

Columbia, S.C. June 29th 1905

The Board of Visitors met in office of Governor Heyward, at 10 o'clock this morning

Present Vice Chairman, Lucas, Col Lewis, May Blythe.

Genl Frost, Hon Sheppard and Marshall, also Supt Edward.

The minutes of the meeting of December 13th 1904 were read and confirmed

Vice Chairman was authorized and requested to examine financial report of Quarter Master, as soon as it had been finally completed, this was done reports is on file with other papers.

Financial Report

Camp Gadsden Columbia June 29 1905

Col C. S. Gadsden -

Chairman Board Visitors -

Dear Sir:- I have the honor to submit, in addition to my report of December 1904, the report of Academic affairs for the year ending June 30th 1905.

Enrollment - In the report submitted last December it was shown that the number of Cadets duly enrolled was 147

In January two more were admitted

this making total for year

2
149

Of these sixty-eight were State beneficiaries and eighty-one pay cadets. Eight of the latter were from the Republic of Cuba.

Casualties to date - By Honorable Discharge

5

By Permit to Retire

7

By Dismissal

5

By Expulsion

1

By Withdrawal

19

Absent In Suspension

1

" Furlough - sick

4

" " Other Causes

3

8

27

In Camp for duty

122

I submit the following extracts from the proceedings of the Academic Board based upon the Academic

records of the year for your approval and final action -

Extracts Minutes Academic Board

Names of Graduates It was moved that the following Cadets, members of the First Class, be recommended to the Board of Visitors for graduation: Boston, Cain, Craig, R. Dickson, R. Doty, Easterby, Hartnet, Hartzog, Lee, Martinell, Moffett, Register, Richey, Scott, Smith, H. Smith, W. Still, and Willingham, total 18. approved

First Class Second class, except Cadet Blank (absent from final examination) having attained the required average be advanced to the First class - approved - #22

Second class It was moved that Cadets Haughton and Blackwell, of the Third Class, having failed to attain the required average, be not advanced to Second class, but that all other members of the class be advanced - approved - ^{see page 22}

Third class - It was moved that Cadets Allan, Bristow, Davis, L. Laurens, McIntosh, and Williams of the Fourth class having failed to make the required average, be not advanced to the Third class, but that all the other members of that class, excepting Cadets Tuten, Smoot, Bess, and Sturgeon, be advanced - approved -

Cadet Tuten It was moved that Cadet Tuten of the Fourth class, grossly deficient, in all his studies be dismissed ^{approved}

In case of Cadets Smoot ^{and} Rogers whose marks had been changed on the Register, by some one whom the Faculty have been unable to locate the following resolutions were passed -

Cadet Smoot and Rogers Whereas it has been brought to the attention of the Board that the records of the Academic Board have been tampered with -

Resolved that the attention of the Corps of Cadets be brought to the seriousness of this offence and that the Board of Visitors unhesitatingly condemn such conduct -

Action of Academic Board in case of Cadets Tuten, Sturgeon, and Beer, was approved, and that the case of Cadet Sturgeon be referred to Vice Chairman and Superintendents for further action, and in case of Cadets Beer, the Superintendents have each Professor prepare questions for examination before the Professor in charge at the Citadel on July 15, and if upon examination his record does not show sufficient proficiency he be dismissed -

"I submit and have filed for reference the reports of Professors. See document a. b. c. d. e. f. g. h. and i.

In my own department as professor the work of the First class was generally satisfactory. In addition to that work, and in order to relieve pressure, I met a section of the Fourth class in Algebra daily until February, and then I gave instruction to the Cuban pupils in Mathematics until the end of the year. I regret to say that I found them very backward in both Arithmetic and Algebra. I believe however, that the three remaining on the roll are able to take up the full regular work of the next Fourth class.

Our experience with these pupils has not fulfilled expectations. Of the eight matriculated, five were found to be unfit material for our institution and it became necessary to dismiss them. The three remaining are gentlemanly in behavior, seem to be self-respecting and desirous to learn, and are quite pleased with their connection with the Academy. Through them we may hope to get suitable material from Cuba. It is evident, however that if we are to cultivate that field some more systematic provision for special instruction required must be made.

Beneficiary Vacancies - By the casualties enumerated above, and by dismissals for deficiency recommended by the Academic Board, there will be one vacancy in each of the following named 17 Counties, to be filled in the usual way, viz. Aiken, Bamberg, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Chesterfield, Darlington,

Condition of Building
 Fairfield, Florence, Lancaster, Marion, Oconee, Orangeburg, Saluda, Sumter, Union, Williamsburg-
 The Citadel building is in about as fair condition as can be expected considering its age and the vicissitudes through which it has passed.

Many improvements might be suggested, but the stern dictates of economy, with lack of means force us to confine our efforts to the patching and repairing that is almost constantly needed. The introduction of the system of heating has caused considerable shrinkage of old timbers and loosening of joints. These particularly noticeable around wash-boards and door and window frames. Considerable areas of plastering on walls and ceilings are loose from the same cause, and these must be repaired during vacation.

