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HARTFORD, CONN., *August* 20, 1862.

THE Thirty-third Annual Meeting of the American Institute of Instruction commenced its Sessions at Hartford, Conn., in the State House, Wednesday, August 20, 1862, at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon.

There was a large attendance of the prominent teachers and friends of education from the North and East.

The meeting was called to order by the President, A. P. Stone, Esq., of Plymouth, Mass.

Joel Hawes, D. D., of Hartford, offered the opening prayer.

Rev. Mr. Washburn, of Hartford, on behalf of the School Committee and City, welcomed the Institute to Hartford, in the following words: —

MR. CHAIRMAN, AND LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE INSTITUTE:

I am very glad to be able to-day, on behalf of the School Committee, to welcome you to this city. I am very sorry however, sir, that your visit should have taken place at such a time as this, when the excitement of other matters will oblige many, who would otherwise be interested in these services, to be absent.

However, I assure you, sir, that I am very happy to welcome you here, and to see that even in such war-times as these, when the sound of the drum and fife can be heard above the voices of the speakers in this hall, that we still have some hours of leisure to attend to the arts of peace.

In such times as these, no one seems to think anything about the school-book, but it is only war news which is on every tongue. It seems but right that our thoughts should refer back to the cause of this outrageous rebellion, now the very life of the nation is at stake.

The reason why we are now plunged in the horrors of civil war, is simply this: because there were men who, from the cause of selfish aggrandizement, would arm themselves and others against the best government the Almighty ever permitted a nation to enjoy.

We can only hope, that at your next meeting, every State will be represented

I am very glad that you should have chosen our city for your meeting, and I hope you will enjoy your stay here; and you may be assured that everything that can be done to render it agreeable we will gladly do; and everything we have we will gladly throw open to you.

Again, sir, in behalf of the School Committee, I tender to you a most cordial welcome to the city of Hartford.

Hon. D. N. Camp, Superintendent of Public Instruction of Connecticut, was introduced, and in a few words introduced his Excellency Governor Buckingham, of Connecticut, who was received with applause. He spoke as follows: —

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

When I came in here and took my seat, I did not expect to address the teachers. I must say, however, that I am very happy to obtain a short rest from the almost exclusively military occupations in which I have been engaged,

and welcome you to the State of Connecticut, and to Hartford its capital; and I assure you that the cause of education, for which you are laboring, has my most hearty sympathy; it has among its votaries many of our greatest and best minds; it is worthy of the attention of every liberal minded and educated man.

I am very glad to see you here; and although we cannot boast of any museum or gallery of paintings, still you may be interested in looking at many of the curiosities and paintings which we have collected at the Historical Rooms, and at the Athenæum.

During your sojourn in our city everything will be done to make your stay pleasant and agreeable, and I do most cordially welcome you to the State of Connecticut, and to the city of Hartford its capital, to remain as long as it may seem pleasant to you.

The President replied as follows: —

MR. WASHBURN, AND YOUR EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR:

It gives me great pleasure, gentlemen, to return, in behalf of the members of the American Institute of Instruction, our grateful thanks for the cordial welcome you have extended to us in words so full of kindness and greeting. You are well aware, I have no doubt, gentlemen, of the character of our mission to your goodly city. The American Institute of Instruction is an educational association, which has been known to the American public for more than thirty years. Its object has been, and still is, to promote the interests of the teachers' professions, to elevate its standard, and to aid in the great work of the diffusion of learning among our whole people. We convene to-day to commence one of our annual sessions in your State and city. It is now holiday time to most persons of our call-