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FOR 1881.

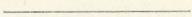
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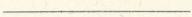
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THE
TEXAS INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM, }
AUSTIN, TEXAS, *November 1, 1881.* }

To the Honorable O. M. ROBERTS, Governor of the State of Texas.

Sir:—I have the honor to report the operations of the Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb since February 28, 1881, up to which date the Supplemental Report reaches.

March 1, 1881, the following teachers were on duty. Professor Robert G. Ferguson, Principal, teacher of Class No 1; Miss Josie Callahan, Teacher of Class No 2; Miss Emily Lewis, Teacher of Class No 3; Mrs. Lucy W. Ferguson, Teacher of Class No 4; Albert E. Lister, Teacher of Class No. 5. April 1, 1881, William H. Lacy was appointed Teacher of Class No. 6.

April 13, 1881, the relations of Prof. R. G. Ferguson with the school were severed; and those of Mrs. Lucy W. Ferguson also were severed April 14, 1881.

Miss Emily Lewis was placed in charge of Class No. 1, April 14, 1881; and the same day Miss Nevada L. Dunn was appointed Teacher of Class No 3; and Miss M. M. Crim was appointed Teacher of Class 4, pay to commence April 15, 1881.

May 2, 1881, Miss Josie Callahan

was relieved from duty at her own request; and William H. Lacy was directed to take charge of Class No 2, and Nat. R. Humphreys was appointed a teacher. These appointments were designated as temporary.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, May 28, 1881, the following action was had:

Board endorsed action of Superintendent in matter of changing teachers, as far as they understood the circumstances, and the motives actuating him.

Superintendent had consulted with members of the Board, and acted on their advice.

The highest number of pupils in attendance at any one time during the past session was 81. Charles Carter died January 26, 1881; two pupils went home—one on sick leave, one to aid in tilling the crop; on the first Wednesday in June, the beginning of vacation, seventy-eight pupils were present.

Measles prevailed as an epidemic during the latter part of January, all of February, and part of March. For a good portion of the time there was virtually no school. The classes were so broken up, so many were required to wait on the sick, that the school-rooms were almost empty. The actual time lost was more than two months. Some of the pupils after convalescing were

troubled with weakness of the eyes, and could not study. These lost fully half the session. The results were prejudicial, yet the advancement in all the classes was fair.

Eleven pupils remained at the Institution during vacation. Some of them left before September.

The present session commenced September 7, 1881, with an attendance of forty-three pupils. On the twelfth of that month school was opened with the following teachers:

Professor R. H. Kinney.....	Principal, Teacher Class 1.
Miss Bettie Brewster.....	Teacher Class 2.
Miss Emily Lewis.....	Teacher Class 3.
W. H. Lacy.....	Teacher Class 4.
Miss Bessie Carter.....	Teacher Class 5.
A. E. Lister.....	Teacher Class 6.

What was said by me in the Ranger of October is repeated with emphasis:

The Principal is an experienced teacher of deaf-mutes, an able lecturer on moral subjects, a gentleman of exemplary habits, and eminently qualified for the position. He was Superintendent of the Nebraska Institution seven years, and resigned to go into business. The other teachers possess ability, are conscientious and faithful in the discharge of their duties, and prove their fitness by results. The corps of teachers for the present year is equal, if not superior, to any heretofore on duty at this Institution. The same may be said of officers and employes.

Measures have been set on foot to secure the services of a teacher of articulation, with a fair prospect of success.

The progress made by the pupils is good, particularly in view of the fact that a great many are mere beginners.

For pupils in attendance, and details in that connection, see Exhibit A.

EDUCATION.

The education of the deaf and dumb is a difficult labor. A deaf-mute is, to a great degree, an isolated being. He has intellect, but the sense of hearing, and consequently the power of speech, are wanting.

His mind cannot receive impressions in the manner they are conveyed to hearing and speaking individuals. When he conceives or acquires an idea he has no mode of communicating it to others by means which are understood generally. In order to obviate these deprivations and to place the deaf-mute in communication with his fellow-beings a language of signs was invented. Each sign represents an object or an idea which can be interpreted into words. When the deaf-mute attempts to acquire a knowledge of words he stands in the attitude of a foreigner endeavoring to master the English language; with this difference in favor of the foreigner, he has an equivalent in his own language of the word in English to aid and assist him; the deaf-mute has no language of his own, no word of equivalent signification to fall back upon—he has to depend upon memory alone.

The deaf-mute acquires nothing through the medium of the ear. He cannot get words and ideas by absorption, as it were, and use them as others have done. To him belonging to a class is of no great advantage; he cannot profit by the successful answers, or the blunders, of his class-mates. He has to be taught separately. He has to depend on his own exertions, and the assistance of his teachers. These considerations render the teaching of deaf-mutes a laborious work. They show why deaf-mute classes should be smaller than those composed of hearing and speaking pupils.

As an evidence of the correctness of the view expressed above, comparisons have been instituted between the mistakes in language made by deaf-mutes and those made by foreigners in attempting to write English. In this particular the report of Professor R. H. Kinney,

EXHIBIT A.

Register of Pupils--Their Parents, Postoffices and other Information Concerning Them.

