

mitory accommodation for that sex, the present large associated dormitory, in which over fifty girls sleep, is wanting in nearly all proper requisites of such a room.

During the vacation, the Principal removed his family to the residence erected for him on the grounds, and the rooms in the main building, formerly used for his quarters, were fitted up and appropriated for official purposes, as designated in a previous minute.

The room in the basement, at present used for the bakery, is much too small, and is also in too close proximity to the furnace rooms. The meat store is also unfitted for such a purpose. In the extension of the rear buildings, which must shortly take place, these defects should be remedied.

The books and records of the Bursar were examined at this visit. It is evident that some of the appropriations will require to be increased in the estimates of next year. The sum voted for books and apparatus, viz. \$400, appears to be insufficient to meet the demands made upon it by the increased number of pupils, and is the same as when only one-half the number of pupils were in residence. A recommendation will be made to have it increased to \$600. The appropriation under the heading of "Farm and Garden" is also overdrawn. It is hoped, however, that \$600 will be found sufficient for this service in future years. The expenditures under the heading of "Furniture and furnishing renewals" will have to be very carefully watched, as they have exceeded the appropriation during the past three years. The vote of \$500 should be sufficient. The cost of gas was \$1,410.26 in 1878, and this year it will be about the same. This is entirely too much, and is owing to the high price and poor quality of the gas furnished. The same quantity of a much superior gas could be made upon the same principle as it is at the Orillia Asylum, for one-half the amount. Unless the price be reduced and the quality improved, I would recommend that appliances be fitted up in the premises for manufacturing gas. The appropriation for bedding and clothing will have to be increased from \$300 to \$500.

The Principal stated that not less than \$200 worth of books were at once required for the schools. He was authorized to make purchases to that extent.

The Principal was requested to push forward with the knitting of 500 pairs of socks for the various public institutions of the Province.

He was also authorized to place one of the most advanced female pupils as a monitorial instructor in the Industrial Department, and the Bursar was instructed to enter her name upon the pay list at the rate of \$40 per session.

A consultation was held with the Principal respecting the wants of the Institution on capital account for the coming year, and the list arrived at will be submitted to the Treasurer of the Province, along with a recommendation that an appropriation be voted for the purpose of carrying out the various necessary works.

MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES.

A statement of the cost of maintaining the Institution during the official year is given hereunder. This statement shews the total expenditure and also that under each heading of the estimates.

Medical department.....	\$70 23
Food of all kinds.....	7,546 60
Bedding, clothing and shoes.....	429 88
Fuel.....	2,570 58
Light.....	1,447 50
Laundry soap and cleaning.....	230 42
Books and apparatus.....	613 97
Printing, postages, stationery, etc.....	507 24
Furniture and furnishings.....	817 35
Farm, feed and fodder.....	737 26
Repairs and alterations.....	576 79
Miscellaneous.....	749 53
Salaries and wages.....	13,217 80
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