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in his place and still be attend to the collection of money for the defraying of current expenses.
Motion was given to introduce a change in By Laws. Changing time of placement of the Annual meeting adjourned.

OT Donnell Bailey

Annual Meeting Grad. Pastor of
University June 10, 1884

Vice Pres J. M. Bailey in Chair
Prayer Dr Geo. L. Loomer

Present J. M. Bailey H. C. Van Schaack R. Bayly
C. Hull J. A. Smith H. C. Brown W. J. A. Gille
A. R. Donnelly J. C. Bush Dr. Anderson
J. V. Scammon O. T. Donnell A. Loringham
J. M. Park E. B. Lumsdahl, D. Loomer J. A. Smith
Mrs. Anderson & Family

Minutes of meetings June 12, 83 & Jan. 10, 84 read and approved.

Communications of reports from Trustees & Read
& Dr. K. Drift received -

Resignation from Dr. John Fraser accepted.

Report of President Salustia Anderson as follows
To the Honorable Board of Trustees
Gentlemen:

During the present school year this has been in the 3 departments of the University 280 students, 75 in the Collegiate department, 101 in the Preparatory department and 104 in the Law department, when our Cougars these figures with those of the last school year, we find that there has been again a six in the Collegiate department of four in the Preparatory while in the Law department there has been a loss of thirty four.

In the Collegiate department there have been two Post-graduates, who have completed under my personal direction a long career of study in Philosophy and in the sciences of Christianity. We trust that this

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work so successfully accomplished by two brave Christian Pastors will prove to be the foundation of a Post-graduate course to which many will in the future be attracted.

The department of the students during the year has been exceptionally good. Religious writings have been regularly maintained and the influence of these gatherings has been seen in the orderly conduct of the young men and women, and in the earnestness with which they have prosecuted their studies.

The two Literary Societies, which have been maintained in the University for many years, have been characterized during the present year, by unusual work sometimes in the proper and legitimate work carried on as they are at present, they awaken powers of debate and stimulate the students in literary research, and do much to fit them for the active duties of life. These Societies ought to have halls well equipped for their work, they are an educational force that ought to be better cared for.

The health of the students has not been so good during the year as heretofore. Some have suffered from fevers, and the measles at our time prevailed, and in one case proved to be fatal. Jay Becking as with a young man of the sophomore class died suddenly of this disease. I do not think that our University building is specially unhealthy, but it ought in some way to be made more comfortable.

It is not necessary for me to commend to you the work of our Faculty. These gentlemen, worthy of a really better compensation in money, are as teachers equal to the best. Careful, diligent, painstaking and thorough, they are worthy of all commendation. But I wish to call your attention to the fact that your professors of Natural Science work at great disadvantages, for want of apparatus. Moreover, his duties are too numerous, and a helper in that department ought to be provided at an early day. Prof. Bailey an alumnus of the University, and now engaged in the Geological Survey of the Territories, has done what he can to strengthen our department of natural science. He has proposed to donate during the coming year several thousands

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of the finest Geological Specimens, gathered by himself in our Territories. I should have been found to donate suitable cases in which to put them. The donation would be worth to us several hundred dollars, and we trust that we shall be able to receive and suitably care for this gift, and have not questioned in this regard and all Board who will so interest themselves in this gift, as to see that it is secured for us, by fulfilling the conditions of the donor.

Other important Professorship - that of Rhetoric, English History & Literature has become vacant by the resignation of Prof. John Francis. Your Committee on Faculty recommend that Prof. Nathaniel Butler of Highland Park be elected to fill the vacant Chair. As to our current expenses and the provision made for them, I would respectfully refer you to the reports of our Financial Secretary and also to what the Secretary John Bond.

As to the fund which it draws very slowly along, but I am assured by the Board Council Committee that the delays have seemed to be unavoidable and that the endowment for the department will be soon closed. If this be so, at no distant day the case will be heard and considered by the Court.

