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DOCUMENT 1.

ANNUAL CATALOGUE
OF THE
NORMAL AND PREPARATORY
DEPARTMENT
OF
HOWARD UNIVERSITY
WASHINGTON, D. C. , 1867
(a) SEPT., 1868

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INSTRUCTORS IN
NORMAL AND PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.

(a) A. L. Barber, A. B.

(e) Rev. Edward F. Williams, A. M.,
Principal*.

Miss Julia A. Lord,
Assistant.

Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds,

Rev. D. B. Nichols.

* At the close of the term, the engagement of the Rev. E. F. Williams as Principal expectedly terminated, and John H. Combs, A. M., a graduate of Union College, N. C. was appointed to fill the vacancy.

NORMAL AND PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.

MALES.

Names.	Residences.
John T. Alkins.....	Washington, D. C.
Hugh M. Brown.....	" "
William K. Brown.....	" "
John R. Brown.....	" "
Francis Brown.....	" "
William Brown.....	" "
Thomas R. Burley.....	" "
William H. Bell.....	" "
Mark B. Bell.....	" "
John Carter.....	" "
Beverly Childs.....	" "
Anderson W. Childs.....	" "
George Craig.....	" "
Edward P. Clark.....	" "
James Counsl.....	" "
Richard Chew.....	" "
John W. G. Dorsey.....	" "
Columbus Freeman.....	" "
Lewis A. Freeman.....	" "
Nelson H. Freeman.....	" "
Theophilus Howard.....	" "
John W. Hall.....	" "
William H. Harris.....	" "
Sanders Howell.....	Hampton, Va.
George Jacobs.....	Washington, D. C.
Wiley Jordan.....	" "
Walter Johnson.....	" "
Henry M. King.....	" "
John E. Lee.....	" "
Robert Lee.....	" "
George Lee.....	" "
Clarence Malone.....	" "
Charles F. Malord.....	" "
George W. Mulford.....	" "
Robert Morris.....	" "
Simeon L. Nelson.....	" "
Horace N. Parke.....	" "
Richard H. Reed.....	" "
John M. Shipping.....	" "
John A. Simms.....	" "
Arthur A. Smith.....	" "
Ferman G. Shadd.....	" "
Simon P. Smith.....	" "
George M. Smith.....	" "
Thomas H. Scott.....	" "
John I. Smallwood.....	" "
Edward A. Saroy.....	" "
Charles Shorter.....	" "

John P. Simpson.....	“	“
John F. Taylor.....	“	“
Edwin S. Thomas.....	“	“
Hamilcar Turley.....	“	“
James H. Williams.....	“	“
Daniel P. Williams.....	“	“
Ferdinand Whitlow.....	“	“
Charles M. Wilson.....	“	“
Thomas A. Watson.....	“	“
Daniel Wallace.....	“	“

NIGHT SCHOOL—MALES.

Henry Cuney.....	Washington, D. C.
Joseph Aims.....	“
Urich Daily.....	“
Thomas Green.....	“
William Hill.....	“
Peter Page.....	“
Thomas C. Roy.....	“
Henry C. Stokeley.....	“
James H. Waugh.....	“

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

Names.	Residences.
Isabella Brooks.....	Washington, D. C.
Irena Berkley.....	“
Harriet M. Brown.....	“
Mannie N. Brown.....	“
Emma N. Dorster.....	“
Kittie Frazier.....	“
Brassille Gibson.....	Jamestown, N. Y.
Lavinia Lewis.....	Washington, D. C.
Mary Lewis.....	“
Mary Martin.....	“
Matilda A. Nichols.....	Chicago, Ill.
Lydia B. Nichols.....	“
Sarah S. Nichols.....	“
Rebecca A. Perry.....	Washington, D. C.
Mary L. Reed.....	“
Sarah M. Robinson.....	Bethany, Conn.
Emily E. Robinson.....	“
Mary L. Robinson.....	“
Elizabeth Stokley.....	Washington, D. C.
Martha C. Simms.....	“
Amelia S. Tilghman.....	“
Elizabeth Ward.....	Mysox, Penn.
Rachel Wood.....	Washington, D. C.
Julianna Wilson.....	“

NIGHT SCHOOL—FEMALES. . .

