

1873 of University of Kansas,

Jan. 30. Special Meeting  
 reports of College Buildings and especially in methods of heating and ventilation. With the improvements thus introduced it is confidently believed that the new University Building when completed will be one of the cheapest and best appointed of its kind in the United States.

The apparatus for heating the building by steam and the electrical apparatus for timing recitations were completed about the middle of November ult. and have ever since been kept in good working order.

On the 2nd December ult. a large portion of the building being in serviceable condition was occupied for the purposes of instruction.

The work that remains to be done to completely finish and furnish the building is merely carpenter work, which, according to a carefully prepared estimate of materials and labor, will cost \$35,000.00. In view of the closeness of the money market from which many people throughout the State are suffering the Regents do not urge the requisite appropriation for finishing and furnishing the University building this year. They have decided to be content with the appropriation of \$2,500.00 already asked for the partial equipment of the Laboratories, without which instruction in Natural History, and in Experimental Chemistry, Physics, and Mechanics cannot be properly conducted.

In performing the duties of their office it has been the constant aim of the Regents that the University, in the limited sphere of its work which it occupies, should be an efficient institution and not the mere shadow of a name. This aim they have endeavored to accomplish by the economical use of the best measures that have been suggested to them by the management and experience of the best educational institutions in the land.

[Dated at the time of presentation to  
 legislation] Lawrence, Kansas,

Feb. 20th, 1873.

Respectfully submitted by the authority  
 of the Board,

[Signed]

John Draer, Chan.