

Supervisor Cook Chairman of Purchasing Committee presented the following report which was read and on motion accepted

To the Board of Supervisors Marquette County

Your committee to whom was referred the bill of D. B. Spear amounting to seven dollars for one ton of coal and dated Oct 11 1876 beg leave to report that we have investigated the matter and find that said bill was never paid and your committee would recommend the payment of said bill and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the matter all of which is respectfully submitted

D. E. Cook
Chairman Purchasing Committee

The committee on Cows to whom had been referred the reports of the Juries of Cows of 1st, 2nd & 3rd Districts reported the same back to the board with the recommendation that they be placed on file which recommendation was adopted

Supervisor Tuomey offered the following which was adopted

Whereas. In the case of Vivian A. Burt and others against Ralph. E. and Daniel. D. Wadsworth relating certain taxes and the sale of certain lands for delinquent taxes. the Circuit Court for this County has reversed the Verdict interposed in said case. —

Therefore Resolved

That the Prosecuting Attorney be instructed and Authorized to take an appeal from the decision of said Circuit Court to the Supreme Court of this State

Supervisor Cook offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the Purchasing Committee or some other committee agreed on by this board be directed to examine the County Jail proper and ascertain what is needed in the line of bed clothing and purchase the same at the lowest possible price and report to this board at its next meeting

Supervisor Blomgren offered the following

Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the docket of the several Justices of the Peace in the County with a view to ascertain the amount of fines collected and to find out any irregularities where they may appear.

pending the question upon the adoption of which Mr Maynard offered the following substitute

Resolved that the Prosecuting Attorney be and hereby is requested to take the necessary steps to procure the attendance of a Grand Jury at the next session of the Circuit Court of this County and that he lay before such Grand Jury the delinquencies of Justices of the Peace who have neglected to pay any moneys in their hands belonging to the Treasury of this County together with such other matters which he may be advised as right to claim their attention.
The substitute was adopted

Mr Murray offered the following which was adopted

Resolved by the board of Supervisors of Marquette County that the time for making the returns of the several townships and cities of said County be and the same is hereby extended until the first day of March 1877

Mr Murray from the special committee appointed for that purpose presented the following resolutions

Resolved by the board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette
First. That the County Seat for said County be removed and that the City of Soudan in said County be and said City of Soudan is hereby designated as the place to which said County Seat shall be removed
Second Resolved That the proposition to remove said County Seat be submitted to the vote of the electors of said County at the next annual township meeting to be held on the first Monday April 1877

Two thirds of all the members now voting in favour of the adoption of the resolutions the same were not adopted

Treas. Myers: Kirkpatrick, Smith, Murray, McDonald, Read, Stevens, Tracy, Wren, Mildon. 9

Mayors Myers, Blomgren, Cook, Harvey, Bussey, Hanson, Maynard, Murrie, Mulvey, Pascoe and Chairman 10

Mr Mulvey offered the following

Resolved - That the City of Negaunee be designated as the County Seat of Marquette County and that the question of removing the County Seat from Marquette to Negaunee be submitted to the people of said County at the next annual township elections to be held in said County on the first Monday in April 1877

which resolution was laid on the table by the following vote
Treas. Myers, Blomgren, Cook, Harvey, Bussey, Smith, Maynard, Murrie, Pascoe, Read, Tracy and Chairman 11

Mayors Myers, Wren, Hanson, Kirkpatrick, Murray, McDonald, Mulvey, Stevens and Mildon. 8

The following communication was presented and accepted (with a vote of thanks) unanimously

To the board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

I will hereafter during the present year print in full the proceedings of this board. without charge provided no other paper in the county is paid for the same work

A. J. Sumnerford

Mr. Murray offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved

by the board of Supervisors of Marquette County that the County Clerk of said County and is hereby instructed to furnish this board with the total cost per month of lighting the Court House, Jail, and Public Buildings of said County for the year ending Dec 31st 1876 and report same at next meeting

Mr. Tracy moved that the board adjourn until the 5th day of March

Mr. Maynard moved to amend the above by inserting the word "30th" instead of the "5th" which amendment was carried. the board thereupon adjourned until the 30th day of March 1877 at 11 o'clock a.m.

A. J. Sumnerford
Chairman

O. M. Fowland
Clerk

At an adjourned annual meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County, held pursuant to adjournment at the Court House, in the city of Marquette March 30th 1877. the board was called to order at 11 O. Clock A.M. by the chairman and the roll being called by the clerk there were present Supervisors Blomgren, Cook, Baroy, Bussey, Hansen, Kirkpatrick, Smith, Murray, Maynard, Meritt, McDonald, Mulvey, Pascoe, Reac, Steens, Milson, Stoen, Chairman. Absent Supervisors Tracy Cooper.

The minutes of the last preceding were read and approved
 The following petition was presented read and referred to the Committee on Financials Defaction

Your petitioner Joseph X. Primeau respectfully shows to your honorable body that he is recorder of the city of Marquette, and as such is an officer Justice of the Peace. That on or about the 30th day of August 1875. your petitioner was robbed of one hundred forty five dollars and a silver watch of the value of forty dollars. That said money and watch was at the time in the safe of the city of Marquette, in your petitioners office: That one hundred dollars of said money was fines belonging to the County of Marquette: that your petitioner, in hopes of being able to detect the thief and recover the money and watch did not make the same public to but a few persons whose advice and assistance he sought: that after some length of time he gave up all hopes of ever being able to recover the same, and on or about the 15th day of March paid out of his own pocket said county money. your petitioner, through no fault of his, lost the same, and being poor and unable to sustain said loss without distressing his family, would respectfully request that said board would allow the bill hereto attached, thereby enabling him in a measure to remunerate himself for said loss, as your petitioner will ever pray &c

Joseph X. Primeau

Dated Marquette March 23rd A.D. 1877

State of Michigan }
 County of Marquette } J.S.

Joseph X. Primeau being ^{duy} sworn deposes and says that he has heard read the foregoing petition by him subscribed, and knows the contents thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge

John S. Cochran
 Notary Public Marquette
 County Michigan

The bond of W.S. Mann indemnifying the county against loss for the re- issue of certain county orders, was presented, read, and referred to the

Committee on Finance & Defation.

The report of the county clerk, showing the cost of gas consumed in the Court House and Jail for the year 1876 was presented and is as follows:

To the

Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County:

In accordance

with a resolution adopted at the last meeting of your board, herewith present you a statement of cost of gas consumed in the County buildings for the year 1876

| | Court House. | Jail |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| January: | 15.60 | 29.60 |
| February | 5.20 | 9.60 |
| March | 2.80 | 9.60 |
| April | 4.40 | 14.40 |
| May | 2.80 | 5.20 |
| June | 2.00 | 8.00 |
| July | .80 | 6.80 |
| August | 2.80 | 9.60 |
| September | 1.60 | 14.40 |
| October | 3.50 | 14.35 |
| November | 5.10 | 19.20 |
| December | <u>5.10</u> | <u>17.70</u> |
| | 51.70 | 158.45 |
| | | <u>51.70</u> |
| | | 210.15 |

J. M. Foulard clerk

In motion the above report was referred to the committee on claims and accounts.

In motion supervisor Stearns, the board took a recess till 1³⁰ P.M. At 1³⁰ P.M. the board was again called to order, and the roll being called a quorum was found to be present, when, on motion of Mr. Maynard, the board took a further recess until two o'clock.

At two o'clock

the board was called to order by the chairman; quorum present.

Mr. Maynard from the committee on Finance & Defation, made the following report which was adopted:

Your standing committee on Finance & Defation, to which was referred the bond of Washington, J. Mann to indemnify the county against loss upon the issue in duplicate of two county orders nos 1071 & 1072, alleged to be lost and to be the property of said Mann - amount \$46.²⁰ - respectfully report that the bond offered is satisfactory, and your committee recommend that duplicate orders be issued payable to the original payee, that the same be marked "duplicate issue on

the bond of O. S. Mann. in lieu of nos 1071 & 1072

Respectfully Submitted

A. V. Maynard

Chairman

Mr Maynard from the same committee also made the following report
To the Board of Supervisors

Your standing committee on Finance & Salaries to whom was referred the petition of Joseph B. Primeau respectfully report: The petitioner shows that on or about the 30th day of August A. D. 1875 he was robbed of One Hundred forty five dollars of moneys which had been by him placed in the safe of the city of Marquette: that of this money one hundred dollars was the proceeds of fines imposed by him as a Justice of the Peace and payable into the county treasury: that on the 15th day of March last he paid said sum into the county treasury, and now asks this board to refund the same to him, as he is unable to lose it. His petition is accompanied with a list of the fines imposed, and the proceeds of which are alleged to have been thus lost. This list shows that said fines were so imposed and collected at the following dates:

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|--------------|
| January 5 th | 1874 | 8.00 |
| July 20 th | 1874 | 5.00 |
| November 16 th | 1874 | 5.00 |
| February 26 th | 1874 | 2.00 |
| " | 1874 | 2.00 |
| May 12 th | 1875 | 6.00 |
| " | 1875 | 6.00 |
| " 14 th | 1875 | 5.00 |
| " 19 th | 1875 | 2.00 |
| July 5 th | 1875 | 2.00 |
| August 10 th | 1875 | 35.00 |
| " 10 th | 1875 | <u>35.00</u> |

Total \$143.00. so that it appears

this petitioner was retaining money in his hands which (except possibly the last two items) was long past due to the treasury of this county and as to the last two items they were due to the county treasury upon the day upon the alleged theft took place, and if the same had been paid in by the petitioner as was his duty to do, the money would not have been in the city safe to be stolen. Your Committee do not care to argue this matter, and submit the facts without recommendation

A. V. Maynard

Chairman

Report and petition laid on the table

your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated having had the same under consideration. beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the same set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and without paid viz:

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|--------|--------|
| W. B. Murray | services | \$5.00 | \$5.00 |
| D. W. Read | " | 11.88 | 11.88 |
| Chas. J. Bussey | " | 33.60 | 33.60 |
| W. B. Mildon | " | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| W. Kutchmar | " | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Jas Pickando | Supplies | 5.80 | 5.80 |
| W. Gregory | " | 47.95 | 47.95 |
| S. P. Barvey | Services | 39.56 | 39.56 |
| John Mulvey | " | 18.72 | 18.72 |
| W. B. Mildon | " | 49.60 | 49.60 |
| Jas. P. Smith | " | 38.40 | 38.40 |
| Jas Maloney | Repairs | 9.00 | 9.00 |
| M. W. McCarty | Services | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Peter Pascoe | " | 20.40 | 20.40 |
| W. Blomgren | " | 42.40 | 42.40 |
| W. H. Hayward | " | 21.36 | 21.36 |
| J. & Stevens | " | 31.20 | 31.20 |
| Chas Hamon | " | 10.80 | 10.80 |
| C. B. Mivitt | " | 9.36 | 9.36 |
| J. Hopkins | Repairs | 31.74 | 31.74 |
| W. J. Hopkins | agr | 26.43 | 26.43 |
| Jos. Kirkpatrick | Services | 19.20 | 19.20 |
| Wm Blackwood | Repairs | 3.30 | 3.30 |
| James Richard | Sawing wood | 9.75 | 9.75 |
| Jacob Hoerner | Services | 10.08 | 10.08 |
| Wager Johnston | Materials | 63.00 | 63.00 |
| P. McDonald | Services | 21.60 | 21.60 |
| W. Kachts. | Materials | 4.50 | 4.50 |
| S. P. Cray | Common fuel Book | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| P. D. Osburn | Services | 3.12 | 3.12 |
| W. B. Hamhard | Supplies | 24.94 | 24.94 |
| John T. O. Kufe | Jury fee | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| E. D. Hardy | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Dr. J. W. Pujardin | Services | 40.00 | 10.00 |
| d | " | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| d | " as witness | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| W. D. Daft | " " " | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Joseph Rivers | " Interpreter | 3.00 | 2.00 |

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|------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| Dickny Adams | Services | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| Richmond Backus | Supplies for register | 36.00 | 36.00 |
| S. S. Tomlin | Repairing clock | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Murray Robbins | Supplies | 2.35 | 2.35 |
| Conner Blackwood | Expense in printing | 8.00 | 8.00 |
| Omy Fowlan | Expense charged | 2.11 | 2.11 |
| Chas. A. Eggers | Supplies Co. @ fees | 51.50 | 51.50 |
| J. J. Wilson | Services as juror | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Michigan Insane Asylum | Bills paid | 789.02 | 789.02 |
| Thomas M. Saughlin | Services | 15.00 | 9.00 |
| A. W. Anderson | Board of Prisoners @ by | 31.26 | 31.26 |
| " | " " " March | 56.72 | 56.72 |
| A. J. Dunning | Printing Bill heads | 40.50 | 40.50 |

which report was adopted and the amounts recommended by the committee allowed and were paid

The same committee also made the following report:

Your committee respectfully recommend that the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be allowed the sheriff of this county in full for lights used in the Jail building from April 1st 1877 until April 1st 1878.

J. P. Harvey,
 J. W. Kirkpatrick
 B. Blomgren
 C. B. Merritt
 Peter Passer

which report was laid on the table

The committee on Justices and Ametables accounts made the following report

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated having had the same under consideration. They have to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and were paid viz:

| | | | |
|---------------|-------------------|----------|------|
| Alie Ferguson | Ametable services | 1.75 | 1.55 |
| John A. Punch | " " | 2.65 | 2.25 |
| Alie Ferguson | " " | 1.89 | 1.89 |
| Alie Ferguson | " " | 1.89 | 1.89 |
| John A. Punch | " " | 1.49 | 1.49 |
| Thos. C. Cuff | " " | 9.86 | 9.86 |
| S. Bonson | Witness @ fee | rejected | |
| " " | " " | 4.35 | 4.35 |
| John McDonald | " " | rejected | |

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|--------------------|-------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| John T. O. Rufe | Justice of the Peace | 2 Bico | 7.44 | 7.44 |
| Joseph B. Primeau | " | " | 29.80 | 29.80 |
| Samuel Bennett | Constable | " | 2.65 | 2.65 |
| C. B. Kirkwood | Coroner | " | 8.25 | 6.00 |
| Edwin Stone | " | " | 8.90 | 7.50 |
| " | " | " | 11.99 | 11.99 |
| William Froling | Jury at inquest | | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| David Bang | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| John McCabe | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| William H. Raighn | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| " | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Erman Byn | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Thomas Ewyer | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Robert Trover | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| E. Sinclair | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Jas Durbe | " | " | 2.00 | 2.00 |
| Andrew A. Anderson | Moving of man to asylum | | 80.80 | 80.80 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

J. J. Stone
Chairman

which was accepted, and the amounts recommended by the committee allowed and ordered paid,

Supervisor Cook, from the purchasing committee made the following report, which was accepted

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Intiman

Your

Committee to whom was referred the bill of Charles Crowley Sheriff amounting to \$53⁹⁶ for salary as Sheriff of Marquette County from January 1st A.D. 1877 to January 12th 1877 at the rate of \$1000 per year, together with an inventory of county property in Marquette County Jail, July 1st 1875 then in possession of said Crowley; also the inventory of county property delivered to A. A. Anderson, present Sheriff, by said Crowley late Sheriff January 16th 1877 beg leave to report that after investigating the matter I find that all county property in Marquette County Jail on July 1st 1875 was delivered up to A. A. Anderson present Sheriff, on January 16th 1877 except such portion of it as has been worn out from use. And your committee would recommend the allowance of Crowley's bill in full amounting to \$53⁹⁶ and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the matter, all of which is respectfully submitted

Thos. E. Cook
Chairman

Supervisor Pascoe from the committee on poor made the following report, which was adopted and ordered placed on file:

To the
Honorable board of Supervisors
members.

Your committee on poor beg leave to state that they are obliged to make a very poor report on account of the poor manner in which the superintendants of poor render their poor reports. They think it is a rather poor affair and give it up for a poor job, but would recommend the poor reports to be placed on file.

Peter Pascoe
Chairman

The Probate Judge made a verbal report that one Sizzie Boer an inmate of the Kalamazoo Asylum for the insane, had fully recovered, and that her parents were without means to bring her home whereupon on motion of Supervisor Maynard the sum of Twenty Five dollars was appropriated for the purpose of defraying her expenses from Kalamazoo to this city.

On motion of Supervisor Merrill, the petition of J. B. Primeau together with the report of the committee on Finance and Defaction was taken from the table.

On further motion of Supervisor Merrill the prayer of the petitioner was not granted.

Supervisor Maynard offered the following resolutions which were adopted

Resolved, That the County Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to pay over to the several cities and townships any balance which may be to their credit on account of delinquent taxes returned, as soon as the money for the payment, redemption or purchase of the same shall have been paid into the County treasury together with interest thereon at the same rate per cent. as allowed by the state to the county on balances.

Whereas the charter of the city of Marquette provides that the Jail of this county shall be used as a city prison, and no provision is made whereby the county may be compensated for the use thereof or of its furniture.

Resolved that some member of this board (to be designated by the chair) be appointed to ask the legislature to amend said charter that a proper rent or compensation may be paid by said city for the use of said jail.

Resolved that the circuit Judge be and he is hereby requested to enforce the provisions of law regarding the payment of the stenographic fee in trials in the circuit court. and the clerk is hereby directed to transmit to the Judge a copy of this resolution.

Supervisor Stevens offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the register of deeds of this county be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transcribe or cause to be transcribed from the records of Schoolcraft County all records and conveyances pertaining to the following townships. to wit: townships number forty four, forty five, forty six and forty seven north range 23. west and that the same be placed among and become part of the records of Marquette County. and said register of deeds be allowed the same fee for transcribing said records as is allowed by law for recording conveyances together with all necessary and actual expenses incurred thereupon

J. D. Stevens

on motion of supervisor Murray the board adjourned sine die

A. P. Hammond
Chairman

Dmy Rowland
Clerk

At a meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County, held pursuant to notice, at the Court House in the city of Marquette in said county on Wednesday the eighteenth day of April A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven at eleven o'clock a.m.

The meeting was called to order by William Rowland county clerk

Supervisors Present

| | |
|----------------|----------------------|
| A. P. Simpfur | First Ward Marquette |
| D. E. Cook | Second " " |
| E. B. Palmer | Third " " |
| D. A. Catlin | Fourth " " |
| Jacob Wroosner | Township of " " |
| D. W. Quad | " " Megamun " |
| Trishon Jones | First Ward " " |
| John Mulvey | Second " " |
| C. G. Griffey | Third " " |
| Andrew Sarem | First " Johpaming |
| C. L. Hall | Second " " |
| J. E. Ayers | Third " " |
| J. D. Stevens | Township of Hurveth |
| A. S. Hann | " " Sican |
| A. N. Goddard | " " Johpaming |
| Geo Mitchell | " " Ely |
| James Pascoe | " " Michigammi |
| Peter Pascoe | " " Republic |
| S. P. Baroy | " " Choculay |

Absent Supervisor Kirkpatrick

On motion of Mr Mulvey, Peter Pascoe was elected temporary chairman;

on motion of Mr Stevens A. P. Simpfur was elected permanent chairman

On motion of Mr Stevens, the standing rules of the board for the year 1876 were adopted as the standing rules for the year 1877

The following telegram was received, and on motion of Mr Cook laid on the table

Michigammi April 18th 1877

William Rowland County Clerk Marquette

James Pascoe not filed oath

as required by section six hundred and twenty returns forwarded by mail
D. W. A. Burnett

The following communication was received and on motion of Mr Jones laid on the table

State of Michigan. County of Marquette. Township of Hurseyth

A. B. Roberts township clerk of the township aforesaid, do hereby certify that Cornelius McMahon was duly elected supervisor of said township, at a special election held Monday April 16th A.D. 1877.

Given under my hand at Little Lake this 16th day of April A.D. 1877

A. B. Roberts

Town Clerk Hurseyth Township

Mr Jones moved that the board (with the exception of the chairman) make a visit to the county Poor House, which was lost.

On motion supervisor Cook the board took a recess until 2³⁰ P.M.

At 2³⁰ P.M. the board was called to order by the chairman. Roll called: quorum present.

