this day written - the one to the Treasurer and the other to the Financial Agent of the College, that you may see some of the points to which the Committee will desire to direct attention.

The records of the Board of Trustees or the papers in the hands of their Secretary will, it is to be presumed, afford a clear history of the finances of the College from the beginning, and an exact account of their present condition. As you are, I believe, already aware, it is mainly the financial condition of the College to which the attention of Synod was directed, and in regard to which it is extremely important that precise and full information should be

laid before that body. It is therefore on this account that I beg to call your attention as Secretary of the Board of Trustees to this aspect of the subject as presented by its minutes.

Though mainly it was not entirely to the financial condition of the College that the attention of Synod was directed, I therefore beg to say to you, as President of the College and as Secretary of the Board of Trustees, that the opinion of the Faculty of the College and that of the Board of Trustees is desired upon the question raised in that one of the resolutions now depending before the Synod, which proposes that no member of the Faculty should devote his time and labors to any employment that would materially interfere with the duties and obligations they all owe to the College itself. In other words, and taking the case as it actually stands, in order to settle a general rule and a fixed principle, the opinion of those two bodies is desired whether or not the interests of the College require the separation of the Presidency of the institution and the charge of the Presbyterian congregation of Danville. The Synod, I guess, has a right to know the opinions of those two bodies on this point, and I presume their opinions would weigh greatly with the Synod.

I beg leave to say that if a detailed statement could be made up out of the minutes of the College Faculty, or those of the Board of Trustees, or possibly from the accounts of the Treasurer, of the number of students and the number of graduates, you [space] the beginning of the College, it would be of great value and importance; or if a complete list could not be made, then one that would be as complete as possible - say from five years to five years - or the like, so as to embrace a fair statement of the conditions of the College at its highest and lowest points under every one of its successive Presidents.

The Committee of Synod will, of course, be greatly obliged to you for any information you can afford them and any aid you can give them in the extensive and somewhat indefinite examination which the Synod requires at their hands.

Very truly, your friend and brother, Robert J. Breckinridge

Rev. Dr. Young, President of Centre College, and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

June 28, 1848

The Board met at Mr. Charles Henderson's. Present, McDowell, Craig, Henderson, Ford, Barclay, Caldwell.

The following thirty four young gentlemen, members of the present Senior class, were recommended by the Faculty for the degree of A.B.: James R. Brown, John A. Crawford, James M. Crook, Robert P. Davidson, George B. Fleece, William P. Fleece, William M. Fleming, Joseph W. Fore, Leonidas Frierson, Theodore Frierson, George O. Graves, Edward H. Green, John U. Green, James S. Hall, Thomas P. Hughes, Alexander F. Hume, William C. Jackson, William D. Irvin, George L. Kalb, John G. Keenon, James M. Mayes, George W. Malambre, Nathan C. McDill, Edmund H. Munger, Robert Vance Moore, Thomas Sanders, Henry Sanford, Alexander H. Sneed, Thomas H. Swope, William C. Swope, Samuel B. Todd, Clement B. White, George Vest, George O. Yeiser.

The Board also conferred the degree of A.B. on Matthew Scott, Jr., of Lexington, formerly a member of Centre College.

The degree of A.M. was conferred on the following members of the class that graduated in 1845: Robert L. Breck, William C. Anderson, William L. Green, Aaron B. Knight, Joel K. Lyle, David K. Newell, James B. Patrick, Robert C. Sneed, Samuel D. Ward, as also on Richard M. Mosley of the class of 1844.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock

4 o'clock June 28, 1848

Present as in the morning with the addition of Brown and Robinson. The committee appointed by the Board to examine into the finances of the College and report to Synod, reported that they had discharged the duty as far as was deemed necessary.

The Treasurer's annual report was received and referred to the Secretary and Financial Agent to audit.

Resolved that hereafter the Secretary and Financial Agent be a committee to audit the Treasurer's account annually before the meeting of the Board at Commencement.

Mr. Jacobs made a statement of the settlement made by him with Mrs. Romeo Lewis. The Board directed the Financial Agent and Mr. Bell to make such arrangements as to secure the results of this settlement.

Messrs. Barclay, Bell, and Barbour were appointed a committee to examination for the Asylum. Mr. Jacobs was authorized to purchase apparatus for the Asylum not exceeding \$50 in amount.

The Board directed Mr. Barbour to release a mortgage in Florida held in his name for the benefit of the Asylum on the property of Mr. Rutgers.

Robinson, Jacobs, and Brown were appointed a committee to make investigation in reference to the best mode of investing the funds of the Board, and report the result.

Bell and Henderson were not prepared to report on the case of Bridge's contract.

A communication from Rev. Joseph Brown was received complaining of the action of the Board as having injured him, and requesting such a statement to be published as might free his character from unjust imputations. Robinson and Young were appointed a committee to draft such a statement and submit it to the Board.

Mr. Robinson, in behalf of the committee appointed to draw up the views of the Board in reference to the dissolution of the connections between the President of the College and the Presbyterian Church in Danville, read a report, which was adopted, and directed to be communicated to Synod.

Adjourned to 8:30 tomorrow.

June 29, 1848

The Board met at the President's house. Present same as yesterday.

The President was directed to ascertain whether the services of Mr. Nourse of Bardstown could be secured to the College, and to engage him as a teacher for the next session for a compensation of \$300 per annum.