The Faculty of the Department of Natural Arts recommend that in course the degree of Bachelor of Science be conferred on Miss Gertrude Mayton Fisher and the degree of Bachelor of Arts on Course on -
 Lucia Adeline Dexter Benjamin J. James
 Laorun Johnson Dennis R. Wilson
 Hector A. Siland Alvin E. Reed
 Christine K. Laughton Saml. Song Bo

And Richard Sweetmont

and the degree of Master of Philosophy in Course on

Thomas J. Carr & Charles T. Wagner
 and the degree of Master of Arts in Course
 Edward E. Cox On the Board
 James P. Lindsay Edgar B. Johnson
 Elizabeth W. Peck Henry Chamberlain
 Dr. W. Rubel Alice C. White
 William C. Walker

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and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Course on

Rev. Christopher Perrin M. A. and Rev. George S. Peabody M. A. These gentlemen having secured this degree by regular examinations extending over two years. The Faculty also recommend that the honorary degree of Doctor of Arts be conferred on Professor William E. Holmes.

Also that the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity be conferred on - Rev. Joseph D. Wilson. Rev. Meloy Reid and Rev. William Thomas Chase also that the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws be conferred on Messrs. George M. Schofield and Judge Isaac S. Wilson.

His report and a part of it I append the recommendation of the Union College of Law (Confers degree of Bachelor of Laws on Forty six students)

June 10, 1884 all of which is respectfully submitted
 signed Galusha Anderson President

Upon motion duly seconded it was voted to confer the several degrees as above stated, and that Charles Butler be appointed to the Chair of Rhetoric and English Literature.

Report of Financial Secretary D. Gray was read by him and ordered placed on file -
 Dr. Barrett's report submitted the foregoing as a Financial Statement -

Received from Donations	6,953.95
" " Other Sources	5,552.61
Total Receipts	12,506.56

Disbursements	
Salaries	10,598.57
Expenses	2,646.24
Other Claims	1,768.95
Total Disbursements	15,013.76
Balance on hand	207.69

Upon motion it was voted that the President and Secretary of the Board be authorized to mortgage or sell the property of the University consisting of a lot in England and eighty acres of land in Iowa held by Dr. Barrett in trust - for the purpose of paying advances of cash made by Dr. Barrett.

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Upon motion it was voted that the election of trustees and officers be deferred until the semi annual meeting.

Upon motion it was voted that the matter of raising funds be referred to the Finance Committee with power to act, and that Prof. W. Dick, Dr. J. C. Loomis & Dr. E. C. Loomis be added to the Finance Committee to act for the purpose of raising funds.

Upon motion it was voted that Mrs. Young Scammon be appointed to fill the vacancy on Committee of Union College of Law, caused by the death of Dr. Charles Rogers.

Trustees invited to attend the Alumni Dinner at the Palace House and to attend in a body the Commencement exercises at Central Maine Hall tomorrow also to attend the President's Dinner at the University Parlor in the evening.

adjourned O. N. Baugh & Co.

Grand Pacific Hotel

Special Meeting July 27, 1885

J. H. Hall in Chair.

Prayer by Dr. W. M. Lawrence

Present.

J. H. Hall, J. A. Smith, J. E. Little, J. E. Hunkley, Rob. Anderson, Dr. Hudson, Dr. Lawrence, Dr. W. Johnson, Dr. J. A. Smith, Dr. C. E. Wood, Dr. Anderson, O. N. Baugh and attorney Briggs

Dr. Anderson stated the object of the meeting to be to hear from the attorney regarding the suit with the Union Mutual Life Ins. Co. Dr. Briggs made a very full statement giving pedigree and present condition of the case.

Remarks were made by Dr. J. A. Smith, Dr. Hudson, Dr. Lawrence and others when it was upon motion voted to adjourn to Wednesday March 4 and that the trustees be notified of the object and importance of the meeting which the question of appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court, adjourned O. N. Baugh & Co.

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March 4, 1885

adjourned meeting -

J. H. Hall in Chair.

Prayer by Dr. J. A. Smith

Present.

Miss Hall, Dr. Little, Van Schaack, Dr. A. Smith, Little Scammon, and Little, Baugh and Dr. J. A. Smith, Wood, and Dr. Anderson, J. H. Hall.

Moved by Dr. Scammon & 2d by Dr. J. A. Smith - That it is the sense of this Board that the case of the Union Mutual Life Ins. Co. now before Judge Blaggett be removed to the U. S. Supreme Court, on a writ of error, and that the President and Secretary be instructed to make the necessary papers with duty. Carried - after very full remarks by Dr. Van Schaack, Dr. Wood, Dr. Scammon, Judge Little, Dr. B. J. A. Smith, J. H. Hall, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Anderson & J. H. Hall, adjourned

O. N. Baugh & Co.

Special Meeting

Grand Pacific Hotel May 8, 1885

J. H. Hall in Chair

Prayer Dr. Wood

Present.