The chairman announced the following as the standing committees of the board for the ensuing year:

On Finance and Salaries

Mrs Hall, Harvey, Tripp, Palmer and Mitchell

On Equalization

Mrs Peter Pascoe, Cook, Mulvey, Ayres, Sturms, James Pascoe and Read

On Claims and Accounts

Mrs Harvey, Goddshall, Cook, Kirkpatrick, Sturms, Peter Pascoe and Wessner

On County Officers Accounts

Mrs Hann, Palmer and Larson

On Justice and Constables Accounts

Mrs Jones, James Pascoe, Catlin, Ayres and Hann.

On Townships

Mrs Sturms, Hall, Tripp, Mitchell and Palmer

On Highways and Bridges

Mrs Goddshall, Cook, Mitchell, Hann and Read.

On Poor

Mrs Mulvey, Peter Pascoe, Catlin, Ayres and James Pascoe.

On Printing

Mrs Catlin, Goddshall, Kirkpatrick, Read and Wessner

Purchasing Committee

Mrs Cook, Read and Sturms

On Miscellaneous Business

Mrs Kirkpatrick, Wessner, Mitchell, Tripp and Hann

On motion of Mr Sturms the regular order was suspended

Under the suspension of the rules Mr. Stevens offered the following which was adopted

Resolved, that the two returns of Dursyth township be produced before the free board, and each return be read and acted upon.

On motion of Mr. Mulvey, both sets of returns from Dursyth township were referred to the prosecuting attorney for his opinion on the subject.

The following communication was read and on motion of Mr. Peter Pascoe, the same was received and placed in file:

To the Chairman of Board of Supervisors

Dear Sir

Through you I wish to communicate to the members of your board the following facts: At each term of court, parties returned, drawn and summoned as jurors, ask to be excused claiming legal disqualification: oftentimes this seriously interferes with the privilege of litigants in securing such jurors and drawn in such manner as the law provides. I beg leave, therefore, to suggest to you the propriety of returning no person who can claim a legal exemption, and that your members learn what the companies are properly organized, and who are the members of such, excused by law from jury duty.

Respectfully Yours

William E. Williams

Circuit Judge

The following petition was received, read, and on motion of Mr. Mulvey was referred to the committee on Highways and Bridges

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Harquette County

Gentlemen

Your petitioners would respectfully represent that they are residents and freeholders of the townships of Chocolay and Dursyth in said county, that there is no road or way has been between the two townships, and do hereby petition your honorable body to lay out, make and establish a road starting at the west quarter part of section fifteen (15) in town forty seven (47) north range twenty four (24) west (on the old state road) thence southerly in the most practicable route a distance of about twelve (12) miles to Little Lake, your petitioners would further represent that the country through which the proposed road would pass is being rapidly settled by homesteaders, actual settlers people who are at present wholly unable to incur the necessary expense and we therefore present this as a case of urgent necessity, as the road is absolutely essential to the development of that part of the country, and for the granting of this petition we pray, etc.

Chocolay July 26 1877

J. A. Ewing
William E. Williams
J. H. Stevens

And city, other residents and tax-payers of Chocolay and Dursyth townships
 we the undersigned owners of the land through which the above described
 road may pass do hereby each and every one of us pledge and agree that
 in case said road is laid out and built to give a right of way for the
 same across any lands we may own four rods wide free of expense
 Done at Chocolay April 14th 1877

St. O. Kegan
 Alex McEachern
 William Kuss, and
 twelve others

The Clerk offered the following resolution which was accepted
 Resolved that the clerk of the board be instructed to have as many
 of the rules of order with the names of the different committees as
 he may deem necessary printed together with blanks for full call

The committee on pour to whom had been referred the reports of the Superinten-
 dents of the first and third districts ^{for the month of March 1877} reported the same back without recom-
 mendation and the same were placed on file.

Mr Sturms moved that the board take a recess for three quarters of an
 hour which was lost

On motion of Peter Pascoe a committee of one was appointed to make
 arrangements for necessary conveyance to take the board to the county
 Courthouse

The chair appointed as such committee Supervisor P. Pascoe

The prosecuting attorney reported in writing on Dursyth returning
 adversely to claims of C. H. Kellahan to a seat on the board as follows
 To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 J. J. J. J. J.

The prosecuting
 attorney to whom was referred the two sets of election returns from
 Dursyth township for his opinion thereon as affecting the right of Jos. D.
 Sturms to a seat upon your honorable board of supervisors for said
 township of Dursyth would respectfully report that the statute compi-
 led laws 1871 Page 275. Sec. 25. 26. 27. 28 provides for the
 calling of special elections in certain cases and points out the
 manner of calling and holding the same and what the notice
 calling such election shall contain and prescribes the length
 of time between the giving of such notice and the day of
 election. The returns of the annual election held April 2nd 1871

are regular upon their face and show the calling and holding of the election in the manner and at the time prescribed by law.

From these returns it appears that said Joseph D. Stone was duly elected as Supervisor for said township and qualified.

The call for a special election is dated April 5th 1877 and specifies April 16th 1877 as the day on which such special election should be held.

The Statute above referred to provides (§1027) that the time appointed for holding any special township meeting shall not be more than twenty nor less than fifteen days from the time of making the order therefore it will thus be seen that the notice of the meeting aforesaid gives but eleven days notice of the same or four days less than is required by statute.

There are other and material defects appearing upon the face of the last mentioned returns, as for instance, the call or notice purports to be signed by three qualified voters, but it is apparent to the most casual observer that the notice returned bears the names of three persons all written by one individual.

But independently of these considerations, your honorable board cannot by any method be transformed into a returning board or board of canvassers and inasmuch as Mr Stone appears by the returns to have been regularly elected and qualified and is present claiming his seat upon the board as Supervisor for Durvyle, you cannot investigate the claims of a contestant claiming to hold by virtue of an election subsequently held even though all the proceedings at such subsequent election were regular, the parties claiming to be aggrieved can only obtain a hearing in the courts all which is respectfully submitted

Dated Marquette Mich April 18th 1877

John D. Adams
Spre Atty.

Supervisors Gallane Mulvey, asked and were granted leave of absence

The board then took a recess until half past four P.M.

At 4³⁰ P.M. the board the board was called to order by the Chairman quorum present.

The committee on claims and accounts made the following report— your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid, viz

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| A. A. Anderson | 88.00 | 88.00 |
| <i>du</i> | 10.25 | 10.25 |
| <i>du</i> | 17 | 17 |
| Nicholas Saughlin | 9.12 | 9.12 |
| H. McDonald | 5.60 | 5.60 |
| C. S. Griffey | 59.50 | 59.50 |
| H. Murrely | 11.28 | 11.28 |
| Edward Drayer | 6.20 | 6.20 |
| Thomas Irwin | 8.00 | 8.00 |
| Tad Smith | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| A. W. Wheaton | 16.50 | 16.50 |
| Edward S. Barry | 6 | 6 |
| <i>du</i> | 2 | 2 |
| John T. O. Kufe | 2 | 2 |
| Ch. Hurison | 2 | 2 |
| Thomas Mc Saughlin | 5.00 | 5 |
| H. R. Kather | 11.75 | 4.75 |
| A. Rowland | 1 | 1 |
| A. P. Swinburn | 6 | 6 |
| <i>du</i> | 15.60 | 15.60 |
| A. S. Hann | 10.32 | 10.32 |
| J. C. Cray | 12.75 | 12.75 |
| Chas. E. Egger | 30 | 30 |
| Thomas E. Cook | 15.50 | 15.50 |
| J. A. Stearns | 10.44 | 10.44 |
| John Spalding | 2.00 | 2.00 |

The committee on Justices and Constables accounts made the following report

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and amount paid, viz:

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| John A. French | 106 | 106 |
| <i>du</i> | 252 | 252 |
| John T. O. Kufe | 409 | 409 |
| <i>du</i> | 235 | 235 |
| <i>du</i> | 478 | 478 |
| William B. Kaighin | 202 | 202 |
| K. Orberg | 1 | 1 |
| R. R. French | 1 | 1 |
| Ola Juse | 1 | 1 |
| Thomas McSaughlin | 5 | 5 |

The bill of Thomas Irwin amounting to 2⁰⁰ was rejected for the reason that

it is not accompanied by the requisite affidavit.

Mr Ayers offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that his honor Judge Williams, of the circuit court be and he is hereby respectfully requested to excuse A. A. Read a member of this board, from further attendance as a juror at the present term of the circuit court

Resolved that the clerk of this board be instructed to present a copy of this resolution to his honor, Judge Williams and request an answer to the same.

Mr Jones offered the following which was referred to a special committee of three consisting of Supervisors Jones, Palmer, and Ayers

Resolved that the register of deeds be and he is hereby instructed and empowered to cause a general index to be written up for use in his office from the different records as provided by statute at an expense not to exceed 175[¢] said work to be completed at the earliest possible moment.

Mr Peter Pascoe offered the following which was adopted,

Resolved that Erskine Jones, John Mulvey and Edward D. Baray be appointed a special committee to investigate and examine the books accounts and reports of the Superintendants of the Poor to ascertain the manner in which supplies are furnished for the use of the ^{County} Poor House the cost of such supplies for the year ending April 1st 1877 and by whose order and whether by written or verbal orders and also the cost of repairs, stock, mechanical labor and all things pertaining to said Poor House together with the furnishing of temporary relief, furnished to paupers outside of the Poor House, and that said committee report the result of such investigation, together with such recommendations as they may deem proper in the premises.
Passed March 20th April 1877

Mr Jones moved to rescind the resolution adopted Dec 12th 1876 filing the Sheriff's Salary, which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr Cook the board then adjourned until 11 o'clock Thursday 19th inst 1877

Thursday

The board met at 11 o'clock and was called to order by the chairman Present Supervisors Ayers, Catlin, Cook, Triffey, Fodshole, Hall, Baray, Jones, Jason, Mann, Palmer, Pascoe James, Pascoe Peter, Read, Stevens Hoessner and

Chairman. Absent. Supervisors Kirkpatrick and Mulvey;

The committee on Highways and Bridges made the following report, which was read and on motion placed on file.

Your committee would respectfully report that they have had the Petition from the residents and freeholders of Chocoma and Huron Townships under consideration and find it to be necessary for said petitioners to submit to this committee a survey of said proposed road and an estimate cost of building said road

W. K. Fosshall

Chairman

George Mitchell

W. S. Hann

D. W. Read

The special committee to whom was referred the matter of the making of a general index made the following report, which was adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of securing and examining the records and ascertain the cost of securing a general index in the registers office have had the same under consideration and respectfully report that the best offer for writing the same in proper shape was made by William Jowland at one hundred and fifty Dollars with the understanding that he shall keep the same properly written up during the balance of his term of office.

April 19th 1877

T. J. Jones

E. B. Palmer

J. E. Ayers.

Mr Ayers offered the following which was adopted
Resolved, that this board recommend that the present Keeper of the Poor House do remain in his said capacity as Keeper until the results of the present examination now pending is acted upon by this board

J. E. Ayers

Mr Wessner offered the following which was adopted
Resolved, that the prosecuting attorney, be and he is hereby requested to furnish this board, as soon as possible, with the respective list of offices and occupations by virtue of which any person or persons may be exempt from serving on the Jury and that the same be placed on file in the County Clerk's office for permanent use

and future reference of members of this board.

Mr. Tarnon offered the following which was accepted.

Resolved that the salary of the sheriff of the county of Marquette be fixed at Fifty hundred Dollars per annum in lieu of all fees for services rendered the county.

Yeas. Ayers. Toashall, Ball, Jms. Tarnon, Mitchell, Pascoe James, Pascoe Peter, Reed, Stevens. Worsner Chairman
Nays. Cotton Triffey, Harvey, Hann, Palmer.

Mr. Stevens offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the register of deeds, William Howland be instructed to write up and keep written up during his term of office the special index of the registers office and to receive for the same the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars to be paid by the county.

The following communication was received, read and on motion referred to the committee on Highways and Bridges

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County Mich.
Gentleman

The attention of your honorable body is respectfully called to the general necessity existing for a public highway between the village of Iron City in Republic township and Humboldt Station in Ely township and the inability of said township to complete said road out of their township funds, the cost of the same being considerable owing to the large amount of cutting and grading necessary to be done. The only means of communication at present between the two points and the only outlet from said village is the rail road running but one train per day over which all travel must be done and supplies transported, causing great inconvenience to those living or having business at these places, much of which will be remedied by the building of said road. The survey of the same has been made and filed in the offices of the respective township clerks and is partially built. In view of the fact that said towns pay a large proportion of county taxes and that said road would not only be of advantage to the places named but would be a benefit to the entire county we respectfully ask of your honorable body an appropriation of two thousand Dollars out of the funds of the county to insure its completion at an early day.

Dated Marquette April 19th 1877

Peter Pascoe
Supervisor Republic Sp
Geo Mitchell
Supervisor Ely Sp

The following communication was received, read and on motion referred to the committee on Finance and Defaction
Do the board of Supervisors of Marquette County Michigan
Trotterman

we will furnish you with a furnace and do the following work on terms stated below.

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|---|----------|
| Order no 50 Brown Portable Furnace with three (3) hot air outlets | |
| two of them 10 + 14 and one 24 in for the sum of | \$262.50 |
| Taking down partition building a brick wall 8 ft long 9 feet high 8 in thick also a brick floor 8 ft square | |
| Plastering 3 walls and zincing ceiling | 49.00 |
| Making chimney to go through furnace to Jail with grating in front | 35.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$346.25 |

above chimney to be made from brick plate.

M. R. Manhardt

on motion of P. Pascoe the vote by which the resolution appointing a special committee on Poor was adopted was reconsidered.

on motion of Mr Ball the resolution was laid on the table

Mr P. Pascoe offered the following which was on motion of Mr Stearns amended by inserting the name of E. B. Palmer instead of Edward S. Hardy the resolution was then adopted.

Resolved that Jeremiah Jones, John Kelley and Edward S. Hardy be appointed a special committee to investigate and examine the books, accounts and reports of the Superintendent of the poor to ascertain the manner in which supplies are furnished for the use of the County Poor House, the cost of such supplies during the term of present management to April 1st 1877 and by whose order, and whether by written or verbal orders and also the cost of repairs, stock, mechanics labor, and all things pertaining to said Poor House together with the furnishing of temporary relief furnished to paupers outside of the Poor House during term of present management, with full power to call for persons and papers, and do all other acts and things necessary to a thorough and complete investigation and report their action to this board with such recommendations as they may deem proper in the premises.

Dated April 19th 1877

on motion of Mr Jones the board took a recess till 1³⁰ P.M.

at 1³⁰ P.M. the board was called to order by the chairman. quorum present.

on motion of Supervisor Jones the business of the meeting was confined to hearing reports of committees and acting upon them

The committee on highways and bridges asked and obtained further time in which to make their report.

The following resolution, offered by Supervisor Cook was accepted
 Resolved that there be appointed a committee of three of whom the chairman of this board shall be one, to visit the insane asylum at Kalamazoo and investigate the condition of the insane persons belonging to this county, and ascertain whether some of them ought not to be discharged and how many, together with such facts as may be necessary to protect the interests of the county.
 The chair appointed Messrs Stevens and Ayers to serve with himself on such committee

on motion of Mr Jones, the board adjourned until May 1st 1877 at 11 o'clock a.m.

A. J. Fumford
 Chairman

O. M. Fowlance
 Clerk

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County held pursuant to adjournment at the Court House in the city of Marquette in said County on Tuesday the first day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven.

Present Supervisors Cook, Catlin, Hawley, Rossner and Chairman
Absent Supervisors Ayers, Triffy, Traskall, Hall, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Larson, Mann, Mitchell, Hulvey, Palmer, Jasco, James, Jasco, Pitts, Reed and Stone.

There being no quorum present on motion of Mr Cook the board adjourned until the tenth day of May 1877 at 11 o'clock A.M.

A. J. Stoneford
Chairman

William Rowland
Clerk

At an adjourned meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette county held pursuant to adjournment at the Court House in the city of Marquette, in said County on Thursday the 10th day of May A.D. 1877

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman well called by the Clerk.

Present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Triffy, Godshaw, Ball, Karoy, Jones, Kinspatrick, Larson, Hann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer, James Pascoe, Peter Pascoe, Read, Woodson and Chairman
Absent Supervisor Stone.

The following petition was presented read and referred to the Committee on Poor

To the board of Supervisors of Marquette County Michigan
Gentlemen

Your attention is respectfully invited to the fact that there is in the city of Shtpeming an unfortunate poor family named Bergard that has been supported by the county during the winter just past, the father of the family being sick and having no means of support: and that Superintendent E. C. Anthony refused to pay rent for the rooms occupied by said family, although notified and requested either to do so or to take the family to other lodgings, said notice being given as soon as the family had come to distress. (The family were in similar circumstances a year ago last winter: but application was not made to the poor officer for the payment of their rent until the time of distress had passed, when the answer given was: it is too late, you should have applied while the family were in need of help, now you must lose your rent unless they can make it up themselves) they did succeed in paying most of it, but there is a part still due besides rent for January, February, March and April of this year, now gentlemen it seems unjust to leave an individual tax payer no other alternative than to turn a wretched family out of house or allow them house rent free while the county takes its citizens for the maintenance of the poor. during the months of June, July and August 1876 this family were also in distress, and from the time I made my request for the payment of their rent, about July 1st I received rent from the county that is for two months out of three if it was just to pay it then why should it be refused now. I have been charging this family two dollars a month less than I could have from other parties. The rate is five dollars a month, and for the four months named during which subsistence has been furnished to them by the county I respectfully ask an order on the County for

Twenty Dollars. I am gentlemen with great respect

Yours truly

John Sullivan

Dated at Ashpeming May 8th 1877

We know the circumstances as set forth in the above petition to be true

H. B. Wilson

C. B. Kirkwood

The Committee on Finance and Depletion, Highways and Bridges and Purchasing Committee asked and obtained further time in which to make their report.

The Prosecuting Attorney made the following report which was read and ordered placed on file.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen

In obedience to your resolution calling on me to furnish you with a list of the offices and occupations by virtue of which any person is exempt from "Jury duty" I beg leave respectfully to report that the Statute Compiled Laws 1871 page 1722 sections 25 and 26. declares that all the State Officers (naming them) Justices of Supreme Court, Judges of Courts of record acting Commissioner of internal improvement, Commissioner of the Land office Superintendent of Public Instruction, Clerks of Court, Registers in Chancery, Registers of deeds, Sheriffs and their Deputies, Coroners, Constables, all United States officers, Attorneys and Counselors at law officers of the University, officers of Colleges, settled ministers of the gospel preceptors and teachers of incorporated academies, all Superintendents, Engineers and Collectors of any canal or railroad actually constructed and used, constant ferrymen, all members of any company of firemen organized according to law, all persons more than fifty years of age, School Teachers actually employed, Physicians and Surgeons having patients requiring their attention and Justices of the Peace or other civil officers whose duties are inconsistent with their attendance as Jurors

Very Respectfully

John S. Adams Pros Atty

Dated Marquette April 25th 1877

The special committee heretofore appointed to examine the accounts of the Superintendents of the Poor made the following report which report was on motion of Mr Cook accepted.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette

The special committee appointed by your honorable board on the 19th day of April A. D. 1877 and charged with investigation into the management of the county poor beg leave to respectfully submit the following report.

Your committee was led in view of the somewhat remarkable report made by the Superintendents of the Poor dated October 9th 1876 to turn its attention more particularly to the management of the county house and farm and this in turn necessitated an examination into the manner of affording temporary relief in the first district.

The manner in which this business has been conducted is reprehensible, the simplest and most ordinary affairs of business in which individuals engage, upon their own account are conducted with more care and prudence, than are the business affairs pertaining to the care of the Poor of this county although involving an expenditure of over 27000⁰⁰ annually.

2nd The total cost of maintaining the Poor for the past six months ending April 1st 1877 was \$16553.99

3rd The charges for medical services for six months ending April 1st was \$834.72, principally rendered by Doctor Desjardine, McQuillen and Johnson.

Your committee could not obtain a statement showing the cost of maintaining the county house proper for the past six months, the Keeper of the County House has been allowed to make purchases for the house, the chairman of the board of Superintendents Dr. Humphrey has made purchases himself, and has given verbal orders to others as well as written orders all of which have been charged to the county Poor fund, and in most instances without specifying by whom or for whom purchased.

4th Your committee find

1st That on the 14th day of November 1876 Samuel E. Byrne received from the county Poor fund Twenty Five Dollars for services rendered the Superintendents of the poor in making their annual report although the making of such report is a part of the duty of said Humphrey as chairman of the board of Superintendents - The charge of said Byrne being therefore a wrongful one as against the county.