Resolved that the salary of the vacant professorship ought to be \$1,200 per annum. Messrs. Robinson, Brown, and Young were appointed a committee to inquire for the names of persons capable of filling the vacant professorship.

Resolved that the Board will meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the first Tuesday after the election in August to consider the propriety of filling the vacant Professorship.

John C. Young, Secretary

August 15, 1848

The Board met. Present McDowell, Bell, Hopkins, Berryman, Henderson, Caldwell, Johnstone, Brown, Barclay, Daniel Price, Sneed, Craig, Ford.

Bell and Henderson reported the fact which they were appointed to inquire into touching tr. of the Board with Mr. William Bridges. The Board, thereupon, continued the committee with instructions to close the business on such terms as they shall deem best.

On a communication from Mr. Schaeffer recommending the purchase of the geological survey of New York, the Board ordered that the work should be purchased.

Mr. Young reported that he had not been able to secure the services of Mr. Nourse on the terms proposed by the Board.

After some conversation on the condition of the funds of the College, it was resolved that the Board will not make any appointment to fill the vacant professorship, in consequence of an apprehension that the funds of the College may not enable the Board to meet the additional expenses consequent upon such an appointment.

The President was directed to procure the services of some assistant or assistants to hear part of the recitations of the Freshmen class, the compensation for these services to be at the rate of \$200 per annum.

John C. Young, Secretary

December 19, 1848

The Board met in the College. Present, Craig, Ford, Robinson, Bell, Berryman, Daniel Price, Humphrey, Brown. Rev. William L. Breckinridge and John Montgomery having been appointed as Trustees by Synod and duly qualified took their seats.

The late Chairman, not at present being a member of the Board, it was moved and carried that Mr. Daniel Price take the Chair.

A communication from Mr. James Graham [*principal, Grammar School*] was read by the Secretary, containing a statement of the fact that he had left his situation in the Grammar School and removed to Paducah, and proposing to the Board to settle his accounts. The Board referred the settlement of Mr. Graham's accounts to the Secretary and Treasurer on such basis as had been usual in former settlements with the teachers.

Resolved that a committee be appointed to make arrangements for the instruction of the Grammar School during the present session, and that this committee be directed to enquire into the expediency and practicability of making a change in the relations between the Grammar School and College, and to report to the Board at its next meeting whether any such change is desirable and practicable, and if so the nature of such change and also to

consider and report whether any change in the organization or arrangements of the school appears to be desirable. The Faculty of the College, together with Dr. Craig and Mr. Bell, were appointed as the committee in the Grammar School.

It was moved that the Board petition the Legislature for such a change of the charter as will give to Synod the power of electing all the instructors connected with the institution. After considerable discussion it was decided by yeas and nays as follows: yeas - Breckinridge and Robertson - 2; nays - Craig, Berryman, Price, Bell, Humphrey, Brown, Montgomery, Ford - 8.

Resolved that Humphrey, Montgomery, and Brown be a committee to draw up a paper exhibiting the ground of the Board's action on the above resolution, and lay it before the Synod at its next meeting.

Evening session of Board in President's study

Present as before.

Resolved that the uncollected subscriptions to the Theological Seminary or Professorship of Theology be placed in the hands of the Financial Agent for the purpose of collection and reinvestment, Messrs. Humphrey and Breckinridge dissenting.

Resolved that the Financial Agent be directed to settle with the executor or administrator of the late Treasurer, James Barbour, and so invest the funds in the hands of said administrator, so that the interest now accumulated, as well as the principal, may yield increase.

Resolved that Messrs. Beatty and Scott be a committee of repairs for the College, and that they be directed to have a new fence put round the grounds and such other changes made as they may deem necessary.

Resolved that the Secretary of the Asylum be requested to transcribe, or cause to be transcribed, into a separate book all the past minutes of the Board which relate to the affairs of the Asylum, and that hereafter the minutes of the College and the Asylum be kept in separate books by the respective secretaries.

Resolved that the Chairman, or in case of his inability to act or a vacancy in the office, the secretary, is empowered to call a meeting at the request of any three members.

Dr. William Craig was elected permanent Chairman of the Board.

The Board adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock in the College on the Thursday previous to the last Thursday in June next.

June 27, 1849

On the day appointed for the meeting of the Board, there being but two members present, no meeting was held. On Wednesday, the 27th of June, four members of the Board, viz. Craig, Bell, Ford, and Berryman met; and there not being a quorum, the members present advised the President to confer the degrees on the members of the Senior class recommended by the Faculty for receiving their diplomas, and procure the formal ratification of the act at the next meeting of the Board.

The following is a list of graduates - William C. Baker, William A. Brigham, Elias D. Clay, Samuel A. Bonner, Robert Conover, Edward Cook, Charles B. Cotton, John Cowan, John J. Crittenden, Jr., Aaron P. Forman, James P. Hendrick, John R. Hendrick, John H. Kenney, David S. McDill, [John O.] McGehee, James P. McGoodwin, William W. Metcalfe, John N. Moore, Gelon Rout, Joseph Scott, Andrew L. Wallace, James Warnack - 22.

John C. Young

Danville October 15, 1849

The Board met at the call of the Chairman at Mr. Henderson's. Present Craig, Joseph Bullock, Johnstone, Berryman, Grundy, Bell, Daniel Price, Humphreys, Robinson. Messrs. McCown and McRoberts, appointed by the Synod, appeared, and having been qualified took their seats as members of the Board.

