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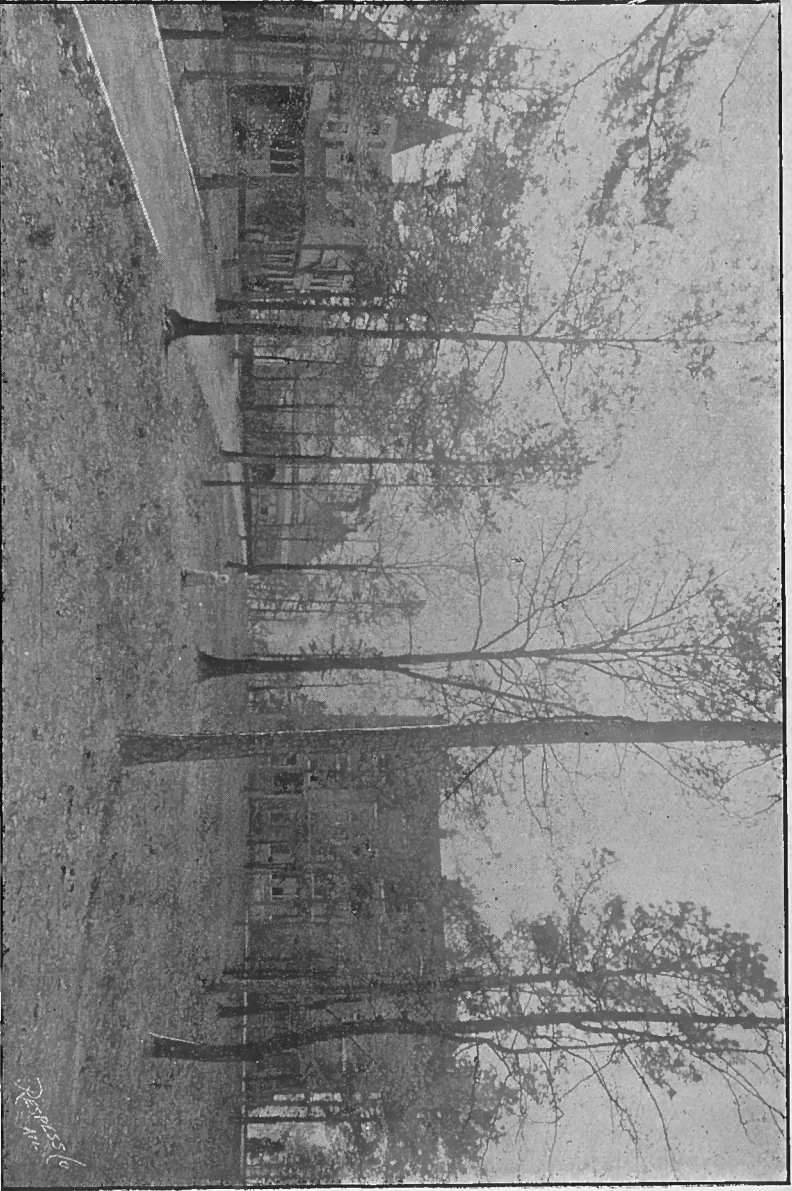
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The Missionary Movement by an Eye-Witness

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THE REV. EDWARD M. JONES, '88
The Preacher that the Church Needs

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Aaron P. Melton	Atlanta Conference
John B. L. Williams	Florida Conference
Noah H. Williams	Upper Mississippi Conference

1887

Seaborn C. Upshaw	Savannah Conference
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1888

George W. Arnold, A. M., B. D.	Atlanta Conference
Edmund H. Coit	South Carolina Conference A. M. E. Church
Edward T. Fleming	Congregational Church, Providence, R. I.
Edward M. Jones	Central Alabama Conference
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1889

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1890

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John W. Davis	Upper Mississippi Conference
Thomas W. Davis	Upper Mississippi Conference
William O. Emory, D. D.	Little Rock Conference
John C. Martin	South Carolina Conference
James S. Todd	Central Alabama Conference
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1891

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1892

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Lacy, Wm. H.	North Georgia Conference A. M. E. Church
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Central Tennessee College

Jones, Milton M. Maxton, N. C.
Bennett College

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Howard University

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Jones, Robert E., A. B. Bennett College	Greensboro, N. C.
Lewis, John H. Rust University	College Hill, Miss.

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JUNIOR CLASS

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Bianchi, Benjamin A. Georgia State Industrial College	Robertsville, S. C.

Boyd, Abraham L.	Mobile, Ala.
Bridges, Frank R.	East Atlanta
Briscoe, Egbert G.	Decatur
Bryan, Cornelius D. C.	Bastrop, La.
New Orleans University	
Byrd, John W.	Pickens, Miss.
Richland Academy	
Carter, Randall A., A. B.	Atlanta
Paine Institute	
Cobb, Andrew J., A. B.	Atlanta
Paine Institute	
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Meridian Academy	
Hart, Harry B.	Holly Springs, Miss.
Rust University.	
Harris, James W.	Atlanta
Henry, Frank H.	Holly Springs, Miss.
Rust University	
Hughes, Jerry F.	Selma, Ala.
Selma University	
Jamerson, Walter L.	South Atlanta
Johnson, William	Cartersville
Clark University	
Kight, Elijah	South Atlanta
Clark University	
King, Lorenzo H.	Macon, Miss.

