

represented that another Nason steam-trap would materially add to the efficiency and economy of the system, and authority was given to purchase the required trap at a cost of \$58.

"The new slate roof which has been put on the building during the summer, under the supervision of the Public Works Department, appears to be well constructed, and is a great improvement to the building, both in appearance and safety in the event of fire.

"A new boiler at the pumping house has been put in to replace the original one, which from constant use had begun to show defects that might have rendered it unsafe at any time."

"Considerable progress has been made in getting the property lately purchased into shape, and the grounds nearest the city have also been considerably improved. The crops have been below the average of former years. The yield of potatoes, especially, shews a large reduction, in consequence of the drouth which prevailed during the summer months."

MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES.

The amount expended in maintaining the Institution during the past twelve months is shown in the subjoined statement. The same information as regards the previous year is also given:—

SERVICES.	YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1886.		YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1887.	
	Total Expenditure.	Annual cost per pupil.	Total Expenditure.	Annual cost per pupil.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Salaries and wages	15,658 56	118 63	15,848 33	119 16
Medicine and medical comforts	87 34	66	228 39	1 72
Butchers' meat, fish, etc.	2,982 06	22 59	2,773 53	20 85
Flour, bread, etc.	888 68	6 73	737 48	5 54
Butter and lard	966 13	7 32	379 96	7 37
General groceries	1,863 58	14 12	1,842 71	13 85
Fruit and vegetables	308 80	2 34	306 82	2 31
Bedding, clothing and shoes	660 05	5 00	510 49	3 84
Fuel	2,951 30	22 36	2,342 91	17 62
Light	963 50	7 30	1,004 55	7 55
Laundry, soap and cleaning	346 69	2 63	376 14	2 83
Furniture and furnishings	494 05	3 74	670 74	5 04
Farm, feed and fodder	886 86	6 79	1,028 13	7 72
Repairs and alterations	896 54	6 79	937 41	7 05
Advertising, printing, postage, etc.	675 19	5 11	739 67	5 56
Books, apparatus and appliances	718 32	5 44	1,040 26	7 82
Miscellaneous	1,218 08	9 23	1,519 80	11 48
Total	32,574 73	246 78	32,887 94	247 27