Resolved that the degree of A.B. be conferred on the following members of the late Senior class, viz. William C. Baker, William A. Brigham and (see the list at the top of this page).

Resolved that the Secretary copy into the minutes of the Board the exact words of the resolution of Synod, the substance of which was recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the Board on December 19, 1848, viz. that the charter of the College ought to be so amended as to require the Trustees to nominate to Synod all the officers of instruction, and give Synod power to confirm or substitute other persons in all cases, and that the Board of Trustees be requested to petition the Legislature of Kentucky to make the necessary change in the charter.

Mr. Young presented a report on the state of the theological funds that had been committed to the Board by the Synod in 1831. Resolved that the report be laid before the Synod for their information by the Secretary.

The Financial Agent was directed to take the note of Mr. James Barbour with ample personal security for the whole amount of the funds in his hands as administrator of the late Treasurer.

Mr. Robinson offered the following preamble and resolution, which after discussion, were passed, viz. the Secretary laid before the Board a full statement of the condition of the theological fund, exhibiting the amount of that fund on hand to be some \$3,600 in cash, and some \$6,000 in notes inclusive of interest thereon yet uncollected. Whereupon, resolved that in view of the fact that this fund may soon be sufficient to support a theological professor in the College, the Board will proceed as soon as possible to fill such a professorship.

The Treasurer was directed to report the condition of the College funds, and whether the arrearages of the professors' salaries can be paid up without infringing on the principal of the endowment now held by the Board.

The Financial Agent and the Secretary were appointed a committee with power to rent or sell the house taken back from William Bridges.

Resolved that Dr. Craig, Mr. Jacobs, and Mr. Young be a committee with power, at their discretion, to transfer a portion of the funds held by the Board, and invest them in some other permanent form, to an amount not exceeding \$10,000.

The Financial Agent was directed to accept the proposition of Mr. Nathaniel Winn to give \$300 in lieu of his scholarship note.

The Financial Agent and Secretary were appointed a committee to examine the account of the Treasurer and his vouchers and settle with him to the present time.

Mr. John Hendricks was appointed tutor in College, with a salary of \$200 per annum.

Mr. Salvador De Soto was appointed teacher of the Grammar School, with a salary of \$500 per annum.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville March 28, 1850

The Board met at the President's study. Present, Ford, Breckinridge, Berryman, Dunn. Messrs. James Barbour and James S. Hopkins, appointed by Synod at its late meeting, appeared, were qualified, and took their seats as members of the Board. Mr. Hopkins was appointed Chairman pro tem. The committee on the Treasurer's report reported its examination and approval. The committee on the transfer and reinvestment of the funds reported that they had, as yet, taken no action on the subject.

The committee on the Grammar School reported - and their report having been considered and amended, was adopted, and is as follows.

1. That the Grammar School is necessary under present circumstances and should be continued.
2. That it should be so connected with the College as to give the Trustees and Faculty authority to direct its studies and superintend its management.
3. That, though it is in the general admitted that the school should support itself and that all it makes should be expended on it for its efficiency and advancement, still, the principle of a fixed salary for the teacher ought to be adopted - the salary to be fixed by the Board from time to time according to the success of the school.
4. That a teacher should be employed by the Faculty to take charge of the school, and that the Faculty be empowered to appoint such assistants, from time to time, as they may find necessary and fix the rates of remuneration for all such assistants.

The following persons were appointed a committee to examine into the propriety of erecting a building for the use of the Grammar School, and ascertain its cost, so as to report to the Board at its next meeting - Young, Barbour, and Ford.

Dr. Craig appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Kenney, trustee and executor of the will of Mrs. Nancy Markee, appeared before the Board together with his counsel Mr. Troutman, and made a statement in relation to a contingent interest in certain Negroes, which may rest in the Board under the wills of Jonas Markee and Nancy Markee; and it appearing evident to the Board that their relinquishment of any right that might rest in them to the ownership in part of these Negroes would be in accordance with what would have been the wish of Mrs. Markee, if she could have anticipated that such an interest might arise under her will, and would also secure to the Board a certain amount of money to be given to said Negroes on condition of their removing to Liberia, it was resolved that Robert J. Breckinridge and John S. Berryman be appointed a committee with full power in conjunction with Mr. Kenney, to make any such arrangements as may be deemed necessary to release to the said Negroes any right to them which might rest in

the Trustees of Centre College, in case they should not remove to Liberia. The Financial Agent read to the Board a detailed report of his doings, which was approved.

The Treasurer was authorized to purchase a fire-proof safe for the security of the College notes and papers.

The Board directed the Financial Agent not to bring suit on the theological notes, and that the Agent, Mr. Berryman, be requested to take these notes and collect them as far as practicable, or make any such arrangements with the givers of these notes as he may deem most advisable.

The Board adjourned to meet on the Wednesday preceding the Commencement at the College at 9 o'clock.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville June 26, 1850

The Board met at the President's study. Present, Robert J. Breckinridge, Hopkins, Barbour, Ford, Dunn, Montgomery, Berryman, Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey was appointed Chairman pro tem.