Emma Gray.....	Washington, D. C.
Lucinda Morris.....	“

SUMMARY

Preparatory and Normal Department—Males.....	59
Preparatory and Normal Department—Females.....	24
Night School—Males.....	9
Night School—Females.....	2
Total.....	<hr/> 94

COURSE OF STUDY.

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PREPARATORY.
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First Year.

Latin.—Latin Lessons and Grammar, (Harkness); Caesar (Hanson's or Andrews') commenced.

Mathematics.—Arithmetic, (Stoddard's).

History and Geography.—Roman History, (Sewell's); Ancient Geography.

Second Year.

Latin.—Caesar finished; Sallust's Catiline, (Hanson's or Andrews'); Cicero's Orations (Hanson's or Andrews') commenced; Latin Prose Composition through the year.

Greek.—Greek lessons and Grammar, (Harkness); Xenophon's Anabasis (Boise's) commenced.

Antiquities.—Roman, (Bojesen's).

Mathematics.—Algebra (Robinson's University Edition) commenced.

Third Year.

Latin.—Cicero's Orations finished; Virgil's Aeneid (Frieze's) with Prosody and Scanning; Virgil's Bucolics and Georgics, (Andrews').

Greek.—Xenophon's Anabasis continued through the third book; Homer's Iliad, (Owen's), four books; Greek Prose Composition (Arnold's) through the year.

History and Geography.—Grecian History, (Sewell's); Ancient Geography.

Antiquities.—Grecian, (Bojesen's).

Mathematics.—Algebra continued.

Bible Lessons.—Weekly through the Course.

NORMAL.*First Year.*

Arithmetic, (Stoddard's); Algebra, (Robinson's University Edition); English Grammar (Kerl's) with analysis; Physical Geography, (Guyot's); Geometry (Loomis') commenced; Roman History, (Sewell's); Bookkeeping; Etymology, Prefixes and Suffixes.

Second Year.

Natural Philosophy, (Loomis'); Geometry finished; English Literature, (Shaw's); Constitution of the United States, (Alden); Rhetoric, (Day's); Botany, (Gray's); Trigonometry with applications to mensuration of heights and distances; Navigation and Surveying, (Loomis'); Physiology, (Hooker's); Vocal Music.

Third Year.

Logic, (Whately's); Chemistry, (Porter's); Astronomy, (Loomis'); Natural Theology, (Paley's); Mineralogy and Geology, (Hitchcock and Dana); Mental Science, (Haven's); Modern History, (Wilson's); Moral Science, (Hickock's); Political Economy, (Perry's); Butler's Analogy, and Theory and Practice of Teaching.

Bible Lessons.—Weekly throughout the Course.

HISTORY OF THE MOVEMENT.

The urgent and increasing demand for teachers and ministers to labor for the benefit of persons lately made free by the war, called a few earnest friends of freedom together in Washington to devise some plan of help for this destitute class. After mutual interchange of views, no plan was deemed more practicable or more needed than the establishment of an institution of learning of the higher grade, at the National Capital, which should be free to all persons possessing the requisite mental qualifications. Such was the beginning of "Howard University."

At the last session of the Thirty-ninth Congress a charter of the most liberal provisions was given to the University, specifying the following Departments, viz: Normal and Preparatory, Collegiate, Theological, Medical, Law, and Agriculture.

Immediately upon the passage of the act of incorporation the incorporators organized by the appointment of a Board of Trustees with proper officers, and at once began to provide for the opening of the Normal and Preparatory Department.

NORMAL AND PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT.

This Department was opened on the first of last May with five pupils, in a building leased by the Freedmen's Bureau for that purpose, located on 7th Street near the northern limits of the city.