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Powell, Benjamin J. Morris Brown College	South Atlanta
Render, John D.	South Atlanta
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Russ, James H.	Leesburg, Va.
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Spencer, McDonald Payne Institute	South Atlanta
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Tate, John W. Alabama State Normal School	Montgomery, Ala.
Tharpe, James W.	Pittsburg
Warren, Clayborne H.	Macon
White, John T. Atlanta University	Monticello
Williams, George W. Rust University	Macon, Miss.
Wyrick, Pierce W. Wiley University	Centerville, Tex.

UNCLASSIFIED

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Powell, Green	Indianapolis, Ind.
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Ross, Nathan W.	Yazoo City, Miss.
Sherrod, Robert K.	Gainesville, Fla.
Swann, John	Atlanta
Spencer, J. M.	Atlanta
Thornton, Jordan	South Atlanta
Weems, Jacob J.	Atlanta
Wynn, George L.	Atlanta

SUMMARY

RESIDENT GRADUATE	1
SENIOR CLASS	17
MIDDLE CLASS	17
JUNIOR CLASS	40
UNCLASSIFIED	4
SPECIAL CLASS	14
	14
TOTAL	93

REPRESENTATION BY INSTITUTIONS

Alcorn A. & M. College	1	Knoxville College	1
Atlanta University	2	Morgan College	1
Alabama State Normal	1	New Orleans University	4
Bennett College	3	Paine Institute	3
Central Tennessee College	2	Philander Smith College	2
Clafin University	4	Rust University	8
Clark University	5	Selma University	1
Cookman Institute	1	St. Augustine Collegiate In-	
Georgia State Industrial		stitute	1
College	2	Straight University	2
Howard University	1	West Tennessee Academy	1
Jackson College	1		

REPRESENTATION BY STATES

Alabama	9	Missouri	1
Arkansas	4	North Carolina	4
Florida	3	Ohio	2
Georgia	33	South Carolina	7
Indiana	3	Tennessee	3
Louisiana	7	Texas	1
Maryland	1	West Indies	1
Mississippi	12	Virginia	2

COURSES OF STUDY

The regular Course of Study occupies three years, and covers the lines of work in the several departments of theological instruction usually pursued in other theological seminaries. It is designed for those who, by previous training, are fitted for a full and thorough course in theology. Partial courses of study occupying one or two years, can be taken by those whose circumstances do not permit their completing the full theological course.

FIRST YEAR

GENERAL INTRODUCTION.—An Outlook over the Field of Theological Study; The Order and Methods of Study, Aids, etc.

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY.—*Greek* (Elective*):—Grammatical Exercises and Studies in the Gospels, Acts and Epistle to the Galatians. *Introduction*:—Origin and History of the Sacred Canon; its Genuineness, Authenticity, Inspiration; Scripture Geography, with Map Drawing, Bible Archæology and Chronology.

ENGLISH BIBLE.—Study of the Books; Introduction and Analysis; Practical Expository Exercises, together with Use of Concordance, Commentaries and other Bible Helps.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Sacred History; Planting and Training of the Christian Church; Historical Introduction and Outlines of Church History.

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SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Psychology; Evidences of Christianity.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—Introduction to Practical Theology; Lectures on the Office and Works of the Christian Ministry; Preparation for the Work; Elements of Power in the Minister; Character and Sermons of Eminent Preachers; Rhetorical Exercises; Natural Methods of Delivery.

ELOCUTION.—Physical and Voice Culture; Principles of Expression.

VOCAL MUSIC.—Instruction is given in the Rudiments of Vocal Music and Voice Culture throughout the Course.

SECOND YEAR

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY.—*Hebrew* (Elective*); Harper's Introductory Method and Manual, and Elements of Hebrew. *Greek* (Elective*);—Study in Romans and Ephesians. *Introduction*: Lectures on the Canon, Manuscripts, Versions and other Ancient Authorities; Textual Analysis and Criticism.

ENGLISH BIBLE.—Study of the Books, continued; Expository Exercises.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Church History to the Close of the Reformation; History of Christian Doctrine.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Being and Attributes of God; Trinity; Providence; Doctrine of Man.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—Homiletics: 1. The Idea of the Sermon. 2. The Building of the Sermon:—*Text*—Sources, Uses, Rules for the Selection and Interpretation of Texts; *Introduction*; *Body of the Sermon*:—Plan, Development, Arrangement; *Conclusion*; *Materials for Sermons*: Collection, Preservation, Illustrations, etc. Practical Exercises in the Homiletic Study of

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Scripture Passages. 3. The Delivery of the Sermon :—Natural Methods, Extemporaneous Preaching and Sermonic Criticism.