Number.	Names of Pupils.	Age.	Names of Parent or Guardian.	Postoffice.	County.	Causes of Deafness.	Age at which deafness occurred.	Parents--Whether related.	Deaf-Mute Relatives.	Pupils--Where born.	Father--Where born.	Mother--Where born.	Length of Parents' residence in Texas.	Entered School.	Route of travel from Austin and mode.
1	Barker, Tillie	14	B B Barker	Georgetown	Williamson	Rising in head	1 year	Not related	None	Texas	Mississippi	Texas	24 years	Nov 22, 1876	I and G N to Georgetown.
2	Basye, Newton Jasper	9	Mrs G W Basye	Whitney	Hill	Congenital	Not related	None	None	Texas	Texas	Georgia	12 years	Sept 19, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Whitney.
3	Beard, Emily Estella	13	Byron B Beard	Bolivar	Denton	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	7 years	Sept 18, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Dallas, D and W to Denton.
4	Bowen, Lewis S.	16	John W Bowen	Red Rock	Bastrop	Congenital	Congenital	Don't know	1 brother					Sept 7, 1876	Private conveyance.
5	Bowers, Uviah	8	Mrs Ada Bowers	Sherman	Grayson	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	4 years	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Sherman.
6	Bremond, Eugene	9	Eugene Bremond	Austin	Travis	Spasms	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Maryland	Arkansas	25 years	Sept 7, 1880	Austin.
7	Brooks, George A.	9	Rev S E Brooks	Cleburne	Johnson	Teething	1 year	Not related	None	Texas	Alabama	Georgia	18 years	Oct 22, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Fort Worth.
8	Bynum, Reason	10	Amanda Bynum	Macy	Brazos	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Georgia	Missouri	18 years	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Bryan.
9	Chester, Mary B.	14	S J Chester	Kildare	Cass	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Georgia	Missouri	18 years	May 15, 1881	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Kildare.
10	Christal, Silas R.	14	James H Christal	Stony	Denton	Rising in head	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Missouri	Kentucky	26 years	Sept 1, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Dallas, D and W to Denton.
11	Clutter, Mary Ann	14	W J Clutter	Bonham	Fannin	Erysipelas	3 years	Not related	None	Texas	Indiana	Georgia	41 years	Sept 4, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Sherman, T and P to Bonham.
12	Cornwell, Matilda	13	Mrs F M Jones	Porter Springs	Houston	Typhoid fever	4 years	Not related	None	Texas	Virginia	Kentucky	41 years	Sept 10, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Sherman, T and P to Crockett.
13	Culwell, Thos M.	16	Thos Culwell	Weston	Collin	Rising in head	8 months	Not related	None	Texas	Arkansas	Indiana	36 years	Sept 4, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Van Alstyne.
14	Davis, Wade H.	13	James W Davis	Kosse	Limestone	Meningitis	5 years	Not related	None	Missouri	Illinois	Texas	3 years	Sept 1, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Kosse.
15	Davis, Samuel H.	12	James B Davis	White Rock	Hunt	Rising in head	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Alabama	North Carolina	26 years	Sept 2, 1880	Private conveyance.
16	Dobbins, Walter N.	14	H B Dobbins	Lampasas	Lampasas	Unknown	2 years	Not related	None	Missouri	Kentucky	Missouri	5 years	Nov 18, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Gordon.
17	Dunham, Minnie B.	15	L H Echart	Gordon	Palo Pinto	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Illinois	Kentucky	Missouri	5 years	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Tyler.
18	Dunham, Margaret Alice	11	John T Dunham	White House	Smith	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	8 years	Sept 3, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, D and W to Denton.
19	Dyer, Joseph Hiram	12	J C Culp	Denton	Denton	Fever	3 years	Not related	None	Indiana	Indiana	New York	8 years	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Morgan.
20	Fagan, Ellen	8	Laurence Fagan	Eastland	Eastland	Spinal affection	1 year	Not related	None	Connecticut	New York	Tennessee	2 years	Sept 1, 1879	I and G N to Jewett.
21	Faucett, Mattie	11	M Faucett	Jewett	Leon	Rising in head	1 year	Not related	None	Tennessee	Tennessee	Indiana	2 years	Dec 9, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Fort Worth.
22	Forbis, Thompson	13	Larkin P Forbis	Caddo Grove	Johnson	Unknown	1 1/2 years	Related	First cousins	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	3 years	May 9, 1881	I and G N to Palestine.
23	Fridell, Addison L.	15	J W Fridell	Palestine	Anderson	Rising in head	3 months	Not related	None	Texas	Alabama	Alabama	31 years	Feb 9, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Bryan.
24	George, Josephine	13	J W George	Macy	Brazos	Quinine	1 year	Not related	None	Texas	North Carolina	South Carolina	24 years	Sept 27, 1875	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Jefferson.
25	Harris Chris D.	23	H J Harris	Jefferson	Marion	Typhoid fever	7 years	Not related	None	Scotland	Scotland	Scotland	3 years	Sept 27, 1879	H and T C to Houston.
26	Hamilton, William	14	Cornelius Hamilton	Quinan	Wharton	A fall	2 years	Not related	None	Indiana	Maryland	Virginia	7 years	Sept 24, 1881	I and G N to Mineola.
27	Hickel, Emery	12	Mrs Mary Hickel	Wharton	Wharton	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Mississippi	Tennessee	Tennessee	20 years	Sept 7, 1875	I and G N to Mineola.
28	Houston, John T.	22	Mrs R J Houston	Mineola	Wood	Sickness	3 months	Related	Second cousins	Texas	Mississippi	Texas	29 years	Aug 30, 1878	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Clarksville.
29	Humphreys, Nat R*	24	Palo Pinto	Palo Pinto	Grayson	Inflamed ear	14 months	Not related	Sister partially deaf	Texas	Illinois	Illinois	25 years	Sept 4, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Van Alstyne.
30	Hunnicut Samuel Ft.	15	M C Hunnicutt	Van Alstyne	Grayson	Meningitis	7 years	Not related	1 cousin	Tennessee	Tennessee	Georgia	Not known	Sept 1, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, Houston and T C to McKinney.
31	Hurst, John W.	19	G R Fletcher	Weston	Collin	Fever	12 years	Not related	None	Arkansas	Missouri	Missouri	1 year	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Sherman.
32	Hutcheson, Frank M.	19	Mrs Hutcheson	Sandurday	Grayson	Unknown	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Missouri	Ireland	8 years	May 18, 1881	I & G N to San Antonio, Sunset to Harwood & Gonzales, private conveyance home
33	Jones, Mary Lily	12	William R Jones	Perdido	Goliad	Unknown	14 months	Not related	None	Texas	New York	Tennessee	13 years	Feb 18, 1879	Private conveyance.
34	Jones, Marcia Eunice	13	William H Jones	Valley Springs	Llano	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	13 years	Sept 7, 1881	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Longview.
35	Jones, William	13	Mrs J C Jones	Gladewater	Gregg	Not related	2 years	Not related	None	Illinois	Ohio	Illinois	7 years	Sept 1, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Sherman.
36	Karstetter, Samuel O.	11	Samuel Karstetter	Whitesboro	Grayson	Meningitis	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Germany	Germany	31 years	Sept 1, 1880	H and T C to Ledbetter.
37	Kruse, Anna	12	Carl Kruse	Ledbetter	Fayette	Sickness	18 months	Not related	None	Texas	North Carolina	Louisiana	18 years	Oct 27, 1877	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Texarkana.
38	King, Mary D.	16	John King	Kingsville	Bowie	Unknown	18 months	Not related	None	Missouri	Indiana	Tennessee	12 years	Dec 5, 1878	I and G N to Georgetown.
39	King, David H.	22	W W King	Burnet	Burnet	Rising in head	6 months	Not related	1 sister	Arkansas	Texas	Texas	15 years	Dec 8, 1876	I and G N to Milano, G C and S F to Belton.