Heating and Lighting
 The heating plant gave great satisfaction throughout the past winter. Slight defects in the proper distribution of heat then disclosed have been remedied this Spring by the Contractor. While the actual cost of heating as compared with the old method, (is as follows)

<u>Old Method</u>		<u>New Method</u>	
<u>Nine months 1903-04.</u>		<u>Nine months 1904-05.</u>	
Oil	335.00	Electricity	733.92
Gas	789.32	Gas	223.43
Fuel	1280.00	Fuel	1274.37
		Salary Engineer	116.00
		Electric supplies	177.25

Excess in expense New Method

\$ 120.65

It only cost \$116.00 more for Laundry engineer to run heating plant and laundry. Electric supplies will probably be less in the future.

is somewhat greater; yet this excess is much overbalanced when the vastly superior healthfulness, cleanliness, comfort and convenience effected is taken into consideration. The electric lighting has in general

Encampment given satisfaction.

On the 15th of June I brought the Corps to Columbia for its annual Encampment, and tents were pitched on the only available ground sufficiently near the city. The spot was a very rough field from which a crop of wheat had just been taken, and its bareness of trees or other shelter made it a very trying one during the very hot spell of weather prevailing during the last two weeks. Some of the proposed military work of the Encampment period had to

be modified on account of the heat. Nevertheless, I think the encampment was a successful one. Many families in the city kept open house for the Cadets during their hours of leave. Mr Ed Clark of the Chamber of Commerce and the resident alumni especially May L W Haskell, Mr A. E. Legare, St. J. A. Leonard were indefatigable in their efforts to promote the comfort and pleasures of both the Officers and Cadets. In conclusion I beg to state that quite a number of citizens gave me unprompted testimony as to the neat orderly and gentlemanly appearance and deportment of the Cadets whenever seen in the City.

Very respectfully
Asbury Leonard

Superintendent -

Cadet
Simmons Case of Cadet Simmons overstaying his Christmas furlough. Action of Superintendent approved.

Cadet
Thompson Case of Cadet Thompson exposing his person by being undressed and standing in door of his room.

Thompson Action of Superintendent in suspending Cadet is approved and the board orders dismissal.

South Carolina Military Academy,

FOUNDED BY ACT OF
GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
1842.

Office of the Commandant of Cadets.

Citadel, Charleston, S. C., June 14, 1905.

The Adjutant,

South Carolina Military Academy,

Citadel, Charleston, S.C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to submit the following report of the Department of Military Science and Tactics also of my duties as Commandant of Cadets.

In compliance with Special Orders No. 239, War Department, series 1904, I relieved Captain George H. McMaster, 24th Infantry, of his duties at this institution October 28, 1904.

The course of instruction, both theoretical and practical, as laid down in G.O. 65, W.D., 1904, has been carefully followed. Theoretical instruction has been given to the first and second classes only, but I believe that it would be advisable to include all the classes in this instruction and would recommend the following division of subjects:-

4th Class: Infantry Drill Regulations.

3rd Class: Manual of Guard Duty, Official Records, Military Signaling, Instruction in First Aid to the Injured, and Lectures.

2nd Class: Artillery Drill Regulations, Small Arms Firing Regulations, Elements of Military Science, and Lectures.

1st Class: Elements of Field Engineering, Military Law, and Lectures.

It would not be practicable to carry out the above outlined

plan during the next school term owing to the fact that no instruction has been given to the present third and fourth classes, but the studies of these classes could be so arranged that by the following term the entire schedule could be carried out. At present there ~~is no systematic~~ course prescribed *by the War Department is not systematically followed.* At the request of the Superintendent, I have prepared a set of regulations to correspond to the "Blue Book" of the U. S. Military Academy. The necessity for such a book has been very apparent during the past session. Heretofore instructions in regard to the routine performance of duties have been promulgated in the shape of orders, which not being constantly within reach of the cadets soon lose their force and are eventually lost sight of entirely. Under such a system, duty is necessarily performed in a very unsatisfactory manner and the cadets can not justly be held accountable for orders of which they have no knowledge.

The Academic Regulations, as they now stand, are in need of revision as they are incomplete in many particulars while at the same time they include many provisions which should properly be included in the "Blue Book".

It is respectfully recommended that the regulations above mentioned be printed and put in the hands of the cadets by the opening of the Academy next October.

The present method of storing the ordnance furnished by the government is very unsatisfactory. The field pieces are not properly protected from the weather now and when the gymnasium is completed even this shelter will not be available. If proper shelter can be provided for the guns, it is recom-

*Refused
approved*

mended that authority be requested to turn in the muzzle loaders now in the possession of the Academy and that modern guns be requisitioned for. With the present shelter modern guns would soon be rendered unserviceable.

The storage room provided for the small arms is also inadequate. While the rifles are thoroughly protected from the weather, there is not sufficient space for their care and for such repairs as can be made at the Academy.

The target practice was held this year on the range of the State Troops near the city, by courtesy of these troops. This range is leased and is kept up by contributions of the organizations using it. I am informed that it would be agreeable to the gentlemen in charge if the Academy would come in as one organization and bear its proportional part of the expenses of maintenance of the range. This part would be fifty dollars per annum, and it is recommended that this amount be paid.

approved

Some provision should be made so that all cadets could be supplied with overcoats. Although it is for only a short period that overcoats are necessary, they are badly needed at this time. As there is very little wear on an overcoat during a season, some plan might be devised by which the coats of cadets graduating and leaving could be purchased and turned over to other cadets and thus reduce the cost materially.

