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EVERY one in the University should subscribe for the STUDENT.

SUBSCRIPTIONS will be received at this office for "Wells's" new edition of the constitution.

WE understand there is some talk of forming a ladies' Literary Society here. We think this is a good project, and wish it success.

It is amusing to step into the Reading Room and see with what velocity certain students read some of the largest and most scientific works in our Library.

THE University inaugurated its second term on the 7th, with from 25 to 30 new students. This speaks well for the management of Chancellor Benton and his noble corps of Profs.

WE have known students to take up a Congressional Globe, read it through, and be perfectly satisfied, in five or ten minutes. We hope the students won't be greedy in this matter, and read all the books through at once.

ON account of certain irregularities in printing arrangements, this number has been delayed even beyond our expectation. To our subscribers and exchanges we would tender our apology, hoping hereafter to furnish the paper at its appointed time.

THE students of the University being desirous of some amusement during the long winter evenings, have ordered some of the best lecturers in the country, and are now conducting the Lincoln Lecture Course. We hope the citizens will encourage this enterprise in the future as in the past.

THE Reading Room of this institution is now fitted up, and will open from 11 A. M., to 3 P. M., each day. The students will find, in addition to a large library, a number of the most prominent periodicals of the day. We know of no place where the student can spend a few hours more profitable and pleasant, than in the Reading Room.

THE Palladian Literary Society have elected the following officers for the present term:
J. S. Dales, President.
Miss Sweet, Vice President.
Step. Kinney, Recording Sec'y.
Frank Hurd, Corresponding Sec'y.
W. M. Stevenson, Treasurer.
W. L. Sweet, Usher.

THE students of the University assembled on the 12th inst., and formed a Paper Association. After some discussion, on various topics, the following persons were elected officers for the year 1872:
W. L. Sweet, President.
Miss G. E. Benton, Vice President.
H. K. Metcalf, Recording Sec'y.
J. S. Dales, Corresponding Sec'y.
C. W. Roads, Treasurer.
The officers of the association will also constitute the Board of Managers. Mr. W. H. Snell was elected editor-in-chief, and Mr. O. G. Whipple and Miss Sweet, associates.

"HESPERIAN STUDENT" is the name of a new monthly published by the Palladian Literary Society of Nebraska University. It is a very presentable and spicy sheet. Nebraska State University first opened its halls to students on the 7th of September last. One hundred students are in attendance, among which we see figuring prominently in the Friday evening Literary Society, the name of J. S. Dales, a former student here. Prof. A. R. Benton, formerly of Alliance College, is a member of the faculty.—Literary Advance.

COLLEGE ITEMS.

OVER one hundred ladies are studying law in America.

GARRET Biblical Institute loses \$92,000 by the Chicago fire.

DARTMOUTH College has 100 new students this year.—*Ex.*

Well done. But the Nebraska State University had 106 last term.

THE Williams College *Review* is vigorously agitating the Mixed School question.

THE loss of the *alumni* of Williams College by the Chicago fire amount to \$677,000.

THE friends of Rev. J. P. Thompson are pressing his name for the presidency of the Yale.

THERE are 369 Colleges in the United States and have been 35,000 graduates.—*College Herald.*

CORNELL students are disappointed at the poor run the small-pox is having there; they want to go home for a few days.

A JUNIOR at Yale returned a book to the Library last week, with a hair pin in it as a book-mark. Comments are called for.

COLUMBIA College pays its president \$8,000, and its professors \$6,000 per annum. Its property is worth more than three millions of dollars.

THE question of why the forces of a hyperbola can have a center, is a very troublesome question to the mind of a Soph. in the Ripon University.

THEY propose to do away with Sunday services down at Yale, and devote the income of the college preacher to the Boat Club.—*Harvard Advocate.*

THE annual expenses of a College student in this country range from \$225 to \$1,500. Including the preparatory course, the average cost of a collegiate education is \$5,000.

THE *Literary Advance*, of January, appears in a new form. It has been changed from a sixteen to an eight page sheet. In its new form it presents an inviting appearance.

A WILLIAMS Sophomore handed his class officer the following note from his sister, supposing it to be a doctor's certificate: "Come over and see me; we've got a lamp that we can turn down, down, down. Come over and see me."

WE are sorry to say that a good article for this copy of the "STUDENT," by Prof. Manly, entitled, "The Influence of the Bible on Language," has been unintentionally omitted. It will appear in our next issue.

EDUCATION IN NEBRASKA.

Report of State Superintendent McKenzie.

OFFICE OF STATE SUP'T OF PUB. INST., LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, February 5th, 1872.

The following report is, through the courtesy of the press throughout the State, laid before the people.

The law only provides for the publication of the Report of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, once in two years, and as this makes much of the matter of the present year of little importance, when presented, I have drawn on the generosity of the press, to aid me in placing before the people the Educational condition of our State, up to the close of the year 1871.

