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SECTION I.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. Every student on entering, shall subscribe to the following agreement:

“I solemnly promise, on my truth and honor, to observe and obey all the laws and regulations of Dickinson College.”

After this if he has satisfied the Faculty of his good moral character and studious habits, he shall be fully admitted as a member of the institution, and his name and age, with the name and abode of his parent or guardian registered in the “Matriculation Book.”

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2. No student shall, during the session, attend the instruction of any person who is not an officer of the College, without special permission from the Faculty.

3. If any student shall perform negligently, any literary exercise, the same may, at the discretion of his instructor, be afterwards required, and, in case of failure, the same shall be reported to the Faculty, though such subsequent performance shall not excuse the previous delinquency.

4. A term report on work and conduct, will be forwarded to each student, or, in case of minors, to parent or guardian.

More frequent reports may be furnished whenever in the judgment of the Faculty, this shall seem to be advisable.

SECTION II.

DEPARTMENT OF STUDENTS.

1. The students are regarded as members of a family, associated for the purpose of improvement, and they are to conduct themselves accordingly.

The authorities of the College make it a prime object to encourage the spirit of self-government among the students. It is desired to make good order, courtesy,

punctuality and attentiveness, established customs in the College, which the students shall take pride in perpetuating. All organizations among the students, which directly or indirectly foster this spirit, as literary societies, and the Young Men's Christian Association, receive the personal encouragement of the Faculty.

Certain special regulations are, however, essential to the highest efficiency of the institution, and the following offenses are therefore specified, as among those which must be particularly guarded against:

The use of intoxicating liquors; dissoluteness, or other gross immorality; gambling, or playing at any game for money or other things of value; keeping or carrying fire arms or any other deadly weapons, or using such in the borough of Carlisle; behavior to the disturbance of the inhabitants of Carlisle; and all other breaches of good morals or good citizenship.

Refusing or neglecting, when required, to appear before the Faculty or the President; disobedience to the sentence of the Faculty for any offence; refusing to give testimony in any case, when required by the Faculty, or falsifying therein; challenging, assaulting, or endeavoring to injure or annoy any student; hazing in

every form ; defacing or injuring the buildings, furniture, apparatus, books, or any other property in or about the College ; visiting any improper place of amusement ; boarding at or resorting to hotels or saloons ; being absent from Carlisle at night without special permission of the President, or, in his absence of the Senior Professor ; attending any meeting of the students except such as may be held with consent of the Faculty ; unnecessary noise in the College or on the campus at any time, but especially during study hours as prescribed by the Faculty ; general athletic sports on the campus except on such parts as may be set apart for the purpose ; and in general, all behavior inconsistent with the good order and prosperity of the College.

2. The punishments which may be inflicted, are the exaction of extra studies, private censure or admonition, official notice of delinquency to the parent or guardian, admonition in presence of the class or of the whole College, suspension, dismissal, degradation to a lower class, and expulsion. The frequency and repetition of offenses shall aggravate the punishment. But if any student shall speedily evince penitence for his fault, the Faculty are at liberty, on his private or public confession, to remit the penalty.

The period of suspension shall not exceed six months. But no student, whether suspended, dismissed, or expelled, shall be restored, except upon evidence of contrition and reformation satisfactory to the Faculty.

3. Whereas, offenses of various kinds may be committed by a number of students, and it may be thought unnecessary to punish all the offenders; in such cases, the Faculty may punish so many and such of them as may be necessary to secure good order, due regard being had in the punishment to previous conduct and general character.

4. As students may be guilty of disorders and misdemeanors, not specified in these laws, a discretionary authority must necessarily be lodged with the Faculty to meet such emergencies.

SECTION III.

ROOMS AND BOARDING.

1. The boarding and rooming of the students shall be under the direction of the Faculty.

2. Every student not residing with his parent or guardian shall lodge in the college buildings, unless the rooms be full, in which case the Faculty shall adopt such regulations as will best promote the disci-

pline and interests of the College.

3. No persons shall be employed about the College to perform service for the students, except by permission of the President.

4. Boarding clubs may be organized and conducted by the students, as the needs of the College require, the same being at all times subject to the supervision and control of the President as, in his judgment, the interests of the institution may demand.

SECTION IV.

VACATION AND HOURS OF RECREATION.

1. During the vacations every student shall be answerable for vicious and immoral conduct as during the sessions.

2. The hours of recreation shall be as prescribed by the Faculty.

SECTION V.

COMMENCEMENT AND DEGREES.

1. Commencement shall be held on the second Wednesday of June.

2. On the day of Commencement such candidates as the Faculty shall have previously appointed shall perform the exercises assigned them, under penalty of being refused their degree. A fair copy of each performance, after its approval by

the President, shall be deposited in the archives of the College; and should any student express sentiments or language contrary to the emendations of the President, or in contempt of the authorities of the College, he shall be refused a diploma.

3. Diplomas shall be signed by the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and shall be delivered on payment of the usual fee of five dollars.

4. All balls, dances and improper entertainments are prohibited from being accompaniments of the Commencement, under such penalties as the Faculty may see proper to impose.

SECTION VI.

RELIGIOUS DUTIES.

1. There shall be devotional exercises in the College chapel every morning under the direction of the President and professors.

2. Adult students shall attend public worship every Sabbath morning at such church in the borough as they may elect, but students who are minors shall attend such church as their parents or guardians may elect; and all students shall attend in the afternoon or evening one other regular religious service.