The Reverend Edward F. Williams, a graduate of Yale College and Princeton Theological Seminary, was appointed Principal; and the school steadily increased in numbers and interest to the close of the first term. The list of pupils in this catalogue gives the number in attendance during that time.

The large increase of pupils required an increase in the corps of instruction; and to supply this need the Trustees appointed Miss Julia A. Lord, of Portland, Me., who had successfully labored in one of the higher Departments of a graded colored school in Washington City, Assistant Teacher.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

Soon after the opening of the Normal and Preparatory Department, an opportunity offered for the purchase of a fine tract of land adjacent to the Normal School building. The farm comprised one hundred and fifty acres, eligibly situated on the heights of 7th street north.

The Trustees made the purchase, and immediately ordered a survey of the tract, laying out the same in lots to be put into the market,

reserving at the same time ample grounds for the purposes of the University, parks, etc. The sale of lots was rapid, bringing prices largely in excess of the purchase money.

Upon the crowning summit of the heights, overlooking the city and surrounding country, in plain view of the Washington public buildings, the University buildings are now being erected, which, when finished, will be an ornament to the Capital. The progress already made leads to the hope that they will be ready for occupancy at an early day.

ORGANIZATION

Of the Collegiate and Professional Departments of the University.

In the Collegiate, Theological, and Medical Departments, the preliminary steps have been taken towards a complete organization. Some of the chairs of instruction have already been filled; and it is the hope of the Trustees that all Departments of the University will soon be in working order.

COURSE OF STUDY.

A reference to the Course of Study of the Normal and Preparatory Department will show that it is designed to be both extensive and thorough, embracing all the branches of a solid English education, or requisite for admission to college.

The greatest care has been taken in the selection of text books, and new ones will be introduced when positive advantage can be gained by so doing.

A course of instruction will be submitted for the higher Departments of the University as soon as they are fully organized.

TERMS AND VACATION.

There will be, annually, three terms:

Fall term commencing first Wednesday in October;

Winter term, first Wednesday in January;

Summer term, first Wednesday in April.

TUITION AND BOARD.

The tuition is one dollar per month, to be paid monthly in advance. Arrangements have been made by the Trustees for remitting a part or the whole of the tuition in case of indigent students.

A boarding house near the institution has been provided, where

the students can be furnished with good board at reasonable rates. A limited number of rooms for the use of students from abroad will be provided in the Normal school building.

ADMISSION.

Application for admission to the school may be made in person to the Principal, or by letter to the President of the Board of Trustees, or to any member of the Executive Committee.

The privileges of the institution are open to all persons over thirteen years of age who can pass a satisfactory examination in Spelling, Reading, Writing, and Elementary Geography and Arithmetic.

CABINET AND LIBRARY.

A beginning for a library has already been made; and it is hoped that through the liberality of the friends of the University a library, worthy of an institution truly national, will soon be secured.

The school has, also, access to a cabinet of several hundred specimens of minerals, both American and foreign. Contributions for the Library and the Department of Natural History are earnestly solicited from our friends at a distance. Each specimen for the museum should be plainly marked, designating its locality and history, with the donor's name, which will be appropriately noticed in the archives of the institution.

ENCOURAGEMENTS FOR THE FUTURE.

During the past term a number of young men have attended the school who are either already licensed ministers, or who have the ministry in view.

Several of the members of the Normal Department have gone out to teach for the Winter, hoping again to avail themselves of the advantages afforded by the school in the coming Spring.

In fine, the most sanguine hopes of the friends of the school have been more than realized thus far. What we now need is the complete endowment of the University; and may we not hope that even this will be accomplished upon a scale commensurate with the importance of the enterprise at no distant day.

CALENDAR.

Fall Term—To commence on the first Wednesday of October, closing on the 24th of December, 1867.

Winter Term—To commence on the second day of January, 1868, closing on the last Wednesday in March.

Summer Term—To commence the first Wednesday in April, closing on the last Wednesday in June, 1868.

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