The Faculty recommended to the Board for the degree of A.B. the following members of the present Senior class, viz. William B. Allen, Charles B. Brooks, Thomas R. Brown, Thomas C. Clark, James T. Crow, William M. Duncan, De Witt C. Fort, Thomas H. Fox, James H. Fulton, John H. Gaines, John C. Graham, William M. Hadden, Archibald A. Harbison, James R. Harlan, Jr., John M. Harlan, Andrew J. Hays, John H. Kinnaird, William M. Matheny, John H. McDannold, Thomas A. McDannold, William T. McElroy, Henry C. Merwitter, Anthony Rootes Thornton, Robert S. Voorhis. The Board conferred the degree of A.B. on the before named young gentlemen; also at the recommendation of the Faculty on Salvador DeSoto, who had been a member of the class, but engaged during the year in teaching the Grammar School, and on Lapsley McKee, member of the class that had graduated in *[date not shown, but Class of 1849]* until within 5 months of the period of graduating when he had withdrawn from ill health, and engaged in teaching.

The degree of A.M. was conferred on Joseph A. Humphreys and Thomas Brown and William Pauling; and the degree of D.D. on Rev. William C. Matthews, of Shelbyville *[Kentucky]*.

Resolved that the Board will hereafter confer the degree of A.M. on all the graduates of three years standing who shall apply for it, unless in such cases as the Board shall know of some objections to granting the request of the applicants.

The degree of A.M. honorary was conferred on Rev. Ralph Harris, professor in Macomb College, Illinois.

Resolved that all students, whether on scholarship or not, pay the extra dollar charged for fuel or incidental expenses.

Resolved that the amounts due from the College on account of salary Messrs. Young and Beatty be funded by giving to each of them a bond for the sums respectively due to them, bearing interest payable annually from the date, and the bond payable at the end of five years or earlier at the discretion of the College.

Resolved that Messrs. Barbour, Craig, Ford, Hopkins, Young, and Jacobs, or any two of them, be a committee with power to make such arrangements for the Grammar School, either on the College lot or on the Blackburn lot, as they shall deem best.

A letter was received from Mr. Nichols on behalf of Mr. Forsythe in relation to the prospect of procuring a diploma for his daughter. The letter, after some consideration, was laid upon the table.

Resolved that if any student shall wear, or draw upon another, a pistol, club, sword-cane, or other deadly weapon, he shall be forthwith publicly dismissed and not restored without a vote of the Board of Trustees, and that the President publish this law to the students.

The Board having taken up the subject of appointing a new professor, resolved on the following changes in the professorship heretofore existing: the Professorship of Belles Lettres and Political Economy, which has been for some time vacant, is abolished for the present, and the Professorship of Languages divided into a Professorship of Latin, Political Economy and History and a Professorship of Greek, Architecture, and Rhetoric. The Faculty is charged for the present with making such a distribution of the other subjects that formerly fell to the vacant Professorship as they may deem most advisable.

The Board proceeded to appoint the Rev. Henry Snyder of Jefferson College, Professor of Latin, Political Economy and History.

Mr. Snyder was unanimously elected at the salary of \$900 as professor pro tem - the presence of 13 members of the Board being required to make a permanent appointment.

The Board directed that in case the proceeds of the Grammar School should, during the coming College year, after deducting its proportionate share of the expenses of fuel, servant's hire, and interest on the money invested for its building, amount to a sum over \$500, Mr. DeSoto should have his salary increased by the amount of this surplus, until he shall have received \$700 per annum.

Mr. Humphrey, on the part of a committee of the Synod, having presented to the Board an enquiry as to the possibility of obtaining the theological funds in the hands of the Board to be used as part of the endowment in which Synod now is engaged, and also as to the amount of these funds, the Board direct as to the latter point that the Financial Agent furnish the Synod with the information requested. As to the first point, the Board of Trustees is of opinion that the theological fund under its care should remain as it is. But if Synod should be of opinion that the great interests of religion would be promoted by a different disposition of it, this Board can have no other objection than such as may arise from legal difficulties connected with the subject. And as to any difficulties of this sort, it is taken for granted that the Synod will not act in disregard of them without both carefully considering them, and also taking such action as effectually to protect this Board from any responsibility.

The agent of the Board, Mr. Berryman, was authorized to take scholarship notes of \$100 each - each of these \$100 scholarships to entitle the holder to receive instruction for one pupil for five years from the time of the payment of the note - these scholarships to become valid and made payable as soon as enough of them have been secured to amount to the sum of \$10,000.

Rev. Robert Stuart, and Rev. Joseph J. Bullock received each the degree of D.D. from the Board.

The Trustees located in Danville and the immediate vicinity were appointed a committee to transact any business which may demand attention in the intervals of the meetings of the Board.

The Board canceled its former order directing the Treasurer to pay interest on warrants from the time that they were due.

A report was received and approved from Robert J. Breckinridge and John S. Berryman in relation to the contingent interest of Centre College in certain slaves, stating that the claims of the College to the slaves is released, and on the other hand that the claim of the slaves on the residuary interest accruing to the Board from Mrs. Markee's estate is also released.

John C. Young, Secretary

Danville June 25, 1851

The Board met at the President's study. Present Messrs. Craig, Price, Hopkins, Berryman, Johnstone, Montgomery. Mr. Charles Henderson and Rev. John Coons, having been appointed Trustees at the last meeting of Synod, appeared and took their seats, having presented certificates of their having taken the oath of office.

