

The account of the Secretary for
Allowance \$11.10 was allowed and ordered paid
Secretary out of any money belonging to the
A & M College,

Ordered by the Board that the amount
of one hundred and five dollars and
allowance for fifty cents (\$105.50) be appropriated to
same expenses of ^{the members of} pay the expenses of this Board during
Board the present session, as follows:

Lov Stone, \$3.30 L.B. Brown \$6.45 - Chas
L. Gilmer \$12.00 J.M. Causay \$10.50 T.C.
Doekey \$23.05 W.H. Augustus \$1.50
D.L. Pharo \$41.00 Brant Bentil \$5.50

On Motion L.B. Brown was appointed
correspondence a committee of one to correspond
to get names with Presidents of the various A & M
for President Colleges in the United States, for the
purpose of getting the names of suit-
able persons, from among whom we
may select a president for this in-
stitution.

Ordered by the Board that the President
allowance be and he is hereby authorized to draw
Payment on on the State Treasurer, for \$1234.10
and the amount necessary to complete the
payment for the land purchased of
Wm Bell and Lenora O'Bell his wife,

The Board then adjourned to meet at
adjourned Starkville as such time as may be here-
after designated by the President
Frank Smith Secy.

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On motion the report was received and
Book of unanimous adopted, Wm Wiley,
Wm Bell & Wash Eng employed to draw deed,
and H. J. which was duly signed sealed and
delivered to the Board of Trustees by
Said Wm Bell and his wife Lenora
& Bell,

On Motion Dr D. L. Phans was appointed
a Committee of one, to devise a plan
for the erection of the building, submit
the same to the Committee hereby appoint-
ed consisting of Messrs Causey & Wacker
and his friend himself, Correspond with said
Buildings secure the services of a Competent Arch-
itect, who shall draft plan and
specifications of such a building
as may be agreed on by said Com-
mittee. After which advertisements
for sealed bids shall be issued for
six weeks in the Clarion and Dick-
ason messenger, at the expiration of
which time, or as soon thereafter as prac-
ticable the Board shall meet and award
the Contract to the lowest responsible
bidder, The Board of Course reserving
the right to reject all bids for same.

On Motion the President was added to
the Committee of three just appointed.

On Motion the sum of fifty dollars was
allowed the Secretary for services to
date,

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After a careful examination, Messrs
Montgomery, Cawsey and Dooley
were appointed a Committee, with
instructions to call on Mr. Bell and
~~try to~~ negotiate a purchase of the
land.

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The Board then returned to Starkville
and awaited the report of the Com-
mittee, which was as follows:

1) the same Board of Trustees of the State College.

Your Committee appointed to ~~try to~~ ne-
gotiate the trade with Mr. Bell for the
lands now in negotiation by leave
report of to report, that Mr. Bell has changed
completely his proposition by withdrawing his
offer ~~of~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{Board} ~~of~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{College} ~~trustees~~, of forty acres, and propos-
es to sell the Board the remainder

of his land, which amounts to
three hundred and fifty acres (350) at
the rate of seven (\$7) dollars per acre,
he retaining possession of the pre-
mises, this year, but gives to the Board
the privilege of having any part
of it, or any material on it and
the right of way through it, for the
use of the College,

We agreed to pay him \$2450, / twenty
four hundred and fifty dollars cash
upon the conditions he proposes, subject
of course to the approval of the Board,

Respectfully submitted

W. B. Montgomery, J. C. Cawsey, J. C. Cow-
per, G. L. Dooley

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pp. 36 & the other dated January 16th 1879 for
 Receipt \$1012,50 Making a total of \$3102,50, Ex-
 ceptions profo charges paid by Treasurer on
 the 1st Package, \$2,65- and on the
 2nd \$1,50. Thus leaving of this sum
 to the credit of the College in Treas-
 ure \$3098,35-

Invitations from Messrs Foster & Cleary Teachers
 in the Male Academy and Mr. Rev
 Lewis Mr. Sellers Priest of Grassville Female
 Academy John Bush, to visit their respective Schools
 received and filed,

Motions B & G. carried - and the Board adjourned.

In the evening the Board in a body
 visited the different lands offered
 for sale as a site for the A & M College.

The Night Session
 was devoted to the discussion of the va-
 rious sites proposed, and it was agreed
 that the entire Board would visit the
 Bell tract of lands on the following
 morning, and determine whether or
 not the College would be located there.

3rd Day Saturday April 5th 1879

The Board met pursuant to adjournment
 on the Bell tract of lands about one &
 a quarter miles east of Grassville and

choice of Land to A & M by William Bell
 "Dad Billy"