40	Levellan, A F.	15	Isaac Levellan	Howard	Bell	Congestion of brain	15 months	Not related	None	Missouri	Tennessee	Kentucky	14 years	Sept 9, 1874	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Denison, M K and T to Gainesville.
41	Locke, John C.	17	Francis Locke	Era	Cooke	Congenital	Congenital	Cousins	1 brother and 1 sister	Missouri	Tennessee	Kentucky	14 years	Sept 7, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Denison, M K and T to Gainesville.
42	Locke, Hodge	11	Francis Locke	Era	Cooke	Congenital	Congenital	Cousins	1 brother and 1 sister	Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee	5 years	Sept 6, 1880	Austin.
43	Long, John H.	17	Allen Long	Austin	Travis	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Texas	Alabama	5 years	Nov 4, 1880	Private conveyance.
44	Mason, Carlotta Eliza	12	Benjamin F Mason	Gatesville	Coryell	Whooping cough	9 months	Not related	None	Texas	Arkansas	Georgia	26 years	Sept 7, 1881	H and T C to Ledbetter.
45	McClure, Lafayette	12	Lafayette McClure	Lagrange	Fayette	Sickness	2 years	Not related	1 brother and 1 uncle	Texas	Arkansas	Georgia	26 years	Sept 7, 1881	H and T C to Ledbetter.
46	McClure, James M.	8	Lafayette McClure	Lagrange	Fayette	Unknown	Not related	Not related	1 brother and 1 uncle	Arkansas	Arkansas	Georgia	26 years	Sept 7, 1881	H and T C to Ledbetter.
47	McKay, Amanda C	19	A C McKay	Morgan	Bosque	Scarlet fever	2 years	Not related	None	Mississippi	Mississippi	Mississippi	2 years	Feb 3, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Morgan.
48	Moore, Charles M.	16	Archie Moore	McLainsboro	Hill	Typhoid fever	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Ohio	Ohio	23 years	Oct 27, 1875	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Mexia.
49	Munn, M M.	9	J C Munn	Troup	Smith	Congenital	Congenital	First cousins	None	Texas	North Carolina	North Carolina	10 years	March 19, 1881	I and G N to Troup.
50	Murphy, Richard	15	Henderson Murphy	Denton	Denton	Meningitis	2 years	Not related	1 cousin	Texas	Virginia	Ohio	36 years	Jan 12, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, D and W to Denton.
51	Nall, Henry Et.	16	W H Nall	Bryan	Brazos	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Louisiana	Georgia	Alabama	5 years	Sept 5, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Bryan.
52	Patterson, James P.	18	John A Patterson	Cresco	Hood	Sickness	Not related	Not related	None	Missouri	Tennessee	Illinois	9 years	Sept 18, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Cresco.
53	Payne, M M.	22	W G B Payne	Carroll Prairie	Hopkins	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Tennessee	Alabama	31 years	April 8, 1881	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Jefferson, and East Line to Sulphur Springs.
54	Pool, Mattie Victoria	16	Mrs J W Day	Davilla	Milam	Quinine	7 years	Not related	1 brother and second cousin	Texas	Texas	Louisiana	46 years	Sept 7, 1874	I and G N to Milano, G C and S F to Cameron.
55	Pool, Henry B.	20	Mrs J W Day	Davilla	Milam	Rising in head	4 years	Not related	None	Texas	Texas	Louisiana	46 years	Sept 7, 1874	I and G N to Milano, G C and S F to Cameron.
56	Prescott, Lelia A.	10	Thos J Prescott	Coleman City	Coleman	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Kentucky	Louisiana	46 years	Sept 7, 1874	I and G N to Milano, G C and S F to Cameron.
57	Rhodes, Emma Lee	15	W J Rhodes	Mansfield	Tarrant	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Kentucky	Kentucky	2 years	Sept 4, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Fort Worth.
58	Rives, Charles W.	17	N F Rives	Marlin	Falls	Measles	Not related	Not related	None	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	9 years	Jan 12, 1879	I and G N to Hearne, Central to Marlin.
59	Rives, Robert M.	14	N F Rives	Marlin	Falls	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	1 brother	Maryland	Virginia	Virginia	9 years	Sept 2, 1878	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Marlin.
60	Rogers, Samuel	21	Samuel Rogers	Greenwood	Wise	Congenital	Congenital	Cousins	None	Mississippi	Georgia	Georgia	9 years	Jan 31, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Denison, M K and T to Gainesville.
61	Rogers, Hugh	21	David Rogers	Clarksville	Red River	Abscess of ears	1 year	Not related	None	Texas	Tennessee	Tennessee	23 years	Dec 23, 1879	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Clarksville.
62	Ross, Thos	16	G W Ross	Jones Prairie	Milam	Rising in head	Not related	Not related	None	Kansas	Tennessee	Tennessee	23 years	April 1, 1873	I and G N to Milano, G C and S F to Cameron.
63	Shepperd, Gabriel W.	15	J R Shepperd	Big Sandy	Upshur	A fall	6 months	Not related	None	Texas	Alabama	Alabama	30 years	Sept 26, 1878	I and G N to Longview, T and P to Big Sandy.
64	Shultz, Eliza Ann	10	H M Shultz	Mooreville	Falls	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Alabama	Alabama	36 years	Sept 1, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Marlin.
65	Smith, John W.	15	McSmith	McKinney	Collin	Fever	2 years	Not related	None	Texas	Tennessee	Indiana	25 years	Oct 31, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to McKinney.
66	Smith, William M.	12	M G Smith	Stafford	Fort Bend	Congenital	Congenital	Cousins	1 brother	Louisiana	Georgia	Georgia	21 years	Dec 14, 1880	H and T C to Houston.
67	Stacks, Francis M.	22	Eliza C Stacks	Alvarado	Johnson	Fever	Not related	Not related	None	Mississippi	Alabama	Alabama	6 years	Sept 29, 1877	Central to McDade.
68	Stovall, Absalom L.	14	J F Stovall	McDade	Bastrop	Bad cold	1 year	Not related	None	Mississippi	Alabama	Alabama	6 years	Sept 29, 1877	Central to McDade.
69	Stuart, Wm.	16	Jasper N Stuart	Pond Springs	Williamson	Erysipelas	Not related	Not related	None	Texas	Ohio	North Carolina	25 years	April 8, 1875	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Fort Worth.
70	Taylor, Andrew A.	20	E P Taylor	Double Springs	Tarrant	Mercury	8 months	Not related	None	Texas	Georgia	Texas	29 years	Oct 21, 1880	I and G N to San Antonio, Sunset to Flatonla.
71	Taylor, John D.	12	G B Taylor	Flatonla	Fayette	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Georgia	Texas	29 years	Oct 21, 1880	I and G N to San Antonio, Sunset to Flatonla.
72	Thompson, Nanie	21	W W Thompson	Paradise	Wise	Meningitis	5 years	Not related	None	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	1 year		I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Fort Worth.
73	Truitt, John A.	12	W M Truitt	Bagdad	Williamson	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Mexico	Texas	31 years	Oct 26, 1881	I and G N to Laredo.
74	Ugarte, Anastacio	25	Jose Maria Ugarte	Laredo	Webb	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	2 brothers	Texas	Mexico	Texas	31 years	Oct 26, 1881	I and G N to Laredo.
75	Ugarte, E.	15	Jose Maria Ugarte	Laredo	Webb	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	2 brothers	Texas	Mexico	Texas	31 years	Oct 26, 1881	I and G N to Laredo.
76	Vaughn, Wm A.	12	C Vaughn	Cleburne	Johnson	Brain fever	9 months	Not related	None	Missouri	Missouri	Missouri	8 years	Sept 5, 1877	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Terrell.
77	Walters, George W.	17	Miss Clay Martin	Terrell	Kanfan	Congenital	Congenital	Not related	None	Texas	Indiana	Texas	24 years	Sept 1, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Terrell.
78	Warren, Rebecca	12	W W West	Terrell	Kanfan	Rising in head	1 year	Not related	None	Texas	Indiana	Texas	24 years	Sept 1, 1880	I and G N to Hearne, H and T C to Dallas, T and P to Terrell.
79	West, Nancy Cath.	12	Mrs Mattie Whaley	Sprolws	D										