SECTION VII.

COLLEGE EXPENDITURES.

1. The College bills for each session shall be paid within four weeks after its commencement, and shall be as specified in the annual catalogue.

2. All damage to the college property shall be assessed equally on all students at such times during each college year as the President may direct; with the proviso, that the perpetrator of such damage when discovered shall in every case make good the same.

Any student refusing to meet the said damage assessment shall be debarred advancement in his class, or may be dismissed from the college.

3. Any student who shall fail, within four weeks after the commencement of each session, to exhibit to the President of the College, (who shall keep a record upon this subject,) the Treasurer's receipt for his college dues, may be required, at the discretion of the Faculty, to absent himself from the recitations of his class, until he shall have complied with this rule; *Provided*, Due notice shall have been given to his parent or guardian; and no student shall receive an honorable dismissal or diploma, until the bills for college fees and boarding have been set-

ted.

4. Should a student arrive after the commencement of a session, and before one-half of it has expired, he shall pay all the college charges for the session, but at any time after that, one-half of the same. Members of College absent a full session or year, shall pay half their term bills for the same, when regularly advanced.

SECTION VIII.

LITERARY SOCIETIES AND OTHER COLLEGE ORGANIZATIONS.

1. The Belles Lettres and Union Philosophical Societies are integral parts of the institution, and shall be under the protection and control of the Faculty, and their property under the guardianship of the Board.

2. Their stated times of meeting shall be at such hours of the day as the Faculty may direct. Nocturnal meetings shall not, on any account, be permitted.

3. They shall have power to adopt such regulations as they may think proper for the management of their business, during the prescribed periods of their meetings, except that it shall be unlawful to admit to their halls any of their members who may have been expelled, dismissed, or suspended from College.

4. Resistance to the requisitions of the Faculty, by either society, shall subject the same to a suspension of its privileges during the will of the Faculty, without appeal to the Board.

5. There shall be no public exhibition of either of the literary societies, without the consent of the Faculty. The pieces for exhibition shall be previously submitted to inspection, and rehearsed before the Faculty, or some member thereof.

6. Graduate members shall not be admitted to their weekly meetings, unless related to the College as resident graduates, or by special permission of the Faculty.

7. All other organizations connected in any way with the life of the College shall be subject to Faculty supervision and review.

SECTION IX.

STANDING OF STUDENTS.

1. Each member of the Faculty shall keep a record of the performance of each student.

2. On the plus record he shall enter the value of every performance of each student on a scale from zero to nine. If the performance be a publicly selected dec-

lamation, it shall be rated as equal to two recitations; if an English composition, as equal to three; if a public original declamation, as equal to four; and, if a written analysis of a text-book or lecture, as equal to five.

3. If any student shall be admitted to an advanced class, he shall be graded at the close of his course on the basis of his work during the years of connection with the College.

SECTION X.

ABSENCES, DEMERITS AND DELINQUENCY EXAMINATIONS,

1. Each student shall be allowed a certain number of absences from college exercises, for which no excuse will be required.

2. The number of allowed absences in each department shall be ten (10) per cent. of the total number of exercises in that department.

3. When the total number of absences of a student during any term reaches eight (8) per cent. of the total number of exercises for that term, the student shall be notified; when it reaches ten (10) per cent. his parents shall be notified; when fifteen (15) per cent. he shall be suspended for at least four (4) weeks. When the number

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of absences in any one department of college work reaches twenty-five (25) per cent. of the number of exercises in that department he shall be suspended for a like period.

4. Each absence during the first three (3) days of each term shall count as two absences.

5. When for any necessary cause there may be protracted or frequent absence, from college duties, the student may appear before a committee of the Faculty and present a written statement of reasons for such absence. If such absences be necessary in the judgment of the Faculty, they may be excused in whole or part over and above the allowed absences.

6. When a student is absent from any exercise he may be required to make up the exercise at the discretion of the professor.

7. If the absences of any student from any department of work shall exceed ten (10) per cent. of the number of attendance required, all absences in excess of the ten (10) per cent. shall be demerited.

8. Minus marks are given as follows:— for each unexcused absence from recitation, lecture, declamation, or church, 5; for each unexcused absence from prayers,

3; for other offences, such number as the Faculty shall direct.

9. Forty minus marks subject the student to a first reproof; sixty to a second; eighty, to a third and last; and one hundred severs connection with the College.

10. At the end of the year one-half of all demerits above twenty-five (25) on each student's record shall be carried over on the next year's record.

11. If the absences of a student in any department of College shall *for any cause whatever* exceed fifteen (15) per cent. he shall before being admitted to the regular examination be required to pass near the close of the term a Preliminary Examination, said examination to cover in a thorough and searching manner all the work of the term.

12. If a student fail to pass a Preliminary Examination, he shall be required to pass a Special Examination on the same subject two weeks before the close of the following term, or, if the failure occur at the close of the college year, during the first week of the next college year.

If a student fail in a Special Examination, he shall be required to do the work over with the next class.

13. Students failing in any regular ex-

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amination shall be required to reappear for examination in the same subject at the the next Special Examination, unless permission otherwise be granted by the Faculty. Failing in two Special Examinations he shall be required to do the work over with the next class.

14. Entrance conditions shall be made up at the close of the first term, or at the Special Examinations within a year, at the discretion of the professor.