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STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
Lansing, Dec. 31, 1914.

To the Honorable, The Legislature of Michigan:

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the provisions of law, we have the honor herewith to transmit to you the biennial report of the State Board of Education, together with the accompanying documents for the years 1913 and 1914.

W. J. MCKONE, *President*,
FRANK CODY, *Vice President*,
FRED L. KEELER, *Secretary*,
THOMAS W. NADAL, *Treasurer*.

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REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Section 10 of Act 194 of the Laws of 1889 requires the State Board of Education to make to the Legislature, at every regular session thereof, a report setting forth:

First, The work done by the normal schools under its charge since the last report;

Second, The needs and requirements of the said normal schools;

Third, A report of the presidents of such schools concerning any matters pertaining to the schools that have been under their immediate direction and control, and such recommendations as they may deem desirable to make to the Board;

Fourth, A financial statement showing in detail the moneys received and expended, together with an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures.

In accordance with this act the State Board of Education has the honor of submitting this its seventeenth biennial report for the years 1913 and 1914.

The organization of the Board is as follows:

W. J. MCKONE, Albion, *President*,
FRANK CODY, Detroit, *Vice-President*,
FRED L. KEELER, Lansing, *Secretary*,
THOMAS W. NADAL, Olivet, *Treasurer*.

On November 15, 1913, Luther L. Wright resigned as Superintendent of Public Instruction and Secretary of the State Board of Education and Governor Woodbridge N. Ferris appointed Fred L. Keeler to fill the vacancy.

During the past two years the Board has held meetings at least twice a month owing to a pressure of work occasioned by the unusual amount of building in progress at the several normal schools. The work of the Board has been letting contracts, supervising building, auditing accounts, employing new members of the several faculties, granting certificates and in other ways supplying the needs and requirements of the normal school system.

The new plan for the training of special teachers has been put in operation and the State Normal College at Ypsilanti will train teachers in domestic science, the Central Michigan Normal School at Mt. Pleasant will train teachers in agriculture and the Western State Normal School at Kalamazoo will train teachers in manual training. Each normal school will grant diplomas and certificates to those graduating from these special courses. While this will not curtail the usefulness of