Principal of the Colorado Deaf-Mute Institution in 1880, is very pertinent. He gives examples which clearly establish the similarity between the errors of foreigners and what is known as the "deaf-mutisms" of the non-hearing and the non-speaking.

While on this subject it is appropriate to quote from Professor Kinney's report:

The great aim in the instruction of deaf-mutes, through their whole course, is to teach them language. This is the key that vibrates their solitary souls, and permits them to look forth upon the hitherto unintelligible world. By faithful instruction it may become the medium for the expression of all operations of the mind, and of communications respecting the events of every day life, the business of the shop, office, and farm, as well as in reference to the dearest and most tender relations of home. It expands their faculties, and from dull clay it calls out radiant souls.

Men with open ears are surrounded by boundless stores of knowledge; they are receiving valuable acquisitions at every step in life, but to mutes these gates are closed, and unless the State affords facilities for setting in motion their wondrous living machinery they can never become acquainted with written language.

A child when first admitted into a primary class of deaf-mutes is not taught the alphabet in the way speaking and hearing children usually proceed. A letter is made on the blackboard. He is taught to make the sign for the letter, to reproduce it on the blackboard. He gains a knowledge of the letters forming a monosyllable, is shown the object or animal the word represents. He acquires a knowledge of verbs through the medium of sight. The teacher crosses the room; he is made to understand that the word "walk" represents that action. In the end he is taught to compose sentences.

A curriculum, of course, applies to the deaf-mute of average capacity and application. There are some who fail to keep pace with their classmates, and are left a long time

in the primary classes. With this explanation the annexed is submitted as

THE CURRICULUM.

First Year.—Names of objects, qualities, a few verbs and other parts of speech, simple sentences, Latham's Primary Lessons.

Second Year.—Description of familiar objects, writing letters, numbers, Latham's Primary Lessons, Peet's Scripture Lessons.

Third Year.—Composition, arithmetic, geography, penmanship, Latham's Reader, Keep's School Stories, Story of the Bible.

Fourth Year.—Composition, arithmetic, geography, Peet's History of the U. S., Child's Philosophy, Story of the Bible, penmanship.

Fifth Year.—Composition, arithmetic, Comprehensive Geography, Peet's History of the U. S., Child's Book of Nature, penmanship, Story of the Bible.

Sixth Year.—Composition, arithmetic, Comprehensive Geography, grammar, Higginson's History of the U. S., Child's Book of Nature, Story of the Bible, Natural Philosophy.

Seventh Year.—Composition, arithmetic, Houston's Physical Geography, Higginson's History of the U. S., Story of the Bible, Natural Philosophy.

All who are capable receive instruction in articulation during the whole course of study.

Attention is respectfully called to my report for 1879, and to the arguments therein set forth to establish that to educate deaf-mutes by appropriating money belonging to the State of Texas will prove cheaper, more humane, and more in accordance with the principles of Christianity and the spirit of civilization than to permit them to remain in ignorance—ciphers in all that pertains to government and society.

FINANCIAL.

The total amount expended for all purposes for the support and maintenance of this Institution for the appropriation year ending February 28, 1881, was \$14,643.07. Of this sum \$4075 was expended in paying salaries of Superintendent, teachers, officers, etc., as set forth upon the monthly rolls. The sum expended for miscellaneous purposes was \$10,568.07. However, a teacher, a monitor, and a dining-room servant, were paid from this

fund for several months. For details in this connection you are respectfully referred to the reports made during the year 1880-81.

The annexed tabulated statement shows the disbursements, and the balance on hand, of each specific appropriation up to date:

Disbursement from March 1, 1881, until November 1, 1881.

	Appropriated.	Expended.	On hand.
For pay of Superintendent.....	\$2,000	\$1,333 33½	\$666 66½
For pay of Principal.....	1,000	668 67	331 33
For pay of second teacher.....	600	399 99	200 01
For pay of five additional teachers at \$40 per month	2,400	1,201 75	1,198 25
For pay of secretary and steward	500	333 28	166 72
For pay of matron.....	360	240 00	120 00
For pay of assistant matron.....	300	200 00	100 00
For pay of night watchman.....	360	240 00	120 00
For pay of three washers and ironers.....	450	287 50	162 50
For pay of two cooks.....	420	280 00	140 00
For pay of gardener and farmer	180	120 00	60 00
For pay of monitor for boys.....	120	80 00	40 00
For purchasing books	500	70 15	429 85
For supplies and miscellaneous purposes	14,000	9,971 98	4,028 02
For furnishing bedding, stoves, farming implements, etc.....	1,500	1,178 02	321 98
For completion of brick edifice, and repairing buildings.....	4,500	4,497 65	2 35
For new furniture	1,500	1,338 94	161 06
Total	\$30,690	\$22,441 26½	\$8,248 73½

The following permanent improvements were made and paid for out of the fund appropriated for miscellaneous purposes:—

EXHIBIT B.