2nd That said Humphrey as such chairman on the 4th day of January A. D. 1877 issued an order to A. Macht for 50⁰⁰ said order.

purporting to be on account and was indorsed by said machts, and the money drawn thereon by said Bumphry and appropriated by him to his own private use. After it had become known that your committee had discovered this fact said Machts in his April Account credited said sum of Fifty Dollars to the county and charged it up to the private account of said Bumphry.

3rd That on the 28th day of February 1877 said Bumphry obtained from said machts. Cash. \$10⁰⁰ which is charged by said machts to the county poor fund, as furnished to said Bumphry for the M. & O. Ry. Company, yet that said railroad company charged the same item being two passenger tickets to the county, and received payment therefor from the county poor fund and said sum of \$10⁰⁰ paid by said Machts was appropriated by said Bumphry to his own use.

4th That in July or August 1876 said machts rendered a bill against said Poor fund for "Cash paid for transporting persons to their friends" \$20 which said Bill is marked paid and signed by said machts, yet said machts never received any money thereon, but indorsed an order for the amount and gave the same to said Bumphry who drew the money thereon.

5th That on the 15th day of August 1876 said Bumphry, as such Chairman issued to said machts, a county Poor order for twenty Five Dollars, which was advanced to said machts as a loan which appears by his statement of account for the month of September.

6th That during the months of January and March or April 1877 said Bumphry purchased from J. P. Pindell on three different occasions, a quantity of oats, to wit: about 65 bushels, about 20 bushels of which were placed in said Bumphry's barn in a bin used by him, in which to store grain for his own horses and that all said oats were charged to and paid for out of the County Poor fund.

7th That said Bumphry, as such Chairman, sold 11¹/₄ cords of wood to S. Coles for two Dollars per cord, and agreed to take his pay therefor in meat, this transaction occurred in the winter or spring of 1876 that said Coles furnished a quarter of beef weighing 180 lbs in payment therefor at ten cents per pound and gave to said Bumphry a due bill for \$4⁵⁰ or thereabouts; that said Bumphry purchased meat for his own use upon said due bill, and gave an order to two different men who were working for said Bumphry upon his own property or that of his wife, for one dollar worth of meat each to apply on said due bill; that he requested that a bill be made out against the county for the sum of \$22⁵⁰ for said meat upon such bill being made, said Bumphry presented an order already drawn and signed, payable to said

Coles or under, and asked to have the same indorsed which was done and said order delivered back to said Bumphrey; that said Coles never received anything whatever upon said order, yet the same has been returned paid.

8th That Willard Dlocum received as temporary relief from said Bumphrey one cord of wood, with the express understanding that if said Dlocum got work he should pay for said wood; that afterwards said Dlocum worked for said Bumphrey personally, and on settlement there was due said Dlocum \$4⁶⁶ which said Bumphrey kept as the price of said ^{cord of} wood yet said Bumphrey had not given the County credit for said \$4⁶⁶ and your committee has reason to believe that he appropriated the same to his own use.

9th That said Bumphrey as such Superintendent, purchased goods of Sally M. Sey Co. at various times and frequently gave verbal orders to said Sey Co. upon which goods were furnished to others at the expense of the County Poor fund; that in the account of said Sey Co. against said County there appeared two charges for flannel wrappers or undershirts, one for \$2⁷⁵ and one for \$3⁰⁰ that said wrappers were of the finest quality and cost a price far above that which the County can afford to pay for clothing for its poor; that one of said wrappers to wit: the one costing \$2⁷⁵ was purchased by said Bumphrey, who said he wanted it for a man about his own size your committee leave to your honorable board to judge for whom it was intended.

10th That said Bumphrey furnished the County with 100 bushels of turnips from his own farm or that of his wife, for which he charged the County 65 cents per bushel, while at or about the same time he was selling turnips to other parties at 40 cents per bushel that said sale of turnips to the County was a direct violation of the provisions of the Statute relating to Superintendents of the poor.

11th That said Bumphrey as such Superintendent made a contract with John Cassender to furnish meat for the County House at ten cents per pound for three quarters of beef, which price has been paid for nearly two years while at the same time other parties offered to furnish the same quality of meat by the year at six cents per pound.

12th That the annual report of Superintendents of the poor dated October 9th 1876 shows a charge for furniture furnished to the County House amounting to \$172⁴⁵ yet that the total cost of all furniture actually furnished was \$19⁸⁵ or thereabouts.

13th That personal property owned by the County was appropriated by said Bumphrey to his own use without compensation

as appears by the affidavit of Wiram. C. McJugur herewith submitted
14th That said Bumphrey purchased ten tons and — pounds of hay
for the County Farm and charged the County for that amount, whereas
he delivered at the County Farm but nine tons 1120 pounds.

15th That said Bumphrey purchased of Charles Everett in the spring
of 1876 a refrigerator which was charged to and paid for ^{by} the County,
but was never delivered at the County House or to the County, so far
as appears.

16th That during the winter of 1876 and 1877 said Bumphrey engaged
in the business of buying wood with County Poor Bonds and selling
in and selling the same without any authority in law as your
Committee believe, and contrary to a resolution adopted by the
Board of Superintendants at a regular meeting of said Board
that he so purchased 250 cords or thereabouts from his wife contra-
ry to the provisions of the statute as your Committee believe.

17th That said Bumphrey on the 19th day of October 1875 purchased
a suit of clothes of S. M. Day Company at a cost of twenty Dollars
for Robert J. Murray, who was then a Supervisor from the
township of Richmond, in the second district in said County,
and delivered them to said Murray for the purpose, as your
Committee ^{have reason to} believe, of inducing the said Murray to cast his vote
upon a question then pending before the Board of Supervisors
in accordance with the wishes of said Bumphrey.

18th That said Bumphrey as Chairman of a certain crew a poor man in favor
of Thomas Jefferman dated July 6th 1876 for the sum of Fifty Dollars
purporting to be for the price of Fifty Cords of wood, that said man
was enclosed by said Jefferman and returned to said Bumphrey
without our having received anything whatever thereon, which
said man was used by said Bumphrey for his own benefit as
your Committee believe.

19th That said Bumphrey as such Superintendent employed
said Jefferman to build a board fence upon the County farm and
allowed him therefor at the rate of eighty cents a rod, when said
fence could have been built at a cost not exceeding forty cents
per rod, that in payment for building said fence an order
for lumber \$5⁴⁰ order on B. Michard \$18⁷⁵ and cash as
Jefferman says at various times to the amount of Fifty Dollars
in all, total \$74¹⁵ for building a little over ninety rods of board
fence, yet an order was drawn by said Bumphrey payable to
said Jefferman, being County ^{poor} order No 892 for Fifty Dollars
which your Committee believe was appropriated by said
Bumphrey

20th That said Bumphrey as chairman of said Board of

Superintendents drew an order upon the County poor fund dated January 3rd 1877 for \$110⁰⁰ being poor order No 1060 payable to Botop Jantz we order, the voucher for which purports to be for merchandise. yet said order was advanced to said Botop Jantz without consideration, said Botop Jantz represents that the sum was a loan.

21st That said Humphrey as such Chairman issued an other poor order dated Feb. 17th A.D. 1877 for fifty five Dollars being order No 1100, the voucher for which purports to be on account but without consideration, and is claimed by said Botop Jantz to have been a loan.

22nd That said Humphrey as such Chairman issued an other order dated April 4th 1877 for twenty five Dollars in favor of said Botop Jantz being poor order No 1222 the voucher for which purports to be on account but without consideration, and claimed by said Botop Jantz to be a loan. your committee venture the opinion that the loaning of County poor funds is of itself a pernicious practice and without any authority in law, and a gross violation of the duty of any Superintendent of the poor.

23rd In relation to temporary relief furnished in the first district your committee would report that it was unable to complete an examination of the entire report for the month of March. That so far as such examination was made the report shows in several instances a larger number in the families relieved than were in such families. In other instances the report shows a less number than were in the families. your committee are of opinion that in many instances the relief furnished to persons in the first district was entirely inadequate to supply the actual necessities of such persons. the number visited comprise a little over one half of those named in the March report for the first district.

In conclusion your committee would recommend that the board of Superintendents be advised to sell the team of horses now on the county farm, and to keep but one horse thereon. The business of the county poor house and its management should be conducted upon some definite system or method, and that invoices should accompany all goods and supplies furnished the county house, and the keeper thereof should be required to keep a strict account of all goods and supplies so received by him.

Your committee would also recommend that charges be preferred against D.P. Humphrey Superintendent of the poor for the first district, and Chairman of the board of

Superintendents, for the acts and things done by him in his official capacity, and set forth in this report, and that he be suspended from performing any of the duties of his said office, or that your honorable board take such other action as will secure his speedy removal from the said office of Superintendent of the poor, and that in the meantime a suitable person be appointed be appointed Superintendent for the first district "ad interim" or until the conclusion of such other proceedings as may be instituted against S. D. Humphrey.

The amount of time consumed in the investigation of the matters set forth in this report has rendered it impossible for your committee to investigate the managements of Superintendents of poor for the second and third districts. Your committee would therefore recommend that another special committee be appointed for that purpose.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated May 10th 1877

Terbom Jones
John Mulvey,
Edward J. Palmer
Committee

On motion of Peter Pascoe the board took a recess until 1³⁰ P.M.

At 1³⁰ P.M. the board ^{was called to order} was called by the Chairman well called by the Clerk. there being no quorum present, on motion of Supervisor Haway, the board took a further recess of fifteen minutes

At 1⁴⁵ P.M. the board was called to order by the Chairman well called by the Clerk. there were present Supervisors, Ayres, Cook, Cathin, Griffey, Toothall, Hall, Haway, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Saxon, Hann, Hitchue, Mulvey, Palmer, James, Pascoe, Peter Pascoe, Read, Drossner and Chairman
Absent Supervisor Stevens.

The committee on Finance and Salation made the following report, which was on motion of Mr Mulvey adopted.

To the Honorable Chairman and Board of Supervisors of Marquette County Michigan

Your committee to whom was referred H. A. Hanhard's proposition to place a heating furnace in the County Jail, would report that they have had the same under consideration and would recommend that final action be deferred until bids from other dealers can be received

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| | O. B. Hall |
| | Chairman |
| Committee on Finance & Salaries | George Hitchell |
| | E. B. Palmer |
| | J. P. Harvey |
| | O. J. Triffey |

The committee on claims and accounts made the following report, which was on motion of Peter Pascoe, adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration beg leave to report the same back to the board, with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid, viz.

| | | Claimed | Allowed |
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| A. P. Dimefara | Printing rules | 1150 | 1150 |
| John A. Joachim | Use of stove | 310 | 150 |
| George Rublin | Services on County canvass | 640 | 624 |
| Ormy Foutana | Blank Books | 415 | 415 |
| George A. Ewing | Services on County canvass | 660 | 660 |
| L. Gregory | Key for clock | 3 | 3 |
| En J. A. Bojardin | Services at jail | 6 | 4 |
| B. Michard | Hardware | 1195 | 1195 |
| E. M. Anklin | Clock for Clerk's office | 17 | 17 |
| John Crowley | Stationery | 1625 | 1625 |
| A. A. Anderson | Board of Prisoners for appeal | 6503 | 6503 |
| John H. Kenna | Services on Coroners Jury | 2 | 2 |

Bill of W. D. Theaton for coal furnished the County Treasurer's office was on motion referred to the Purchasing Committee.

The committee on Printing made the following report, which was, on motion adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board, with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column, opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid viz.

| | | Claimed | Allowed |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Chas. A. Eggers | Index of mortgages | 24.50 | 24.50 |
| " | " " docks | 7.00 | 7.00 |
| J. O. Cray | 100 Justice Bonds | 6.00 | 6.00 |

Bill of Thos. Kefferman amounting to Five Dollars was on motion referred back for proper certificate.

The committee on Justices and Constables accounts and on Poor asked and obtained further time in which to make their report.

The committee on Highways and Bridges made the following report which was on motion adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the petition signed by Peter Pascoe Supervisor of Republic Township, and George Mitchell Supervisor of Ely township, asking for an appropriation of two thousand Dollars out of the County Funds, to insure the completion of a road between the village of Open City and Humboldt Station have had the same under consideration and would respectfully report that the petition be brought before the full board, and if consistent with law, do recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Committee

- A. K. Fodshole
- D. W. Reed
- George Mitchell
- Thomas E. Cook
- Washington J. Hann

On motion of Mr. Ayers the vote by which the resolution appointing a special committee to visit the insane Asylum at Kalamazoo was adopted was ~~then laid on the table~~, reconsidered.

On motion, the resolution was then laid on the table.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted Resolved that the mileage allowed Supervisors be fixed at 50 cents per mile according to Statute.

Mr. Griffey offered the following resolution which was adopted Resolved, that from and after the date hereof the compensation of S. E. Humphrey as Superintendent of Poor be and the same is hereby fixed at the rate of Five Dollars per year and any resolution heretofore adopted inconsistent herewith is hereby rescinded.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted Resolved that the Prosecuting Attorney be instructed to report to this board all Justices who are in arrears to the county for fines collected, the amount of such arrearage and the steps taken by him in regard to the same.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted Resolved, that the county Treasurer be instructed to hereafter require all persons receiving money to endorse the same

whether said orders be drawn in such persons, favor or not

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that the Finance committee be instructed to inquire into the present condition of the different funds of the county and make some provision for the payment of acceptance of orders drawn on the Poor fund said Poor fund being overdrawn about 1300⁰⁰.

Mr Harvey offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that the county clerk be and he is hereby directed to continue from January 1st 1877, the accounts heretofore kept containing all bills and accounts paid by this board, so as to show in detail, the actual expenses of this county, and that he be paid therefor at the rate of Five hundred Dollars per annum.

Mr Ayers offered the following resolution.
Resolved that the Prosecuting Attorney be and he hereby is directed to take such steps as may in his judgment be proper and necessary to prosecute D. P. Humphrey for any and all violations of law of which the said Humphrey, as Superintendent of the Poor may seem to be guilty and that said Prosecuting Attorney be and he is hereby authorized to employ a competent lawyer to assist him in any proceedings that may be instituted against said Humphrey.

Which resolution was not adopted.

Yeas Messrs Tripp and Fodshall.

Nays Messrs. Ayers, Catlin, Hall, Harvey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Mann, Saxon, Mitchell, Mulroy, Palmer, Peter Pascoe, James Pascoe Reed, Worsone and chairman.

Mr. Saxon offered the following resolution which was adopted.
Resolved that the printing committee be and they are hereby instructed to receive said proposals for doing all the necessary printing for the county, such as the printing of blanks for the county officers &c and let the same to the lowest responsible bidder.
Resolved further that hereafter all such printing shall be done under and by the direction of the printing committee, and that no bills ^{will} be audited and allowed by this board unless the work charged for shall have been ordered by said committee and the account approved by them.

Mr. Tripp offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that a committee of three with the Prosecuting Attorney as chairman be appointed by the board to frame and prefer

charges against S. E. Humphrey one of the Superintendents of the poor of this county.

on motion of Mr Jones Supervisors Kirkpatrick and Peter Pascoe were appointed with the Prosecuting Attorney, as members of the above committee

The following petition was presented and read, and on motion the prayer of the petitioner was granted

To the honorable board of Supervisors of Marquette County Gentlemen.

Your petitioner Terahum Jones, a Circuit Court Commissioner of said County, would respectfully represent that he is required by Law to keep a docket of all proceedings had before him in any Judicial proceeding had before him. That no docket has been furnished him as such circuit court commissioner from his predecessor, and he finds that his predecessor left no docket to be transferred to him. Your petitioner therefore respectfully asks that a docket adapted to the wants of said office be purchased by the purchasing committee for the use of your petitioner as such commissioner, and to be by him delivered to his successor in office

Dated May 10th 1877

Terahum Jones

Mr. Triffey offered the following resolution which was adopted Resolved that A. O. Swinford be appointed a committee of one to visit the Kalamazoo Insane Asylum, and make a report of the condition of the inmates sent from this county, together with such other information concerning the institution as may be of interest to the tax payers of this county

on motion of Mr P. Pascoe the board adjourned until 9 o'clock a.m. Friday 11th inst

A. V. Stoneford
Chairman

Wm R. W. W. W.
Clerk

Friday May 11th 1877

The board was called to order by the Chairman, full called by the Clerk and the following members were present.

Supervisors Ayers, Catlin, Cook, Trippy, Frushan, Hawey, Ball, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Tarson, Mann, Mitchell, Melroy, Palmer, James Pascoe, Peter Pascoe, Read, Drossener, and Chairman.
Absent Supervisor Starns.

On motion of Mr Palmer the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The committee on Four to whom had been referred the reports of the Superintendents of the Poor of First, Second and Third districts reported the same back to the board with the recommendation that they be placed on file which recommendation was adopted.

The same committee also reported back the petition of John Sullivan, with the recommendation that it be referred to the Superintendents of Four - which recommendation was concurred in.

The Special committee appointed to prepare charges against D. P. Humphrey, Superintendent of Four presented the following report which was adopted,

The special committee to whom was referred the matter of preparing charges to be preferred against D. P. Humphrey, one of the Superintendents of the Poor of Marquette County based on the report of the special committee appointed April 19th 1877 respectfully report, that they have prepared ^{the following} charges against said D. P. Humphrey, and recommend that he be cited before the board to answer the same, and that he make a report, under oath to the board touching the matters and things specified in the following charges to wit:

First For unlawfully drawing an order on the County Treasurer for fifty Dollars in favor of August Machts, and drawing the money thereon himself, after procuring Machts indorsement on the order, the County then met owing Machts or himself on said order.

Second For unlawfully paying out of the Poor Fund twenty five Dollars for drawing up the annual statement of the Poor to the board of Supervisors.

Third For charging the Poor Fund with the price of two passage tickets on the M. & T. O. Ry. Co. ten Dollars and fifty cents after the railroad company was already paid therefor the said Humphrey pocketing \$10⁰⁰ July 28th 1877

Fourth: For falsely pretending to have paid out \$20.⁰⁰ passage money for transporting persons to their friends, by drawing an order in favor of Macks therefor, getting Macks to endorse the order, and converting it to his own use

Fifth: For selling 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ cords of wood belonging to the County to S. Coles in exchange for meat, and converting a portion of the meat to his own use

Sixth: For afterwards charging the price of the meat \$22.⁵⁰ to the poor fund and drawing the money therefor and converting it to his own use

Seventh: For purchasing for the use of the County two fine flannel undershirts for "a man about his own size" from S. M. Gery & Co., and afterwards converting them to his own use

Eighth: For unlawfully purchasing 100 Bushels Turnips for the poor house from his wife at 65 cents per bushel, when the same quality of Turnips sold at 40 cents per bushel

Ninth: For being indirectly, if not directly interested himself in the sale of such Turnips, in violation of law

Tenth: For paying John Fassbinder, of Marquette, ten cents per pound for forequarters of beef during the past two years, when other parties offered to sell the County as good quality of beef for six cents per pound

Eleventh: For falsely representing in the annual statement to the board of Supervisors for 1876, that \$172.¹⁵ worth of furniture was purchased for the poor house when only \$19.⁸⁵ was purchased

Twelfth: For converting a large portion of said Furniture to his own use

Thirteenth: For purchasing 250 cords of wood from his wife, in violation of the statute which provides that a superintendent shall not be indirectly interested in the sale of materials so sold to the County for the use of the poor

Fourteenth: For unlawfully giving Robert G. Murray a suit of clothes of the value of \$20.⁰⁰ out of the poor fund, the said Murray being then Supervisor of Richmond Township. - Oct 19th 1875 -

Fifteenth: For drawing an order in favor of Thomas Heffernan July 6, 1876 on the poor fund without consideration, for \$60.⁰⁰ getting Heffernan's endorsement by some pretext, and pocketing all the proceeds himself

Sixteenth: For loaning the poor fund to the amount of \$240.⁰⁰ to Hotop & Lantz

Seventeenth: For drawing order No 892 on the County Treasurer in favor of Thomas Heffernan, without consideration for the sum of \$50.⁰⁰, getting Heffernan's endorsement thereon by some pretext, and converting the proceeds to his own use.