The degree of A.B. was conferred on the following members of the Senior class on recommendation of the Faculty: J. Clay Armstrong, John C. Berryman, George Cowan, John J. Craig, Willis G. Craig, Bennett H. Davis, Moses S. Fields, W. McKee Fox, John S. Frierson, Abner Gaines, Henry Grider, Samuel Heron, Robert Y. Jarvis, Hugh B. Knox, John Newton Lyle, Joel H. Marvin, Uriah Millsaps, Cyrus N. Pendleton, Charles W. Price, Elias T. Scott, Isaac P. Simpson, Lyman Beecher Todd, Thomas E. Vick, Charles G. Wallace, Samuel M. Weeden, John J. Wheat, J. Henry C. Wiestling, James H. Wilkins, James M. Wright. The honorary degree of A.B. was conferred on Mr. George R. Freeman of Franklin County, Kentucky. The degree of A.M. was conferred in course on Wellington A. Cunningham of the graduating Class of 1846, and on William H. Cunningham of the Class of 1847.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred on the Honorable John Hemphill, Chief Justice of the State of Texas, and on the Honorable Thomas Monroe, U. S. District Judge for the State of Kentucky.

The degree of D.D. was conferred on Rev. James C. Barnes of Perryville *[Kentucky]* and on Rev. W. W. Hill of Louisville.

After discussion on the subject of the funds, the following resolution was offered and adopted.

That the Financial Agent be and hereby is directed to sell out \$10,000 of bank stocks held by the Board of such stocks as he may consider to be least safe, and loan this amount to the trustees of the town of Danville on such personal security as shall be satisfactory to a committee consisting of the Financial Agent, with Messrs. John Montgomery and Robert A. Johnston, and on condition that the interest is to be paid semi-annually and the principal to be paid in cash to the Board of Trustees of the College at the end of seven years from the advancement of the last installment of the loan, or to be paid in the stock of the railroad to be built between Lexington and Danville - said stock to be charged to the College at par if its market value shall, at the time of payment, be above par, and to be charged at the market price if its market value at the time shall be below par - and the option of receiving payment in cash - stock on the above terms to be given to the Board of Trustees of the College.

A further resolution was offered and adopted that the Secretary and Financial Agent be, and are hereby directed to make examination as to the profitableness and security of investments in Cincinnati or elsewhere in reference to disposing of and reinvesting the remainder of the bank stock - and that, if on examination they shall find any mode of investment of these funds safe and profitable in their opinions, they be required to call a meeting of the Board as soon as practicable through the Chairman or, in case of his absence, the Secretary.

The Treasurer's report was committed to Messrs. Montgomery and Johnston, who in examination reported its approval, and their report was adopted.

The Financial Agent was requested to fill up for the satisfaction of Synod the specifications of the various sums paid for contingent expenses as exhibited in the Treasurer's report.

Messrs. Young and Russell were appointed at the request of the Financial Agent a committee to examine his accounts.

The Treasurer was directed to pay to John S. Berryman two scholarship notes, the one given by J. W. Jackson and Mary R. Thrashley, the other by John S. Berryman, the amount of these notes being due to said Berryman in consideration of his having procured \$10,000 in scholarship notes to be added to the funds of College.

The Financial Agent was empowered to loan out of any moneys collected by him, \$1,500 to Professor Scott, securing it by mortgage or otherwise.

The President and Mr. Hopkins were appointed a committee to have the library room of College fitted up and furnished for the meetings of the Board and the Faculty.

Messrs. Henderson and Hopkins were appointed a committee to have an ice-house built.

Mr. Henderson was appointed to superintend all repairs needed on the College property and grounds, including the President's house and the Grammar School with their grounds.

The committee appointed in regard to providing accommodations for the Grammar School reported that they had fitted up the old Blackburn house for that purpose, and that it was now occupied by the school.

The report of the Principal of the Grammar School was referred to a committee, who reported that the proceeds of the Grammar School, after paying \$75 for rent, \$25 for servants' hire, \$20 for wood, and \$700 salary to the Principal, yielded a surplus; whereupon the Board directed that this surplus be paid to the assistant in the Grammar School.

Messrs. Craig, Montgomery, and Johnstone were appointed a committee to attend the next annual examination. Messrs. Montgomery and Johnstone were appointed a committee to unite with the committee of Synod in a report on the examination and state of the College for the present year.

Resolved that in consideration of the relinquishment to the College by the heirs of the Rev. S. B. Robertson of all right to a scholarship originally held by Nicholas Ray, and assigned by him to S. B. Robertson, the Board do agree to cancel, under advisement of Synod, a note given to the Trustees by said S. B. Robertson in 1827, and on which there is still a balance unpaid.

The President was authorized to direct the Treasurer to refund the tuition fee of Henry Morton.

A letter having been received from Rev. Robert J. Breckinridge resigning his seat in the Board, it was resolved that the Board regarding the services of Dr. Breckinridge as peculiarly valuable to the College, decline receiving his resignation, and request him to withdraw it.

Resolved that the Board meet on the first Wednesday in March each year as well as on the last Wednesday in June.

John C. Young, Secretary

October 23, 1851

The Board met. Present Messrs. Craig, Johnston, Henderson. Rev. Joseph Bullock appeared, and having been elected by Synod, and having presented proof of being duly qualified took his seat. Robert J. Breckinridge and Peter R. Dunn, having been reappointed by Synod and having presented proof of having duly qualified, took their seats.

The Financial Agent was directed to sell the stock of the Louisville Bank in preference to that of the Bank of Kentucky to meet the loan to the Board of Trustees of the town of Danville.