Platform for pump, watering troughs, and fence to watering lot; lot for milk cows, sheds, stalls, and feeding-troughs; milk-house; engine-house, including lumber, tin roofing, painting, etc.....	\$395 06
Common Sense engine, 7-horse power, and implements; circular saw and frame.....	489 00
Total	\$884 07

The fund for purchasing farming implements, etc., was charged with the following permanent improvements:—

Building 440 pannels new fence enclosing about six acres of land; preparing same for cultivation; for posts, lumber, etc.; for tank wall containing 347 cubic yards of earth.....	\$456 51
For pulling down 613 pannels of fence, rebuilding same, including lumber, etc.....	188 56
For nails for above work.....	8 75
Total	\$653 82

The total expended for perma-

nent improvement on grounds, \$1537.89. (See Exhibit B.)

The necessity inducing the building of the new fence arose from the right of way across the land of Captain James M. Swisher having been denied. It was deemed prudent by the Board of Trustees to construct a road to pass over the institution grounds, and to connect with the road in rear of the same, and communicating with the southwestern branch of the bridge causeway, and leading directly to the ford below the International railroad bridge. The egress is from a gate, and through a lane which passes over the tank wall. It is proper to state that the sorghum grown upon the ground enclosed has paid over two-thirds of the cost of the new fence and the tank. The new plank fence adds greatly to the security of our stock.

In this connection the supply of wood deserves consideration. One hundred and thirty cords of wood were purchased immediately preceding the beginning of the present session, which cost \$682.50. This supply is deemed sufficient for all purposes up to September, 1882; consequently one-half the said sum, say \$341.25, is chargeable to the appropriation available from March 1, 1882. By adding this sum to 884.07 the result will be \$1225.31, which subtracted from \$9971.98 would leave \$8746.66 as the sum actually expended for miscellaneous purposes from March 1 to November 1, 1881.

For details relative to this matter you are respectfully referred to the vouchers on file in the Comptroller's office and the tables of expenditures and purchases herewith accompanying. (See Exhibit C.)

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The completion of the buildings in accordance with the plans and specifications set forth in the annual report of last year, and previously, by Col. John N. Preston, architect, is respectfully recommended as a matter of primary importance. This is essentially necessary because the wooden buildings are old, uncomfortable, liable to take fire, and are not large enough to accommodate the pupils in attendance. (See Exhibit D.)

The appropriation of money to pay experts to teach shoemaking, carpentering, and bookbinding. Deaf-mutes should leave school prepared to earn a livelihood. In case they have not been taught a trade they are liable to become charges upon the communities in which they reside, and the sums paid from a sense of charity to aid them to live would in the end amount to much more than it would

cost taxpayers to educate them, and teach them trades. The different institutions in the United States which have workshops in operation have, in the majority of cases, paid all expenses, and yielded a revenue to the State.

The adoption of a plan permitting pupils learning trades to remain in the institution a length of time sufficient to acquire a thorough practical knowledge thereof, under regulations making their services remunerative to the State for board, lodging, etc. The time, under no consideration, not to exceed four years.

The necessity to provide a supply of water for drinking, cooking, washing, etc., and also to furnish means for the extinguishment of accidental fires, and to prevent the time of pupils from being spent in hauling same, is very apparent.

The following suggestion, made in the annual report for 1879 concerning the erection of an institution for the education of colored deaf-mutes, is repeated with emphasis:

As a measure of humanity, of justice, of policy, it recommends itself to the favorable consideration of the Legislature.

That in case the present system of purchasing certain supplies for this institution by inviting bids upon proposals is continued, the successful bidder be required to furnish, at his own expense, a *bona fide* bond, with two or more securities, examined under oath as to their solvency, for his faithful performance of the contract, by furnishing the articles, in accordance with the specifications and conditions set forth.

That the institution buildings be insured for a sum sufficient to enable temporary structures to be erected and to continue school until the end of the session in the event the present buildings should be destroyed by fire.

The inadequacy of the wooden buildings now in use, to render the occupants comfortable, is obvious to any one who may inspect them. They are old, decayed, and still decaying to such an extent that repairing would be an useless expenditure of money. They are too small for the accommodation of those compelled to occupy them. They are extremely liable to take fire, and in the absence of water, and the means of making it available, were any at hand, would render it absolutely impossible to extinguish the flames. The center building of brick is in close proximity to these insecure "tinder-boxes," consequently a fire in one would inevitably end in the destruction of all. I trust the Legislature will make the necessary appropriations to complete the new buildings in accordance with the plan drawn by Col. J. N. Preston, architect, and adopted by the Board of Trustees. The estimates of the architect are herewith submitted. (See Exhibit D.)

The necessity of repealing or remodeling the law concerning the purchase of certain supplies for this Institution is respectfully urged. The present system of publishing proposals and receiving bids is subject to considerable inconvenience, and is wanting in economy. Combinations can be made to run up the price of articles. On one occasion two parties were tied on bids for beef at six cents per pound. Other proposals were advertised. One of the same parties put in a bid at 7 cents per pound, and the other at $6\frac{1}{2}$. For another quarter the beef contract was awarded to a bidder at $6\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound. Representations were made to him concerning the belligerent disposition of the Superintendent and he transferred

his bid to the bulldozer. It is a safe conclusion that supplies can be purchased in market at a cheaper rate, and of a superior quality, to those obtained by contract, to say nothing of the saving of the cost of long advertisements published four times a year.

It is respectfully suggested that the teaching of deaf mutes to speak is a matter of moment, and an articulation teacher requires qualifications of a peculiar kind not possessed by many, hence the necessity to secure one permanently; to do so the salary should be increased to fifty dollars per month.

FINISHING CENTER BUILDING.

The Legislature appropriated \$4500 to finish the center brick building. Specifications were furnished by J. N. Preston, architect, and proposals published, and bids invited by the Board of Trustees. Gardiner & Co. obtained the contract. Two towers were built, three galleries in front, three in rear, with four stairways as fire-escapes; the whole building corniced, towers, galleries, and stairs painted, etc., on the exterior. The interior work consisted in wainscoting twelve large rooms, three large halls, plastering ten rooms, ceiling and painting two stairways, making twelve new fire-places, painting wainscoting; and casing and painting seventy-eight windows. In addition, doors, windows, etc., were repaired. The whole job cost \$4497.65.

The work has been done in a substantial manner; and the contractors observed the terms stipulated, although it was apparent they would make nothing by the contract, and might lose. It can be safely averred, that a better return for the same amount of money cannot be shown in any public building at the capital of the State, or in Texas.

It may not be out of place to say, that the architect, the Trustees, and the Superintendent, paid special attention to the manner in which the work was being done while it was under construction. The latter officer remained on the ground during vacation, and inspected the work almost daily.

MECHANICAL.

The following has been kindly furnished by Mr. W. D. Moore, the State Printer :

Value at contractors' rates of printing done from January 1 to date.....	\$6,341 05
Stock on hand to date	944 65
	\$7,285 70
Current expenses during same period.....	6,513 81

Profits \$771 89

These figures indicate the fact that the printing-office on a yearly average more than pays expenses. It is an evidence that other trades, if taught here, would do the same.