*approved & referred
to Supl & Comdant
to carry out*

The practice of permitting the base-ball team to tour the State while other cadets are engaged in their regular duties is, I believe, against the best interests of the Academy. In addition to the time lost by the absent cadets, for a consider-

*It is noted that
practice base ball
be discontinued*

able period before starting on the tour there seems to be a strong desire on the part of the team to subordinate everything else to the playing of base-ball, the thoughts of the cadets engaged run on this subject and their legitimate work suffers. In an institution of this character, the granting of special privileges to any class of cadets is, I believe, hurtful.

What has been said above in regard to base-ball applies, to a lesser extent, to the granting of permits to cadets to attend conventions of various characters.

The matter of the publication of the Cadet Annual also, I respectfully submit, demands attention. Unless this publication can be subjected to a strict and complete censorship, it should be discontinued.

Very respectfully,

W. H. Simons
Captain 6th Infantry,
Commandant of Cadets.

*Annual that the
Annual be discontinued
to unless submitted
to strict censorship
Draft.*

Camp Gadsden, Columbia,
~~Citadel, Charleston, S. C.~~ June 28, 1905.

The Adjutant,
 South Carolina Military Academy,
 Camp Gadsden, Columbia, S.C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to submit the following report, supplementary to the report submitted by me on the 14th inst.

Owing to the heat I have not been able to carry out the entire course of instruction which I had intended during this encampment, but the results obtained from the exercises which have been conducted have been satisfactory.

Many considerations render this time of the year inappropriate for the holding of the encampment. The cadets are naturally more or less run down by the work of the session and are therefore not able to withstand the fatigue incidental to camp life and field exercises as they would be earlier in the season. The heat makes work during the day very trying. The usual round of entertainments provided by the graduates and ex-cadets breaks in on the rest of the cadets.

In view of these facts I believe that it

Citadel, Charleston, S. C.,

would be advisable to consider the holding
of the encampment at some point near
Charleston during the month of April.

Very respectfully,

W. H. Simons,

Capt. 6th Regt.

Comdt. of Cadets.

Board adjourned from 1 1/2 to 3 o'clock -

Afternoon Session - June 29th 1905

Board re-assembled at 4 o'clock, present, Vice Chairman Lucas, and Messrs Sheppard, Blythe, Lewis, Frost, Marshall and Col Leonard.

Return of Genl Frost reported the exchange of small arms was now being made. He hoped to report the final and complete exchange at the August meeting.

In reference to obtaining field ordnance of a modern type, he stated this could not be done before fall at the earliest, as at present the government could not manufacture this class of ordnance as fast as needed, he had every assurance that he would get the field guns as soon as the government could furnish them, perhaps by the fall -

Act to
amend
Sec 1276.
Article 3
Chapter 25
powers of
Board Visitors
S.C.M.A

AN ACT to AMEND SEC. 1276, Article 3, Chapter 25, of the Code of Laws, Relating to the Powers of the BOARD OF VISITORS, of the SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY ACADEMY.

Section I, Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, That Section 1276, Article 3, Chapter 25, of the Code of Laws, be amended by striking out after the word "salaries" the words "and to remove them for cause, but in every case of removal two-thirds of the whole number of the Board shall concur" and insert in lieu thereof the words "and the period for which said Professors shall serve"; so that said Section when amended shall read as follows:

Section 1276. "Said Board shall have power to establish such regulations as they may deem necessary for the organization and good government of said Academy, and to establish such by-laws for the management thereof as shall not be inconsistent with the laws of this State or of the United States, to appoint Professors qualified to give instruction in military science and other branches of knowledge which they may deem essential, to fix their salaries and the period for which said Professors shall serve, and the said Board shall have full power to confer the degree of "Bachelor of Science on graduates of the said Academy.

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Approved the 18th February A D 1905.

In accordance with this amendment the following resolution was offered and adopted -

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of 1905, the terms of service of the Superintendent and Professors of the Citadel Academy are hereby fixed at twelve months commencing with the first day of July 1905. Elections for said positions shall be

held (annually thereafter, to wit - at the Commencement meetings of the Board of Visitors), and a majority of the votes of the Board present shall be necessary to an election, provided, that for cause a member of the Faculty may be removed within the period for which he has been elected by a majority vote of the Board present and voting.

The following acknowledgement of Col Aldrich was ordered spread on the minutes -

Col C. S. Gadsden Chairman Board Visitors. S.C.M.A

My dear Col:-

Acknowledge-ment of resolutions by Col Robert Aldrich

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the engrossed copy of the Resolutions of the Board of Visitors, and your very kind letter conveying the same. It will always be a pleasure to me to know that I was able to render some service to our Alma Mater, and now to be assured - as I am by these resolutions, that I did so in a manner to gain the approval of the distinguished gentlemen who compose the Board of Visitors, is the highest and best reward I could have received and is more than I dared to hope for. Please accept for yourself and communicate to your colleagues of the Board, the assurance of my most sincere regard and esteem, as well as my hope for the continued prosperity and happiness of you all.