Eighteenth: For paying 80 cents per rod for building 90 rods of fences at the poor farm when it could have been done for 40 cents per rod

All of which is respectfully submitted

Marquette Mich., May 11th 1877

J. Q. Adams }
 Jos. Kirkpatrick } Committee
 Peter Pascoe }

Mr Kirkpatrick asked and obtained leave to introduce the following resolution, which was adopted

Resolved That a copy of the charges reported by the special committee referred by the Sheriff on J O Humphrey, one of the County Superintendents of the poor, forthwith, and that he be cited to appear before this Board to day at 11 o'clock Am to answer said charges, and that a copy of this resolution be served on said Humphrey with said charges.

Mr Peter Pascoe asked and obtained unanimous consent to offer the following resolution, which was adopted

Resolved. That the Prosecuting Attorney be and he hereby is authorized to employ a competent lawyer to aid him in the investigation of the charges preferred against J O Humphrey by the special committee heretofore appointed by this board

The Committee on Justices and Constables accounts made the following report, which was adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, by leave to report the same back to the board, with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column, opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid, viz

| | | Claimed | Allowed |
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| A A Anderson | Expenses in summoning jurors | 5.75 | 5.75 |
| John G O'Keefe | Fees in case of People vs W H Phillips | 4.78 | 4.78 |
| Benjamin O'Granson | Fees in case of People vs Jonas Anderson | 9.38 | 7.27 |
| " | " " " " People vs August P Kogtof | 8.88 | 6.81 |
| William J Doyle | " " " " People vs Anderson | 4.70 | 2.25 |
| " | " " " " People vs Kogtof | 6.25 | 3.07 |
| John A Funch | Subpoenaing witnesses for Investigating Committee | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Thomas McLaughlin | Attendance on investigating Committee | 12.50 | 4.50 |
| Jacob Wolf | Conveying prisoners to House of Correction | 89.80 | 75.70 |

The bill of J A Desjardins amounting to \$50.00 for analysis of the Danes Chisel was allowed at Forty Dollars

40.00

The bill of William O'Brien, amounting to Eighteen dollars for services as deputy Sheriff and witness fees, was on motion of Mr Peter Pascoe allowed at \$17.76

17.76

The bill of John A Funch amounting to Sixty five dollars for services as Deputy Sheriff was on motion of Mr Mulroy allowed

65.00

Bill of Jacob Wolf, amounting to \$36.50 for services as Deputy Sheriff was on motion of Mr Dono allowed at \$35.50

35.50

Bill of John A French, amounting to nine dollars for summoning Takersmen, was on motion of Mr Peter Pascoe rejected

Bill of G W Goodale for services as stenographer on the examination of the James Child, amounting to Ten dollars, was, on motion of Mr Kirkpatrick, allowed \$ 10⁰⁰

Bill of Timothy Donahoe amounting to \$3³² for constables services, was, on motion of Mr Peter Pascoe, referred back for correction

Bill of Thomas Stefferman, amounting to five dollars for sundries, was, on motion of Mr Cook allowed at four dollars. \$ 4.⁰⁰

Unanimous consent being given, Mr Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted

Resolved: That the Sheriff or his deputies be allowed only second class fares in conveying prisoners to House of Correction or to Jackson.

On motion of Mr Peter Pascoe the board took a recess until 10⁵⁰ AM

at 11⁵⁰ AM

The board was called to order by the chairman: Roll called by the clerk
Quorum present

On motion of Mr Jones the vote by which the resolution was adopted requiring Dr S D Humphrey to appear before this board at eleven o'clock AM was reconsidered

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, on motion of Mr Jones the resolution was amended by striking out eleven o'clock AM and inserting two o'clock PM

The resolution as amended was then adopted

whereupon the board adjourned until 2 o'clock PM

Afternoon.

The board was called to order by the Chairman at 2 o'clock and roll called by the Clerk

Present Supervisors Ayers; Cook; Catlin; Griffey; Godshall; Hall; Haray; Jones; Kirkpatrick; Larson; Mann; Mitchell; Mulroy; Palmer; James Pascoe; Peter Pascoe; Read; Wessner and Chairman. Absent supervisor Stevens

On motion of Mr Griffey the regular order of business was dispensed with

On motion of Mr Jones Dr S D Humphrey was allowed to appear before the board with his counsel.

Unanimous consent being given Mrs Jones offered the following resolution

Resolved: That S D Humphrey one of the County Superintendents of the Poor, be, and he is hereby required to make a report under oath to this board, of the following matters connected with the duties of his office of Superintendent of the poor in addition to the report required from him in the charges reported by the special committee and being embraced in the fourth, ninth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth & seventeenth charges of said report, and that S D Humphrey be and he is hereby required to answer particularly and fully the following interrogatories, to wit:

Fourth Charge —

1st Interrogatory: State particularly in answer to this charge for what purpose the order for \$20⁰⁰ was drawn in favor of A Machts, the names of the parties transported to their friends & destination & when sent?

2nd Interrogatory: Why was the order drawn in favor of Machts?

3rd: Why was a bill of the expenses of transporting such persons made out and receipts by Machts?

Fifth Charge —

1st Interrogatory: Are you residing with your wife in Marquette?

2nd Interrogatory: Are you not directly interested in her prosperity?

3rd Interrogatory: Are you not interested in seeing her business interests thrive and prosper? 3rd: Do you not look after and take care of her interests?

4th: Did you not look after her interests in the sale of the 100 bushels Turnips to the County for the poor?

5th: Did you not deliver the Turnips at the County poor house and receive credit on your private individual account at the store of Watson & Palmer?

6th: Did you not at or about the same time sell a quantity of Turnips to John C Fassbinder for forty cents per bushel, of the same quality?

Eleventh Charge

1st Interrogatory: Give a detailed statement of the furniture purchased for the poor houses to the amount of \$172¹⁵ as set forth in the annual statement of the Superintendents for the year ending in October 1876?

2nd: Did you purchase it all yourself, and if not, state who did purchase it or any part of it?

3rd: State the names of the parties from whom such furniture was purchased with the price charged for each article?

4th: State what was done with such furniture?

5th: State whether you purchased a Refrigerator from C M Conitt in the Spring of 1876 and paid for it out of the poor fund of Marquette County?

6th: What was done with said Refrigerator, how much was paid for it, and where is it now?

7th: Did you take a stove from a Mrs Mullins, put the same in the poorhouse and afterwards remove it to a wood camp of yours or your wife's then sometime afterwards buy a new stove for Mrs Mullins out of the poor fund?

8th: If you did do so, state the reasons for doing so, fully & particularly?

Ninth Charge

1st Interrogatory: Did you carry away to a wood camp 4 mattresses, 6 chairs, 1 table & 4 double blankets, or any portion of the same?

2nd: Did you instruct the Keeper of the poorhouse Hiram McGregor to take said articles or any part of them to said wood camp, if so when, state fully & particularly?

3rd: For what purpose did you order them brought there?

4th: Whose wood camp was it? who was interested in it? Give the names of the party or parties interested in said wood camp?

Tenth Charge

1st Interrogatory: Did you purchase for the use of the poor of Marquette 250 cords of wood or thereabouts in which your wife had an interest?

2nd: If so, when was said wood purchased, how many cords and the price per cord?

3rd: Who made the purchase from your wife?

4th: At what meeting of the Board of Superintendents was it purchased? state all about the entire transaction fully & particularly?

5th: Did you not negotiate the sale of it to the County?

6th: Did you not personally attend to the chopping and getting out of this wood and attend to your wife's interest therein?

7th: If you did not attend to your wife's interest in said wood, then who did attend to it?

Eleventh Charge

1st Interrogatory: Did you give Robert J Murray Supervisor of Richmond Township \$20⁰⁰ in clothing out of the store of S M Levy Dec 19th 1875 or thereabouts and charge the same to the poor fund?

2nd: Did you give any aid or assistance at or about that time to said Murray, if so state particularly for what purpose it was given?

3rd: Was said Murray then within your jurisdiction, and why should said Murray a Supervisor of a Township receive aid from the County?

Twelfth Charge

1st Interrogatory: Did you give Thomas Hefferman an order for \$60⁰⁰ July 6th 1876 or thereabouts for 60 cords of wood?

2nd: Did you get Hefferman to endorse such an order?

3rd: If so, what was done with the order after Hefferman endorsed it?

4th: What was the consideration of said order?

5th: To whom did you deliver it after it was endorsed?

6th: Was there wood chopped on account of the poor on land owned by yourself and said Hefferman jointly or by your wife and said Hefferman jointly, and was this order given to Hefferman in payment of his interest in 60 cords of wood so chopped on said land? Answer this fully & particularly?

7th: Did you not, as Superintendent pay said Hefferman in small sums the amount of said \$60⁰⁰, or the greater part thereof, before drawing the order in his favor?

8th: Did Hefferman receive the amount of said order or any part thereof after it was drawn & if so when & where & how much?

9th: If it was your wife's land jointly with Hefferman, then was it not you that made all bargains and agreements with said Hefferman, in regard to your wife's interest therein?

10th: Did you not represent your wife as her agent in all transactions that took place in regard to her interest in said wood, with the County & said Hefferman?

Sixteenth Charge

1st Interrogatory: Did you give poor order No 1060 for \$110⁰⁰ to Kotop and Lantz on or about May 3rd 1877?

2nd: If so, for what purpose was it given, state fully & particularly what was the consideration of said order?

3rd: Did you on or about July 17th 1877 give another order to said Kotop & Lantz for \$55⁰⁰

4th: If so, what was the consideration of said order? state fully & particularly?

5th: Did you on or about April 4th 1877 give another order to Kotop & Lantz for \$75⁰⁰

6th: If so, what was its consideration, state fully & particularly

7th: Did you not give these orders to Kotop & Lantz as loans or advances for goods to be thereafter purchased from them for the poor of the County?

Seventeenth Charge

1st Interrogatory: For what purpose did you draw order 892 in favor of Hefferman?

2nd: Did you give him the order after it was drawn, or did you get him to endorse it merely & then retain it?

3rd: Were you in the habit of getting Hefferman to endorse orders on the poor fund & then dispose of them yourself?

4th: How many times if any have you procured Hefferman to endorse orders drawn in his favor, on the poor fund, without delivering them to him?

5th: If you have done so then state the numbers, dates & amounts of such orders and what has been done with them?

6th: What was the consideration of order No 892 drawn in favor of Thomas Hefferman for \$50 and what has become of said order?

Resolved that the said S D Humphrey be, and he is hereby required to make a report under oath to this board touching all the matters and things specified in the eighteen charges preferred against him by the special committee reported this morning, that he answer the same fully and particularly, and also

the foregoing interrogatories fully and particularly, the whole to be contained in one answer, each charge and interrogatory to be answered separately in proper order.

Which resolution after amendment, was adopted

Mr Jones offered the following resolution,

Resolved: That a copy of the interrogatories be served on Dr S D Humphrey, personally or by mail, postage prepaid, at the City of Marquette, on this 11th day of May A D 1877, and that said Humphrey have until Friday the 18th day of May, at 11 o'clock A M, A D 1877 to answer the said charges and interrogatories

Resolved: That the counsel on either side shall have the right to discuss any resolution touching the investigation of the charges against said S D Humphrey

Which was adopted by yeas and nays as follows:

Yeas: Supervisors Catlin; Godshall; Hall; Harvey; Jones; Kirkpatrick; Mitchell; Mulroy; Palmer; James Pascoe; Peter Pascoe; Reed; Wessner and Chairman

Nays: Supervisors, Ayers; Cook; Griffey; Larson and Mann

Mr Kirkpatrick offered the following resolution which was adopted,

Whereas: Certain charges have been preferred before this board against S D Humphrey as Superintendent of the poor, and said charges are now pending, and said Humphrey has been duly cited to appear before this board to make a report on oath concerning said charges. Therefore

Resolved: That said S D Humphrey be, and he hereby is suspended from his said office, and from exercising any of the duties of said office of Superintendent of the poor, in any matter or thing pertaining to said office, until the final decision of this board upon said charges, and until the further decision of this board

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved: That S D Humphrey and his counsel be permitted to examine all books and papers of the Superintendent of the poor which were used by the committee of investigation, except the "Ex parte" affidavits, and the Chairman of said committee is hereby instructed to deliver said papers and books to the County Clerk; But said Humphrey or his counsel shall not have the right to remove said books and papers from the Clerk's office, but may take copies thereof

On motion of Mr Pascoe, the board adjourned until Friday the 18th day of May A D 1877 at 11 o'clock A M

A. H. Stoneford
Chairman

D. W. Lowland
Clerk

May 18
1877

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County held pursuant to adjournment at the Court House in the city of Marquette on Friday the eighteenth day of May A. D. eighteen hundred and twenty seven. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and called by the Clerk.

Present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Cotton, Griffey, Godshall, Hall, Hawy, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Larson, Mann, Mitchell, Muevey, Palmer, Read, Sturms, Orossner Chairman
Absent Supervisors James, Pascoe and Peter Pascoe.

On motion of Mr Jones the reading of the report of the special committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Superintendent of the Poor and the Interrogatories was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr Sturms the regular order of business was dispensed with for the purpose of hearing read the report of S. P. Humphrey Superintendent of the Poor which is as follows.

To the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette
The undersigned makes the following report in answer to the resolution and Interrogatories of the 11th inst.

To the first charge I answer.

That early in January last one Jessie A. Walde was the Cook and general house servant at the Poor House and was a very faithful and valuable servant, the County would her for such service a little over fifty Dollars and she wanted her pay. I desired to pay her and drew an order on the County Treasurer for fifty Dollars in favor of August Machts expecting to get him to cash said order as he was City Treasurer and I supposed had public money in his hands. I applied to said Machts to cash said order, but he refused to do so. I then got him to incurse it so that I could use it elsewhere and I got the money on the order somewhere intending to give it to the said Mrs Walde, but I found that she intended to leave the house if she could get her pay and not wishing to let her go I with-held the money and kept it in my own possession and put her off upon some kind of pretext and promise thus keeping her along until I could supply her place or until she should actually leave when I intended to pay her. This accounts for my carrying the money in my own pocket which I actually did for more than two months. In the middle of March I converted the money to my own use as I was going below and soon after my return viz on the 17th April I gave the County credit at the Store of said Machts for the amount as appears by his books and bill rendered. This was before

the investigating committee was appointed not after they had discovered the fact; as said committee say in their report.

Respondent shows that however irregular this transaction may have been, it was not fraudulent, that the County has lost nothing and this respondent has made nothing in the operation.

To the second charge I answer.

That the sum of Twenty Five Dollars was paid by the board of Superintendents of the Poor to D. E. Byrne for his assistance in making up our annual statements including not only our reports to this board for like services in 1875. Paid the sum of twenty dollars and that this respondent in common with the other superintendents regard it as a legal, proper and reasonable charge to be paid by the County.

To the third charge he says.

To the respondents best recollection the facts are as follows: In February last I sent two men away from the county, one to Spun Bay and one to Escanaba. The fare of both was Ten $\frac{60}{100}$ Dollars. there was no money in the Treasury and I was obliged to pay cash for the tickets. sometime during the month on the 28th day of February. I got the cash of A machts and paid for the tickets. Instead of giving Machts any order I told him to charge the cash to the County in account during the first part of March I bought one and one half tickets for Chicago and paid for them amounting to Twenty Two $\frac{65}{100}$ Dollars. I got no vouchers at the time for any of this; but later I got a bill from Mr. Spris for these items and others amounting to Sixty Two $\frac{20}{100}$ Dollars. I drew an order in his favor for the above amount. He incurred it and I paid him whatever balance was his due and kept the order myself. There is no doubt the County paid the Ten $\frac{60}{100}$ Dollars twice once in Machts bill and again in Spris. of course it was a mistake and I am liable for it. I pointed it ^{out} to the committee myself before they called my attention to it. I have paid the amount to the County Treasurer and now hold his receipt for the same.

Fourth Charge. Answer to 1st Interrogatory

Order 834

for twenty Dollars was drawn to the order of A Machts and the money given Mrs. Disher to pay the fare of herself and family to Detroit for which I hold her receipt she went I think August 28th 1876. I drew the order to August Machts and he either gave me the money or I took the order and

obtained the money on it from some one from whom I do not now remember I had been obliged to do the same a great many times before and since because many people would not take county orders for the reason that very often there was no money in the treasury with which to pay them and I was forced to get some of my friends to advance money on them very often when it was absolutely necessary that the money should be had.

Mr. Cook the steamboat agent and James J. Pindie and many other persons would never take the orders and whenever I had any transactions with them I had to get the cash. I have sometimes when in funds advanced the amount myself sometimes borrowed the money when there was none in the treasury and have drawn the order to to whoever I got the money from or had the dealing with had them endorse the orders and then have got the cash on them as best I could and from whomsoever I could in order to replace the money obtained for the use of the county.

Second Interrogatory

I have answered this in the answer to last interrogatory

Third Interrogatory

Answered in the answer to first interrogatory

To the fifth charge he answers as follows.

I never sold any wood belonging to the county to D. Cole. I sold 114 cords wood belonging to my wife to D. Cole for \$22.⁵⁰ to take pay in meat. I took a quarter of beef for eighteen ⁷⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars and sent to the County House balance in due bill three ⁸⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars. The county holds the due bill now I have never received a cent worth on it for my own use. I got pay for the wood for my wife by drawing a Poor order in favor of D. Cole to pay the meat bill which was endorsed by Cole and collected by me.

The fifth charge is answered above.

To the sixth charge I answer as follows:

I never purchased of D. M. Stryker or elsewhere any fine flannel under shirts or any other articles whatever which was paid for by the County and converted to my own use. I have no recollection of any such purchase for the County or otherwise.

To the eighth charge I answer as follows

My wife sold 100 bushels of turnips to the County through Watson Farmer at 65 cents per bushel. the same quality of turnips sold at retail at 75 cents per bushel and I consider 65 cents a fair price for

such turnips and I was so advised by those dealing in such produce the turnips were raised on my wife's farm and her property. She wanted me to sell them and I thought the County House was using well to buy them.

Ninth charge

Answer to first Interrogatory

wife in Marquette.

I am residing with my

Answer to Second Interrogatory

I do not know as I

understand what you mean by directly interested. If you mean pecuniarily - no. I do feel an interest in the prosperity of my wife. I do not know as I have any pecuniary interest in her affairs.

Answer to Third Interrogatory

I am not pecuniarily interested that I know of I feel an interest in the prosperity of my friends and think I should feel as much interest in the prosperity of my wife.

Answer to Second, Third Interrogatory

I do in a great measure look after, and take care of her interests out of court as she does mine in court and I did look after her interests in this case referred to

Answer to Fourth Interrogatory

I looked after her interests in the sale of turnips this year and no farther. I made inquiries what such turnips were worth and sold them for what I considered and still consider a fair price to Watson & Palmer and bought the same turnips for the same price from them for the County Poor House.

Answer to Fifth Interrogatory

Wagons were hired to deliver the turnips. I told Watson to give my wife credit for the amount. I did not know that the amount had been placed to my credit until very recently.

Answer to Sixth Interrogatory

I did later in the season sell to Husbondur the balance of the turnips my wife had left they were of all kinds and sizes some frozen and some were commencing to rot. They were not fit for table use and they were sold to him for forty cents per bushel and he used them to feed cattle. They were no such turnips as the County had.