The following is a list of those connected with this Institution and engaged in learning to set type :

IN THE PRINTING OFFICE.

TEACHERS.

Miss B. Brewster, A. E. Lister, W. H. Lacy,

PUPILS.

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| S. F. Hunnicut, | H. E. Nall, |
| A. A. Taylor, | G. W. Shepperd, |
| Wm. R. Stuart, | A. L. Stovall, |
| J. P. Patterson, | John C. Locke, |
| Richard Murphy, | M. M. Payne, |
| Frank M. Hutcheson, | C. H. Harris, |
| T. Ross, | Hugh Whitten, |
| R. M. Rives, | A. Ugarte, |
| A. E. Lewellen, | J. T. Houston. |

They set up the Ranger, and assist in doing plain work for the State. They have made good progress.

It is not out of place to mention the periodicals kindly sent to this Institution. They are enumerated in the subjoined list :

Deaf-Mutes' Journal, New York; the Kentucky Deaf-Mute, Danville, Ky.; the Vis-a-Vis, Columbus, Ohio; the Goodson Gazette, Staunton, Va.; Deaf-Mute Advance, Jacksonville, Ill.; the Silent Observer, Knoxville, Tenn.;

Deaf-Mute Record, Fulton, Mo.; the Modern Times, Delavan, Wis.; Deaf-Mute Mirror, Flint, Mich.; the Mutes' Companion, Faribault, Minn.; Mute Journal, Omaha, Neb.; the Tablet, Romney, W. Va.; Deaf-Mute Index, Colorado Springs, Col.; the Leader, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Deaf-Mute Hawk-Eye, Council Bluffs, Iowa; the Silent World, Toronto, Ont., Canada; the Teacher, Philadelphia, Pa.; Deaf-Mute Bulletin, Frederick, Md.; the Mute Optic, Little Rock, Ark.; the Kansas Star, Olathe, Kansas; the Democrat, Tyler, Texas; the Record, Georgetown, Texas; the Sunny Clime, Terrell, Texas; the Southeast Texan, Jasper, Texas; the Register, Caldwell, Texas; the Eureka, Anamosa, Iowa; the Frontiersman, Denver, Colorado; the Banner, Brenham, Texas; the Observer, Bastrop, Texas; the Free Press, Corpus Christi, Texas; the Free Press, San Marcos, Texas; the Herald, Marshall, Texas; the Advocate, Palestine, Texas.

The shoeshop needs an experienced foreman. The following pupils have been at work there :

David King, Samuel Rogers.

They have been very useful in repairing shoes and boots.

The mattress shop has not been in active operation for several months. Work will be resumed soon. More bedding will be required.

The female pupils are receiving instructions in sewing, and in needlework. They have hemmed sheets and towels, made curtains for windows, pillowcases, etc. They make dresses, and they do the mending for most of the inmates of the Institution.

Though not appropriately belonging under this heading, it is proper to say that the male pupils are taught farming and gardening, and to handle stock of different kinds. Their education and training is made as practical as possible.

LANDS.

The following statement concerning the lands donated to this institution by the State of Texas was kindly furnished by the Treasurer, ex-Gov. F. R. Lubbock:

Number of acres surveyed.....	101,644
Number of acres sold.....	24,872
Number of acres unsold.....	76,772

These lands have been surveyed in tracts of six hundred and forty acres each. They are offered for sale at a minimum price of one dollar and fifty cents per acre—one-tenth of the purchase money to be paid in advance, and the whole amount within ten years. On the sales already made the sum of \$18,865.33 has been collected. Of this amount \$17,500 have been invested in bonds of the State of Texas,—\$13,000 in 7 per cent bonds, and \$4500 in 5 per cent bonds, and \$1365.33 is in the treasury, subject to investment.

In process of time this fund will amount to a considerable sum, and the interest will go a long way towards supporting and maintaining this institution.

PRODUCTS, ETC.

The following statement exhibits the products, etc. :—

50 bushels corn at \$1 per bl.....	\$50 00
8 tons hay at \$15 per ton.....	120 00
3500 heads of cabbage at 5 cents each.....	175 00
5 bushels butter beans at \$8 per bl.....	40 00
5 tons stalk fodder at \$6 per ton.....	30 00
18 tons sorghum at \$18 per ton.....	324 00
20 bushels tomatoes at \$1 pr b.....	20 00
10 bushels turnips at 75 cents pr b	7 50
Beets, radishes, peas, beans, etc.....	75 00
1260 gallons milk at 30 cents per gallon.....	378 00
250 pounds honey at 20 cents per pd.....	50 00
700 pounds soap at 6 cents per pd.....	42 00
5 hogs, at \$3 each.....	15 00
	\$1,336 50

The drought ruined our crop of yam potatoes by causing dry rot. The freeze in the spring killed the Irish potato vines, and it was too late to plant again.

We had on hand three horses, twenty head of cattle—including cows and calves—one hundred head of hogs, of all sizes, and all these had to be fed daily on account of the drought in the summer, and the ravages of the army worm in the

fall. They consumed a large quantity of provender every day.

The cows on hand at present are fine stock, purchased from the Hon. A. W. Moore of Bastrop. The male is a thoroughbred, but he is inefficient. Senator Moore has promised to replace him, and will do so no doubt.

Our hogs are Berkshire crossed with Poland China. They are healthy, thrifty, and prolific.

CONCLUSION.

The Board of Trustees have discharged their duties faithfully, and with an eye to economy. However, they have on no occasion attempted to save the expenditure of money when it would have prevented an efficient administration of the affairs of the institution. I have endeavored to act in harmony and concert with them, and they have evinced a spirit of generosity and kindness in their actions; and their relations with officers, teachers, and pupils, have been pleasant.

The health of the inmates has been good. There have been no cases of sickness of a serious character. The attending physician, Dr. Swearingen, has treated the sick successfully, and has been ably assisted by his partner, Dr. McLaughlin.

For particular details you are respectfully referred to the exhibits hereunto annexed.

For the blessings of life and health, and the onward progress of all connected with the institution, we, as in duty bound, return most fervent thanks to that Mighty Being who holds in his holy hands the destinies of men and of nations.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. FORD,
Superintendent.

EXHIBIT C.

Classified list of all disbursements from March 1, 1881, to November 1, 1881.

SALARIES.

For officers, teachers, etc. \$5,384 52½

BOOKS.