Yours Very sincerely
Robt Aldrich

Gymna-
-sium

The Chairman reported the disappointment experienced in the failure to secure the Police Station adjoining the Citadel for a gymnasium and offices is cause of regret, but, under the circumstances the idea of establishing a Gymnasium at once within our own quarters and with means given by friends of the Academy, and at the command of the Chairman, he has with the consent of the Board utilized the space between the west face of the main building and the east face of the West wing, measuring

from 25 to 27 ft wide, and upwards of 90 ft long. Which is ample for a gymnasium used as it will be by detail of classes or sections.

The Chairman further stated that there would be sufficient money he was sure to equip the gymnasium with necessary furniture.

This report received as information, and the following resolution adopted -

Gymnasium
Instructor

Resolved - That the selection of a Gymnasium Instructor and the salary to be paid, be referred to the Executive Committee to be reported at the next meeting -

The following letter from Genl Jno. D. Frost was taken up for consideration -

Columbia May 19th 1905

Col C. S. Gadsden - Chairman -

Complaint
about
Mess Hall -

Dear Sir: I have recently had called to my attention by patrons of the Citadel the unwholesome food furnished the Cadets and the filthy way the mess hall is kept and the food prepared. This is a matter that should have attention at once if true, as the porties have boys at the school and advise me that the food has flies cooked in it and that they are furnished with spoiled meats & etc.

I shall bring this matter up at the next Board meeting and will have the porties present. I know of no quicker way to enquire a school than the above and trust that you will take the matter up with the proper authorities and if necessary fire the entire lot of cooks and all others who are responsible. All porties have other sons to send to the Citadel, but have advised me that they expect to take the ones they have away much less send others unless this matter is corrected, and wholesome food furnished.

John. D. Frost

After some discussion of this subject the Superintendent was requested to invite the

Quartermaster, Officers and Cadets of the Corps to meet the Board that night in office of Adjt^{Genl} Inspr General at 9 o'clock to investigate complaints about conditions and attendance in Mess Hall.

Genl Frost was requested to present "Star of the West" Star medal to Cadet Dick the successful competitor, at the of the West inspection of the Corps this afternoon, which he did in a medal few happy remarks delivered in a very graceful manner. Board adjourned at 6 o'clock to inspect the Corps.

Board re-assembled in Adjt Genl's Office at 9 o'clock to further investigate the Mess hall troubles -

Present. Vice Lehman Lucas, and Messrs Frost, Lewis, Bythe, Sheppard and Herbert, and by request Capt White Quatermaster explained to the Board the cost per Cadet for maintenance and the amount appropriated for that purpose: Mess Hall Capt White gave a full and concise statement of the attendance quality and quantity of food furnished at each meal, of and also how it varied from time to time. Capt White Waters etc then withdrew and Sargt Fitts and Claker, and Cadets Simmons, Myche, McDonald, and Ehrlich each in turn gave his testimony as to the quality and manner of serving the food and the untidy condition of eating utensils in Mess hall, and at times the unwholesome and disagreeable food furnished the Cadets. These Cadets without exception complained not of the quantity of food furnished, but the want of variety, manner of cooking, & the generally untidy condition of the waiters & other attendants. After a session lasting two hours in which every Cadet who presented himself with a complaint was heard, the Board adjourned at 11 o'clock to meet in the Governor's office at 9 o'clock next morning -

9 a.m. June 30, 1905

Board met in office of Governor Hayward.

Present Major Lucas and Messrs Frost, Sheppard, Lewis, Bythe, and Marshall. excused Col Herbert -

Adjt. Willingham gave his experience in reference to quality of food supplied to Cadets and the attendance of waiters in Mess Hall etc, which corroborated the testimony of the other Cadets.

Major Bond was then called and questioned as to complaints of Cadets, he only partially agreed with the Cadets in certain cases when he was on duty & when asked for suggestions to remedy the trouble complained of by Cadets, suggested that Moy should be relieved of all responsibility for the inspection of the Mess hall etc, and that a person to be appointed by the Board be placed in entire charge of this part of the work, whose duty should be to inspect the Mess hall, kitchen etc in all of its detail, to also have full charge of waiters, Cook etc. After an interchange of views, the Board passed the following resolution.

Resolution

The Board having thoroughly and maturely considered the conditions that have existed at the Citadel, recognize that changes and improvements in the Mess Hall, kitchen etc are necessary. They have therefore appointed Col Lewis a committee to prepare such recommendations as will secure improvement in these matters, he to report to the Board at the August meeting. Each member of the board was requested to communicate in writing his views and recommendations to Col Lewis.

Complaints
of
Southern Ry
not handling
Corps to
Encampment

Col Lewis brought to the attention of the Board the complaint of Col Hunt D.P. Agent, Southern Ry, that the Cadets almost exclusively use the A.C.L. R.R. in their excursions about the State, & not handling as the Southern Ry was a tax-payer he thought it should enjoy this revenue equally with the A.C.L. Line, and asked the Board to consider this request in the future movements of the Corps.

Resolved. That Chairman, or Vice Chairman, Superintendent and Genl Jno. D. Frost be charged with the Advertising duty of preparing an advertisement to be placed in the influential papers of the Country, setting forth the views Academy of the U. S. Army officers in reference to the Academy, especially embodying extracts from the recent annual inspection by Maj Hamilton U. S. A.