The following tables exhibit only approximately the real condition of affairs in each County.

Very many districts failed entirely to report to their County Superintendent, and as a consequence, do not appear in the aggregate.

There was some reasonable excuse for this last Spring, as very many districts were without copies of the school law, and those that they had, contained no forms for the reports required; but this excuse has, I trust, been taken away, as nearly 5,000 copies of the school laws, containing forms of all reports necessary to be made, have been distributed throughout the State, so that in case blanks be

not received in time, this year, there need be no good reason for any school officer's failing to report in season. It is to be hoped that County Superintendents will carefully look after this matter. While it is the duty of each district officer to see to it that his district is properly represented in the report of his County to this Office; Superintendents should feel that it is their especial duty to see that no district fails to make a proper report.

While most of the County Superintendents sent in their reports carefully prepared, and in the main correct, there were some who failed to represent their counties, except, perhaps, in sending in the enumeration returns.

The County Superintendent of Cass county, W. A. Patterson, representing one of the most populous counties, and receiving \$346 80 more than any other County Superintendent in the State, for some reason utterly failed to make any report, except the enumeration of children of a proper school age.

Thus, in order to make anything like a fair showing for the county and State, I have estimated all the other items, taking as the basis of my estimate Nemaha county, as both Cass and Nemaha have nearly an equal number of school children.

May we not look forward for better things the coming year?

Table 1.

Showing the number of Districts—the number of children between the ages of 5 and 21 years—the number of children attending school during the year—the number of days, school has been taught by a qualified teacher—the number of private schools, and the number of scholars attending private schools, in each county:

COUNTIES.	No. Dis.	No. children bet. 5 & 21			Value of school property during the year.	No. of days school during the year.	No. of private schools.	No. of scholars in private schools.
		Males.	Females.	Total.				
Buffalo.....	2	28	27	55	7	109		
Burt.....	38	1087	732	1819	732	2873	2 11	
Butler.....	27	605	360	1165	1102	1102	1 5	
Cass.....	74	3315	1896	5211	1896	3900		
Cedar.....	11	357	163	520	321	594		
Colfax.....	17	433	321	754	321	951		
Cuming.....	22	852	331	1183	1417	1417	1 35	
Dakota.....	17	891	627	1518	627	1630		
Dixon.....	17	550	398	948	398	914	2 31	
Dodge.....	37	667	535	1202	735	2910	1 30	
Douglas.....	33	1900	2125	4025	2161	3170	8 466	
Gage.....	44	710	601	1311	764	2912	1 80	
Hall.....	6	318	186	504	186	1024		
Hamilton.....	1	33	16	49	15	72		
Jefferson.....	41	549	463	1012	463	1733		
Johnson.....	62	801	700	1501	797	3338	2 24	
Lancaster.....	35	1255	1045	2300	1163	4108	2 30	
Leauiqui Court.....	2	65	44	109	15	32		
Lincoln.....	2	81	58	139	103	296	1 2	
Madison.....	14	339	216	555	154	500		
Merrick.....	10	129	92	221	92	624		
Nemaha.....	71	3188	2100	5288	2100	5570		
Otoe.....	68	2044	1820	3864	2262	2647	6 195	
Pawnee.....	40	845	768	1613	1005	2600	3 15	
Platte.....	14	515	385	900	385	1063		
Richardson.....	27	2070	1689	3759	2736	6740	1 29	
Sarpy.....	25	557	461	1018	702	2976	1 14	
Seward.....	40	692	555	1247	697	2504		
Saline.....	31	1044	614	1658	514	1506	7 113	
Stanton.....	7	274	139	413	139	634		
Saunders.....	51	826	734	1560	539	1832	1 23	
Wayne.....	3	23	27	50	27	50		
Washington.....	42	768	516	1284	991	3750	6 67	
York.....	13	145	143	288	171	678		
Polk.....	2	70	39	109	39	120		
Total.....	1028	41071	23265	71942	46	1169		

*This county was not reported, except in regard to the enumeration of children, hence all the other items are estimated.
†Estimated partly.

TABLE 2.

Showing the number and kind of Public School Houses, also the Valuation of the same, with the value of the Site and the value of the Apparatus, in each County.