1 Anderson's History.	\$1 75
American Annals.	16 80
2 blank books.	6 50
1 Cyclopeda	8 50
1 electric battery.	9 00
½ ream letter paper.	1 75
1 ream foolscap.	1 75
1 Rise and Fall of Confederate Government.	12 00
1 quire tissue paper.	10
Subscription (<i>Statesman</i>).	12 00
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	\$70 15

MISCELLANEOUS.

508 pounds dried apples.	38 81
200 pounds evaporated apples.	30 00
15 cases astral oil.	40 00
411 pounds bacon.	48 43
3½ dozen bottles blueing.	6 75
16,080 pounds beef.	1,206 45
1,500 pounds butter.	397 67
9 dozen brooms.	20 25
4,975 pounds bran.	67 06
5 china bowls.	2 65
5 boxes (for packing).	1 25
100 pounds white beans.	5 75
60 pounds army beans.	4 00
5 brushes.	3 60
17 buckets.	7 80
2 dozen blacking.	1 50
2 blacking brushes.	50
Bridge toll.	43 10
7 bolts for doors, etc.	1 75
2 brace bits.	70
2 pounds bed cord.	1 20
1 galvanized iron boiler.	3 20
1 agate iron boiler.	2 00
1 tin boiler.	4 00
4 bath bricks.	50
5 reams book paper for printing reports.	32 63
3 dozen buttons.	90
½ dozen blind hinges.	1 00
895 pounds coffee.	158 15
16 gallons chow-chow.	9 44
200 pounds candles.	28 90
5 bushels corn meal.	3 25
242 pounds cheese.	47 00
2 dozen bottles catsup.	5 00
4 boxes crackers and ginger snaps.	21 62
315¾ bushels corn.	313 91
4 blooded cows and 1 fine bull.	400 00
977 pounds cotton seed meal.	17 29
8,542 pounds chopped corn.	103 70
50½ bushels cotton seed.	6 33
2 bushels charcoal.	60
8 dozen clothes pins.	40

MISCELLANEOUS—continued.

1 can opener.	50
1 tin coffee pot.	20
2 dozen fine combs.	2 30
4 dozen dressing combs.	10 00
1 churn.	1 00
1 coffin and hearse.	25 90
13½ dozen chickens.	37 95
1 cord for clock.	25
Doctor bills.	422 00
Drugs.	224 75
551 dozen eggs.	101 95
97 barrels flour.	734 25
36 dozen fodder.	11 40
Fuel—151 cords oak wood.	807 25
Fuel—36½ cords cedar wood.	194 25
4 files.	70
500 pounds grits.	14 00
557 pounds hams.	90 45
500 pounds hominy.	13 75
46,710 pounds hay.	282 74
1 hog, fine Poland-China.	16 00
2½ dozen hinges.	3 25
6 hooks and staples.	1 20
1 hatchet.	80
1 hose coupling.	1 50
1 hook and eye.	15
10 garden hoes.	7 20
2 grubbing hoes.	2 10
1 set of double harness.	33 00
6 hame straps.	75
1 halter.	1 25
2 dozen ice cream dishes.	1 50
2 jail locks.	2 50
3,153 pounds lard.	408 94
4 barrels lime.	4 00
1 box lye.	4 00
8 locks.	5 55
8 lock nuts.	1 85
2 boxes lemons.	9 00
2 lemon squeezers.	1 00
2 pounds lace leather.	50
236 gallons molasses.	133 56
225 pounds macarroni.	34 25
3 barrels mackerel.	30 00
154½ gallons milk.	61 80
2½ gross matches.	7 00
20 milk pans and covers.	6 25
4 bottles machine oil.	60
11 dozen machine needles.	3 75
55 pounds nails.	3 30
6 papers needles.	60
3 barrels onions.	14 50
262¾ bushels oats.	132 20
5,051 pounds oats in sheaf.	38 87
2 oil cans.	80
1½ gallons engine oil.	1 50
10 bushels sweet potatoes.	9 00
8 barrels Irish potatoes.	35 00
558 pounds dried peaches.	56 52
50 pounds evaporated peaches.	17 50
28 gallons pickles.	16 20
736 pounds prunes.	68 51
26 pounds red and black pepper.	8 08
1 pump handle.	2 50
1 paint brush.	1 50

MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>	
Postal stamps and envelopes.....	28 27
Postal cards.....	5 50
Postoffice box rent.....	8 00
1 gross English pins.....	1 25
569 pounds of rice.....	40 08
2 rat traps.....	2 40
3,704 pounds sugar (Coffee A).....	403 14
1,139 pounds sugar (powdered).....	134 51
90 dozen yeast powders (Sea Foam).....	267 20
5 sacks salt.....	10 51
13 boxes laundry soap.....	32 25
430 pounds laundry starch.....	19 80
5 gross screws.....	3 20
15 screw pulleys.....	2 50
2 scrapers.....	40
21 pounds sole leather.....	9 45
4 papers shoe nails.....	40
2 quarts shoe pegs.....	20
27 dozen spool cotton.....	16 20
4 spools flax.....	90
2 spaying needles.....	10
State Fair (admission for pupils).....	15 00
24½ dozen tomatoes.....	48 24
113 pounds tea.....	64 93
1 tea pot.....	75
2 tumblers.....	25
5 papers tacks.....	60
1 ball twine.....	25
2 tea cans.....	5 00
6 dozen iron agate tumblers.....	16 80
6 tumblers.....	1 60
Telegrams.....	6 65
Traveling expenses accompanying pu- pils.....	46 00
20 turkeys.....	14 60
3 dozen bottles Worcester sauce.....	10 50
4 tin wash pans.....	1 00
8 wash boards.....	2 80
10 yards wire cloth.....	4 00
2 washing machines.....	8 00
6 wash tubs.....	9 00
Wire.....	25
1 Whip and snaps.....	1 35
1 whip holder.....	50
Wages.....	320 00
<i>Repairs.</i>	
Repairs on lamps.....	2 75
Repairs on locks and keys.....	9 15
Repairs on harness.....	13 20
Repairs on night watchman's pistol.....	1 50
Repairs on blackboards.....	15 20
Repairs on pumps, water pipe, etc.....	19 90
Repairs on cooking range.....	21 30
<i>Improvements.</i>	
Platform for pump, watering troughs and fence to watering lot, lot for milk cows, sheds, stalls and feed- troughs, milk house, engine house, wood shed and tank for boys' wash room, etc.;—	
8,388 feet lumber.....	144 30
836 feet tin roofing, etc.....	51 76
25 cedar posts.....	5 00
Paint and painting.....	34 00
For carpenter wages.....	160 00