Renting of renting the railroad company's farm, reported that railroad after serious consideration, they have concluded it farm would be inexpedient to do so, requiring much money to run it, and a large margin of risk in the profitable disposition of the crop.

Request of Cadet Frank G. Eason, on behalf of the foot ball team was received, and after consideration and discussion disapproved. The Board unanimously agreed that the practice of allowing base ball and foot ball teams to tour the State be discontinued.

During an interim in the reading of his reports by the Superintendent Mr. Lewis was recognized by the Chair and addressed the Board as follows: " As is well known since our last meeting this Board has lost a very valuable member, but when I say that we are fortunate in finding in his successor not only an elegant gentleman and distinguished and patriotic citizen of S. C., but one upon whose aid ~~was~~ in the Legislative halls of the State we lay great weight, I am sure I voice the sentiment of this entire Board , and I move that ~~xxx~~ an expression of the pleasure of this Board in having Colonel J. Q. Marshall as one of us be spread on the *minutes* of this Board."

The motion was put and unanimously adopted.

At the request of Mr. Lewis, Major Lucas, acting chairman, vacated the chair ~~x~~ and General Frost was asked to assume the same. It was then moved by Mr. Lewis that the ~~xxx~~ thanks of the Board be tendered to the Vice Chairman for the able, courteous and expeditious manner in which he performed the duties ~~of~~ Chairman in the absence of the Chairman, Maj.

50 ~~was~~ ^{order} and that further the Vice Chairman be instructed to convey to the chairman the greetings of the Board ~~xxxxx~~ and to express to him the hope that he would be speedily restored to his accustomed health and usefulness. Adopted.

This is as near as I can give it to you.

W. H. Lewis

At Eleven o'clock the Board adjourned to attend the commencement exercises at the Opera House -
 Commence- The orator for the occasion Prof W. Spenser Furrell
 ment M.A. Ph.D. Washington & Lee University gave a
 Exercises most interesting and instructive address to the audience and the Corps of Cadets, but particularly to the 18 graduates on the "possibilities this life held for each one of them"; following this oration Cadet Wellingham spoke on the subject "Cromwell the Hero" and Cadet Moffatt spoke on "Japan as a factor in civilization", both these addresses were well delivered and well received as evidenced by the applause.

The Vice Chairman then in a few well chosen expressions, thanked the people of Columbia for the kind hospitality shown the Cadets, and then turning to the graduates with a few words of good advice delivered the diplomas to the graduates -

At 3 p.m. the Board re-convened at the office of Governor Heyward to take action in case of Cadet Richey.

Cadet Present. Vice Chairman Lucas and Messrs Sheppard
 W.R. Richey Jr. Gorb, Blythe, Lewis and Marshall.

After a thorough consideration of all the circumstances in this case, the following resolution was adopted -

Resolved That the explanation of Cadet W.R. Richey Jr in reference to over staying his leave of absence is satisfactory, and that he be granted his diploma.

The Board then adjourned at four o'clock p.m. to meet in the office of Governor Heyward, Columbia, S.C. on Tuesday August 1st e 9 o'clock.

R. Smith Lee -

Columbia S.C. August 1st 1905

The Board of Visitors met in the office of Governor Heyward at 9:30 a.m.

Present May Lucas, Vice Chairman, and Governor Heyward, May Blythe, Col Herbert, Geil Frost, Hon Sheppard and Marshall. The minutes of the meeting of June 29th & 30th were ^{read} and confirmed. Before taking up the consideration of Beneficiary Cadets, the Vice Chairman asked the Board to consider some other matters now before the board.

This is a case in which Cadet Irby had been reported by Commandant Simons for three offenses just before breaking camp at Camp Gadsden, Columbia, S.C.

Case of
Cadet

J. I. M. Irby

1 Having been ordered by Commandant of Cadets to assist in taking down tent, did fail to obey said order until it had been repeated several times.

2 Having been ordered by the Commandant of Cadets to stop talking did fail to obey said order.

3 Having been repeatedly ordered by the Commandant of Cadets to assist in taking down a tent did reply in an insolent manner "I don't see why I should be tacked to like a dog" or words to that effect.

In order that the discipline of the Academy may be maintained it is respectfully recommended that Cadet Irby be suspended until the Board of Visitors can act on the case.

(Signed) W. H. Simons

Capt 6th Infantry and Commandant Cadets

Action of Board After consideration of this case which the Board of thought was a very serious infraction of discipline they unanimously adopted the following resolution - Resolved - That upon his return to

the Academy Cadet Irby make a written apology to Capt Simons, Commandant of Cadets, that his conduct was not intended to be insolent, and further that after receiving (10) ten demerits and a restriction for (30) thirty boys his suspension be revoked. Cadet Irby was notified that upon his return to the Academy, to proceed at once to carry ^{out} this decision of the Board.

In the case of Hy Jasper Riley, applicant to stand examination from Bamberg for Beneficiary Case of scholarship, his brother having been a Beneficiary cadet appointed to West Point, the Board Hy Jasper Riley ordered a permit issued him to compete for the scholarship from Bamberg County, in view of the obligation assumed by his brother J. Wilson Riley, to pay for his two years at the Academy in four years after graduation.

In the case of Cadet Blackwell the Board took the following action -

Case of Cadet Blackwell Recommended that Cadet Blackwell be advanced under the circumstances (sickness) and for reasons stated in letter of R. J. Blackwell, from the Third to the Second class.