J. H. Hall, J. A. Smith, J. E. Little, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Scammon, Dr. Hudson, Dr. Wood, Dr. Baugh, Dr. J. A. Smith, Dr. J. H. Hall, Dr. Scammon, Dr. Anderson & O. N. Baugh

By request of the chair Dr. Anderson stated the object of the meeting to be to call to the attention of the trustees - that we have a faculty of education at the University who are dependent upon their salaries, and that bring very much in arrears. It is desired that they know what is to become of them and what arrangements are to be made regarding their salaries - that students their year in even years, and tell more working of form and they are anxious of knowing whether the school is to be continued. After remarks by Dr. Scammon

and J. A. Smith &c. & was moved by Dr. Anderson that a Committee of 3 be appointed to confer with Mr. DeWitt President of the Union Mutual Life Ins. Co. and to ascertain at what amount the Company will bid the property in at the sale, and allow the University to remain in possession for 15 months with a view of raising the money and paying the claim. - Second by Dr. Jones and remarks by himself Mr. Kiddle, Dr. Anderson & Hudson - The motion prevailed and Dr. Anderson, Mr. Guilston & Dr. Randall were made our Committee.

agreed to meet at this place Wednesday next at 2 1/2 PM

O. N. Daulty Secy

May 19. 1855

Agenda meeting

O. P. Ellison Blake in Chair

Prayer Dr. Wood

Present Ell Blake, Chas. H. Hull, Dr. Randall, Dr. J. A. Smith, Dr. Lawrence, H. C. Shuckley, J. F. Schmitt, L. Comins, Dr. Anderson, Dr. O. N. Daulty - Absent Dr. Kiddle, Dr. Wood, Dr. Jones, Dr. Guilston, Dr. Randall, Dr. Smith, Dr. Anderson, Dr. O. N. Daulty - Dr. Jones

Dr. J. A. Smith for the Committee - appointed to confer with Mr. DeWitt before as follows.

That upon Mr. DeWitt's arrival here, the Committee communicated with him requesting an interview. He replied he could not see any one concerning the University affairs until after seeing his attorney, after that he attended on our Secretary and in response to the question of the amount of the account for which he owned bid in the property and let us read him it before the expiration - he said - If any Committee wishes to own and repurchase money I am ready to own them, but I recommend you to get our attorney or the Courts -

Report received and

The following Communication was received and upon our report to our attorney Mr. DeWitt

Chicago May 12. 1855
To the Hon. Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago
Dear Sir,

This is pending in the U.S. Court an agreement made by the Douglas heirs, claiming the right to the property which has been in controversy between the Union Mutual and your selves. They have also filed a bill in the Superior Court of Cook County, claiming a forfeiture of the Contract on your part, by reason of the mortgage and foreclosure - by the Union Mutual. If lower we can appear in this case by an intervening petition, and protect all our rights, but a more convenient and direct way would be to appear for the University. Therefore in this purpose, if agreeable to the University, that we will take up our counsel, to defend & their cause on behalf of our clients the Union Mutual and for you, and hereby agree, in the event of being so authorized by your Corporation, that we will present no bill to you or in any way change your anything for our services in this matter.

Very Respectfully

Appt. Edward Scott
J. A. High

Moved by Mr. Shuckley & 2d by Dr. Corningham that for the purpose of discussion - that at the expiration of the present College year, the disputation be closed as a College after remarks by Dr. Smith, Dr. Wood, Dr. Shuckley, Corningham, Blake, Hull, Daulty, Dr. Lawrence & Dr. Anderson - the motion was laid on the table - for further consideration

Moved by Mr. Hull & 2d Dr. Anderson. That we unite a Conference with the Committee of 15 recently appointed at a meeting held at Farmington, Conn. -

Moved to appoint Dr. Lawrence a Committee to visit the U. and etc. in accordance to Monday next at 2 PM & the Secretary notify each member of the object of the meeting - carried

O. N. Daulty Secy

adjourned meeting May 15/85
Grand Pacific Hotel

Dr. Ellerton Blake in Chair
Prayer Dr. J. H. Hudson

Present
Ellerton Blake, Paul Sayer, Bush, Giddie,
Barnett, Donnelly, & a friend, James Emigfarn,
Mr. Noel Hudson, Smith, Lawrence Hudson

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

Dr. Lawrence reported as having conveyed to the Committee of R. the invitation of this Board. Which they had accepted and requested their Chairman Dr. Hudson to present them -

Dr. Hudson stated the position of the Committee of R. as follows. That in case the Board of this trust agreed to exist by reason of the same, must then they propose to us what can be done, but until this Board abandon its position - they have nothing to do.