The committee appointed to procure information in regard to the profitableness and security of investments in Cincinnati and elsewhere made a report, communicating the proffer of a ground rent in Cincinnati to the amount of \$12,000 at a rate of about 8 per cent - after discussion it was moved and carried to make no investments in Cincinnati.

On motion, it was resolved that the local Trustees, Messrs. Hopkins, Craig, Barbour, and Henderson, be a committee empowered to make such arrangements as shall seem to them best, with a mind to procure residences for the professors of College, having liberty to use for that purpose the proceeds of the late legacy of Mr. David Williams, amounting to about \$7,000.

The Secretary presented a letter from Mr. Schaeffer tendering his resignation of his professorship in consequence of his appointment as Chief Engineer of the Danville and Lexington Railroad Company - whereupon it was resolved that the Board accept the resignation, waiving in view of all the circumstances of the case the ordinary requirement of 5 months notice by a professor previous to his resignation. Further resolved that the Board, in accepting Mr. Schaeffer's resignation, express their high satisfaction with the faithfulness, industry, and ability exhibited by him in the discharge of his duties as a Professor; and tender to him their best wishes for his success in his future avocation.

Resolved unanimously that Mr. Williams be and he hereby is appointed Professor of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry in Centre College, at a salary of \$900 per annum.

The Faculty were empowered to make any such arrangements as they deem suitable to provide temporary assistance in teaching the lower classes, not expending on such assistance more than at the rate of \$200 per session.

Resolved that the Board met regarding the present provision for enabling the students to enjoy the benefits of preaching as satisfactory, recommend to the Faculty to take the whole subject into early consideration, and make any such change as they may deem advisable and practicable, and report to the Board at its next meeting.

John C. Young, Secretary

Acts of the Synod as reported by their Stated Clerk at its session in 1851.

William L. Breckinridge, Robert J. Breckinridge, Robert A. Johnston, John Montgomery, Joseph J. Bullock, Aaron A. Hogue, and Samuel Cassiday were appointed Trustees for 3 years.

Edward P. Humphreys, James C. Barnes, and Stuart Robinson appointed a committee to devise some plan for the religious instruction of the students, and to report at the next meeting of Synod.

The Trustees of the College were requested to inquire into the expediency of making immediate provision for the public worship of God on the Lord's Day by the Faculty and students of College in a separate congregation.

The Board is directed to see that the report of the Treasurer be sent up to Synod in a more businesslike form.

March 3, 1852

The Board met at 3 o'clock at the house of the President. Present - Hopkins, Henderson, Barbour, Coons, Dunn, Bullock. Montgomery, Johnstone, and Price being reappointed and Mr. Hogue appointed for first time, appeared and were qualified by Mr. Hopkins, Justice of the Peace in Boyle County, administering to them the oath of office.

The Board appointed Mr. Barbour to confer with the Treasurer as to the form of his annual report and directed the Treasurer to have it printed for the use of the Synod.

The Faculty reported that they were not yet ready to propose any final arrangements for the accommodation of the students in hearing preaching. The Board empowered the local members to expend, if they shall deem it advisable, an amount not exceeding \$500 for securing to the students a sufficient number of church pews for their accommodation.

The committee of local members who had been empowered to purchase residences for the professors reported that they have purchased two houses at a cost of \$3,150 for the two. It was ordered that, as no additional residences are at present needed, the committee be directed to make no additional purchases. Messrs. Henderson and Barbour were directed to rent the houses purchased for the College, and keep them insured.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Financial Agent reported. Their report was approved and ordered to be recorded on the minutes of the Board. It is as follows. The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Financial Agent report that they have carefully and thoroughly examined the whole of Mr. Jacobs transactions as agent for the College from November 1, 1842, to the present date. During this period the moneys collected by him and passed through his hands amount to about \$25,398.08, besides a considerable sum received in notes. For all the various sums received by him at different times, he has accounted by producing satisfactory vouchers in receipts of the Treasurer for cash, notes, and bank stock placed by him in the Treasurer's hands for the use of the College. There are at this time in the hands of the Financial Agent sundry notes uncollected, viz. Fry and Vischer's \$118.25; Claud Charles Todd's \$118.00; Rev. W. Jones' \$35.00; Rev. R. Tyler's \$10.00; an unpaid balance

of a note on John Taylor; two notes of Rev. W. M. Scott \$851.07; Lee's note \$1,000.00; and Dunwiddie's \$10.00. With the exception of his still holding these notes for collection, Mr. Jacobs has balanced his accounts with the College up to this time by paying all that he has collected or held for it up to the present date. In examining the multifarious, troublesome, and responsible transactions of your Financial Agent, extending through so long a period as nine years and a half and managed so successfully and faithfully, your committee have been impressed with a feeling of admiration, which they feel it due to themselves and the Board to express, of the unwearied and patient industry, the ever-active vigilance, and the successful skill with which Mr. Jacobs has continued to labor, year after year, in a work in which his only remuneration has been the consciousness that he was aiding an institution whose object is to do good to man and glorify God.

February 2, 1852, John C. Young, David A. Russell, Committee

The Treasurer and Secretary were appointed a committee to audit annually the accounts of the Financial Agent.

The Board approved of the security offered by the authorities of the town of Danville for the loan of \$10,000. The Financial Agent is allowed by the Board to use his own judgment in selling either Kentucky Bank stock or Louisville Bank stock for the purpose of this loan - he advising with the Secretary and Chairman of the Board.