In the case of the Messrs Lerouch, who already held scholarships elsewhere we are informed - The Board decided they had no authority to withhold from these parties a permit to compete for the scholarship at the S. C. M. A.

There being no applications received from Berkeley County, the following resolution was offered but no action was taken on it - Resolved - That the vacant scholarship from Berkeley County for which no applicants

X has qualified to be assigned to Orangeburg County for one year. Provided that in case an applicant from Berkeley County shall qualify within the applications next two weeks, said scholarship shall not be from transferred.

Berkeley County The Board requested the Secretary to communicate with the Senator and Representatives from Berkeley County and to other influential men calling their attention to the vacancy in the Academy for the present year, and that it had been duly advertised in the County paper. The Board further ordered that applicants from this County be given an additional two weeks in which to file their applications.

Delayed applications The Vice Chairman was authorized to take action on any delayed applications.

Exchange of arms Genl Frost was given further time to report on the exchange of small arms with the United States Government.

Order of O.M. Martin The Chairman, Govr Heyward and Genl Frost were appointed a committee to interview Hon. B. Martin in reference to his order to County Superintendents and the examination of Beneficiary applicants.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Gadsden Gymnasium In compliment of the great energy, zeal and interest manifested at all times by our Chairman, Maj C. S. Gadsden, in the affairs of the Academy, and particularly his foresight in advocating, building, and equipping a Gymnasium, without expense to the Academy. The Board in recognition of his valuable services, do hereby give this benefaction the

name of the Gadsden Gymnasium.

Permits were authorized to be issued to applicants to stand competitive for Beneficiary Beneficiary Scholarship for one vacancy from each of the following counties.

Scholarships 1905-06 Aiken, Bamberg, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Chesterfield, Darlington, Fairfield, Florence, Lancaster, Marion, Oconee, Orangeburg, Saluda, Sumter, Union, Williamsburg.

A Special Meeting of the Board was called in office of Governor Heyward on August 11th at 12 o'clock.

No further business the Board adjourned.

-August 30, 1905-

F. E. Smith Secretary

The Fame of the Citadel.

The War Department of the United States, and it is the War Department of a world Power, has officially classified the South Carolina Military Academy as one of the seven, including West Point, best schools for the training of soldiers in the country. This has been done for a number of years, and the standing of the school has been securely fixed so far as the Federal Government's seal of approval has weight.

It seems to us that this marked distinction should bring the Citadel into a larger prominence than it now enjoys. Its popularity in South Carolina was never greater than it is to-day; it attracts a number of students from neighboring States, and last year half a dozen Cuban boys were on its rolls. If it were known, however, as it should be known, throughout the United States that the instruction given in military science at the Citadel is so high, a greater number of youths ambitious for a soldier's career might be drawn to it.

In short, the Citadel has earned in military circles a repute the full value

of which is perhaps not understood in South Carolina. It might be that this is worthy of advertisement even in foreign countries. Japan and China have been sending young men to America for education for a number of years, and scores of Northern colleges, great and small, have Oriental students. Perhaps if the excellence of our Military Academy, together with the comparative small cost at which it offers its advantages, could be brought to public attention in these Eastern countries, through the American consulates and other agencies, a number of boys from influential families could be brought here.

THE "GADSDEN GYMNASIUM."

An Important Adjunct to the Work of Cadets at the South Carolina Military Academy.

By a resolution adopted by the board of visitors of the South Carolina Military Academy, the building recently constructed at the Citadel, to be used as a gymnasium, will be officially known as the Gadsden Gymnasium, in compliment to the chairman of the board of visitors, by whose earnest efforts and zeal the gymnasium was built and equipped. Col C. S. Gadsden originated the idea, selected the site and, with the consent of the board of visitors, contracted for the building, which was put up by H. D. Schumacher, from plans drawn by Mr Louis Y. Dawson, engineer.

The "gym" occupies the space between the west wing of the Citadel building and the east wing of the officers' quarters.

The dimensions of the gymnasium are 90 feet long, 25 feet wide and 25 feet high. The light of the "gym" is furnished by means of wide skylights, which are so arranged on pulleys that they can be thrown open, making the ventilation perfect. The gymnasium is well equipped with devices and apparatus for the development of the physical man; chest weights, horizontal and parallel bars, foils, dumb bells, Indian clubs and the other apparatus used in muscle building are in the gymnasium, and it will prove very popular with the cadets. At one end of the gymnasium are shower baths, with a dressing room adjoining. While the gymnasium will rarely be used at night, except in case of public exhibition, it was thought best to equip it with electric lights, which has been done.

The cost of the building was \$1,879 25, and of the apparatus \$269, making the total cost of the building and the equipment \$2,148 25. The entire cost of the gymnasium and apparatus has been paid by those public-spirited persons who contributed the money which was due them as a final payment on bonds and other indebtedness of the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition Company. While the gymnasium is not so large as might have been desired, it is large enough to give the cadets an opportunity to develop the muscles, and, as they will be admitted in divisions, no crowding or inconvenience is anticipated.