ELOCUTION.—Physical and Vocal Culture ; Principles of Expression ; Reading of the Bible and Hymns, and Delivery of Sermons and Addresses.

THIRD YEAR

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY.—*Hebrew* (Elective*): Further Studies in the Pentateuch and Historical Books of the Old Testament. Expository Studies in the Hebrews and Pastoral Epistles ; Lectures and Exercises in Interpretation ; Advice as to the Selection of Commentaries and other Helps.

ENGLISH BIBLE.—Study of the Books, continued ; Expository Exercises.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Modern Church History ; Missions ; History of Methodism ; Ecclesiastical Statistics and Review of Religious Progress.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Person and Work of Christ ; Office of the Holy Spirit ; Redemption, its Grounds, Conditions, Provisions ; the Intermediate State ; Second Coming of Christ ; Resurrection ; Judgment ; Heaven and Hell ; the Church ; Sacraments ; Christian Ethics ; Christian Sociology ; Original Constructive Work in Doctrinal Theology ; Special Studies in Evidences, Christian Experience, Atonement and other Doctrines.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—*Pastoral Office and Duties* : Pastoral Visiting and Care of the Flock ; The Pastor as a Man among Men ; His Relation to Reformatory and Social Issues ; Church Management and Work ; Prayer and Class Meetings ; the Conduct of Revivals ; the Training of Converts ; Benevolences ; Church Plans and Building. *Catechetics* : Sunday-schools ; Chil-

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dren's Classes; Sermons to Children. *Liturgies*: Conduct of Public Worship; Public Prayer; Reading of the Scriptures and Hymns; Hymnology; Administration of the Sacraments; Pulpit Decorum. *Ecclesiastical Law and the Discipline*.

ELOCUTION.—Reading of the Bible, Hymns, Ritual, and Delivery of Sermons and Addresses.

NOTE.—When a Study is elected, it must be for the Entire Course, except by special permission of the Faculty.

SPECIAL COURSE

NOTE.—Attention is called to the "Special Course," designed for local preachers and ministers of limited advantages desiring a brief practical course of instruction in the Bible, Theology, Church History, Preaching, and the various forms of Church Work. It covers one year or more. Local preachers and other lay workers should avail themselves of its advantages.

EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY.—Outlines of Bible History; Bible Geography, Chronology, Manners and Customs, etc.; How the Bible was Made; Expository Exercises; Studies in the Life of Christ and Acts of the Apostles.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.—Outlines of Bible History; Outlines of Church History; Studies in the History of Methodism.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.—Doctrines of Methodism; Outlines of Biblical Theology.

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.—The Preacher and his Work; Sermonic Outlines, and Drills in the Planning and Making of Sermons; the Homiletical Use of the Bible; Bible Readings; Various Meetings and How to Conduct Them.

ELOCUTION AND RHETORIC.—Physical and Voice Culture; Principles of Expressions; Reading of the Bible and Hymns; Delivery of Sermons, and Rhetorical Exercises.

GENERAL INFORMATION

AIMS AND METHODS

The aim of this Seminary is to do practical work in helping men to success in the ministry. Its course of Study is broad and practical; its ideals are high; its work is thorough; its methods are fresh, systematic, clear, and simple. The course of study and methods of instruction will be adapted to the culture and capacity of those who seek its advantages.

We study the Word of God. The Bible is our chief text-book. All our studies encircle the Word. We aim to make its teachings plain, its doctrines luminous, and to furnish the best methods for its exegesis, explanation and illustration to the people. We want to send forth men trained in the Scriptures; men who know their Bible, and can explain its teachings plainly in the light of modern learning, and who are equipped with the best methods of interpretation—in short, our aim is to send forth able ministers of the Word, who can give clearly defined views of its doctrines and abundantly support them by a "Thus saith the Lord." To teach a biblical theology—to unfold a Christ-centered theology expressed in Scriptural terms—is the aim of this Seminary.

The latest and most approved methods of instruction are employed. The end is not simply to memorize text-books, though the best works available are used in connection with the class work. Part of the work is done through lectures, with clear and pointed outlines and thorough reviews. Practical expositions of Scripture, drills by blackboard exercises in the planning and construction of sermons, original work in drawing out schemes of doctrine from the Bible text are much employed. Special attention is also given to essays and discussion by the class. Throughout the course there are extempore addresses and

sermons by the students, followed by the kind and helpful criticism of the professors.

The design of the Seminary is to send out earnest, practical, evangelical preachers, who shall do intelligent and loyal service for Christ and the Church.

CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT

The Seminary is under the general control of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church in connection with a special Board of Trustees. It is in the broadest sense denominational—not sectarian—and cordially welcomes ministers and candidates of all evangelical denominations to the full privileges of the institution. After personal visitation and examination into the character and work of the Seminary, the hearty endorsement of the bishops and other leading men of various denominations, has been given to the institution. The fact that during the past year there were ninety-three in attendance, representing fifteen States and one foreign country, and more than a score of institutions of learning and six denominations, is a testimony to the wide influence and catholic spirit of this central theological seminary of the South.