The Board having received Mr. Williams' declination of his appointment, proceeded to appoint Mr. Ormond Beatty to the Chair of Natural Philosophy and Chemistry; Rev. Henry Snyder to the Chair of Mathematics; and Mr. James Barbour to the Chair of Belles Lettres, Rhetoric, and Political Economy.

The Professor of Natural Science was allowed the sum of \$400 for the present purchase of apparatus, and \$100 per annum to be expended hereafter in his department.

Under Graduates Who Have Studied Professions

List made out August 1844

Ministry

George Moore
John D. Dawson
Samuel R. Alexander
Greenbury D. Murphy
Andrew W. Kerr
William H. Forsyth
N. S. Rice
Ben Shaw
Peter Fuleinwider
William P. Alexander
John R. Gorce
Stephen F. Cocke
William Clark
Charles Martin
William Robertson
David Nelson
John A. Meeks

Ministry

B. F. Crawford
Samuel Hughes
F. J. Boggs
A. Martin
Rev. Bradshaw
Rev. Dysart
John Rice

Robert Wall
C. S. Spilman
J. F. Coons
D. L. Stuart
J. W. Crabb
Alexander McKinney
Collin McKinney
Samuel Stuart
W. H. McAulay
Edward Cope
Henry H. Cambren
James Birney
W. B. Dysart
Ralph Harris
George Coons
B. Haden
A. E. Young
B. Lefler

Law

James F. Rollins
John B. Benuss
J. M. Clay
William Thompson
Francis P. Stone
M. Chrisman
G. J. Trotter
Sherrod Williams
J. B. Marshall
J. W. Cocke
Joseph Holt
W. M. Munford
W. S. Burch
Caleb Wallace
Humphrey Marshall
Thomas B. Reed
A. F. Smith
Henry Pope
William D. Reed
D. F. Kenner
J. H. Grimes
Richard Cocke
Richard A. Buckner
James M. Alexander
Vivian W. Edwards
C. G. Wintersmith
Samuel Glover

Law

James Hayes
James C. Patrick
Clifton Prewitt
A. Thornton
R. Singleton
W. Hudson
James Clark
John Leavy
John H. Wilson
M. Pindell
Caleb Logan
W. S. Martin
W. F. Barrett
D. McCreary
A. Robertson
S. W. Bullock
T. T. Berry
William S. Berry
Joshua F. Bullitt
F. W. Desha
J. B. V. McCall
Blanton Duncan
James Caperton
Thomas M. Crutcher
U. McCreary

J. T. Boyle
James Walter
James E. Munford
William A. Owsley
James J. Moore
Speed S. Fry
John G. Burch
George Grundy
William Birney
A. H. Edgar

Medicine

Alonzo Bast
John C. Bast
J. M. Boyle
Ed. T. Rochester
Samuel M. Letcher
W. C. Aldridge
John K. Kerr
Will Warren
J. B. Warren
Joseph A. Thompson
Elias Fisher
Samuel Smith
Willis Green
D. F. Tod
C. H. Fry
Ben. Helm
James M. Reed
James Moore
D. R. Knox
Uriah Bass
John R. Weisiger
W. A. Downton
James Burch
James Keith
Theodore P. Conn
James Foster
Thomas Montgomery
Paul R. Booker
Giles M. Ormond
John C. Maxwell
S. D. Price
Joseph Smith
Cotton
John Armstrong
James B. Duke

Medicine

H. S. Saunders

Camillus C. Davis, Lieutenant in the Army
William M. McKee, Captain in the Army
John A. Jacobs, Principal of the Deaf and Dumb Asy.
William D. Kerr, Instructor in the Deaf and Dumb Asylum
Samuel G. Mullins, Professor Bacon College

Minutes continued

A communication was received from Michael G. Youce on the subject of a debt due to him on the Blackburn house and lot. It was referred to the Financial Committee, viz. the Financial Agent, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and Mr. Barbour to report to the Board at its next meeting.

A proposition was received from David A. Russel to relinquish two scholarships to the College, if the College would release him from the obligation to pay one scholarship note of \$500 held by the College, and for which he is responsible. The Board declined to accept the proposition.

The Board appointed Rev. John Montgomery and Rev. Robert Johnston a committee to attend the examinations and unite with the Committee of Visitors in a report to the Synod.

The Board adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock on the Tuesday before the last Thursday in June.

John C. Young, Secretary

March 8, 1853

Board of Trustees met in Lexington according to adjournment at 3 o'clock p.m. in the session room of the First Presbyterian Church. Present Messrs. Robert J. Breckinridge, Humphrey, William L. Breckinridge, Bullock, Brown, Cassady, Barbour, Johnstone, John S. Berryman. James Barbour, Esq., presented a certificate of qualification signed by Benjamin F. Graves, presiding Judge of Fayette County Court *[of]* Kentucky. Dr. William L. Breckinridge was appointed Chairman pro tem and John A. Jacobs Secretary pro tem. Rev. John H. Brown presented a certificate of qualification signed by John Henry, Justice of the Peace of Fayette County.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Humphrey and adopted. Resolved that until the Second Presbyterian Church in Danville shall be opened for use, the President of the College is requested to call the students together in the College Chapel for the preaching of the gospel at least once on the Lord's Day.