Prof F. P. Valdez, who has had many years of experience in directing physical classes and gymnasium work, having taught at the High School, Memminger and the Young Men's Christian Association, has been elected physical instructor and will have charge in the gymnasium. Prof Valdez is at the Academy daily, superintending the placing of the apparatus, and is prepared to give the cadets a thorough training.

Mary B. Baird, 811 tons, Cook, at Anderson's stakes, for New York, loading—Clifford N. Carver, 978 tons, Wells, at Huharock, 399 tons, Peters, at Burton Lumber Company's wharf, for Philadelphia, loading—Cohen & Wells, Mary Branford Pierce, 384 tons, Lane, in the Ashley River, for Barren Island, loading—Cohen & Wells, Twilght, 357, tons, Dodd, at Burton Lumber Company's wharf, for Philadelphia, loading—Cohen & Wells, Edgar C. Ross, 379 tons, Quillen, at Head's

of a good year in sight, all are milled and in a good humor. Recently a number of merchants returned from the Northern markets, where a most desirable line of dry goods, dress goods, clothing, notions, etc, was purchased—something to please the people of Greenwood. Each day since the return large shipments have been received.

INSPECTED THE CITADEL.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CAME TO CHARLESTON YESTERDAY.

Thorough Examination Made at the South Carolina Military Academy Yesterday—Everything was Found in a Highly Satisfactory Condition. Senator Hardin and Representative Walker Remain in the City and will Visit Battle Ship Texas Today.

The educational committee appointed at the last meeting of the Legislature for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon the physical and financial condition of all the State institutions, yesterday morning inspected the South Carolina Military Academy, this being the last institution inspected before the report is submitted to the Legislature.

The committee consists of three members, two of whom are appointed by the Speaker of the House and one by the President of the Senate. The committee consists of the following named gentlemen: P. L. Hardin, State Senator from Chester; Messrs Huger Sinkler, of Charleston County, and M. W. Walker, Spartanburg County, from the House of Representatives.

This educational committee some two weeks ago inspected South Carolina College, Winthrop, at Rock Hill, and Clemson College. On last Thursday the committee visited and inspected the State institution for colored students at Orangeburg, and yesterday the visit to the Citadel was made. Some members of the committee came down from Orangeburg Thursday night, after the inspection at Orangeburg, and bright and early yesterday morning the committee went to the South Carolina Military Academy, where it was met by Col A. Coward, superintendent. The committee inspected the buildings, mess hall, class rooms and kitchen, and while the committee, of course, does not care to divulge its opinions until the report is officially submitted to the Legislature, it is understood that everything was found in a satisfactory condition at the Citadel. The financial accounts were carefully gone over, and, it is understood, were found to be satisfactory.

The committee spent a considerable part of the morning at the Citadel and went into practically every part of the Citadel building. The class rooms were given especial attention, and the inspection of the kitchen was as careful as that of the dormitory.

Mr Huger is a native of this city, and of course remains here regularly. The other two members of the committee, Senator Hardin and M. W. Walker, of the House, remained in the city and today intend to visit the battle ship Texas.

The report of the committee, which will be submitted at the approaching meeting of the Legislature, will be a very complete one, and will contain valuable data. The tour of the State institutions closed with the inspection of the Citadel, and the report will be complete before the Legislature assembles next Tuesday.

other apparatus used in muscle building

Columbia, S.C. - August 11th 1905

A special meeting of the Board of Visitors was held this day in the office of Govr Heyward. Present - Maj Lucas, Col Lewis, Maj Bygones, Col Herbert, Col Marshall

Examination
of
Beneficiaries

Moved by Col Herbert that the matter of the examination of applicants for beneficiary appointments be referred to the Vice-Chairman with power to act. ^{adopted}

Cadet
Hemingway

Moved that the action of the Vice Chairman in permitting J. S. Hemingway, an applicant for admission to the Academy as a beneficiary cadet, which application was refused by the Board on account of the age of Mr H, to apply for admission as a boy cadet. adopted.

Appointments
from
Berkley

Moved that the Vice Chairman issue permits to Jas. N. Low, Louis Calhoun Sanders, and Oscar Smith, to apply for admission as beneficiary cadets to fill vacancy from Berkley County. adopted.

Sergh
Crosswell
take charge
of
Mess hall

Col Lewis to whom was referred the matter of the Mess hall, recommended that R. L. Crosswell be made Commissary Sergh and have charge of the preparation ^{and} service of the food in the Mess hall, the appointments, government and discharge of servants, and that orders be prepared for his government, these orders to be prepared by Col Lewis and inserted in the Regulations, and that Sergh Crosswell be given Fifty dollars per month for his services to the Academy, that the duties with reference to the Mess hall be in addition to the duties now performed by him. Reported adopted.

Prof
Valdez

Moved that Prof Valdez be employed as Gymnasium Instructor at a salary of \$30.⁰⁰ per month. adopted - Board adjourned at 1 PM -

Citadel

Charleston December 12th 1905

Board of Visitors met this morning at 12 o'clock in Annual session

Present Maj G. S. Gadsden, Chairman, and Maj Lucas, Maj Blythe, Col Lewis, Col Herbert, Col Marshall, Genl Frost, Hon Martin and Hon Sheppard, a telegram was received from Govt Heyward expressing regret at his unavoidable absence.

Minutes of the meetings of August 1st and 11th were read and confirmed.