ADMISSION

Each candidate for admission to the Seminary must bring satisfactory testimonials from the official board or Quarterly Conference of his Church, as to his personal religious character and fitness for the ministry. If already a minister he may produce his credentials.

The following form of recommendation, authorized by the General Conference, should be used: "We the members of the Quarterly Conference of . . . hereby express our judgment that . . . is called of God to the work

of the ministry, and we commend him to the care and instruction of Gammon Theological Seminary."

Ministers and candidates of all evangelical denominations are welcome to the full privileges of the institution. Applicants from other Churches will bring certificates from their pastors or other church officials.

Candidates must show proficiency in the English branches. Students desiring to avail themselves of the advantages of Clark University, located on an adjoining campus, can do so.

The attention of Presiding Elders and Pastors is directed to the following provision of the Discipline. Their co-operation is earnestly asked in reference to this law of the Church.

"All candidates for our ministry are earnestly advised to attend one or more of the literary and theological institutions of our Church before applying to an annual Conference for admission on trial."

"Our Theological Schools, whose professors are nominated or confirmed by the Bishops, exist for the benefit of the whole Church, and it is the duty of the presiding elders and pastors to direct the attention of our ministry to the advantages afforded in these institutions."

FREE TUITION AND AID

The Seminary grants free tuition as well as free rooms to its regular students. The rooms are comfortably furnished. Books are supplied at a discount of from twenty to thirty per cent. from publishers' list prices.

Aid from loans without interest, and gifts of friends are granted to deserving students who do their utmost in the way of self-help. All aid is promised subject to approval by the Faculty after examination of candidates as to their Christian character and their possession of good natural talents and a fair

education. No young man with grace, gifts, and energy need be deprived of the advantages now opened to him in this Seminary. Many opportunities are presented for self-support in this rapidly-growing and thriving business city to active and intelligent young men. The numerous missions and churches of different denominations in and about Atlanta give employment to quite a number of ministers in the Seminary.

Through the generous interest of friends ten beautiful cottages have been erected on the grounds for the use of married students. It should be distinctly understood that these cottages are for those ministers only who entered upon the marriage relation before the opportunity for a theological education was opened to them. Formal application for cottages, free of rent, should be made early. Necessary heavy furniture has been provided for these homes.

We gratefully recognize the work that the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church is doing for needy candidates for the ministry, and urge upon pastors attention to its claims.

EXPENSES

The expenses have always been kept at the lowest possible point consistent with the comfort and health of students. Tuition and room-rent are free. The apartments of students are plainly furnished and no charge is made for the use of furniture and bedding. An incidental fee of fifteen dollars per year is made, which includes the use of the Library and Reading-room and the expense of steam-heating, lighting and furnishing of the rooms of students and care of public rooms.

Good board can be had at the Clark University dining-hall at eight dollars per month. The entire expenses for a year can thus be brought under the sum of eighty dollars.

GRADUATION

Students having the degree of A. B., or an equivalent, and who complete the course of study and pass a satisfactory examination, will receive the degree of Bachelor of Divinity.

Students who are not college graduates, but who are far enough advanced to enter and complete the course, will receive the Diploma of the Seminary on graduation.

Those who take a partial course of study covering two years, and pass a satisfactory examination thereon, will receive a certificate from the Seminary to that effect.

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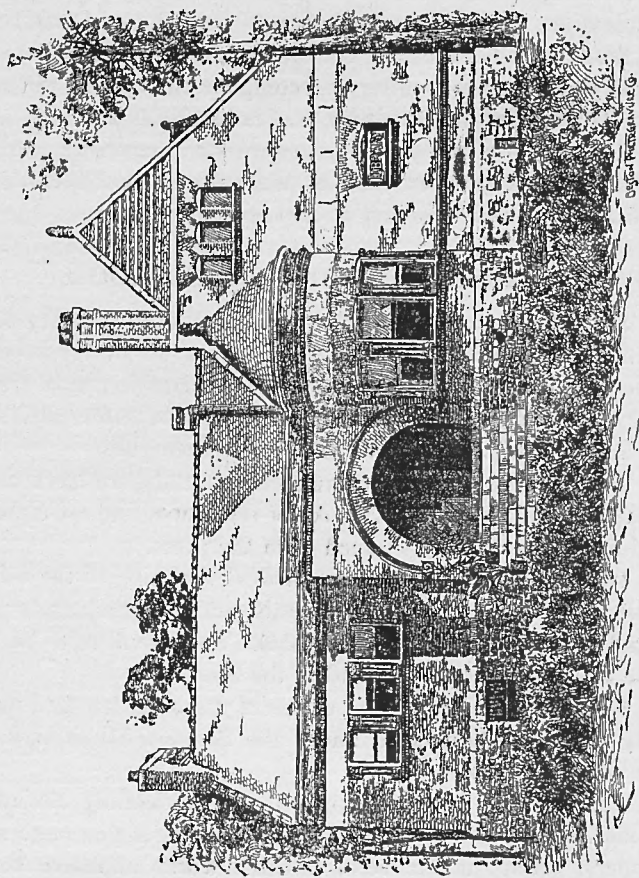
Students have free access to the Theological Library of over ten thousand volumes, consisting of works in all departments of theology and related branches. It is classified and arranged by departments, in alcoves, for convenient reference, and is rendered available by a valuable card-catalogue.