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Amount sent forward

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| July 21 | B. Michard & Co | 1 Stove ^{20⁰⁰} 2 Pipes ^{16⁰⁰} Elbows. ^{8⁰⁰} Knives ^{5⁰⁰} Spoons ⁸⁵ 2 Pans | 4 cups ^{5⁰⁰} 4 Plates ⁶⁰ | by Superintendent Bumphey for Mrs Mullins and now at the house where she resides and belong to the County | 24 85 |
| " 21 | J. O. Watson & Son | 1 Bedstead ^{4⁰⁰} 1 mattress ^{4⁰⁰} 1 table ^{3⁰⁰} 1 Shucking Cotton mangle ¹⁵ Crash ²⁵ Wash board ³⁵ 1 Childs Crib ^{3⁰⁰} mop handle ³⁵ | | by Superintendent Bumphey for Mrs Mullins and are now at the house where she resides and belong to the County | 16 10 |
| " 23 | B. Michard & Co | 1 Chopping Bowl ⁵⁰ 1 Pair ⁴⁰ 4 Pans ^{2⁰⁰} march 1 iron can ⁴⁰ | | by W. C. McJugur for County House | 3 30 |
| March 19 | J. S. McJugur | 6 Brooms | | by W. C. McJugur for County House | 1 80 |
| " 30 | J. O. Watson & Son | 2 cysd matting | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 15 |
| April 8 | B. Michard & Co | 1 Stove | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 60 |
| " 29 | J. B. Johnson assignee | 1 doz. Brooms ^{3⁰⁰} 1 doz. Pails ^{2³⁵} | | by Superintendent Bumphey 7 of the Pails have been delivered at the County House the remaining 3 Brooms and the doz Pails are now at my house these articles were bought at a good deduction from market prices have never been used and are the property of the County | 5 35 |
| June 3 | B. Michard & Co | 1 C. B. Pair ¹⁵⁰ 1 doz Spoons ⁴⁰ Brush ³⁰ | | by W. C. McJugur for County House | 2 20 |
| July 1 | C. B. Whiting | Refrigerator purchased by Superintendent Bumphey for the county house. It was bought with the intention of taking it to the County House as I understood the keeper wanted one. it was taken into my yard as it had to be removed at once. it stood in my yard by my house for over one month as I was taken sick at that time and for several weeks unable to attend to business. when I got better I think Mr McJugur said he did not need it. I had it set into my wood shed where it now is. saying I would find a purchaser for it or buy it for myself if the county did not need it and fully explained this matter to the committee appointed by your honorable body to audit my accounts last October 1876 and they expressed themselves as fully satisfied. price | | | 35 |
| July 11 | B. Michard & Co | 1 Ch. pair | | made by order of W. C. McJugur for County House | 2 50 |
| Aug 1 | " " " | 1 Porcelain Kettle | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 1 10 |

\$172.15

Answer to Seventh Interrogatory

I did take a Stove from Mrs Mullins in the summer of 1875 and take the same to the County House

and several months after removed it to a house on Washington Street corner of fourth and about one year and a half thereafter took the pieces of said stove to a wood camp on the land owned by my wife July 21st 1876 I purchased a stove for Mrs Mullins paying for the same out of the Poor fund as will be seen in my answer to the 1st Interrogatory

8th Interrogatory in the summer of 1875 I aided Mrs Mullins who had been helped by the County to go to Chicago in search of her husband and took from her and old Cook stove and some other articles which last I did not consider of any other value but for fire wood: all which was taken to the County House. the stove was stored away with the old iron remaining there until sometime in the fall or winter of 1875 at which time it was taken to a house on the corner of Washington and fourth streets where it was used by Colon Johnson who was aided by the County said stove was here until sometime in July 1876 when it was abandoned as worthless and certainly would not be considered safe for any dwelling house. said stove was stored away as worthless for family use and it had fallen to pieces. Sometime about one year after this the men who were cutting wood for the County on E. D. Humphrey's land wanted a stove for the wood camp and I took this old stove putting it together as best I could with nails for hinges for the doors and cast iron for a front door the original casting being nearly gone it is much covered with rust and in some places you can see through it.

Tenth Charge

Answer to 1st Interrogatory

I did carry away to a wood four mattresses or straw beds. Six chairs one common table and I think only two double and single Blankets.

Second. I think I did have the Keeper of the Poor House Kiram, C. Mc Tregar take most if not all of the above articles to said wood camp sometime in the winter of 1875 to 1876.

Third I received them taken there for the use of those engaged in cutting wood for the County. the mattresses or straw beds are at said wood camp also I think the blankets are there. the chairs and table are there safely stored and locked up.

Fourth. The legal title to the land is vested in my wife and whatever proceeds that come from the land belong to her I know of no other person or persons interested than E. D. Humphrey and the County of Marquette as aforesaid. I considered the County interested when people who were or otherwise would have been if they had not been working there entirely dependant upon the County for support were cutting wood and living there and the property was taken there for their use.

Thirteenth Charge

Answer to first Interrogatory

I did purchase for the use of the county four of Marquette County Dur bundled and fifty cords or thereabouts of wood or rather the timber to make the same, I bought it of my wife at the rate of fifty cents per cord stumpage and took it off land which she owned

Second The same was purchased in the winter of A. C. 1876 & 1877 I have answered the balance of the interrogatory in my previous answer.

Third. I made all the arrangements about the wood

Fourth. It was not purchased at any meeting of the board It was not customary to make purchases at such meetings it was authorized by resolution of board March 1876. the circumstances of the transaction are as follows. my wife owned land nearer town than any from which I could purchase stumpage at that price the Superintendent had purchased wood from her the winter and spring before at the same price and it was worth that sum and more. then there was a camp on the land where the men could live while cutting and board themselves I wanted to employ my person in need of assistance and I could find no place as near as the city that offered the same advantages to obtain wood for the county and as cheaply as from this land must of. if the wood cost the county when delivered three Dollars per cord only. So at this I worked myself and spent a portion of my time at the work when the wood was being drawn out and frequently used my own team without making any charge to the county, in hauling out wood: taking the men back and forth to the job and many other things needless to mention.

Fifth No I did not I bought it for the county at as low a price as it be purchased from any other person.

Sixth I did attend to the chopping and getting out of the wood and attended no more to wife's interest in the matter than to keep track of the wood cut and see that she got pay for no more unless than was taken from the land the same as I would have been obligated to do if I had bought from any other person.

Seventh I have answered this interrogatory in my answer to the 6th

Fourteenth Charge.

Answer to first Interrogatory

I did give Robert J. Murray Supervisor of Richmond Township twenty Dollars in clothing out of the store of S. M. Scott October 19th 1875 or thereabouts and have the same charged to the poor fund.

Answer to 2nd Interrogatory

Sometime in October I think the 19th or thereabouts Robert T. Murray Supervisor of Richmond township had a conversation with me about taking his wife into the County House as an inmate. He having written to me before upon the subject Mr Murray said that his wife had been sick for some time and he was not able to give her proper care for it took nearly all his time to attend to her and he could not leave her to attend to other business even if he had it. I expressed myself as exceedingly regretful that a County official was placed in such unfortunate circumstances and was desirous of avoiding if possible the necessity of his sending Mrs Murray to the County House. I told him to get Superintendent Anthony to help him and send a Doctor to see his wife. I understood that this had been done (I afterwards learned that he had been aided by the County) after some further conversation Mr Murray concluded to let the matter rest for that time. During this interview with Mr Murray some remarks were made giving me to understand that the clothes he had, and they were certainly bad enough. The spike of coat particularly as it had several holes through it. I told him that I would give him a coat and went with him to S. M. Dey to requesting them to give him a coat. I think he took me away for a short time. afterwards returned to exchange a pair of pants and a vest which I had not offered to give him neither had I instructed Mr Dey to furnish the same to him. Mr Murray saw me afterwards when he told me about selecting the pants and vest which together with a coat amounted to twenty dollars and urged me to furnish them to him. I did so having it charged to the Poor Fund. purely for charity, no other motive was either expressed implied or even thought of by me.

Answer to 3rd Interrogatory

Said Murray was then within my jurisdiction and though he was a Supervisor he should receive aid from the county if he needed it. which in my judgment he certainly did. In conversation with Superintendent Anthony since that time he told me that he personally knew that Murray was in need of the clothes.

Fifteenth Charge

Answer to Interrogatory first

I did give Thomas Kefferman an order on the County about the time mentioned in the Interrogatory. but it was not for fifty cords of wood there is a mistake in the voucher. It should have been stumpage at fifty cents per cord on one hundred and twenty cords wood and is one of the items going to make up the sum of one hundred thirty five dollars and eighty seven cents as reported in my wood account for the year ending October a.e. 1876 as presented to the board of Supervisors the report now on file in the

Clarks office answer to Second Interrogatory. Hefferman did endorse the order. I think I asked him to do so.

Answer to third Interrogatory

I took the order and got it cashed

Answer to fourth Interrogatory

answered this in answer to first

Interrogatory.

Answer to fifth Interrogatory

I got the cash for it and do not remember from whom I got the money I gave the order to the person from whom I obtained the money.

Answer to Sixth Interrogatory

The wood was chopped or I hired persons to chop it for the use of the Superintendents of the poor on land owned by my wife and Thomas Hefferman Jointly during the winter of 1875 or 1876. This order was not given to Hefferman in payment for his interest in City Cords of wood chopped on said land but was for stumpage as I have before stated

Answer to Seventh Interrogatory.

I did not.

Answer to Eighth Interrogatory

The amount of money for which the order was drawn was paid to Mrs Humphrey to replace money which she had expended in relation to the land owned by her and Hefferman over and above what she should have paid as her portion of the expenses with which the County had nothing to do. The county got all the Stumpage or wood which it paid for.

Answer to 9th Interrogatory

It was.

Answer to 10th Interrogatory

When I purchased wood or stumpage from my wife or any one else for the county I represented the county and no other person. when I had any dealings with said Hefferman in relation to the land or wood on behalf of my wife I represented her and no one else

Sixteenth Charge

Answer to first, Second, Third, fourth, fifth and Sixth

Interrogatories

I did give the orders mentioned in the interrogatories to Kutop Santz at or about the time mentioned and will state the reasons for so doing. I had bought goods of Kutop Santz for

the county for some time. principally for the reason that when I gave an order on them the persons having the same were always satisfied with the goods and prices. they had complained to me a number of times about there being no money in the treasury to pay their orders when presented. they told me that they had been obliged to hold them until they accumulated several hundred dollars of them at a time and as they were selling their goods on these orders at the same prices as they were selling for cash they thought it unreasonable to wait so long for their money that they had at different times wanted to use the money in their business and had been obliged to discount some of these orders at five percent to get the money to use. they came to me at or about the time specified as being out of orders and told me in substance that they wanted money and as they had accommodated the county it was no more than right that they should be accommodated in return I thought so myself. advanced the orders and have since taken goods for the county to their full amount I only considered it payment for goods in advance at the time the orders were given. The county has been benefitted instead of injured by the transaction I made nothing out of it and county lost nothing.

Answer to Twelfth Interrogatory

I have replied to this in the last answer.

Thirteenth Charge.

Answer to first Interrogatory

order number 892 for Fifty Dollars drawn in favor of Thomas Kefferman was drawn in part payment for building a fence at County poor farm as shown by bill on file of like number receipted by him.

Answer to Second Interrogatory

I took the order to him: he endorsed it I took it. got some one to cash it I do not now remember whom and gave him the money as I have done very often before for other persons.

Answer to Third Interrogatory

I have not been in the habit of getting Thomas Kefferman to endorse orders on the poor fund and then dispose of them myself: Thomas Kefferman has never had but two County orders since I have been one of the Superintendents of the poor and but two have been drawn payable to his order during that time.

Answer to fourth Interrogatory

I have stated above above the facts concerning one order I think I got the other one

Cashed in the same manner.

Answer to fifth Interrogatory

The orders were numbered, dated and the amounts are as follows,

order 790 July 6th 1876 Fifty Dollars
 order 892 Sept 4 amount fifty Dollars. I do not know what has been done with the order I suppose the county has paid them

Answer to Sixth Interrogatory

as I have before stated the consideration of the order was to make part payment for building fence at county farm. I do not know what has become of the order I have never seen it since I got it cashed.

In answer to Eighteenth Charge I say

That I did pay Thomas Bifferman Twenty four ¹⁵ Dollars for building fence, about ninety rods. I let him the job to build the fence without any price being agreed upon and I paid his bill thinking it was a fair bill I may have paid to much, the bill included the building of a large frame gate which he says was worth twelve Dollars. I used my judgment in the matter and if I paid to much it was an error of judgment

D. C. Bumphrey
 Supt of the Poor

State of Michigan
 Marquette County

Before me at Marquette in said County in this 18th day of May A. D. 1877 personally appeared Samuel C. Bumphrey who being by me duly sworn says that he has read the foregoing report by him subscribed and knows the contents thereof and that the same is true in substance and in fact

J. M. Moore
 Notary Public
 Marquette County
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To the Honorable Chairman and Board of Supervisors
 Gentlemen

In the foregoing report it has been my endeavor to comply with the requests of your Honorable body so far as possible.

It has ever been my sincere desire to perform the duties of my office

in a manner acceptable to the public, and protect the interests of the tax payers of our county. Man is human; and it is human to be have committed errors they have been only in judgment, and not the promptings of evil desires.

No man can possibly feel a warmer interest in the management of the affairs relating to the poor of this county than myself. at the time of the commencement of this investigation. I had already commenced to organize a system which my experience had taught me was advisable, and had taken such steps as would ultimately, in my mind, lead to more satisfactory results than had hitherto existed in the management of the poor generally and our county house.

This matter has been uppermost in my mind for the last several months. Every opportunity has been embraced to gather information referring thereto. during this time I have enjoyed many favorable opportunities of information by personal observation, together with a somewhat extensive correspondence with persons holding positions, not only in our, but in the various charitable institutions of other States.

To day, had there been no interruption in my plans, your honorable body would have seen a system in working which would not only ^{have} given you satisfaction but also afforded you pleasure. this I expect to do in the immediate future and hope that a long time will elapse before another interruption in the duties of my office may occur though the motives for these investigations may have been the promptings of virgin purity they ^{heretofore} have come around with equal regularity.

Asking your honorable body to give these matters your careful, candid consideration and believing that you will fully exonerate me, from wrong in the charges under investigation I remain your obedient servant.

D. E. Humphrey

Supr of the Poor

on motion of Mr Jones the board took a recess until two o'clock P.M.

at two P.M. the board was called to order by the chairman. roll called by the clerk. quorum present.

Supervisor Kirkpatrick offered the following resolution

Whereas, D. E. Humphrey has neglected to make a report under oath to this board on the following matters connected with the duties of his office as one of the Superintendents of the poor of Marquette County, in the following respects to wit: he has refused to answer the third and fifth interrogatories to the ninth charge. he has refused to ^{answer} fully the sixth interrogatory to the thirteenth charge. his answer to the third interrogatory to the fifteenth charge is evasive and not full. his answer to the tenth interrogatory to the same charge is not responsive and is evasive, and whereas said Humphrey has been heretofore required by this board to answer

said interrogatories, and he has neglected to comply therewith, therefore

Resolved that said D. P. Humphrey be and he is hereby removed from his said office of Superintendent of the Poor of the County of Marquette, and said office is hereby declared vacant.

Which resolution was adopted by a two thirds vote of the board,
Yeas, Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Griffey, Godshall, Ball, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Saxon, Mann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer, Read, Stevens, Dreesner,
Mayer, Barway, Chairman.

Mr. Mulvey offered the following resolution.

Whereas in the report of D. P. Humphrey made to this board under oath, it appears that he has violated the provisions of Section 1820 of the compiled laws of 1871, as amended by act 77 of the session laws of 1875, in being indirectly if not directly interested in the sale of furniture, provisions and implements to the County of Marquette for the use and maintenance of the poor of said County and.

Whereas he has confessed to drawing orders on the County treasurer and getting the cash thereon himself when the law contemplates that no part of the money belonging to the Poor fund shall be held by any person except the County treasurer in the cases mentioned by said Humphrey, and said Humphrey admits that he has made loans of the poor fund to certain parties to whom the County owes nothing whatsoever and.

Whereas it is evident from the report of the special committee that the provisions purchased from his wife were just the same as if he owned them himself, and that he actually did receive credit for a portion thereof, and his whole report shows that he has acted in plain violation of the statute, therefore

Resolved, that the County treasurer and prosecuting attorney are hereby directed to proceed criminally against said D. P. Humphrey for such violations of law, and that the Prosecuting attorney be instructed to engage a competent attorney to assist him in the prosecution,

Which was not adopted

Yeas, Cook, Griffey, Godshall, Ball, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Saxon, Mann, Mulvey, Palmer, 10.

Mayer, Ayers, Catlin, Barway, Mitchell, Read, Stevens, Dreesner and Chairman, 7.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the affairs of the Superintendents of the poor of the Second

and Third districts in accordance with a resolution adopted by this board April 19th 1877 acted under by the former committee which is hereby discharged.

Mr Harvey moved that Supervisors Jones, Mulvey and Palmer be appointed as such committee, which motion did not prevail.

The chair then appointed Supervisors Ball, Cook, and Peter Pascoe as such committee.

On motion of Mr Mulvey Messrs Ball and Cook were excused from serving on the above committee.

On motion of Mr Palmer, Peter Pascoe was excused from serving on the above committee.

The chair then appointed as such committee Supervisors, Harvey, Ayers, and Stevens.

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted. Resolved that the sum of fifty Dollars be allowed the Chairman of this board to defray his expenses in the investigation of the insane asylum at Kalamazoo and the said Chairman and the County Clerk are authorized to draw an order on the treasurer for that amount.

Mr Cook, Chairman of the purchasing committee made the following report which was read and would be placed on file.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County,
Gentlemen

Your purchasing committee beg leave to report that they find certain repairs needful to be done on the County Court House in different places - the roof, floors, ceiling and steps in front of the Court House, all of which is respectfully submitted

Thos. E. Cook

Chairman Purchasing
Committee

On motion of Mr Jones the board took a recess until seven o'clock P.M.

At seven o'clock P.M. the board was called to order by the Chairman roll called by the clerk: quorum present.

On motion of Mr Jones the regular order of business was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr Jones the board proceeded to elect a Superintendent of the Poor for the first district in place of S. E. Humphrey removed

on motion of Mr Hawcy the board took an informal ballot for Superintendent which resulted as follows

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|-----------------|---------|
| Henry E. Warner | 6 votes |
| James McQuillan | 5 " |
| James P. Pondie | 6 " |
| Carnie Britton | 1 " |

Total 18

on motion of Mr Steens the board took the second informal ballot for Superintendent which resulted as follows.

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Henry E. Warner | 7 votes |
| James P. Pondie | 7 " |
| James McQuillan | 4 " |

Total 18

on motion of Mr Jones the board took the third informal ballot for Superintendent which resulted as follows

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Henry E. Warner | 8 votes |
| James P. Pondie | 7 " |
| James McQuillan | 3 " |

Total 18

on motion of Mr Jones the board took the fourth informal ballot for Superintendent which resulted as follows.

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|-----------------|---------|
| Henry E. Warner | 7 votes |
| James P. Pondie | 6 " |
| James McQuillan | 5 " |

Total 18

on motion of Mr Cook the board took the fifth informal ballot for Superintendent which resulted as follows

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Henry E. Warner | 13 votes |
| James McQuillan | 4 " |
| James P. Pondie | 1 " |

Total 18

on motion of Mr Mann the board took a formal ballot with the following result.

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|-----------------|----------|
| Henry E. Warner | 14 votes |
| James McQuillan | 2 " |
| James P. Pondie | 2 " |

Total 18

Mr Warner having received a majority of all the members elect was declared duly elected.

Mr Stevens offered the following resolution

Resolved that the purchasing committee make the proper repairs on the Court House in this (Marquette County)

Which was accepted.

Yeas Prob. Patton, Griffey, Godshaw, Hall, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Rawson, Mitchell, Hulvey, Palmer, Read, Stevens, Chairman. 14

Nays Ayers, Harvey, Mann, Mosser 4.

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Salary of the Superintendent of poor of first district be fixed at Four Hundred Dollars per annum.

Mr Jones also offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that Books and papers belonging to the office of the Superintendent of the poor be turned over by the county clerk to Superintendent elect Henry E. Warner.

The prosecuting attorney asked and obtained further time in which to make his report.

On motion of Mr Stevens the board proceeded to the regular order of business

On motion of Mr Stevens the board took a recess for ten minutes

At 8¹⁰ o'clock the board was called to order by the chairman - quorum present.

The committee on Justice and Constables accounts made the following report which was on motion adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and ordered paid viz:

| | claimed | allowed |
|---|---------|---------|
| May 14 th Timothy Conohue serving as witness | 3.29 | 3.29 |
| " 15 Swan West summoning Jury | 2.75 | 2.35 |

The following bills were rejected for the reason that no amount is stated

E. P. Nelson services at Inquest

Patrick Mc. Kinna " as Juror

John Danson " " "

Moses Duetloff " " "

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of said claims and accounts

Hiram Jones

J. E. Ayers

D. W. Catlin

Washington S. Mann

Committee

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to invite the board of Superintendents of the Poor to meet them and confer with them in devising a more satisfactory system of keeping the accounts and records of said board of Superintendents and that said committee report their action hereon to this board

Jos. Kirkpatrick

The chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Hall, Catlin & Starns

Mr. Catlin offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that the board of Superintendents of the poor be and they are hereby respectfully requested to make at their earliest possible convenience a change in the keepership of the County poor House by the removal of Hiram C. McSpurger the present incumbent and the substitution of some suitable person in his stead

Bill of E. C. Anthony amounting to two dollars was in motion of Mr. Cook allowed.