Dr. Hudson reported for Committee on the part that the minutes were that I aimed to advise to accept the services of Messrs. Ward & High - the reports were accepted and approved - and the Secretary instructed to send over the books.

upon motion of J. A. Smith 2d by Mr. Jones, ~~and~~ the motion of Mr. Hinkley - voted at the last meeting in relation of for consideration - when the following resolution was adopted -

That at the close of the present College year, the preparatory & collegiate departments of the institution be closed - unless a guarantee fund of \$70,000 can be raised for the next year. after discussion by most of the trustees present - the substitute with the original was laid on the table -

Moved by Mr. Daulton & 2d by Dr. Hudson that a Committee of J. Connelley, J. G. Giddie, C. Hall & J. A. Smith be appointed for the purpose of ascertaining what amount of money will buy the mortgage on the Nichols - Mr. Hinkley declined & Dr. Sayer put in his place - adjourned to Saturday 20th
C. H. Daulton

adjourned meeting
Grand Pacific Hotel May 23/85

Dr. Hall in Chair
Prayer Dr. Hudson

Present.
Dr. Hudson, C. Hall, J. G. Giddie, J. Johnson, C. Connelley, J. A. Smith, R. R. Donnelly, Dr. Hudson, J. A. Smith, C. B. Suber, J. H. Barnard, Dr. Hudson

Mr. Giddie reported for Committee appointed at last meeting as follows.

May 21, 1885

To the trustees of the
University of Chicago -
Dear Sirs:

Your Committee appointed to wait on the attorney of the Union Mutual Life Ins Co to ascertain on what basis a settlement could be made - would report that they called on Mr. Smith and his reply was, "that the matter had been fully discussed between the President and himself and also by the Directors of the Co. and it was understood between them that the price at which the property was now bid in by the Co. would represent the figures at which the University could redeem the same and cancel all indebtedness. He said he had no authority to make any proposition to his judgment was that an offer from the trustees that they would make the trial to raise \$500,000 with 6% interest from date of sale, coupled with an agreement to stop all litigation except defending the suit brought by the Douglas Trust - an agreement would be given them from the University Co. to the effect that if the same was raised it would be accepted in settlement of all claims. He took no position that other sums would be lent to the University of Chicago for the same purpose."

Respectfully,
J. B. Giddie for Chairman
Committee

after discussing the question of appeal and the amount of the same, it was voted to adjourn until Thursday May 27, 3 PM
C. H. Daulton

adjoined meeting

Grand Pacific Hotel May 27/88

McMinnon Lake in Chair

Rays & Reed

Present, Messrs. Blake, Reed, Caudelaack, D. Johnson
Hall, Dorville, Grille, Donnelly, R. L. Anderson
Jones, Barrett & D. Anderson

Minutes of last meeting approved.

Moved by D. Anderson 2d by D. Johnson -
that the Resolution of A. Smith laid on
table the 15th instant be - Carried -

The discussion which followed was taken part
in by J. D. Smith, H. Caudelaack, D. Anderson,
D. Reed, D. Johnson, R. L. Anderson, Dorville,
Blake & others, and upon vote the resolution
was defeated.

Upon motion it was voted that Judge Dorville,
D. Anderson & Edmund Jones be a Committee
to devise some means or plan to obtain the
membership of the Ministry and to report at
the annual meeting.