Through the liberality of numerous friends, we have secured many of the best modern books of reference, and are constantly adding fresh books, as issued from the press.

We have begun a collection of works relating to the religious history and moral reforms of this section, which embraces already many rare and valuable books, and promises to be one of the most complete of its kind in the South.

For the special collection of works upon Africa and missionary work for Africa, see under the Stewart Missionary Foundation for Africa.

The Reading-Room is supplied with the leading reviews and homiletic magazines, and a large number of religious and secular papers. A special alcove of valuable works of reference, consisting of general biblical and ecclesiastical cyclopedias, commentaries, etc., has been placed in the Reading-Room, so as



to be easily accessible to the students for constant use. The room is in charge of a curator, who keeps it comfortable and open to students at stated hours

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY DEPARTMENT

The faculty have projected the organization of an Historical Society, the purpose of which is to build up, in connection with the Seminary Library, a complete and trustworthy historical department upon the various movements that relate to the Negro and the South. The department is already open and promises to be one of the most unique collections upon the subject in the whole country.

The Historical Society proposes to extend its work by Conference and local branches and by individual effort throughout the Nation. It is collecting books, pamphlets, addresses, articles, biographical and descriptive, upon the origin, ethnology, and history of the Negro; upon the rise, development, and destruction of slavery; upon the origin and work of the abolition movement. It is also preserving the literary productions of Negroes. In addition to this, it proposes to collect the history of the ecclesiastical and educational movements of the churches among the colored people, and to compile a statistical record of their progress in wealth, learning, industry, inventions, mechanical art, and ecclesiology, and to preserve on file for future study whatever shall illustrate the history and promote the interest of the colored people.

LITERARY SOCIETY

The Theological Literary Society affords a fine opportunity to the Students of the Seminary for literary culture in connection with their studies. The frequent discussion of questions in theology, and debates on the great moral issues, are especially

nelpful to ministers. It also gives valuable drill in the knowledge and practice of parliamentary law.

ENGLISH BIBLE

In order to increase the efficiency of the Seminary in preparing men to preach the Word, we place special emphasis on the study of the English Bible. The course covers three years, and includes the study of the entire Bible, book by book. Such study is coming to be recognized as a necessity in theological seminaries. The object is to give the student a better understanding of the Bible. Hebrew and Greek are not enough. They are valuable and necessary for critical study. It is the English Bible, however, that the preacher of this country must use most. He ought to master it. He ought to know its contents from Genesis to Revelation. He ought to be acquainted with the sources of information for each book, and the best helps for its study. He should know the times of each book. The books of the Bible are divided among the professors, so that each one has the ones most appropriate to his department.

SPECIAL LECTURES

Several valuable courses of special lectures by distinguished ministers have been given before the Seminary. In addition to these, occasional lectures on special topics of great importance to those preparing for the ministry are delivered by prominent and successful ministers, representing different denominations. Atlanta, being the central city of the South, affords unusual opportunities to students to hear the representative ministers and lecturers of the Nation.

Among those who have lectured before the Seminary are the Revs. Bishop Thomas Bowman, Bishop R. S. Foster, Bishop H.

W. Warren, Bishop C. D. Foss, Bishop E. G. Andrews, Bishop W. F. Mallalieu, Bishop C. H. Fowler, Bishop J. H. Vincent, Bishop J. M. Walden, Bishop I. W. Joyce, Bishop J. F. Hurst, Bishop J. N. Fitzgerald;—Bishop Atticus G. Haygood and Bishop C. B. Galloway, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; Bishop D. A. Payne, Bishop B. T. Tanner, Bishop Arnett and Bishop Dickerson, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; Bishop J. A. Bebee and Bishop Williams, of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church; Bishop C. R. Harris, of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church; the Revs. James M. Buckley, D. D., C. H. Payne, D. D., R. S. Rust, D. D., E. A. Schell, D. D., E. H. Barnett, D. D., Dean A. A. Wright, J. C. Hartzell, D. D., W. A. Spencer, D. D., M. S. Hard, D. D., Zachary Eddy, D. D., M. C. B. Mason, D. D., Earl Cranston, D. D., R. B. Pope, D. D., G. E. Ackerman, D. D., S. L. Baldwin, D. D., Dean Marcus D. Buell, D. D.

RELIGIOUS PRIVILEGES

Daily prayers are held in the chapel, conducted by the professors. All class exercises are opened with prayer or hymn. The "Devotional Hour" is a service of prayer and consecration that has been held every Tuesday since the organization of the institution. It has been attended with large results in deepening the religious experience and intensifying the spiritual life of the students.