Mr. Starns moved that the board take a recess for five minutes which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ayers offered the following resolution
Resolved that D. B. Humphrey be requested to return to County Poor House all property belonging to the County now in his possession.

Which resolution was not adopted.

on motion of Mr. Palmer the board adjourned until the 26th day of June A. D. 1877 at 10 o'clock A. M.

A. J. Furness
Chairman

Orms Rowland
Clerk

At an adjourned meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County held pursuant to adjournment at the Court House in the city of Marquette on Tuesday the 26th day of June A.D. 1877. the Chairman not being present the meeting was called to order by the clerk.

Present: Supervisors. Cattin, Godshaw, Hall, Jones, Mitchell, Mulvey, and James Pascoe.

There being no quorum present on motion of Mr. Jones the board took a recess until two o'clock P.M.

At two o'clock P.M. the board was called to order by the clerk, Roll called. present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Cattin, Triffey, Godshaw, Hall, Harvey, Jones, Larson, Mann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer, James Pascoe, Peter Pascoe, Read, Stevens & Woodner, Absent Supervisor Kirkpatrick & Chairman.

on motion of Mr. Cook, J. D. Stevens was elected chairman pro tem

The committee on claims and accounts made the following report which was on motion of Mr. Peter Pascoe adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated having had the same under consideration beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and unpaid viz.

| | | amount claimed | amount allowed |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| J. P. Harvey | return of Birth & Deaths | 170 | 170 |
| Andrew Larson | do | 1370 | 1370 |
| J. E. Ayers | do | 490 | 490 |
| Jacob Woodner | do | 50 | 50 |
| A. S. Mann | do | 310 | 310 |
| E. S. Triffey | do | 4 | 4 |
| E. W. Hall | do | 940 | 940 |
| S. Jones | do | 510 | 510 |
| James Pascoe | do | 1760 | 1760 |
| John Mulvey | do | 560 | 560 |
| Geo. Mitchell | do | 440 | 440 |
| A. K. Godshaw | do | 1090 | 1090 |
| J. D. Stevens | do | 50 | 50 |
| A. W. Read | do | 150 | 150 |
| J. C. Palmer | do | 2720 | 2720 |
| Peter Pascoe | do | 530 | 530 |
| Spuman Bros. | Divery Bill | 8 | 8 |
| John Mulvey | Bill of services | 4140 | 4140 |
| Erishum Jones | do | 4428 | 4428 |
| A. W. Wheaton | Bill of coal | 825 | 825 |

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| Alto Maitland | Services in county canvass | 444 | 444 |
| Wm Fowlard | 3 rubber stamps | 950 | 950 |
| C. K. Call Trustee | 2 Gas burners | 75 | 75 |
| B. D. Childs | Dram and glass | 3 | 3 |
| Edward D. Hardy | State armetory | 5 | 5 |
| do | Rubber stamp | 350 | 350 |
| Wm Fowlard | Expenses | 529 | 529 |
| Michigan Asylum | Board of Inmates | 73069 | 73069 |
| A. A. Anderson | " " Prisoners for May | 5626 | 5626 |
| do | " " " " June | 625 | 625 |
| James Stephens | Splitting wood for Jail | 150 | 150 |
| Thomas B. Williams | Services in county canvass | 1032 | 1032 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

J. P. Hawey
A. R. Toddhall
J. D. Stevens } Committee

Bill of John Hassbender amounting to — was on motion referred to the Superintendants of the poor.

Bill of Peter White amounting to four hundred and fifty six ⁶⁶/₁₀₀ Dollars for rent of county Treasurers office from January 1st 1876 to May 1st 1877 was on motion allowed.

Gas. Supervisors Ayers. Toddhall. Hall. Hawey. Jason. Mann. Mitchell. Mulvey. James. Pascoe. Peter Pascoe. Read. Woodson and Chairman 13

Mayer. Supervisors Cook. Catlin. Triffey. Joseph Palmer.

Bill of John Rasmussen amounting to two Dollars for sawing wood for Jail was on motion allowed.

The committee on Justices and Constables accounts made the following report which was on motion adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated. Having had the same under consideration beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants. be allowed and well paid viz,

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|----------------|--------------------------------|-------|-------|
| A. A. Anderson | conveying prisoners to Detroit | 6560 | 6560 |
| do | " " " " " | 10650 | 10650 |
| H. K. Raighin | Services as constable | 176 | 176 |
| do | " " " " | 144 | 144 |
| do | " " " " | 144 | 144 |

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| W ^m . H. Raighin | Services as constable | 125 | 125 |
| Thomas Durd | Praying body Rich James Jr | 2 | 2 |
| Pat McKenna | Services on inquest | 2 | 2 |
| G. H. Duthie | " as Juror on inquest | 2 | 2 |
| Nicholas Shultz | " " " | 2 | 1 |
| Carl. S. Hendel | Justice fees. | 292 | 268 |
| do | " " | 327 | 295 |
| do | " " | 354 | 314 |
| do | " " | 334 | 306 |
| do | " " | 1244 | 1060 |
| do | " " | 590 | 514 |
| W ^m H. Raighin | Constable services | 205 | 189 |
| do | " " | 205 | 189 |
| Edward D. Hardy | Justice " | 238 | 238 |
| do | " " | 238 | 238 |
| P. B. Kirkwood | Services as coroner | 1050 | 940 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts.

Thurston Jones.
 James Pascoe.
 Judson E. Myers

} Committee

The committee on printing made the following report, which was on motion adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid viz:

| | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------|------|
| Chas. A. Eggers | one receipt Book | 4 | 4 |
| do | " record of mortgages | 19 | 19 |
| do | two Inquests | 8 | 8 |
| do | one Court Commissioners docket | 2150 | 2150 |
| A. P. Springfield | 500 Justice blanks | 12 | 12 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts.

D. E. Cook chairman of the purchasing committee made the following report, which was referred back with authority to complete the specified repairs at a sum not exceeding four hundred and thirty seven ⁶⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 Gentleman

with the Superintendents of the poor and devising a more satisfactory plan of keeping the accounts and records of said board. they have to report that your committee met with the said Superintendents pursuant to instructions, and adopted a system of keeping the accounts and records of said board satisfactory to the Superintendents of the poor and your committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. N. Hall.
D. A. Catlin } Committee
J. A. Stevens }

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was not adopted

Resolved that all bills hereafter presented to this board be acted upon separately by the full board after having been passed upon by the several committees.

Mr Catlin offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved that the prosecuting attorney be instructed to proceed forthwith to collect all fines now in the hands of Justices of the peace which have been paid to them as fines to the county and said prosecuting attorney is hereby further instructed to proceed against all other officers who now hold fines belonging to the County; who have held fines for one month or more previous to this date.

Mr Triffy offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved. That John Mulvey be appointed a committee of one, and be instructed to proceed at once to investigate in relation to the alleged loss by fire of wood belonging to the County and cut under the direction of the County poor board, and whether any portion of said wood was saved from the fire: and if so what has become of it.

Bond of Henry E. Warner as Superintendent of the first district signed by James Dickands, J. M. Wilkinson and D. N. Merritt as Sureties was on motion of Mr Cook well and approved.

On motion of Mr Jones, the board adjourned until Friday the 27th day of July A. D. 1877 at 1³⁰ P. M.

Chairman pro tem

D. M. Rowland
Clerk

At an adjourned meeting of the board of supervisors of Marquette county held pursuant to an adjournment at the court house in the city of Marquette on Friday the 27th day of July A.D. 1877. The board was called to order by the chairman at 1³⁰ P.M. roll called by the clerk.

Present Supervisors Ayers. Cook. Catlin. Triffy. Toddshall. Hall. Harvey. Jones. Kirkpatrick. Mann. Mitchel. Mulvey. Peter Pascoe. Stevens. Absconded Chairman

Absent Supervisors ~~Supervisor~~ Saron. James Pascoe. Read
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The following communication was received, read, and referred to the prosecuting attorney.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, State of Michigan

The undersigned one of the bondsmen of Sheriff A.A. Anderson being about to remove from the State, most respectfully requests to be released from said bonds
Chas. Kingate

The committee on Finance and Defation, presented the following report which was read and ordered placed on file

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of the indebtedness of the county, beg leave to report that they have had the matter under consideration, and that on the 23rd of July 1877 the account stood as follows upon the treasurers books.

| | | |
|---|---------|------------|
| Delinquent tax returned to State | | 39835.31 |
| Exdnet State tax | 4576.99 | |
| " rejected | 3651.81 | 8228.80 |
| " | | 31606.5 |
| Amount received since February from State | | 11394.91 |
| Leaving total amount due from State July 23 rd 1877 | | 29211.5 |
| An examination of the order books of the several funds show the following amounts to be outstanding | | |
| General Fund | | 24759.5 |
| Over " | | 6741.15 |
| Jurors certificate | | 229.90 |
| | | \$9.447.01 |

Taking this amount from the amount due from the State leaves a balance in favor of the county of \$10.764.57

In submitting the report your committee beg leave to recommend that ten thousand dollars be borrowed by the county for a period not to exceed six months, and at a rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent per annum.

D. H. Hall.

J. P. Hawley.

E. B. Palmer

C. S. Griffey

Committee

Mr. Updey who was appointed at the last meeting of the board to investigate into the alleged loss of wood by fire belonging to the County, reported 87 cords remaining on the farm of D. D. Humphrey late Superintendent of the poor.

The Chairman presented the following report which was read and ordered placed on file.

To the Board of Supervisors

The undersigned

begs leave to report that in accordance with a resolution of the board, he visited the insane asylum at Kalamazoo, in the early part of June last, and so far as he was able investigated the condition of the patients sent from this county and who are maintained in the said asylum at the expense of the County. He was most courteously and kindly received by Dr. Van Duzen the Superintendent who afforded him every facility for the investigation of the condition of the patients referred to, and fully responded to all inquiries. He found in the asylum the following patients from Marquette County.

First Christina, m. Anderson sent by Judge Hardy March 16th 1876 would at time of visit soon be well and ready to be taken home.

Second. Peter Connor. sent by Judge Benedict July 17 1870 incurable and violent

Third Christiana Thal. sent by Judge Hardy January 13th 1874 not violent and getting better.

Fourth. Sizzie Appendorf sent by Judge Hardy 21st April 1875. getting better but will always be demented.

Fifth Mary Schwartz. sent by Judge Barney Dec 6th 1868 demented and always will be.

Sixth Xavier Roth sent June 1st 1875 by Judge Hardy demented and incurable.

Seventh. Frank Pierce sent April 21st 1875 by Judge Hardy no change since being sent and believed to be incurable

Eighth Catharine Brown sent by Judge Hardy April 10th 1876.

delicate health. physically and no prospect of recovery mentally
ninth. Michael McManara sent by Judge Hardy May 5th 1876
 improving but not fit to be discharged

Tenth. Emerald Marquette sent by Judge Hardy Aug 30th 1876 has not
 improved in the least. except physically. She is the unknown crazy
 woman found running at large at Durstville and the name above
 is one given her by the officers of the Asylum.

Eleventh. Ellen Hawkins sent by Judge Hardy Aug 30th 1876 had just
 been sent away fully recovered

Twelfth. Romie Charter sent by Judge Hardy July 1st 1875 somewhat
 improved but not fit to be removed

Thirteenth. Gertrude Seisouquel sent in 1873. dead

Fourteenth. Louis Tirau sent by Judge Hardy February 15th 1877
 improving and recovery probable.

Your committee was informed by Dr Van Euzen that the legislature
 at its last session had passed a law which provided that all
 patients sent to the asylum should become charges of the state at
 the expiration of two years from the date of their reception
 unless sooner discharged; but the laws passed at the last
 session not having yet been published. your committee has no other
 information on the subject. If such a law was passed, it will relieve
 the county of the greater part of the expense growing out of the
 proper treatment and maintenance of ^{its} insane persons.

In the absence of such a law your committee would recommend
 that a proper addition be made to the county poor house, in which
 to care for and maintain those ^{insane} persons who are incurable, but
 harmless. your committee would further suggest that the
 board take measure to ascertain whether one or more of
 those now maintained at the asylum, at the expense of the
 county, ought not to be maintained by relatives who are able
 to afford such expense, and thus relieve the county.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. P. Swinford
 Committee

Bond of Timothy Donoghue to indemnify county against loss, for
 issue of duplicate order was referred to committee on Finance & Salaries
 together with the prosecuting attorney.

Mr. Harvey made a verbal statement that he was unable to act on
 special committee appointed at a previous meeting to investigate
 the affairs of the Superintendents of the poor in the second
 and third districts. whereupon, Mr. Triffey moved that Mr.

Barney be refused from serving on the above committee

Mr Storns offered as an amendment that all the members of the special committee be refused from serving on said committee - which amendment was not carried.

The motion to refuse Mr Barney did not prevail.

Mr Jones offered the following resolution which was not adopted
Whereas a Judgment was entered in the year 1875 in favor of this county against the Marquette Pacific Rolling Mill Company for the sum of thirty five hundred Dollars or thereabouts which said Judgment is at the present time uncollectable against said company, and

Whereas H. H. Theaton the agent of said company, now proposes to compromise and pay the county the sum of two thousand dollars in two monthly payments of one thousand dollars each, if he shall receive a full discharge from further payment of the same, therefore Resolved that the prosecuting Attorney be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to accept the said amount of two thousand dollars from said Theaton, and execute to him, as such agent a full discharge and release from any further payment or liability under said Judgment.

Mr Jones also offered the following.

Resolved that the Chairman and Clerk of this board be, and they are hereby authorized and instructed to draw orders to the amount of ten thousand dollars in favor of C. K. Ball Chairman of the Finance Committee in such amounts as he shall require, payable six months from the date of issue, with interest not to exceed ten per cent. such orders when issued to be negotiated and the money raised thereon to be paid over to the County Treasurer for the purpose of paying the floating indebtedness of the county, but in no case shall said orders be disposed of at less than par.

which ^{resolution} was adopted. Treas. Supervisors Ayer, Cook, Catlin, Todd, Hall, Ball, Barney, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Mitchell, Mulroy, Palmer, Peter Passer, Storns, Worcester Chairman 15
Mayo, Griffey, Mann 2.

Supervisor Griffey offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved, that the Chairman of the committee on Finance and Deflation and the prosecuting Attorney be and they hereby are appointed a special committee authorized to adjust and settle the claim of the county against the Marquette Pacific Rolling Mill Co. upon a Judgment rendered against the said Company in the Circuit Court of this County in 1873 but not at a

less sum than two thousand.

Supervisor Kirkpatrick offered the following resolution.

Supervisor Kirkpatrick

offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that hereafter all bills and claims against the county shall be properly verified and filed with the county clerk at least six days before the session of this board at which they are presented.

on motion of Mr Jones the board took a recess till seven o'clock P.M.

At seven P.M. the board was called to order by the chairman, roll called by the clerk. Present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Hawey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Mann, Mitchell, Mulroy, Palmer, Peter Pascoe, Stornos Chairman 13.
Absent Supervisors Griffey, Godshall, Hall, Larson, James, Pascoe, Roadt Treasurer. 7.

The committee on claims and accounts made the following report which was on motion of Supervisor Cook adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the following claims and accounts herein enumerated beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and indeed paid. viz.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| A. P. Dorniford | bill of services as supervisor | 2184 | 2184 |
| J. E. Ayers | " " " " " | 30 | 30 |
| A. P. Dorniford | " " " to Kalamazoo | 3796 | 3796 |
| Jos. M. Kirkpatrick | " " taking Births & Deaths for 1876 | 120 | 120 |
| Wm Rowland | " " Expense | 150 | 150 |
| M. R. Manhard | " " Hardware &c | 2098 | 2098 |
| Andrew Larson | " " services as supervisor | 2520 | 2520 |
| Wager Johnson | " " furniture one office chair | 175 | 175 |
| William Rowland | " " record of Births & Deaths | 12690 | 12690 |
| Thomas Poyle | " " wood | 16 | 16 |
| Dage, A. Catlin | " " services as supervisor | 2496 | 2496 |
| Oconnor Blackwood | " " Gas fitting | 23 | 23 |
| William Rowland | " " transcribing Schoolcraft Records | 10895 | 10895 |
| Joshua Culbert | " " Sivery | 250 | 250 |
| Thomas E. Cook | " " services as supervisor &c | 2754 | 2754 |
| H. J. A. Bejardin | " " " " Expert | 5 | 5 |

| | | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Louis Saffaria | Services as Juror | 1 | 50 |
| Moses Outloff | " " " at Inquest | 2 | 2 |
| W. B. Milson | " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| J. C. Rogers | " " witness | 250 | 2 |
| William Anderson | " " constable | 1550 | 988 |
| Patrick Cleary | " " Juror at Inquest | 2 | 2 |
| Mathias Kneel | " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| John Fitzpatrick | " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| Chas Kraus | " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| William Munro | " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| Samuel Bennett | " " Deputy Sheriff | 486 | 332 |
| John Davis | " " Juror at Inquest | 2 | 2 |
| Carl S. Hindel | Error in allowing former bills | 384 | 384 |
| Michael Reacy | Services as Juror at Inquest | 3 | 3 |
| A. A. Anderson | " Summoning Jurors at Inquest | 6 | 6 |
| do | " " " " " for circuit court | 1640 | 1640 |
| John A. Hunch | " in case People vs Judy | 171 | 171 |
| do | " " attending Circuit court 1 day | 250 | 250 |
| do | " " case People vs Paul King | 202 | 202 |
| Wm. B. Raighin | " " " " " James Roe | 181 | 181 |
| do | " " " " " John Hamilton | 195 | 195 |
| P. B. Kirkwood | " as coroner | 1195 | 1195 |
| do | " " " " " | 10 | 10 |
| Timothy Donohue | " in case People vs E. Faughlin | 273 | 273 |
| do | " " " " " John Dunn | 275 | 275 |
| do | " " " " " Geo Musherata | 338 | 338 |
| do | " " " " " Wm McConnel | 275 | 275 |
| do | " " " " " Mrs. Fauchier | 130 | 130 |
| do | " " " " " James Ruby | 265 | 265 |
| do | " " " " " Thos Dougherty | 355 | 355 |
| Jacob Wolf | " attending circuit court. Supervisor | 15 | 1454 |
| do | " in case People vs C Bystrom | 185 | 185 |
| J. H. Pimeau | " Drawing Jury for circuit court | 2 | 2 |
| John S. O'Keefe | " " " " " " " " " | 2 | 2 |
| do | " " case People vs Hamilton | 364 | 364 |
| do | " " " " " B. Siddy | 417 | 417 |
| do | " " " " " Jas. Roe | 237 | 237 |
| do | " " " " " Paul King | 249 | 249 |
| do | " " " " " Ed Flynn | 237 | 237 |
| do | " " " " " Ellen Muehan | 187 | 187 |
| do | " " " " " Mary Darby | 187 | 187 |
| do | " " " " " Charles Bystrom | 205 | 205 |
| do | " " " " " Mary Butler | 249 | 249 |

And your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts.

J. Jones.
Chairman

The following were referred to full board.

Bill of Jacob Wolf amounting to \$81.⁰⁰ was on motion of Mr Cook allowed at \$78.⁵⁰

Bill of A. A. Anderson amounting to \$80.⁶⁵ was on motion of Mr Cook allowed

Bill of A. P. Dwinford for Justice Pickett for Carl S. Wundel amounting to \$22.⁶⁰ was on motion of Mr Ayer allowed.

Bill of Townsend Keaton M.D. for services on inquest of James Stewart amounting to \$10.⁰⁰ was on motion of Mr Peter Passo referred back for time.