Committee consisting of D. Anderson, Judge
Dorville & Mr. J. D. Smith were appointed to
nominate officers &c at annual meeting.

adjourn
O. M. Barrett Secy

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Grand Pacific Hotel

May 8, 1888

V. P. J. M. Bailey in Chair
Prayer by D. Farmer.

Present, J. M. Bailey, C. J. Hall, D. Johnson, J. R. Dorville,
W. R. Boscworth, D. Taylor, J. A. Smith, J. E. Smith, J.
L. Boscworth, D. W. Beck, J. H. Grille, Edmund Blake,
J. V. Scammon, R. L. Anderson, D. Farmer, H. C. Tan-
schack, D. Grille, D. Anderson -

Invited Secretary A. F. Mason requested to be
present, and was chosen Secy pro tem -

D. Anderson for Committee on Nominations - Report
that the same officers as last year - and upon
vote the Secretary cast the vote of the trustees - and
they were declared elected -

D. Anderson stated in general terms the results
of the suit lately determined in the U. S. Court.
Remarks were made by J. D. Smith, Dorville, Scammon
& Blake - and on motion of Judge Dorville - Res-
ident Anderson was appointed a Committee
to consult with the Council for the Ministry
regarding the asking from Judge Boscworth
of a R. hearing of the Case of the Union
Mutual Life Insurance Company vs the Ministry
of Chicago - On motion of Mr. Beck Judge Dorville
was added to the Committee -

On motion of Mr. Beck, voted that the same
Committee instruct the Council of the Ministry
to prosecute the petition for a R. hearing with
all haste, and that V. P. Barrett Bailey be in-
trusted to call a meeting on individual upon his
ascertaining facts which justify the calling of
such meeting.

adjourn

signed A. F. Mason Secy pro tem

Annual Meeting -
Ministry June 9. 1888

Special Meeting -
Grand Pacific Hotel Oct. 5, 1885
L'Evingham in Chair
Mayor D. C. Brown

Present
J. F. Seamonson G. Jones, D. Hanson
J. H. White H. C. Vasschalck C. Hall
L. Evingham D. C. Brown J. A. Smith D. D.
R. F. Alderson G. A. Smith J. E. Bush
C. T. Barrett.

Object of the meeting stated by the Chairman
to be the report of Committee on
nominations of officers - in the Bond -
approved by the Executive Committee -

Resignation of A. K. Fairbank, A. Randall
and C. T. Hadwell read - and upon vote
accepted -

Upon motion the following places on the
Bond of members were declared vacant for
non attendance for two years the last by
D. C. Brown & D. Voluntary #. A. B. Smith & D. C. Brown
88 - R. F. Alderson & M. H. Alderson 89. R. E. Alderson 90.
J. K. Smith & C. J. Smith 91. -

D. G. A. Smith reported for Committee on nominations
affairs.

Minutes for term expiring 1886
Read C. W. Walker D. P. Howard J. E. Shuckley
J. W. Pick J. F. Elliott & B. L. Anderson - C. T. Hadwell

Term expiring 1887
J. E. Bush J. R. Doolittle J. F. Smalley W. M. McCann D. D.
C. P. Young W. E. Brown R. R. Danahy -

Term expiring 1888
A. L. Smith C. E. G. H. H. C. Vasschalck
R. F. Alderson D. C. Brown C. T. Barrett J. A. Smith

Term expiring 1889
L. Evingham H. A. Bush C. Hall Henry J. Bailey
D. C. Brown J. E. Smith C. T. Barrett

Term expiring 1890
H. A. Bush C. T. Barrett J. A. Smith C. E. G. H. H. C. Vasschalck
D. C. Brown J. E. Smith C. T. Barrett

Term expiring 1891
J. F. Seamonson D. C. Brown D. D. J. A. Smith
R. F. Alderson J. E. Smith C. T. Barrett

The report was accepted and ballot ordered -
which upon being counted - the chair declared
the persons above named elected -

Upon motion it was voted that the Committee
on nominations be requested to notify the new
members of their election - asking them if they
will serve - also notify each one of the societies
of the new organization of the Bond and ask of the well
known as a member -

Mr. Evingham reported for Committee on school
ships - that at the opening of this year but few
schoolships were used - and the matter of school
ships is under advisement -

Adjourned to Oct. 12 - 3 P. M. to meet at the Hall
C. T. Barrett Secy

Grand Pacific Hotel
Oct. 12, 1885

Adjourned meeting
L. Evingham in Chair. Mayor D. C. Brown
Present L. Evingham B. L. Anderson
C. Hall J. Jones W. A. Smith D. C. Brown
J. H. White J. F. Elliott H. A. Bush D. C. Brown
L. Evingham C. T. Barrett J. A. Smith

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Resignation of members A. K. Fairbank, A. L. Smith,
C. T. Barrett & E. W. Smith - and
upon motion accepted.