On Sunday morning the professors preach in rotation at the University Church. All students are expected to attend this service, unless specially excused. The weekly prayer and class meeting of this church, together with the revival and Sunday school work in this and the city churches, furnish unusual opportunities for religious work.

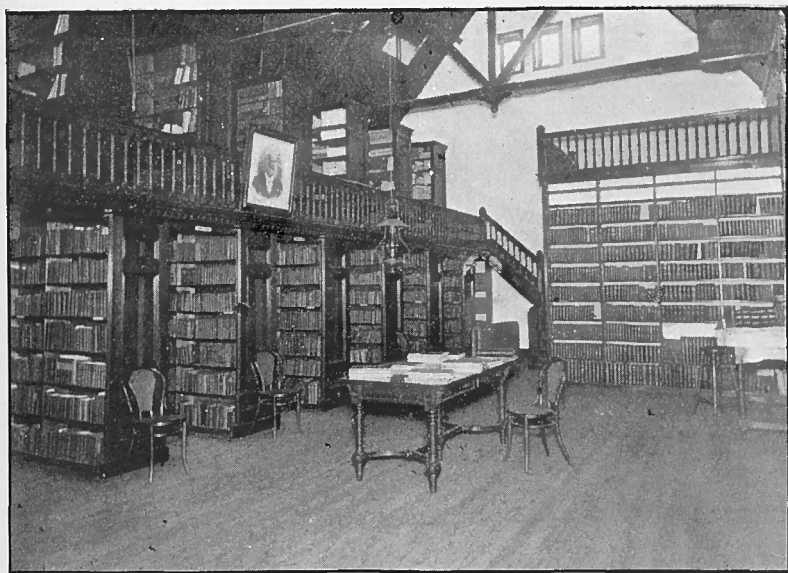
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The Seminary is located on the extension of Capitol avenue, one-fourth mile south of the limits of Atlanta, Georgia. Its campus of thirty acres is composed of rolling land, the highest in the vicinity of the city, and is, for the most part, covered by a beautiful grove of pine and oak. The assistance of a skilled landscape gardener has been obtained in laying out the grounds, and when the drives, walks, etc., are finished, the campus will have the form of a handsome park. Electric cars run to its edge and its buildings overlook the city. It would be difficult to find a more central, accessible and beautiful site in the South.

The campus already contains Gammon Hall, the Library Building, four commodious houses for professors' families, and ten cottages for married students.

Gammon Hall is a handsome building of fine modern architectural design. It was erected and furnished at a cost of \$30,000. It is built of brick with stone trimmings, and is one hundred and ten by fifty-two feet, and four stories high. The students' rooms are large and well ventilated, and each floor is provided with baths.

The library building is one of the most beautiful structures of the kind in the South. Its dimensions are sixty-eight by forty-eight feet. Its foundations are of granite, with cut-stone trimmings. The superstructure is of brick, trimmed with heavy rock-faced stone and terra-cotta, with tasteful Roman arabesque ornamentations. On the right is the fire-proof library proper, with two stories of alcoves for books. The library as now arranged will hold about twenty thousand volumes. In front of the library is the professors' study. In the back part is the large safety vault for especially rare and valuable books. On the left from the entrance hall is the reading-room. Below in the basement story, connected by stairway and convenient dumb



An interior view in Library of Seminary and Depository of Stewart Foundation Collection

waiter, is the workroom. The entire building has been thoroughly finished, and is complete and elegant in all its appointments.

Gammon Hall and the Library Building are heated by steam, all rooms being provided with radiators.

STEWART-MISSIONARY FOUNDATION FOR AFRICA

The Rev. W. F. Stewart, A.M., of the Rock River Conference, has established in connection with the Seminary a department under the above title. There is reason to believe that this will prove one of the most important events in the recent history of missionary movements in this country.

Mr. Stewart has consecrated for the endowment of this foundation a group of farms of six hundred acres, all under high cultivation in Central Illinois, which he proposes to convey in trust, the income only to be used to maintain this department. In writing to the Faculty, Mr. Stewart thus outlines his purpose :

My hope is that it may become a *center* for the diffusion of missionary intelligence, the development of missionary enthusiasm, the increase of missionary offerings, and through sanctified and trained missionaries hasten obedience to the great commission to "preach the gospel to every creature." In addition to the direct work of the recitation-room, I have contemplated other educating means that would reach our schools and missions and the whole membership of the church.

The work has been inaugurated with four series of prizes, an academy, a college, and a theological seminary series, open to the students of institutions for the colored people under the auspices of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, and a series open to the churches among the colored people of the Methodist Episcopal Church. There are given in each of the series prizes for missionary hymns, and for essays or orations on some subject connected with Africa as a mission-

ary field or on missionary work in Africa. In connection with these prizes, there is a free public contest in each institution or church, and a general missionary anniversary in Atlanta or some other center. At the latter the best productions in each series are represented. By these different series, only institutions of the same grade are brought into competition; and by a system of graded prizes all the work of merit is suitably recognized. Whenever practicable an annual convention on Missionary work for Africa will be held composed of representatives of the educational institutions, the Friends of Africa, and the Missionary Bands for Africa in the churches. The Congress on Africa filled this place the present year.