The following bills were rejected by the committee of the whole.

| | | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| Alec McCurdy | services as Justice of the Peace | \$5.58 |
| Edwin Stearns | " " Parson | 5.60 |
| John Murty | " " Constable | 7.05 |
| George Spill | " " " | 13.85 |

Mr Henry E. Warner secretary of the board of Superintendents of the poor presented the following statement showing the expenditure of that board for the month of June 1877

| Temporary relief | | |
|--|--|---------|
| Food | | 1227.89 |
| Fuel | | 4.00 |
| Clothing | | 559 |
| Medical Attendance | | 108.45 |
| Medicines | | 92.86 |
| Funeral Expenses | | 9.89 |
| Transportation | | 48.05 |
| Other expenditures rent | | 22.00 |
| Books, Blanks and Stationery | | 27.60 |
| Wages for Superintendent Second District | | 45.00 |
| | | 1591.33 |

County Care

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Food | 220.91 |
| Clothing | 37.90 |
| Fuel | 37.00 |
| Medical Attendance | 16.66 |
| Medicines | 54.65 |
| Other Expenditures, Cooking utensils | 6.45 |
| Repairs to Building | 36.95 |
| Farming Implements | 4.50 |
| | 4150.2 |
| | 1591.33 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| amount sent forward | 415.02 | 1591.33 |
| Plants & Dues | 3.00 | |
| Nurse Sheringer | 12.00 | |
| Incidental Expenses. Soap, etc. | 940 | |
| | | 439.42 |
| | Total. | \$2030.75 |

Average number of inmates in County House - 31. for the month of June.

The committee in power presented the following report which was on motion of Mr. Hawey adopted.

The committee in power to whom was referred the monthly statement of the Superintendents of the poor for the first, Second & Third districts beg leave to report that they have had the same under examination and find that the same appears to be regular and correct. Your committee find that the cost for medicine and medical attendance is apparently more than it ought to be, and we would respectfully recommend that the board authorize the calling for bids from competent physicians to furnish medicine and medical attendance to all paupers or persons who are for the time being, a county charge, and to appoint deputies at various convenient points, reserving the right to reject any all bids, and also reserving the right to discharge such physicians at any time when in the opinion of the board the public interests require it.

John Mulvey
Chairman

Supervisor Sturms offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved That the purchasing committee be and they are hereby instructed to purchase immediately twelve (12) chairs to be placed in court room for the use of Jurors.

Supervisor Mann offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved. That the county treasurer be and he hereby is directed in all cases where it is necessary for the Sheriff or his deputy to take any person to any of the State institutions, by order of any court, to provide such Sheriff or his deputy with cash in a sum sufficient to defray his expenses and if necessary get county orders discounted at a rate not exceeding seven per cent for that purpose.

The Chairman offered the following resolution.

Resolved that the salary of the prosecuting attorney be and the same is hereby increased the sum of three hundred dollars from and after the first day of April 1877 from which said ^{date} his salary shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum. adopted

Geo. Ayer. Park. Catlin. Jones. Kirkpatrick Mann. Mitchell Mulroy. Palmer. Pascoe. Peter, Steward Chairman & may more.

Supervisor Peter Pascoe offered the following resolution which were adopted

To the Honorable board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

Gentlemen.

Whereas there is no common throughfare between Humboldt and Republic, excepting the Marquette Brighton Ontonagon Ry. and that the taxpayers of the above named townships have always paid their proportion of the taxes helping to build roads in every other part of the they then would ask the county to help them in building a good road between the above named places. Therefore be it

Resolved that there be donated to the townships of Republic and Ely the sum of two thousand dollars to be paid out of the contingent fund of Marquette County payable on the first day of February 1878 for the purpose of helping to build said road and that the Supervisors of the above named townships be held responsible for the judicious expenditure of said money on said road.

Resolved further that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be donated to the townships of Chocolay & Hurvath for the purpose of constructing a road from the village of Chocolay to Little Lake in Hurvath township or as near as may be practicable.

Supervisor Jones offered the following resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved that Deputy Sheriffs be hereafter allowed the sum of two ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars per day for five days but no longer for conveying prisoners and insane persons to Detroit. Kalamazoo. Ionia or Jackson.

Resolved that the treasurer of this county be and he is hereby directed to call in all outstanding county orders as soon

as he shall receive notice that the chairman of the committee on Finance & Taxation has in his hands the amount of money required to pay such outstanding arrears. by publishing a notice to that effect in each of the papers published in this county, and he is further directed to retain eight hundred dollars for the purpose of paying the Jurors of the next term of the Circuit Court.

Resolved, That the chairman and clerk be and they are hereby authorized to draw under an order to the amount of Three hundred and thirty five Dollars in favor of William Ballam, for repairs on Court house when his contract is completed and approved in writing by the purchasing committee

Supervisor Peter Pascoe offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved That the committee on poor be and they are hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids from competent physicians to furnish medicine and medical attendance to and upon any persons who are or may be a County charge, for the term of one year reserving the right to ^{reject any and all bids and reserving in behalf of the board of Supervisors the right to} discharge said physician at any time when in their opinion the public interests require it. Said committee shall also require such physician to appoint deputy physicians to be stationed or located at the most accessible points in the county, at such compensation as such physicians and deputies may agree upon; but such compensation shall not be chargeable to the county;

on motion of Supervisor Palmer, the board adjourned until Wednesday the fifth day of September A.D. 1877 at eleven o'clock a.m.

A. J. Stoneford
Chairman

Q. M. J. Ireland
Clerk

At a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Marquette County, held pursuant to a call signed by sworn Supervisors, at the Court House in the city of Marquette, on Friday the 10th day of August, A. D. 1877 at two o'clock P. M.

The board was called to order by the Chairman at two o'clock P. M. Roll called by the clerk present. Supervisors Ayers Cook, Catlin, Griffey, Godshall, Hall, Harvey, Jones, Larson, Mann, Pascoe James Pascoe, Peter, Reed, Stearns. Absent Chairman Albert Supervisors Kirkpatrick, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer. On motion of Mr Jones the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. On motion of Mr Jones, the board took a recess for fifteen minutes. At 2³⁰ P. M. the board was called to order by the Chairman quorum present.

The committee on claims and accounts made the following report which was on motion adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board, with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column, opposite the names of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid.

| viz: | | Amount Claimed | Amount Allowed |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| H. H. Theaton | Coal for Quas office | 825 | 825 |
| E. S. Hardy | Quarries Probate " | 225 | 225 |
| O Rowland | " Clerks " | 291 | 291 |
| Catharine Wahlman | Scrubbing Court House | 1925 | 1925 |
| William Ballam | Extra work on " " | 4435 | 4435 |
| S. Jones | Services as Supervisor | 3336 | 3336 |
| William Ballam | Court house repairs | 11148 | 11148 |
| " " | " " " | 19 | 19 |

And your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

A. K. Godshall
J. W. Stearns
E. E. Cook
J. D. Stearns
Committee

On motion of Supervisor Jones the bill of John E. Ward amounting to \$108⁴⁰ for gas used in Quas office was referred to the committee on financial valuation

The committee on Justice and constables accounts made the following report, which was on motion of Supervisor Cook adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated having had the same under consideration. beg leave to report the same back to the board. with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column. opposite the names of the respective claimants. be allowed and ordered paid.

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Albert Ranch | Services as witness | 172 | 172 |
| Chas Werner | " " " | 172 | 172 |
| Mary Cashin | " " " | 226 | 226 |
| Michael Cashin | " " " | 226 | 226 |
| John O. Neal | " " " | 226 | 226 |
| Wm Harrington | " " " | 226 | 226 |
| H. D. Daft M.D. | Medical attendance | 5 | 5 |
| Edwin Stone | Services as coroner | 560 | 560 |
| John Murty | " " Constable | 705 | 705 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

G. Jones.
 James Pascoe.
 W. S. Mann
 J. A. Catlin
 J. E. Ayers

} Committee

Bill of W. Keaton amounting to \$16⁹⁵ for services as inquest of James Stewart was. in motion of Mr Stone allowed at ten Dollars

The committee on printing made the following report which was in motion of Supervisor Peter Pascoe adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated. having had the same under consideration. beg leave to report the same back to the board. with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column. opposite the names of the respective. Claimants be allowed and ordered paid. viz.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------|------|
| S. P. Cray | 50 P. O. Cards printing | 250 | 250 |
| " " | 44 Court Calendars | 1640 | 1640 |
| A. P. Swineford | Printing note circular bill heads | 16 | 16 |
| " " | " for purchasing committee | 715 | 715 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

J. A. Catlin
 W. H. Read
 Jacob Woodson
 Committee

The purchasing committee presented the following report, which was read and under placed on file.

To the Honorable Chairman and
Clerk of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen

Your purchasing committee beg leave to report that they have met in the court house at 1³⁰ P.M. on Friday August 3rd and examined the repairs done on said court house by William Hallam, and find them to be well done and in accordance with said Hallams contract, and also have accepted the same, and recommend the drawing of order or writ on said county Treasurer in favor of said Hallam to the amount of Three thousand Three hundred Dollars in full for said contract and in accordance with a resolution adopted by the above mentioned board on July 27th A.D. 1877. All of which is respectfully submitted
Marquette Aug 3rd 1877

Thos. E. Cook

J. H. Read

J. D. Starns

Committee

The following communication was received, read and referred to the Committee on poor.

To the Honorable the board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen

Your attention is respectfully called to the matter of providing means for the transportation of the poor. Cases occasionally arise when to transport to distant relatives or friends those who from accident or otherwise have become county charges, would be both humane and a saving to the county; to do this requires money, and no money is at the disposition of this board. we take the liberty therefore of asking, if it be competent, and meets your approval, that the county treasurer be instructed to set aside and maintain such a fund of such an amount as shall seem to you sufficient for the use of this board for the purpose specified

H. E. Warner

Deputy

Mr Hall chairman of the Finance committee offered the following resolutions which was adopted.

Resolved that the county treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to transfer from the general fund the sum of Five thousand Dollars to the credit of the poor fund

Resolved. That the county treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to give notice by publication in the county papers, to all holders of interest bearing orders, that the same must be presented for payment within ten days from the 11th day of August 1877 and that said orders will cease to draw interest on the 20th day of August 1877.

Supervisor Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved That the Ten Thousand Dollars now being raised by the Finance Committee, or so much thereof as shall be raised by said committee, be placed to the credit of the general fund.

on motion of Supervisor Jones the resolution adopted at the meeting of this board held July 27th 1877 instructing the county treasurer to retain the sum of Eight hundred dollars for the purpose of paying Jurors, was rescinded.

Supervisor Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved That the county treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to retain in his hands the sum of Three hundred and fifty Dollars for the purpose of paying Jurors.

Supervisor Read offered the following resolution which was adopted

Resolved That the purchasing committee be and are hereby authorized to have a new paper binder and the paper on the walls of court room repaired.

Supervisor P. Pascoe offered the following

Resolved by this board that the sum of Three hundred Dollars per annum be paid to the publisher of the Mining Journal for the printing of all the proceedings of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County and that the date of commencement be the first day of May 1877 which resolution was not adopted

Yeas Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Hawcy, James Pascoe, Peter Pascoe and Wessner. 7

Nays Griffey, Goddard, Hall, Jones, Jason, Mann, 6
on motion of Supervisor P. Pascoe the vote by which the above resolution was not adopted was reconsidered and ^{the resolution} adopted

Yeas Ayers Cook Catlin, Hall, Hawcy, Jason, James Pascoe, Peter Pascoe, Read, Stewart Wessner. 11

Nays Griffey, Goddard, Jones, Mann 4. Chairman not voting

Supervisor Ayers offered the following resolution

Resolved that the salary of the Judge of Probate be and the same is hereby increased the sum of three hundred dollars from and after the first day of April 1877 from which date his salary shall be fifteen hundred dollars per annum. the same as it was ending December 1876. which was not adopted

Yas. Ayers. Griffey Ball. Harvey Saxon 5.

Mayo Jones. Mann. James Pascoe Peter Pascoe. Read. Sturms and
Wessner.

on motion of Supervisor ~~Read~~. the resolution offered by Supervisor Ayers increasing the Judge of Probate's salary was reconsidered. the question being on the adoption of the resolution the same was not adopted.

Yas. Griffey. Harvey Chairman 3.

Mayo. Catlin. Godshall. Ball. Jones. Saxon. Mann. James. Pascoe.
Peter Pascoe. Read. Sturms Wessner. 11

Unanimous consent being given by the board. Supervisor Cook offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the resolution heretofore adopted by this board directing the county treasurer to pay to the various towns the amounts of returned taxes due them from the State with interest at the same rate as allowed by the State be and the same is hereby rescinded. provided that the township of Mogaunee shall be allowed to draw upon the credit it has in said treasurer's office the sum of three hundred dollars

on motion of Supervisor Peter Pascoe the board adjourned

A. S. Stoneford
Chairman

O. M. Paulsen
Clerk.

At an adjourned meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County held pursuant to an adjournment at the Court House in the city of Marquette in said county on Wednesday the fifth day of September A.C. 1877.

The board was called to order by the Chairman at 11 o'clock a.m. roll called by the clerk. Present Supervisors Park, Cattin, Godshall, Hall, Hawcy, Jones, Taron, Mulvey, Palmer, Read, Stuns, Worcester
Chairman

Absent Supervisors Ayers, Griffey, Kirkpatrick, Mann, Mitchell, James, Pascoe, Peter Pascoe.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved

The following communication was received, read, and referred to the committee on Poor.

To the Honorable the board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette.

Gentlemen.

I have the honor to submit herewith a statement of orders drawn during August together with a statement of the expenditure of this board during July.

While the difference, ordinarily is but little it will be understood that this statement shows the amount actually paid ~~and~~ met the exact cost of maintaining the poor during the month

Yours, respy.

E. E. Garner
Deputy

Statement of Expenditures of the Superintendents of the Poor during July 1877

Temporary Relief

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Food | 1024.34 |
| Fuel | 43.25 |
| Clothing | 66.22 |
| Medical Attendance | 76.00 |
| Medicines | 122.24 |
| Funeral Expenses | 74.00 |
| Transportations | 83.85 |
| Rent | <u>18.33</u> |

Amount carried forward 1578.23

Amount sent forward

1598.23

County House.

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Food | 197.15 |
| Clothing | 27.20 |
| Sabur | 57.00 |
| Medical Attendance | 16.66 |
| Medicines | 52.40 |
| Furniture materials | 3.10 |
| Incidental Expenses | 13.98 |

276.59

1784.82

Average number of occupants. 28.

The following was received, read, and referred to the Prosecuting Attorney.

To the Honorable Board for the county of Marquette
Gentlemen

I have a few facts to submit to your honorable body as attorney for A. R. Barlow Esq one of the largest tax payers of said county viz. on the tenth day of August last C. K. Carie an official of the Marquette Branch of the Ontonagon R. R. Company residing at Marquette went to Michigamme being at the farthest end of said county and served out a criminal warrant against Mr Barlow and his six men for breaking a R. R. fence as claimed by said R. R. Co and this proceeding was sanctioned and the arrest directed by John S. Adams Esq prosecuting attorney to be executed at the county expense (as I am informed by the Sheriff Mr Anderson) thus making a large expense to the county for R. R. fares hotel bills etc amounting as I am informed to about \$80 what I should wish your honorable body to inquire into is whether there was any public necessity for taking this case to the farthest end of the county at so much expense or whether it was done to gratify the personal feelings of R. R. officials? and why it was not taken before one of the Justices of the township where it was claimed the offence was committed and also why the prosecuting attorney who should be the guardian of the people interest appointed H. P. Bealy Esq the salaried attorney of the R. R. Co. to prosecute the case contrary to the decision of the Supreme Court of our State as expressed in the case of *Meister vs People* 31 Mich reports Page 99 in which they say that a private attorney paid by private money shall not prosecute a criminal case and in which the court says "The ^{position of} prosecuting attorney is one involving a duty of impartiality not altogether unlike the Judge himself and also say the mischief which the law aims to avoid is prosecution by interested parties. and if such is the policy of the law it ought to be carried out Page 106 of such is the law will your honorable body as

as guardians of the people's money pay such bills without
inquiring into their Justice

September 5th 1877

Respectfully Submitted
D. O. Clark

on motion of Mr Jones the board took a recess until two o'clock P.M.

At two o'clock P.M. the board was called to order by the Chairman
Roll called by the Clerk. Present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Callin, Griffey,
Godshall, Hall, Harvey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Sarson, Mann, Mitchell,
Mulvey, Palmer, Pascoe James, Pascoe Peter, Read, Stevens, Worcester
Chairman

Mr Worcester of the committee on claims offered the following which
was adopted

To the Honorable the board of Supervisors of Marquette
County.

Whereas, it appears there was a board bill presented
to this board by the Sheriff at the last meeting incurred by a Mr
Thomas Hesch put in Jail as a fraudulent Debtor and whereas
in the opinion of the undersigned the county is not responsible
for the board of said Thomas Hesch under those circumstances.
Therefore be it.

Resolved that the above case be referred to the Prosecuting Attorney
and if in his opinion, the county is not responsible for the above
Bill, then the sum of \$11²⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars be and the same is hereby
deducted out of the bill of A. A. Anderson Sheriff of Marquette
County.

Dated Marquette Sept 5th 1877.

Jacob Worcester

Mr Hall Chairman of the Finance Committee presented the following
which was read & ordered placed on file.

To the Hon board of
Supervisors of Marquette County.

Gentlemen

The undersigned to
whom was intrusted the matter of raising ten thousand Dollars
to pay off the floating indebtedness of the county, beg leave to report
that the county orders for that amount have been negotiated
and the proceeds paid over to the County Treasurer

O. B. Call

Chairman Finance Committee

Mr Ball also presented the following which was in motion of Mr Kirkpatrick adopted

To the Hon Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Amendment

Your committee appointed to investigate the alleged loss of a county order for \$3⁴⁹ Dollars favor of Timothy Bonhue beg leave to report that they have had the same under advisement and find that said Bonhue has given the county a satisfactory bond of indemnity. we therefore recommend that the County Clerk be authorized to draw a duplicate order
C. B. Ball

Chairman Finance Committee

The committee on claims and accounts presented the following: which was in motion of Mr Peter Pascoe adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated beg leave to report the same back to the board. with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column. opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and ordered paid

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|--|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Michigan Asylum for the Insane. Board of Inmates | | \$676.72 | \$676.72 |
| Kagin Johnson | For repairs on Desk | 6. | 6. |
| H. P. Kealy | " legal fees in Humphrey case | 50. | 50. |
| G. A. J. Bisjardin | " professional services | 20.50 | 10. |
| Robert Nelson | " 12 Chairs for Jurors | 42. | 42. |
| John A. French | " Cleaning Court House | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Wm. B. Sibley | " " " " | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Wm. Rowland | " Sundries | 11.11 | 11.10 |
| Carl S. Wendel | " legal fees | 7. | 7. |
| Thomas E. Cook | " Services | 27.18 | 27.18 |
| A. A. Anderson | " Board of prisoners for August | 125.67 | 125.67 |
| C. S. Griffey | " Services as Supervisor | 37.92 | 37.92 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts

J. P. Barway
A. K. Toddshall
J. D. Stevens
Jacob Wocsoner
Committee

The following claim and affidavit was presented and on motion of Mr. Hall referred to the prosecuting attorney.

State of Michigan }
County of Marquette } s.s.

Julien Edoin of Ford River Township, Delta County being duly sworn, deposed and says that in the months of January February and March 1877 in town 43 north of range 28 west he killed six full grown wolves the skins was examined by the undersigned and we find them satisfactory, after which the sheep and was was cut off and burned to ashes, the same being over three months old, now therefore we the undersigned would recommend the payment to Julien Edoin of the bounty prescribed by law, for wolves over three months old

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of July A.D. 1877

Alex McCurdy Justice of the Peace Ely Township
Geo Mitchell Supervisor " "

Julien Edoin.

The committee on Justice and Constables accounts presented the following report which was on motion of Mr. Hoosener adopted. Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated. Having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back to the board, with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column, opposite the name of the respective claimants, be allowed and ordered paid, viz.