New members elected to fill the above vacancies
as follows: D. C. Brown, A. W. Henry, A. J. Smith, H. A.
Bush & A. L. Smith - by members vote.

October 12, ^{Continued}
Resignations of J. B. Seculer, Mrs. and C. H. Smith
Sally of the Board of Trustees. ^{Executive Committee}
and Finance Committee met -

Remarks were made by Dr. Loomis & Judge
Doak in way of ^{disapproval} of ^{disapproval} - and upon
motion of Dr. Loomis a Committee of five is appointed
by the Chair to nominate officers of the Board.
The motion passed and the Chair appointed
Dr. Loomis - Dr. J. A. Smith, C. H. Loringham, C. H. Muddaw,
& J. H. Smalley.

Upon motion it was voted that Messrs R. L.
Anderson, J. A. Smith & C. H. Loringham Com-
mittee on Board of Trustees be continued in office
and report next Monday - also send letters
inviting members of the Board to be present at
that time -

Remarks by J. Loomis on presentation of gifts to
the University, who was followed by Dr. Loomis & Lanning -
adjourn - J. H. Smalley sup. Roster.

adjourned during Oct 19, 1885.

Loringham in Chair -

Prayer by J. A. Smith

Present Loringham, C. H. Muddaw, J. H. Lanning,
Dr. J. A. Smith, Dr. Loomis, Dr. Lanning,
Dr. Smith, Dr. Anderson, C. H. Loringham, J. H. E.
Bosworth, J. E. Bush, J. R. Biddle, J. H. Smalley,
J. H. Hamilton, C. H. Smith, J. R. Rogers, W. H. W.
C. H. Muddaw, Dr. Loomis, J. A. Smith.

Upon motion it was voted that the
reports be not admitted to reading,
of the Board, but that the Secretary furnish
such items to them as would interest the
public.

Judge Doak's letter reported as of the condition
of the suit by the Douglas heirs -

October 19, 1885 ^{Continued}
Resignation of trustee J. B. Bailey was read, which upon
motion - voted - was referred to Committee on Resig-
nations with a request. Judge Bailey, with Dr. Loomis, was
present.

The Committee on Resignations reported as follows.

President of the Board. Henry A. Rust.
First Vice President D. G. Hamilton
Second do J. H. Lanning & C.
Treasurer L. Loringham -

Executive Committee
Dr. Loomis Dr. Chairman
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw
Dr. Loomis Dr. C. H. Muddaw

Finance Committee
Henry A. Rust Chairman
L. Loringham
C. H. Muddaw

also the position of Secretary of the Board of
Trustees - of the Executive Committee and
Finance Committee are not ready to
report and also further time
adjourned. C. H. Muddaw for Committee

Upon motion the report was read - and by vote
the Secretary was requested to cast the ballot of the
Board for the election of officers as reported, which
was done. The report was declared elected - where Mr.
D. G. Hamilton was present to the chair as first
vice President - Mr. Rust being absent -

Dr. Muddaw moved & it was voted that the Committee
appointed by Executive Committee to investigate
a President of the University by discharge

Upon motion it was voted that the present
officers of the Board be a committee to examine a
President of the University.

October 19, 1888 Continued
 Upon motion of D. Corwin - seconded by
 R. Anderson & seconded. that the Executive
 and Finance Committees be requested to
 organize as soon as possible - and to submit to
 the Board of Trustees plans for the future finan-
 cial basis -

Upon motion I have read that in apprise to
 Council from today to meet on the floor -
 that the object of the meeting be to elect
 a President of the University - and the acting
 Secretary be requested to notify the Board of
 Trustees and ask for a full attendance -

(Looked up 1888)

C. H. Barnett acting Secy

Adjourned Meeting

Grand Pacific Hotel, Oct 26 - 1887.

D. P. D. Hamilton in Chair.

Prayer D. Lawrence.

Present -

Mecon J. Peters, Joe Rogers, J. Hull, W. E. Bowditch,
 D. Lawrence, D. Wood, J. C. Paul, D. Corwin, R. Anderson,
 D. Agnew, L. Ewingham, D. G. Hamilton, D. Henson, W. B. Barrett,
 W. Henry, D. Jones, E. P. Channing, Donnelly, Scammon,
 Sayer, Miel, Jones, Doolittle.

Minutes of Meeting of Oct. 9th approved.

Comm. on Nominations Report: D. P. D. Lawrence to elect
 Secty of Board of Trustees - of Executive Committee and
 Finance Committee.