It is believed that the interest which the investigation, thought and public presentation of the productions will awaken, will be used by the Holy Spirit to impress upon some of our most gifted young people the call of God to consecrate themselves to missionary work in Africa. It will lead others also to consecrate their business and incomes to the support of missions in Africa, so that when the workers are ready the necessary means for transportation and equipment will be forthcoming.

It is desired that there shall be a Missionary Band for Africa in every church and a "William Taylor Friends of Africa" Society as planned by Bishop Mallalieu, in every higher educational institution, whose members shall study and investigate the subjects connected with Africa as a missionary field and our duty to it, and present the results in regular public meetings either monthly or quarterly. If there is already a Missionary Society, an Epworth League, or other organization in the local church, which will take this as a regular part of its work and devote stated public meetings to it, this society can thus be organized into a Missionary Band for Africa without an additional organization. It is the purpose that these bands in the churches shall

be permanent and shall hold a vital connection with the Stewart Missionary Foundation of Africa. The latter will furnish from time to time, through circulars, periodicals, etc., valuable information and suggestions, and will offer various helps and incentives for the work.

The Foundation has purchased over three hundred volumes on African Explorations and Missions. This has been pronounced by experts one of the choicest collections of its kind in this country. A nucleus of an African museum has also been collected, including the products of the country and specimens of handicraft in wood, iron, brass, cloth, grass, etc., which reveal very clearly the native genius and artistic skill of the untutored African. It is hoped that this library and museum may be made among the largest and best in this country. Over two hundred superior stereopticon slides, illustrative of Africa and its peoples, have been obtained. These curios and illustrative apparatus will be used both in the Seminary and in other schools and churches.

The Foundation is also gathering a circulating library of duplicate works on Africa, general missions, and evangelical work, to be at the disposal of those in any of our schools who may desire to use these books in preparing productions under the Foundation. The first installment was sent out to several schools this year.

The Stewart Missionary Foundation for Africa was accepted and adopted by our Board of Trustees at their regular meeting, May 10, 1894, by the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved* : That we gratefully accept the offer tendered the Seminary by Rev. W. F. Stewart, and approve the general plan of work proposed by him in his letter printed on page 27 of the catalogue [1894] ; and we agree to carry out this plan so far as practicable.

2. That in accepting this trust it is not our purpose to supplant, but to supplement other efforts being made for the ultimate evangelization of Africa by the Negro race.

AMERICAN COLONIZATION SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

We have received through The American Colonization Society a Scholarship, the income from a fund that it holds in trust on the following terms:

“To be invested with or without additions until the income thence arising shall be sufficient to meet the expenses of a pious young man of color while being educated to preach the gospel among the heathen in Africa, said income to bear the name of Theodore Lewis Mason, D. D., late of Brooklyn, New York, and brother of said testator.”

One of our best equipped men, of high character and large promise of usefulness having expressed his abiding conviction of the call of God to missionary work in Africa, has been made the beneficiary of this scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND LIBRARY ALCOVES

Any person or persons who shall pay into the treasury, or bequeath by will, the sum of one thousand dollars, or more, for the purpose of founding a scholarship, shall have the privilege, not only of naming that scholarship, but also of nominating, during his or her lifetime, the beneficiaries who are to be placed upon said foundation.

Any person or persons who shall pay into the treasury, or bequeath by will, the sum of one thousand dollars, shall have the right of naming an Alcove in the Library.

NEEDS

Aid for students is greatly needed. The special conditions of our work, the small salaries of our preachers and teachers, and the poverty of our people, give special emphasis to this appeal for aid.

Here is a large number of Conferences of the Methodist

Episcopal Church, to which this is the Theological Seminary. Hundreds of young men are coming up to fill the ranks of these Conferences. Never did a body of religious teachers stand more in need of the practical drill and personal influence and instruction that come through a course of theological training. Here are candidates eager for an education. The church needs them. Upon them the future of our work in the South depends. They are too poor to entirely pay their way. They must preach. Fifty or sixty dollars will help one to a year's training. What better investment for Christ and His Church can be made ?

Donations to the general Library and to the Library and Museum on Africa are also specially requested.