Genl Frost reported that the old small arms belonging to the State were being shipped daily to the government arsenal at Augusta, and that the arms belonging to the Academy were included. Supt Leonard reported the Cadet Subj incident, closed he having served out his restrictions and apologized to Commandant as directed.

Superintendent's report was received and filed for record as follows-

Col C. S. Gadsden

Chairman Board of Visitors.

Dear Sir:- I have to report that the current academic year opened with the customary promptness and with the largest enrollment since 1882. Notwithstanding an unusually large list of inter-sessions casualties our enrollment to the present is one hundred and sixty eight. These casualties were as follows:

By Honorable Discharge 7
By dismissal/failure to return to lower class 6 = 13

The losses since October 1st have been as follows-

By death 1

By Hon discharge 7

By Res to retire 1

By Expulsion 2 La Rosa desertion. Granpan forgery 11

In suspension Delatt, Simmons & 2

Report Genl Frost
about small arms -

Case Subj

Report of Superintendent

Properly on the roll - 168

Less " " "

absent - sick 1

In suspension 2 ~~14~~ Present - 154

I submit for your information the following exhibits:

- 1 - The scheme of work now in force.
- 2 - The Battalion organization, and service Calls.
- 3 - The list of Recruits - Classified as Beneficiary ^{and} Poy

The usual progress is making in all departments of the Academy. The recruits have done good work in the military exercises; but some have failed to come up to requirements in studies, especially in Algebra. Most of the failures are due to immaturity and the lack of knowing how to study. I believe that the first of these causes would be considerably removed by changing the minimum age for admission from fifteen to sixteen years.

Very respectfully submitted with enclosures -

Enclosures.

Asbury Leonard

Case of Cadet Sewell

" " Simmonis } suspended -

" " Rosa } Expelled -

" " Graupan }

Supt -

Petition Base Ball team -

The recommendation to change the entrance age of all applicants from 15 to 16 years, was adopted. Superintendent reported that the Mess-hall regulations had been received from Col Lewis by Commandant and had been put into effect. The case of Cadet Simmonis was taken up and the following taken. "Moved that suspension of Cadet Simmonis be annulled, the charges of disobedience of orders not having been sustained. That the Board condemn his lack of frankness, and subterfuge, in his dealing with the Superintendent, and that he be required to make a written apology.

The chairman read his report submitted to the Supt of

Report of Superintendent

Cadet Simmonis

Education and it was approved -

Messrs Blythe^{and} Sheppard were appointed a Committee to examine the accounts of the Quarter Master, and they reported as follows -

Examination of account of the Quarter Master as hereinabove set forth, respectfully report that we have made as careful examination thereof as the nature of the case has permitted and approve the same.

We further recommend that the request of the Quarter Master to be allowed to debit his account with \$163.¹⁹ be granted.

E. M. Blythe

C. Sheppard } Committee -

Financial Statements The Chairman was requested to examine and audit the financial statements of the Quarter Master for the year when completed, the statement presented to this meeting only embraced 11 months.

Committee on Police Station Messrs Gadsden, Herbert, Marshall, and Sheppard were named as Committee on Police Station -

The resignation of Capt J. W. Cantey as Asst Professor of English was accepted with regret, and the following resolution unanimously adopted -

Resignation Capt Cantey That the Board of Visitors accept with sincere regret the resignation of Capt Cantey as Asst Professor of English, and in accepting same this Board desires to place on record its appreciation of the valuable and faithful services of Capt Cantey in behalf of his Alma Mater and to wish for him a full measure of success and happiness wherever his lot in life may be cast.

Election of Asst Prof of English The several applications for the position of Asst Prof of English were then read from R. S. Middleton, Ludwig Lewishon, and David M. Kearney of Charleston, J. J. Weston, Columbia S.C., Bro. W. Finley, Anderson S.C.

and Jno. W. Moore, Greenwood S.C., after discussion and Capt Jno. W. Moore of Greenwood, S.C., was declared elected to the position, effective Jan'y 1st 1906 at a salary of One thousand dollars a year and quarters, and he was duly informed of his election on December 13th 1905.

In the case of Cadet Frank Miller erroneously published in the Official Register as "Permitted to Retire" when it should have been "How Discharged" the Superintendent was requested in the next issue of the Register to correct the error and place an explanatory note at foot of page.

Resolved - That hereafter no Cadet be admitted to the Academy who cannot take the studies of the academy as laid down in the curriculum ^{adopted}

Resolved - That a quorum of the Board hereafter shall consist of five members, except when an election of a member of the Faculty is ordered, at which time a Board quorum shall consist of six members. - adopted - see page minutes of 190 fixing 4 members as quorum

The Board received and accepted the invitation of the Association of Graduates to be present at their annual meeting in the Chapel of the Citadel on December 13th 1905.

Capt White, Quarter Master presented the renewal of receipts to December 1906 on his bond of \$5,000 and the Quarter Master receipt was sent to the Compt Genl for file.

The action of the Superintendent in expelling Cadets La Rosa, and Graupera, and suspension of Cadet Delwitt, for causes assigned was approved by the Board and they were expelled from the Academy.

The petition of the Base ball team to be allowed to travel through the State to play ball was refused by the Board -

J. C. Smith Secy -