D. Lawrence tendered his resignation as 2nd Vice Pres.
 and E. P. Channing nominated upon recommendation of Comm.
 on Nominations.

D. Lawrence elected Secty. Board Ex & Finance.

Upon motion Mr E. P. Channing was elected 2nd Vice President.

The Committee on Nominations then reported the
 resignations of D. Reed & Mr. W. C. Carpenter, which were
 accepted.

The Committee on Nominations for President reported
 through its Chairman R. D. Henson the name of D.
 R. Corwin for the office of President of the University.

The report being received and the nomination seconded
 by D. Wood - D. Corwin was unanimously declared
 elected President of the University. D. Henson & Messrs
 Ewingham & Hull were appointed to wait upon
 D. Corwin and apprise him of his election.

D. Corwin then appeared before the Board and after
 expressing his appreciation of the action desired
 to hold the matter under advisement for two
 weeks when he would announce to the Board
 his decision. He could not say that the action
 was unexpected after last Monday but this is
 the first official intimation and added,
 "I have not expressed heretofore any opinion

Whatever in regard to this action. Appreciates the confidence more than to one well fitted for service and work. Of course no answer can be given today & must take time to consider. I sustain peculiar relations to one of the largest Churches in this City & could not do anything to jeopardize its work, & must confer with the Church. Have not talked with the Church & shall not be able to do so for several days and at earliest moment will communicate with you. I am profoundly convinced that the cooperation of this Board and Ministry will ultimately succeed".

Yrs M. Lawrence
Hay.

Chicago Nov 9th 1855.

Board met in the parlors of the Grand Pacific Hotel at 3 o'clock - Dr. Hamilton in Chair.

Present,

Messrs. Peters, Rogerson, Hull, Rush, Anderson, Evingham, Barrett, James, Tuning, Donnelly, Scammon, Laver, Mice, Jones, Doolittle, Holman, Dr. Corwin, Wood, Benson & Lawrence.

Minutes of preceding meeting read & approved.

Communication from Mr. B. A. Peck was referred to D. Loomer.

Com. on Finance being called for made no report, but McKim at this time & by the consent of the Board gave reasons why it would be impossible for him to accept the presidency of the Board. The attention of the Board was then given to D. Loomer who read, as follows, his declination of the Presidency of the University:

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago.

President and Gentlemen:— I desire once more and in writing to express my appreciation of the honor you have paid me in my election to the presidency of the University of Chicago. But I agree

with others in whose judgment I have great confidence, that I could not at present accept your offer without jeopardizing interests as important as the University itself. In the circumstances, I am therefore constrained to decline the position you have tendered me.

Morrow I am convinced that under the present condition of the University, the uncertainty as to its ultimate location, and the policy proper to pursue on several points, the Board is not really prepared to select a president at all. My advice, therefore, is that this matter be postponed until the annual meeting, and that in the meanwhile the Committee on the filling of the office be continued, who, in the time intervening, may be able to select one better qualified than myself to assume its responsibilities.

I hope the Board and the public will not regard this note as indicating a lack of confidence in the future of the institution whose interests have been committed to our care. Such is not the case. There are encouraging signs on all sides, offers of money and service pointing undeniably to success. Consequently I am hopeful and believe that every man should do all in his power toward carrying forward the present renewal of interest to a glorious issue. In this work I am anxious to bear my part and I believe my Church would not have me to be behind any of the factors in this service of God. Anything other, short of the presidency, I am willing to undertake, provided always that it can be performed in harmony and visiting engagements.

The matter I leave with the Board and shall hold myself ready to receive instructions and to set an example of loyal devotion to what I believe can be made one of the grandest, broadest and noblest institutions of learning in the land.

Yours truly
(signed) H. C. Corwin.

Chicago Nov. 9.

Not yet Continued.

After which Dr. Henson read the following resolution which was adopted -
Resolved, that Dr. Loomer's declination of the presidency of the University of Chicago, be laid on the table, & that pending final action on the presidency Dr. Loomer be requested to perform such service as President Pro. tem. of the University as may not be incompatible with his other duties -

Mr. Needham then moved, - That a committee of five be appointed to ascertain the exact amount of the indebtedness of the University, and to report to the Board a plan for raising funds to pay off same & for making such improvements as are necessary to put the University in good working condition and such committee shall also have power to negotiate with the Insurance Company's Officers at Portland & to report to the Board as soon as possible - Carried.