MISCELLANEOUS— <i>continued.</i>	
1 engine (7-horse power) and attach- ments, circular saw, mandrel and saw frame.....	489 01
<i>School Books, etc.</i>	
3 dozen composition books.....	2 70
17 Houston's Ph. Geography.....	25 50
17 Wells' Philosophy.....	15 00
17 Higginson's U. S. History.....	15 25
17 Kerls' C. S. Grammar.....	13 60
17 Eaton's G. S. Arithmetic.....	11 30
4 Berran's History.....	7 00
24 Latham's First Lessons.....	6 00
24 Monteith's Second Geography.....	12 00
24 Latham's Primer.....	9 60
12 U. S. History.....	7 80
4 dozen copybooks.....	6 00
14 sets book-keeping.....	10 50
1 Bryant's Book-keeping.....	1 00
3 dozen boxes chalk.....	9 00
1 copyingpress.....	2 00
1 gross pencils.....	2 25
3½ dozen slates.....	7 65
4 boxes slate-pencils.....	1 25
6 quarts ink.....	4 50
3 dozen tablets.....	3 60
1 dozen inkstands.....	1 75
4 bottles red ink.....	1 00
7 rulers.....	35
1 dozen penholders.....	50
2 packages official envelopes.....	75
½ gross rubber bands.....	1 00
1 quart mucilage.....	75
1 dozen scratch books.....	1 20

\$9,971 98

FARMING IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

47¾ pounds alfalfa seed.....	\$19 10
16 axhandles.....	5 30
4 axes (without handles).....	5 30
1 auger.....	85
6 boxes axlegrease.....	50
Blacksmithing.....	110 32
2 barrow-wheels.....	3 00
1 bullring (for bull's nose).....	50
1 cow muzzle.....	1 75
1 cultivator.....	41 00
2 curry combs and brushes.....	3 00
2 collars.....	5 00
Garden seed.....	48 10
Lumber.....	3 90
1 dozen brass balls for cows' horns..	1 50
3 pick handles.....	75
1 single plow.....	3 25
77½ pounds rope.....	10 98
58 feet rubber hose.....	17 60
4 steel rakes.....	3 00
2 sickles.....	1 00
1 wheelbarrow.....	4 00
Mowing and stacking hay.....	24 50
Wages—farm, garden and dairymen.	210 00
<i>Improvements—Water Tank.</i>	
Transporting 347 cubic yards of earth and constructing dam.....	111 90
<i>New Fence.</i>	
Building 440 panels of plank fence..	153 00

FARMING IMPLEMENTS, ETC.—*continued.*

500 cedar posts	62 50
6,600 feet of lumber	129 11
<i>Repair of Old Fence.</i>	
Taking down and rebuilding 613 pan- els of fence	102 00
4,115 feet of lumber	86 56
Nails	8 75

\$1,178 02

COMPLETION OF BRICK BUILDING.

Contract for outside work	\$2,643 00
Contract for inside work	1,630 00
State Architect, for professional ser- vice (five per cent of \$4,273)	213 65
Advertising for contract	11 00

\$4,497 65

NEW FURNITURE, ETC.

1 bedstead	\$20 00
195 yards Brussels carpeting	253 88
114 yards border for carpet	86 00
1 bookcase	21 50
1 bureau	26 00
3 baskets	2 25
6 galvanized iron buckets	4 90
4 iron-agate buckets	4 80
4 sets galv. iron bowls and pitchers	8 00
2 galv. iron bread pans	1 60
6 galv. iron basting spoons	1 00
12 chairs	12 00
3 pairs curtains	18 00
1 dozen galv. iron chambers	6 00
4 china chambers	4 00
4 dozen china cups and saucers	6 50
1 cooler	3 50
6 dozen iron-agate cups and saucers	28 00
1 desk for office	30 00
10 dusters for buggy, etc	18 50
3 dustpans	75
9 dippers	2 75
6 dozen iron-agate dinner plates	12 00
95 yards damask for curtains	28 50
1 yard ducking	35

NEW FURNITURE, ETC.—*continued.*

1 footbath tub	7 00
1 fluting machine	4 50
2 faucets	1 25
2½ yards flannel	1 25
1 slop jar	3 25
1 dozen table knives	3 50
2 iron-agate kettles	1 80
2 pounds knitting cotton	1 50
3 lamp globes	1 35
153 yards lining for carpets	12 24
Laying of carpets	13 85
2 lantern globes	50
2 student lamps	12 50
6 table lamps	12 75
20 wall lanterns	30 75
7½ dozen lamp chimneys	9 75
6 dozen lamp wicks	1 40
242½ yards linen crash for towels	60 57
2 mosquito-bars	5 75
2 mirrors	2 00
1 mug	20
1 parlor suite (chairs, sofas, etc.)	255 00
1 pitcher	30
3 iron-agate pitchers	2 40
2 dozen plates	2 70
1 platter	1 25
2 dozen galv. iron pie-plates	4 00
196 yards pillow-casing	32 85
24 quilts	87 30
2 rocking-chairs	6 00
1 soap dish	60
256½ yards sheeting	79 80
7 scissors	8 00
2 sprinklers	2 80
2 scrubbing brushes	60
4 skimmers	1 00
2 saucepans	2 75
3 pairs shovel and tongs	4 15
3 tables	12 50
1 wardrobe	30 00
1 wash stand	16 50

\$1,338 94

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount appropriated for the year 1881-82	\$30,690 00
Expended from March 1, 1881, to November 1, 1881, as follows:—	
For pay of salaries—officers, teachers, etc	\$5,384 52½
For books	70 15
For miscellaneous	9,971 98
For farming implements, etc	1,178 02
For completion of brick building	4,497 65
For new furniture	1,338 94
	—\$22,441 26½
Balance on hand November 1, 1881	\$8,248 73½

EXHIBIT D.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, *November 1, 1881.*

Col. John S. Ford, Superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum of Texas:

DEAR SIR:—I have the honor to herewith submit my estimate of the cost of finishing the Institution of which you are the official head, according to the plans I have prepared, and which have been adopted by a former Board of Trustees, and also by the present Board.

Since making my last report and estimate materials and labor have advanced about twenty-five per cent; hence you can readily account for the difference between the two estimates. The letters on the plans are herein

referred to, and are marked Exhibit A to I:

Exhibit A, school room.....	\$12,431 25
Exhibit B, school room.....	12,431 25
Exhibit C, dining room and chapel	12,225 00
Exhibit D, kitchen, bakery and laundry,	12,625 00
Exhibit E, workshops.....	1,912 50
Exhibit F, workshops.....	1,912 50
Exhibit G, boiler house	413 75
Exhibit H, water closets.....	1,025 00
Exhibit I, water closets.....	1,025 00
Total	\$56,001 25

Very respectfully,

J. N. PRESTON,

Architect to the State for D. & D. Asylum.