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|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| John S. Keefe | Justice fee. | 3 02 | 3 02 |
| d | " " | 2 38 | 2 38 |
| Alex McCurdy | " " | 5 58 | 2 58 |
| J. A. Curly | " " | 2 45 | 2 45 |
| Carl S. Hinkel | " " | 3 84 | 3 84 |
| Wm Harrington | witness " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| Charles Murrayweather | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| Downs and Beaton | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| Wm Cashen | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| Daniel Mitchell | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| John O'Neal | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| Michael Cashen | " " | 2 26 | 2 26 |
| A. W. Anderson | Taking prisoners to Court | 9 19 0 | 9 19 0 |
| d | Expenses in case People vs Curly | 6 10 | 6 10 |

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| A. A. Anderson | Expenses in case People vs Harrington | 325 | 325 |
| do | " " " " " Harlow | 3601 | 3601 |
| Jacob Wolf | 11 ds Service Deputy Sheriff | 2750 | 2750 |
| John A. Punch | Services in case People vs Barlow | 545 | 470 |
| do | 5 ds Service Deputy Sheriff | 1250 | 1250 |
| do | Services in case People vs Harrington | 635 | 635 |
| do | " " " " " Barlow | 670 | 670 |
| Geo. Hill | " " " " " Mcnaughton | 1362 | 779 |
| John Cannon | " " " " " Norton | 11 | 50 |
| James Morrow | " " " " " Harrington | 1685 | 954 |
| Samuel Bonnet | " as constable | 3 | 3 |
| do | " " " " " | 436 | 332 |
| do | " " Deputy Sheriff | 11 | 11 |
| W. K. Raighan | " in case People vs Furun | 189 | 189 |
| do | " " " " " Flynn | 170 | 170 |
| Antoine Munch | " " " " " Barlow | 26 | 1375 |
| H. J. Hirschman m ^{rs} | at inquest James Stewart | 10 | 10 |

Bill of Louis Backus and five others for services as Jurors in case People vs Barlow. returned for correction. also bill of Antoine Munch returned for correction

Mr Mulvey chairman of the committee on poor presented the following
 To the Honorable board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 Gentlemen

your committee on poor to whom was directed to advertise for bids from competent Physicians to furnish medicine and medical attendance to and upon any persons who are or may be a county charge for the term of one year. beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration and that they met at Ishpeming August 21st 1877 and that there were eight bids presented to said committee from various Physicians throughout the county. After examining the same the committee according to power in them vested by resolution passed by this board at a former meeting have awarded the contract to Dr James McQuillan of Marquette for the sum of nineteen hundred and fifty dollars. they would also report that the sum of two hundred dollars be set aside as a separate fund to defray expenses of poor when cases may occasionally arise when to transport to distant relatives or friends those who from accident or otherwise have become county charges. They have also examined the report of the county Supts of poor for the month of July 1877 and beg leave to report the same without any recommendation

John Mulvey
 J. E. Ayers
 Peter Pascoe

which report was not adopted

The committee on Printing presented the following report which was on motion of Mr Spiffey adopted

Your committee to whom was referred the claims and accounts herein enumerated. Having had the same under consideration. beg leave to report the same back to the board with the recommendation that the sums set down in the last column opposite the names of the respective claimants be allowed and ordered paid

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| Chas. A. Eggers | Paper for circuit court reporter | 450 | 450 |
| do | Record of Discharges | 21 | 21 |
| do | Assessment roll bound April 23 | 11 | 11 |
| do | Cash Book | 18 | 18 |
| do | Circuit Court record | 21 | 21 |
| do | Binding compiled laws 71 vol 1 | 150 | 150 |

and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the said claims and accounts.

D. A. Callin
H. W. Read
W. K. Fodshall
Committee

The Prosecuting Attorney presented the following report which was on motion of Mr Hossner ordered placed in file

Honorable board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

Gentlemen your Attorney to whom was referred the application of Chas Kingate asking to be released from his obligation as one of the sureties upon the bond of A. A. Anderson Sheriff of this County, begs leave respectfully to report. that he has the subject under advisement and finds no legal objection to granting such application and respectfully recommends that said Charles Kingate be released from his said obligation as such surety

Respectfully submitted

John J. Adams
Pros. Atty.

The Prosecuting Attorney also presented the following which
which was read and ordered placed on file

To the Honorable Board
of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen.

Your attorney to whom
was referred the communication of W. O. Clark Esq an attorney practicing law
in this county would beg leave respectfully to report that he has
examined the communication with as much care as its remark-
able character seems to demand.

It is true that a criminal prosecution was instituted against
Amos R. Harlow for an alleged violation of the laws of this State
relating to rail road fences. It is true that fortune has smiled
upon Mr Harlow since his advent into this county by reason of which
he has become a large tax payer. your attorney is unable to see
how this ^{fact} entitles Mr Harlow to any ultra sympathy or immunity.
It is true that the parties making the complaint caused a ~~complaint~~
a warrant to be issued by John D. Curley a Justice of the Peace of the
Township of Michigamme. The people have and ^{an} undoubted right to
seek redress for all wrongs of a criminal nature in any court in the
county where it may appear that an impartial trial may be
secured.

upon the trial of the case referred to Mr Harlow was by a jury con-
victed of the offence charged. from this verdict he has appealed to the
Circuit Court - and if again found guilty, must pay the costs of
prosecution in both courts. If he is acquitted the county must pay
the costs as in other cases.

It is not true that the Prosecuting Attorney directed the arrest to
be made. The warrant of the Justice contained the direction and
your attorney has not heard that Mr Curley's right to do so has
been questioned. Your attorney was shown the warrant by the
Sheriff and did instruct the Sheriff that it was in his opinion
regular upon its face, and being so it was his the Sheriff's
duty to serve it.

on the day the arrest was made the case of the People vs John D.
Harrington was down for hearing upon sentence in the Circuit
Court for this county and the Prosecution had summoned witnesses
from Stonville to appear here at two o'clock P. M. of that day
of course it was the duty of the Prosecuting Attorney to be in
attendance in the Circuit Court on that occasion though he did
try to secure another attorney to act for him in order that he
might attend the trial in the case against Mr Harlow
It is to be regretted that the author of the communication

referred to the Prosecuting Attorney did not examine the law more carefully before submitting the same to your honorable board. The Statute Compiled Laws of 1871 vol 1 Page 247 provides that the prosecuting attorney shall when requested by any magistrate of the county appear in behalf of the People of this State before any such magistrate other than those exercising the police jurisdiction of incorporated cities and villages and prosecute all complaints made in behalf of the people of this State. It will be seen that the prosecuting attorney is only required to attend in Justice Court when called upon by the magistrate. no such call was made by Justice Curly in this case cited by Mr Clark *minster vs People* 31 Mich rep 99 the rule actually laid down by the court is quite different from that deduced by Mr C.

The court say " The law never has prevented and does not now prevent private complaints before magistrates who have a discretion in regard to calling in the Prosecuting Attorney. In the ordinary course of things the case for the prosecution is brought out on that examination and Justice requires that it should be where defendant does not waive examination. But when the charge is presented on which the respondent is to be tried at the Circuit (where he must be tried for all statutory and common law felonies except petit larceny), the law requires the public prosecutor to assume and retain exclusive charge of the cause until the case is ended by acquittal or conviction. It must be apparent to any person of ordinary intelligence that the board of Supervisors cannot assume to dictate to the people as to what court or magistrate they shall apply for the punishment of crime.

And while the prosecuting attorney will cheerfully entertain any suggestions the board may be pleased to offer he cannot and ought not to be subject to the orders of the board of Supervisors concerning the conduct of the criminal business.

Mr Clark stands in the peculiar relation of being a little less than kin and more than kind. in his display of zeal for the people's interests.

It has been said that " laws are like cobwebs. they catch small flies but let wasps and hurnets fall through. the public prosecutor of this County wishes to be distinctly understood as having no sympathy with any such sentiment and while he will not make any man's quarrel his own he will strive to see to it that no man's immunity from punishment for crime shall be measured by the amount of his assessment roll. If Mr Barlow is innocent no-

man will rejoice more heartily over his acquittal than the prosecuting attorney and if he is guilty no man however humble need expect less favor.

Marquette Dept 5th 1877

Very respectfully

John S. Adams
Prosecuting Attorney
Marquette County.

Mr Jones offered the following resolutions which were adopted
Resolved That the purchasing committee be instructed to advertise for bids for the furnishing of wood and coal for the use of Court House and County Jail.

Resolved That Supervisors W. S. Mann and Peter Pascoe be appointed a committee of two to take an inventory of all county property and the different officers of the county are hereby requested to assist them in taking said inventory in their department. Said inventory when taken to be entered by said Mann in a book to be procured by him for that purpose which said book shall be left in the office of the County Clerk for future reference.

Marquette Dept 5th 1877

J. Jones

Mr Jones also offered the following which was adopted.

Resolved That all Justices and Constables bills and also all bills of the Sheriff or his deputies against the county for services rendered in criminal cases. State the name of the prisoner whether arrested under the Statute or City ordinance, and what disposition was made of the case. and the County Clerk be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the officers above mentioned

Marquette Dept 5th 1877

J. Jones

Mr. Todd Hall offered the following which was not adopted

Resolved that the resolution adopted by this Board on the 10th day of May A.D. 1877 in relation to receiving bids for county printing be and the same is hereby rescinded and.

Resolved further that hereafter the heads of the different departments of this county be authorized to procure their own printing. Provided that when any printing shall be required to be done for county use the officers ordering ~~the same~~ said work shall before ordering the same notify the different printing offices in this county of the class of work needed. the amount and quality thereof and request their bids for the same, and said work shall be let to the lowest bidder and the bids of each printer shall be attached to the bill when rendered and shall be audited by the committee on claims

and accounts in the same manner as other claims

in motion of Mr Cook the board adjourned

A. J. Furness
Chairman

Mr Rowland
Clerk

October 8th 1877

At the annual meeting of the board of Supervisors of Marquette County held at the Court House in the City of Marquette in said County on Monday the eighth day of October A.D. one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven.

The board was called to order by the Chairman, and the roll called by the Clerk. there were present Supervisors Catlin, Griffey, Ball, Mulvey Absent Chairman.

Absent Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Godshall, Hawey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Larson, Mann, Mitchell, Palmer, Pascoe James, Pascoe Peter, Read & Stevens. there being no quorum present, on motion of Mr Griffey, the board took a recess until two o'clock P.M.

At two P.M. the board was called to order by the Chairman, and the roll called by the Clerk. there were present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Griffey, Godshall, Ball, Hawey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Larson, Mann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer, James, Pascoe Peter, Pascoe, Read, Stevens, Absent and Chairman.

Unanimous consent being given Mr Catlin offered the following resolution which was on motion of Mr Jones referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the chair.

Resolved. That the rules of this board now in force be and the same are hereby repealed.

Resolved further that the code of rules laid down in McCalls Supervisors guide as printed in Gibbets Supervisors manual pages 43 to 49 inclusive. be and the same are hereby adopted for the regulation and government of the proceedings of this board and that the Clerk be and he is hereby instructed and empowered to purchase for the use of the members of this board twenty copies of said Gibbets manual, one copy to be presented to each Supervisor, and by him turned over to his successor in office.

The chair appointed as such committee Supervisors Jones, Godshall and Catlin

Mr B. E. Warner Secretary of the board of Superintendents of the poor presented the following, which was read and referred to the committee on poor.

To the Honorable the Board of Supervisors of the county of Marquette

Gentlemen.

owing to a misunderstanding as to the time it should be made, due in part to a notice received from the state department calling attention to a change in the time by which the time for making the annual report of the Superintendents of the

Our was filed at Oct 20th the report of this board is not in that condition of completeness as will warrant its presentation to your honorable body at this date: you have learned however from the monthly reports that have been submitted to you during the year, that there has been expended by this board up to September 1st about Twenty four thousand (\$24000) dollars. add Two Thousand (\$2000) estimated expenditures for Sept. and you have Twenty Six Thousand Dollars from which sum the actual expenditures of this board the past year will vary but little, and of which about Five thousand (\$5000) has been expended in maintaining the poor house, and the balance or about Twenty one thousand (\$21000) for temporary relief.

You are also aware that the sum expended last year was in excess of Twenty Eight thousand Five Hundred (\$28500) Dollars. From these facts, and the further fact that from present indications the draft upon public charity during the coming winter will be no less than in the past, we are of the opinion that there will be needed to be raised by tax for the support of the poor the coming year the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars.

Our order board of Depts. of the Poor.

W. E. Warner Secretary

Supervisor Cook, Chairman of the purchasing committee, presented the following, which was read and on motion of Supervisor Mulvey, adopted and the recommendations of the committee concurred in:

Marquette September 24th A.D. 1877

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County.

Gentlemen

Your purchasing committee to whom was referred the matter of receiving proposals for the furnishing of iron coal for the Court house and County Jail for the ensuing year, in accordance with a resolution adopted by this board on September the fifth 1877, beg leave to report that they met in the Court house at 12 m. Sept 24 according to notice given in the Mining Journal three times in succession, and have received from Patrick Boyle the only and following bid:

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|---|--------|
| Our dry hard wood, best quality, per cord | \$4.00 |
| " green " " " " " " " | \$3.75 |
| " best quality of hard coal " " | \$6.50 |

and your committee being of the opinion that the bid was honest and just between both parties, have awarded the above mentioned Boyle the contract, if such power is vested in us: if not, we recommend it to the full board. All of which is respectfully submitted

Thos. E. Cook

Joseph D. Stevens
Committee

Supervisor Ball Chairman of the Committee on Finance & Salaries, presented the following, which was on motion of Mr. Cook adopted, and the recommendation of the committee concurred in:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County,

Gentlemen,

Your committee to whom was referred the claim of John E. Ward for gas consumed in the County Treasurer's office in the years, 1875, 1876, 1877 (to Aug 1st) amounting to \$198.⁸⁰ beg leave to report that they have examined the claim and find that some portion of the gas included in the bill was consumed for private purposes, we therefore recommend that the bill be not allowed

C. B. Ball

E. B. Palmer

S. E. Harvey

C. J. Triffey

Geo Mitchell

Committee

On motion of Supervisor Peter Pascoe the special committee heretofore appointed to investigate the affairs of the Superintendants of the Poor of the Second and Third districts, was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The annual report of Sheriff Anderson up to and including the 30th day of September 1876 was presented and referred to the committee on county officers accounts.

The Superintendants of the poor presented the following statement of expenditures for the month of August which was referred to the committee on poor.

To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marquette

Gentlemen

I submit herewith a statement of the expenditures of this board during August together with a statement of County orders drawn during September.

H. E. Warner Secretary

Statement of expenditures of the Superintendants of the Poor during August 1877

Temporary Relief

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Food | 1339.13 |
| Fuel | 450 |
| Clothing | 54.19 |
| Medical Attendance | 98.67 |
| Medicines | 7495 |
| Funeral Expenses | 3000 |
| Transportations | 13.52 |
| Rent | <u>7250</u> |
| | 168746 |

County House

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Food | 229.88 |
| Clothing | 22.12 |
| Fuel | 1698 |
| Medical Attendance | 1666 |
| Medicines | 23.30 |
| Funeral Expenses | 24.50 |
| Repairs | 410 |
| Furniture Utensils | 832 |
| Tools Implements | 3.00 |
| Produce | 6.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 1625 |
| Sabre | <u>4500</u> |
| | <u>40611</u> |
| | Total 209357 |

Superior Jones offered the following resolution which was adopted
 Resolved that a committee be appointed consisting of three members of this board with instructions to proceed at once to a thorough investigation of the management of the Deputies of the Poor for the second and third districts
 The chair appointed as such committee Superiors Cook, Todd Hall and Ayers

Superior Read offered the following resolution which was adopted
 Resolved that the County Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to pay over to the several cities and townships any balance which may be to their credit on account of delinquent taxes returned as soon as the money for the payment, redemption or purchase of the same shall have been paid into the County Treasury, together with interest thereon at the same rate per cent as allowed by the State to the county on balances

B. W. Read

The Prosecuting Attorney made the following reports which were adopted

To the Hon Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen

The prosecuting attorney to whom was referred the claim J. Edwin. for wolf bounty, would respectfully report that he has examined said claim and finds no material irregularities concerning the same and recommends the allowance of the claim

Respectfully Submitted

John J. Adams
Prosecuting Attorney

To the Hon Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
Gentlemen

The prosecuting attorney to whom was referred the claim of A. A. Anderson for the board of one Michael Welch as a fraudulent debtor and committed to the County Jail. begs leave to respectfully report that in his opinion the claim referred to is not a proper charge against the county inasmuch as the proceeding upon which said Welch was committed was in the nature of a civil proceeding and for the accomplishment of personal ends and the attaining of personal gain and advantage.

All of which is respectfully Submitted.

Dated at Marquette Oct 8th 1877

John J. Adams
Prosecuting Attorney

The assessment rolls of the several townships and cities of the County were presented and referred to the committee on equalization

on motion of Supervisor Cook. the board adjourned until 9³⁰ a m Oct 9th 1877

Chairman

J. M. Rutledge
Clerk

Tuesday October 9th 1877.

The board was called to order by the Chairman at 9³⁰ a.m. and the roll being called by the clerk, there were present. Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Cathin, Todd, Hall, Hall, Harvey, Jonas Kirkpatrick, Mann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Pascoe James, Pascoe Peter, Read, Wessner, Triffy, Palmer, Stinson, Chairman
Absent Supervisor Taron.

on motion of Supervisor Cook the board took a recess until 1³⁰ p.m.

The board was called to order by the chairman at 1³⁰ P.M. and the roll being called by the clerk there were present Supervisors Ayers, Cook, Catlin, Griffey, Goddard, Hall, Harvey, Jones, Kirkpatrick, Mann, Mitchell, Mulvey, Palmer Pascoe, James Pascoe, Peter Read, Stevens, Spencer and Chairman
 Absent Supervisor Larson.

The following petition was presented and referred to the committee on poor

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 Gentlemen

Your petitioner Eugene Krieg a resident of the fourth ward of the city of Marquette, would respectfully submit to your honorable body that he is the father of Rosalie a deaf and dumb child, whom he is desirous of sending to the institute for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb at Ferris, Mich. but being a poor man with a large family to maintain, he is unable to do so from his private means. He therefore humbly petitions your honorable body to take such action as may be necessary to provide the means whereby she may be conveyed to the above named institute, and also to defray the traveling expenses of her mother in accompanying her there.

Respectfully Yours

Eugene Krieg

The following petition was presented, and on motion of Supervisor Griffey referred to the Prosecuting Attorney
 Gentlemen

Your petitioners, not wishing further to become responsible as bondsmen for Neil Campbell, Justice of the Peace for said County, humbly pray your honorable body to release us from the bond given by said Campbell, Justice of the Peace and by ourselves as sureties thereto, and further pray that this petition may receive your immediate attention.

Very Respectfully

J. M. C. McComber
 Donald McDonald

Dated Marquette Mich October 9th 1877

The committee on Finance & Station presented the following report which was on motion of Supervisor Cook adopted

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 Your Committee on Finance

and Taxation beg leave to submit the following report showing approximately the financial condition of the county October 1st 1877 and providing appropriations for the ensuing year viz.

Indebtedness of Marquette County Oct 1st 1877

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| General orders outstanding Sept 1 | 2475.95 | |
| Town Fund " " " " | 6741.15 | |
| Jurors certificate | 229.90 | 9447.00 |
| General fund orders drawn from Sept 1 st to Oct 1 st | 3838.16 | |
| Town " " " " " " 1 st to 1 st | 2093.57 | 5931.73 |
| Interest on loan 10000\$ due July 1 st 1878 | | 450.00 |
| Due from State about | 17000.00 | |
| Leaving on hand | | 1171.27 |
| | | 17000.00 |

and your committee recommend that there be raised by tax the following amounts

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| For Town Fund | \$22000.00 |
| " General Purposes | 30500.00 |
| " Highways Bridges | 10000.00 |
| Total | \$53500.00 |

C. K. Hall
 E. B. Palmer
 Geo Mitchell
 J. P. Harvey
 C. S. Griffey
 Committee

The committee on Equalization presented the following report which was in motion of Mr Mulvey adopted

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Marquette County
 S. J. Timmon

Your committee on equalization would beg leave to report that they have had the several tax rolls under consideration and equalized the valuation of the Cities and Townships as follows.

| | valuations | | as equalized | |
|----------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| | as assessed | mining property exempt from State tax | State tax | County tax |
| Isipeming city | 69757500 | 46802000 | 23198000 | 70000000 |
| Marquette " | 69800000 | | 65000000 | 65000000 |
| Megaune " | 37117500 | 15450000 | 21550000 | 37000000 |
| Ely Township | 63160000 | 36820000 | 53818000 | 57500000 |
| Republic " | 46444000 | 13933000 | 32567000 | 46500000 |
| Michigamme " | 50750000 | 15962000 | 34038000 | 50000000 |
| | 337029000 | 95829000 | 230171000 | 326000000 |