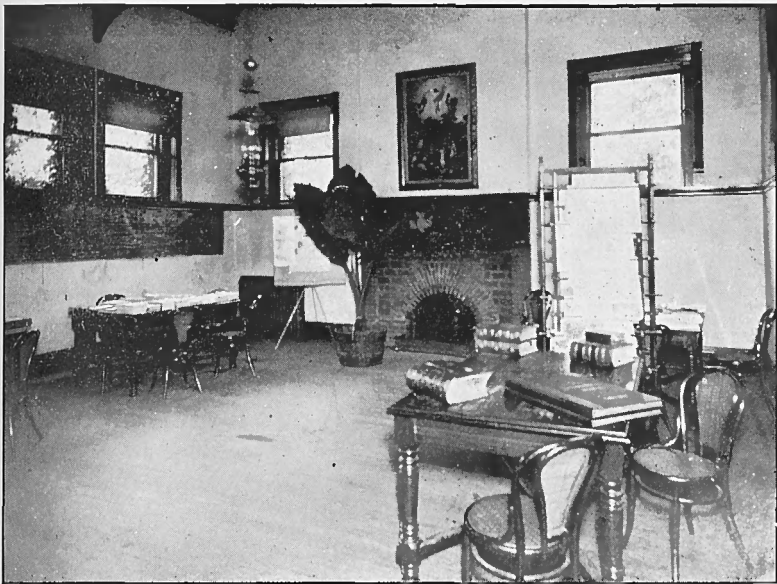
Calendar

1896

- April 26 Sunday, 11 A. M., Baccalaureate Sermon
April 26 Sunday, 7:30 P. M., Anniversary of the Stewart
Missionary Foundation for Africa
April 27 Monday, Written Examinations
April 27 7:30 P. M., Class Anniversary '96
April 28 Tuesday, Written Examinations
April 28 7:30 P. M., Annual Address by the Rev. Edward M.
Jones, '88
April 29 Wednesday, 8:30 A. M., Oral Examinations be-
fore Conference Committees
April 29 Wednesday, 3 P. M., Annual Meeting of the Alumni
Association
April 29 7:30 P. M., Alumni Address and Reunion
April 30 Thursday, 9 A. M., Annual Meeting of the Board of
Trustees
April 30 Thursday, 1:30 P. M., Annual Meeting of the Alumni
April 30 Thursday, 2:30 P. M., Commencement
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- Sept. 30 Wednesday, Reception of Candidates for Admis-
sion
Oct. 1 Thursday, Beginning of the Scholastic Year
Nov. 12 Thursday, Formal Opening Address
Dec. 23 Wednesday, Founder's Day

1897

- Jan. 28 Thursday, Day of Prayer for Colleges
Feb. 12 Friday, Lincoln's Birthday
May 9-13 Commencement Anniversaries



A view in the Reading Room of the Library of Gammon Theological Seminary

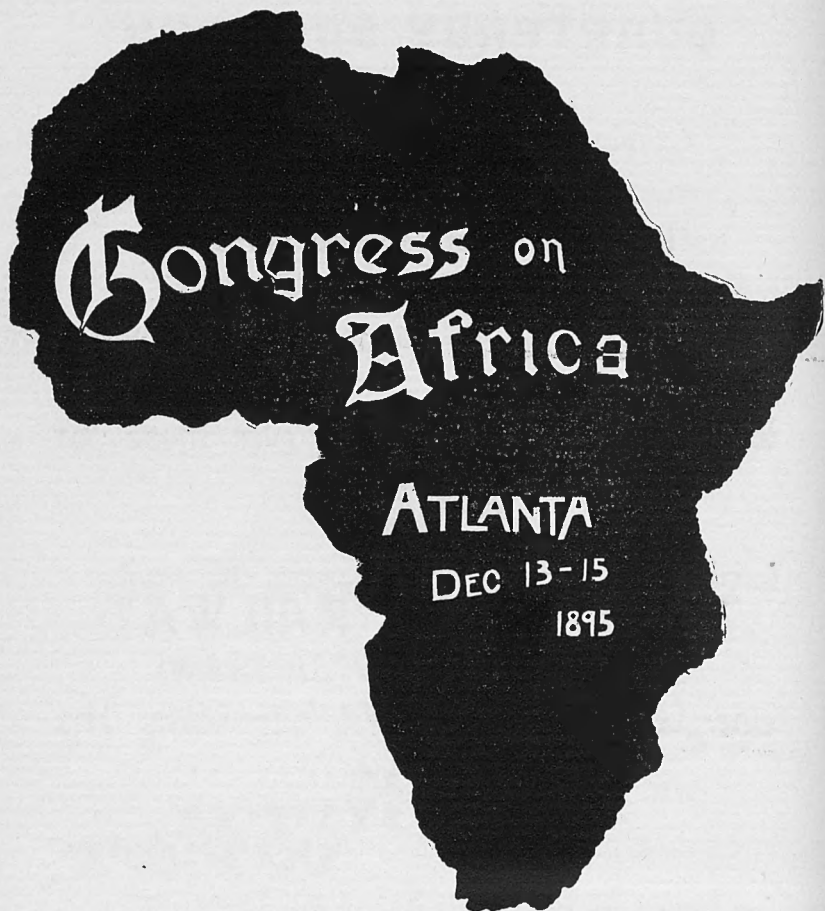
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By John Greenleaf Whittier

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Light to see Truth, Freedom to make it
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Our Work God's work, our Wills His
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