

outline in a ³⁴satisfactory manner.
The work to be done, and an unsatis-
factory text-book ensures unsatisfac-
tory work. There is dissatisfaction
also on the ground that Bible study
should be like any other study, optional,
and not unlike ~~any~~ ^{every} other study, Compul-
sory even for those who make other studies take
an optional course. I bring before you
the situation in regard to this study in
order that you may judge con-
cerning the necessity for the experiment.

The Business Course consists of the
Elementary English branches, book-keep-
ing and a few lectures on Commercial law,
just what may be found in any high
school or academic course, and what
would be retained in our course should we
abolish the Business Course as such.
I call your attention to this course that you
may consider the advisability of retaining
a course ~~in which~~ ^{has in it} so little that is

distinctive ~~can be found in it.~~

The normal course has had a somewhat bitter history in some respects. Excellent work has been done along this line by Prof. Allen. But

it is not too much to say that it ~~the course~~ is not popular, and that it has never taken root - in this school. In my judgment ~~three~~ ^{two} reasons may be assigned for the lack of popularity.

1. The low grade of requirements, as compared with that of the collegiate departments.

2. It has never stood out distinctly as a department, nor been advertised as such, giving it thus an opportunity to pass an independent growth, even while connected with other studies.

~~In my judgment to make work in the normal course successful.~~

One of four things may be done

1. Continue the work as it is, making no material changes.
2. Abolish the course entirely.
3. Organize the course into a department and provide another instructor and give him considerable responsibility in the development of his department.
4. Abolish the course and provide for instruction in ~~direct~~ didactic, offering it as an optional study in the junior or senior year. This would give those who wished to teach an opportunity to gain both a thorough college education, and special instruction in the best methods of imparting knowledge.

The attendance for the year has been 238, 136
in the Literary department, and 82 ex-
clusively in the musical department.
All the College Classes are represented
in numbers as follows. Seniors 2.

Juniors 5. Sophomores 11. Freshmen 22.

Total 40. In the Preparatory depart-
ment the numbers are as follows:

Senior Preparatory	25-
Junior Preparatory	39,
Eng Preparatory	<u>30</u>
Total	<u>116</u>

The attendance for the past seven years
has been as follows.

	Total	College.
1882-3	- - - 54	- - 0 - -
1883-4	- - - 57	- - 4 - -
1884-5	- - - 105	- - 1 - -
1885-6	- - - 153	- - 4 - -
1886-7	- - - 185	- - 7 - -
1887-8	- - - 216	- - 17 - -
1888-9	- - - 238	- - 40 - -

It will thus be seen that ^{this} school has had
a healthy not to say a rapid growth.

during the past few years. Probably the percent of increase in the number attending this school during the past seven years has been greater than any other school of college grade ^{in Kansas} which ~~which~~ ^{which} was in existence seven years ago. ^{Among these students} ~~Of that number~~ ^{M. J. Currell} has completed the course of study leading to the degree of A. B. ~~another~~ ^{another} Mrs. ~~Edna~~ M. Keith has completed the

Course of study leading to the degree of B. S. and Miss E. Adelaide Johnson has completed the course leading to the degree of B. Mrs. The Faculty recommend that the Board grant to these persons mentioned the appropriate degrees.

Methods of securing Students.

To advertise the school to interest young men and women in this institution, to secure their presence here, ^{the} various methods of advertising have been employed. It is a matter of experience

That a canvass of the State so far as possible
 by the teachers during the summer months,
 has been the most remunerative. The
 intercourse of teachers and constituency
 has been mutually valuable. This work is
 good as far as it goes. But it does not
 go far enough. Each summer the teachers
 that travel with this object in view. have
 usually been in the field from three to
 seven weeks. They touch here and there
 at points which are likely to yield the
 largest returns. But they are not able to do
 thorough work in any community. The
 distance they travel when taken with the time
 they are at work shows that ^{there} is an unnecessary
 expense in form of advertising. Only a
 few places in the state get the benefit of
 even a partial canvass. Most communities
 in the state and the majority of Baptists,
 have no conception of Massachussetts
 the work which it is doing and the claims

ONTARIO

Report—

EXECUTIVE

of Pres
Lutherland

Ottawa

President's Report.
To the

Board of Trustees of Ottawa University.

Dear Brethren:

The year now ending has been a pleasant year of labor. All in attendance have been blessed with general good health. The students have been loyal, obedient, & exemplary and with few exceptions commendably studious. The relations of students and teachers have ~~was~~ been pleasant. A good degree of religious interest has pervaded the school. Some have been converted; some have signified their purpose to devote their ~~to~~ lives to missionary service. All our hope have been filled with higher aims and nobler aspirations.

Several changes may be noted in the Faculty. Rev. A. S. Allen who for the past two years has rendered effective service in the work of English and Normal instruction, has signified his purpose to give up his work

in this institution to accept the
 more remunerative position of the super-
 intendency of the Ottawa City schools,
 Prof. F. S. Dietrich, in accordance with
 his purpose which was plainly
 expressed when he became a teacher,
 gives up his work as teacher of
 Latin with the design of devoting
 his life to the work of giving instruc-
 tion in history. After consultation
 with various members of the Board
 the hope was held out to him that
 the work in history ^{in this school} would be given
 him, thus enabling us to retain
 his valuable services. This would
 necessitate the rearrangement
 of studies in one or two departments
 but only in a way which can be
 done in such a way as to make
 the readjustment tolerably satisfactory
 (over).

Since the intimation of Prof. Dietrich
that he purposed to retire from the teaching
of Latin considerable work has been
done with reference to securing another
Teacher of Latin. The ^{resulting} Correspondence resulting
was laid before a Committee appointed by
the executive Committee, and probably
they are prepared to make a recommen-
dation to this Board of the name of
another Teacher: ~~during the year~~
Prof:

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Department of Study.

The different-departments of study will be presented by the different-teachers and the details of the work set forth, I wish to speak with special reference to three departments. Bible study, the business and the normal courses.

Five years ago these departments were added to the work of the school and work along those lines. Ever since that time, we have attempted in a greater or less degree, the work of Bible study was given into the hands of the Teachers five years ago that they might work out its solution in this school. Bible study is an experiment in the modern American College, no satisfactory text book exists, which