COUNTIES.	No. School Houses & Material of Construction.						Value School House.	Value School Site.	Paid. Books & Apparatus.	Total.
	Stone.	Brick.	Frame.	Log.	Sod.	Total.				
Buffalo.....			14	4		18	7890.00	147.00	7.50	7974.50
Burt.....			1	3	2	6	670.00		10.00	680.00
Butler.....			1	3		4	670.00		100.00	2160.00
Cass.....	10	30				40	2000.00	1500.00	16.50	2266.50
Cedar.....			2	1		3	240.00		48.88	1484.88
Colfax.....			4	1	1	6	1365.00	21.00	1.88	1387.88
Cuming.....	2	7				9	7260.00	30.00	4.00	8294.00
Dakota.....	1	6	6			13	6825.06	1380.00		8205.06
Dixon.....			6	1		7	2000.00			2000.00
Dodge.....	1	18				19	26166.07		15.10	26279.17
Douglas.....	3	33	3			39	5791.22	26403.00	456.10	81790.32
Gage.....	3	1	7	13	4	28	13797.94	310.00	73.70	14181.64
Hall.....			5	1		6	8000.00	510.10	121.50	8631.60
Jefferson.....			3	8		11	3890.00	208.00	27.35	4125.35
Johnson.....			19	6	4	29	3349.26	490.00	31.75	3871.01
Lancaster.....	1		10	6		17	5728.12	4129.50	215.57	10073.19
Leauiqui Court.....			1			1	675.60	75.00		750.60
Lincoln.....			1	1		2	150.00			150.00
Madison.....			4	1	1	6	1129.39			1129.39
Merrick.....			2	1		3	1029.08	51.25	112.60	1192.93
Nemaha.....	1	6	28	5		40	20726.96	1192.50	6.85	21925.31
Otoe.....	1	8	41	1		51	104396.43	2225.00	83.09	106706.52
Pawnee.....	2		20	7		29	11580.05	524.55	21.40	12126.00
Platte.....			6	3		9	5200.00	400.00	353.40	6153.40
Richardson.....	1	2	46	14		63	33903.00	1274.80	101.65	35279.45
Sarpy.....	2	1	12	4		17	11822.06	316.50	32.85	12171.41
Seward.....			6	4	10	20	2485.00	305.00	20.00	2810.00
Saline.....			1	11		12	1075.00	65.00	138.25	1278.25
Stanton.....			3			3	2200.00	75.00		2275.00
Saunders.....			9	1	2	12	2518.15	600.00	91.85	3140.00
Wayne.....										
Washington.....	1		17	3		21	2670.66	650.00	127.15	3447.81
York.....			1	2	2	5	525.00			525.00
Hamilton.....				1		1	100.00			100.00
Polk.....				2	2	4				
Total, 11	36	373	111	28	559	374270.88	244318.70	23347.09	2480336.67	

TABLE 3.

Showing the number of qualified teachers employed; aggregate number of days taught; total wages of teachers for the year; and the number of days board given them by the districts, in each county:

COUNTIES.	No. Qualified Teachers Employed.			Aggregate No. Days Taught by all Qualified Teachers.			Total Wages of Teachers for the Year.		No. days board by Dist's.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	
							Total.	Total.	
Buffalo.....	1	1	2	72	120	192	114.00	200.00	314.00
Burt.....	15	26	41	1191	1682	2873	1771.28	2296.53	4067.81
Butler.....	10	10	20	572	620	1192	817.75	700.00	1517.75
Cass.....	50	28	78	3738	2877	6615	8790.28	5180.50	13970.78
Cedar.....	5	2	7	425	171	594	825.00	943.00	1068.00
Colfax.....	11	4	15	856	215	1071	1314.50	408.72	1723.22
Cuming.....	9	9	18	869	982	1851	2001.50	1329.00	3330.50
Dakota.....	11	8	19	961	669	1630	1841.50	1838.75	3680.25
Dixon.....	4	6	10	180	455	635	695.00	583.50	1278.50
Dodge.....	14	24	38	1072	1996	3068	1841.76	2660.85	4502.61
Douglas.....	25	32	57	3286	3926	7212	5628.53	1091.00	6719.53
Gage.....	26	12	38	2092	730	2822	2775.00	1013.00	3788.00
Hall.....	6	8	14	1024	911	1935	2344.50	1073.00	3417.50
Jefferson.....	17	13	30	1023	911	1934	1697.29	1073.00	2770.29
Johnson.....	26	33	59	1711	1827	3538	2256.38	2234.65	4491.03
Lancaster.....	30	30	60	2077	2151	4228	3493.46	3245.45	6738.91
Leauiqui Court.....	1		1	33		33	48.75		48.75
Lincoln.....	3		3	941.00		941.00	390.00	580.00	970.00
Madison.....	3	5	8	240	440	680	461.00	454.90	915.90
Merrick.....	4	6	10	295	359	654	610.00	519.50	1129.50
Nemaha.....	50	28	78	3738	2877	6615	8790.28	5180.50	13970.78
Otoe.....	44	60	104	3151	3052	6203	3480.38	1685.32	5165.70
Pawnee.....	24	22	46	1296	1676	2972	3152.35	2097.38	5249.73
Platte.....	8	8	16	800		800	800.00	1763.00	2563.00
Richardson.....	57	44	101	4081	2792	6873	7750.30	3729.25	11479.55
Sarpy.....	20	15	35	1471	857	2328	3810.80	1692.00	5502.8