On motion of J. Barbour, resolved that the Secretary of this Board be directed to draw his warrant on the Treasurer in favor of Charles Henderson and James Barbour as a committee of this Board for a sum sufficient to pay the purchase money of \$900 with its interest, agreed to be paid to Mr. Ficklin for a lot adjoining the College buildings - which sum with interest shall be returned to the Treasury out of the Williams' legacy when it shall be collected.

Ordered that the committee heretofore appointed to make purchases of houses with the Williams' legacy be directed to make no further purchases.

Certificates of scholarship given to:

M. T. Scott
A. Logan
J. M. Proctor in June 10, 1850
Dr. William Craig - September 17, 1850
J. R. Wright of Paris - July 8, 1851
John C. Young for his second scholarship
(the first being donated to the college)
March 15, 1853
John T. Boyle - September 29, 1853, for 2 scholarships
John T. Berryman - one
Mr. [illegible word] - one
J. R. Ford - October 18, 1854 - one
J. R. Ford - October 18, 1854 - one
in transfer of claim of R. C. Grundy

Minutes continued

On motion of Mr. Brown, it was directed that the above committee be directed to sell the property now occupied by Professor Snyder, unless he be willing to pay an interest of 6 per cent on the cost of the property, keep it insured, and in repair.

On motion of Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge, ordered that the amount due from the Literary Department to the Theological Fund be paid by the Financial Agent and loaned out. In the settlement of this debt, the interest to be compounded every two years.

On motion of Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge, resolved that the Faculty of the College be requested to recommend to the Board of Trustees at their annual meeting in June two suitable persons to be appointed as tutors to instruct the lower classes in the languages and mathematics at a salary

Form of certificate adopted by order of Board and used in case of Proctor

"Be it known, that _____ is the owner a perpetual scholarship in the Centre College of Kentucky at Danville by the payment of \$500. This certificate is transferable by the said ____ or his attorney duly authorized in writing at the office or dwelling of the secretary of said institution [unclear: witness?] the seal of the corporation and the signature of the secretary - Danville 18th.

Minutes Continued

of \$400 each, and that in place of the service now rendered by the present Faculty, they be required to increase the instruction in the higher branches of the Natural and Moral Sciences, Belles Lettres, etc., it being the mind of the Board that no additional professor be now elected. At his request Dr. William L. Breckinridge's vote is entered in the negative. The Trustees in and around the town of Danville were appointed a committee to attend the annual examination in College. The Board then adjourned to meet in the College Library on the day before the Commencement at 3 o'clock p.m.

John A. Jacobs, Secretary pro tem

The Board of Trustees of Centre College have received of Samuel Laird of Fayette County, Kentucky, the sum of \$1,000 to be held and used for the College on the following conditions, viz. the principal is never to be expended, but only the annual interest accruing from it is to be appropriated towards the payment of a professor's salary; and if the control of the College shall ever pass from the hands of those who possess and hold the principles of divine truth as they are held by those commonly called old school divines or orthodox divines, and as they are plainly exhibited in the present confession of faith in the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the principal is to be paid over to the board of some other college, which shall at that time be under the control of persons who hold said principles. If the Trustees of the Centre College shall fail to pay over this sum on such a contingency, it may be recovered from them at law by any Board of Trustees who may be able to show that their institution at that time answers to description of one to which this sum is to be forfeited. The Trustees of the Centre College bind themselves to fulfill these conditions.

John C. Young, Secretary, Danville, September 29, 1836

Danville January 1, 1841

On the same conditions as those specified in the above statement and pledge on the part of the Board of Trustees of Centre College, they have received the additional sum of \$10,000 in notes and stock to be added to the above \$1,000, and also to another \$1,000 previously given to be invested in an Educational Society farm, which farm the Board has sold. These united sums are to be held as above specified by the Board, and are to constitute a Laird Professorship.

By order of the Board, John C. Young, Secretary

Memorandum presented to committee of Synod on January 12, 1848

List of graduates

1824	2	President Chamberlain
1825	2	President Chamberlain
1826	2	President Chamberlain
1827	5	President Proctor
1828	3	President Blackburn
1829	5	President Blackburn
1830	<u>6</u>	President Blackburn
	25	Total in 7 years - averages of each year, 3 4/7
1831	2	President Young
1832	5	President Young
1833	9	President Young
1834	5	President Young
1835	6	President Young
1836	3	President Young
1837	<u>11</u>	President Young
	41	Total in 2nd period of 7 years - average of each year, 6 6/9

1838	15	President Young
1839	12	President Young
1840	16	President Young
1841	13	President Young
1842	14	President Young
1843	22	President Young
1844	<u>17</u>	President Young
	109	Total in 3rd period of 7 years - average of each year, 15 4/7
1845	14	President Young
1846	13	President Young
1847	<u>15</u>	President Young
	62	Total in period of 3 years - average of each year, 20 2/3
	237	Total graduates in 24 years
	<u>35</u>	
	272	
1848	35	President Young
1849	<u>22</u>	President Young
	57	
	<u>62</u>	Previous 3 years
	119	Total in period of 5 years - average, 23 4/5
		Total graduates in 26 years = [blank]

Up to 1835 (August) there appears to have been 45 graduates, of whom 23 are ministers or are shortly to be licensed, besides a number who received an education, as N. Rice, but never a diploma. Up to July 1843, the whole number of graduates, as far as appears, is 143.