The Society was then authorized to procure necessary stationery and present bill to the Treasurer.

Adjourned to the call of Com.

Wm. W. Lawrence Secy.

Name -
The Com. appointed by the Chair under the motion of Mr. Needham were Messrs. Needham, Dr. Henson, Loomer & Lawrence.

Wm. L.

Grand Pacific Hotel
Dec 10th / 1887.

E. P. Tising in chair -

Present - Wood, Anderson, Rice, Wice, Eborrougham, Smith, Smalley, Bush (Police), Peter, Lyster, Kilbuck, Scammon.

Report of Dr. Loomer that some \$4000 would be required to put the building in order.

Dr. Loomer then read an offer from Maywood, of real estate if the University would locate there. No action taken.

He also read a communication from a Gen. Cowman of Texas proposing to become the financial agent of the University.

Moved that the proposal for the present be laid on the table, and that Dr. Loomer be requested to say to him that we are not now in condition to open negotiations with him, but that he may possibly hear from us later.

Resolution Carried.

General discussion followed upon the present situation of the University in its relations to the Insurance Company.

Mr. Wood offered the following Resolution -
That the negotiations with the Insurance Company, and the amount of money to be offered by the Board, be left to the discretion of the Com. on negotiations. And that Messrs. Apple, H. A. Rust and L. Eborrougham be added to the Com.

Adopted.

Adjourned Wm. W. Lawrence Secy.

Chicago, Feb 1 - 1886.

The Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago met at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Feb 23, 1886, Hamilton, 1st VP in Chair.

Prayer by Dr. Hanson.

In the absence of the Secy, Dr. Lawrence, J. A. Smith was chosen Secy pro tem.

The meeting having, in accordance with the vote of adjournment of former one, been called by Dr. Loomis, Chairman of the Com. to negotiate terms of settlement with the Insurance Company, to whom the University is indebted.

Dr. Loomis made statement giving details of correspondence with the President of the Company, with reasons why it proved to be not best or practicable for him to visit Portland as proposed at last meeting of the Board.

He followed this statement with a report in behalf of the Committee to negotiate with the Company. The report recites the tenor of correspondence recently had, together with the offer made by the Committee in behalf of the Board of \$20,000 in discharge of the whole indebtedness. That to this proposal the directors of the Company have according to the statement by President DeWitt, unanimously determined to hold the property at the price at which it was sold, and interest. If the University should at the proper time desire to arrange for a concession of the balance of our debt, then the Company, if no further trouble is made, would deal liberally.

This decision the report states, involves the paying of about \$29,000, with a further amount of \$3,000 to be compromised, with accrued interest on that sum.

The report as read was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Mr. J. A. Wine then offered the following resolvable and resolution:

Whereas, the amount demanded by the Insurance Company is more than the Board feels it has ability to raise, in addition to the

large amount needed for repairs, the completion of the building and a partial endowment; Be it therefore Resolved: that we recommend the calling of an Educational Convention which shall invite Baptist Churches throughout the country to send their representative men as delegates, to whom the whole question at issue shall be presented, and the final decision of the convention of what ought to be done in the present circumstances, shall be our guide for future action.

The preamble and resolution were adopted. The Board not being in a position to call such a convention, it was informally understood that the call will be made by the Baptist Ministers of Chicago.

The Board then adjourned
(signed) J. A. Smith
Secy pro tem.

Chicago, Ill. Feb 16 - 1886.

* In the Board of Trustees.

University of Chicago.

Gentlemen,

We beg leave to report: Though Dr. Loomis' correspondence has been carried on with the Credit of the University of Chicago, but not with such ease as we had hoped. The letters exchanged have been courteous and friendly; but the offer we have been able to make has been declined. Hearing from a party, who it now appears had no authority to speak, that a cash proposal of \$10,000 would be considered, we tendered that sum and subsequently by telegraph offered \$20,000.

Knowing that the Insurance Company to whom the University is indebted has sacred interest to guard, we bided in our correspondence to remember this, and to say nothing or propose anything that would even seem to overlook this fact. Perhaps an extract from a letter to Mr. DeWitt, president of the Company, will clearly indicate our attitude in the premises.

Writing under date of Nov 30th Dr. Loomis said, "We come in just as any other buyer; only we