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CHOWAN FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

Hales, Catherine B.	Williamson Co., N. C.
Russell, Ann A.	Wortham District, N. C.
Sanderson, Trixie McD.	Forestville, N. C.
Sectt, Mary A.	Eastern Shore, N. C.
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Spies, Lucy	Hertford Co., N. C.
Starnell, Mary E.	Northampton Co., N. C.
Stewart, Agnes E.	Sumpter Co., N. C.
Stewart, Emma L.	Sumpter Co., N. C.
Swain, Laura A.	Bartie Co., N. C.
Taylor, Julia	Bartie Co., N. C.
Taylor, Martha A.	Northampton Co., N. C.
Thach, Adelaide H.	Chowan Co., N. C.
Thach, Sarah J.	Chowan Co., N. C.
Thompson, Annie	Murfreesboro'.
Thompson, Margaret.	Murfreesboro'.
West, Mary H.	Raleigh, N. C.
Wheeler, Julia M.	Murfreesboro'.
White, Cora J. W.	Surry Co., Va.
White, Susie A.	Bartie Co., N. C.
Williams, Mary E.	Elizabeth City, N. C.
Wilson, Fanny L.	Pitt Co., N. C.

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Chowan Female Collegiate Institute.

This Institution owes its origin to an increasing sense of the necessity and importance of furnishing to parents, in this section of our country, an opportunity of giving to their daughters a more thorough and liberal education. For this purpose the Portsmouth and Chowan Associations combined, and jointly resolved to create a Seminary adequate to this object. They accordingly have erected a spacious building, furnished with the requisite conveniences and apparatus, for the advantageous prosecution of an accomplished education. The Institution has now been in successful operation for several years, and, being incorporated, may be considered permanent. Care is taken, by the selection of a sufficient number of competent instructors, to provide for tuition in all branches of a liberal education, which are suitable and ornamental for the female sex. And considering religion as at the foundation of character and happiness, the founders of this Seminary have incorporated into its system of instruction and discipline the Christian religion, in its essential doctrines, as understood and held by evangelical denominations.

It is not thought advisable to send girls under twelve years of age to this Institute, the instruction and control of that early period of life being apt to be better conducted at more private schools, and under the parent's eye.

Supposing a girl to commence her education in the Institute at the above-mentioned age, and to pursue the prescribed course

for six years, she will, in that time, if possessed of medium capacity and diligence, have undergone a mental discipline, and have acquired an amount of elementary knowledge, which will deserve to be called a good education, and give her a proper foundation for any superstructure of additional improvement in subsequent life.

The desire of the Instructors is, first, to see that the students be well grounded in the fundamental and most essential parts of knowledge, and not be pushed on too early for the sake of show, into the higher branches. It is lamentable to observe how many minds are thus injured, and how much time is wasted by prematurely forcing children to pursue studies which demand considerable maturity of mind. Parents ought not to wish their daughters to anticipate the order of nature and of a sound judgment, but ought to confide in the advice and arrangement of judicious teachers. After due time spent in the elementary studies, the student is taken on through such a course of languages, mathematics, belles lettres, philosophy, and science, as has been found by long experience, best fitted to task, develop, and improve the youthful mind. This full course, extensive as it is, it is hoped the majority of the students will be permitted to pursue, as being necessary to give full efficacy to the plan, and requiring a very salutary detention of our young ladies from any course to the frivolous vanities of fashionable life. But as it may not be practicable with many parents to give their daughters an entire course, a partial one, embracing the most essential parts, is provided for, and those who find it necessary, are allowed to make a selection of their studies.

Incentives to diligence are furnished rather from the moral relations of the individual, and the obligations growing out of them, than from appeals to ambition and the hope of reward. The object is, to make the student feel her responsibility as a so-

and self rational being, endowed with the power of desire both good and evil, and that it is obligatory upon her to strengthen the former, as a means of usefulness to others and of happiness to herself. A record of the exertions of each day is kept, and frequent reports of the standing of each student made to her parents.

APPARATUS.

The Institution is furnished with unusual educational facilities. The Astronomical, Chemical, and Philosophical Apparatus is not surpassed by that of any institution of learning in the State. The young ladies are accustomed to use the instruments in performing illustrative experiments, and thus acquire a mere practical knowledge of the branches studied. Astronomical observations may be made by the students, with a superior Astrogonic Telescope.

LIBRARY, READING-ROOM, AND CABINET.

The building is furnished with a small, well-stocked library, and a Cabinet of Minerals and Scientific Collections. Periodicals are also taken from various parts of the Empire.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

Music is taught both as a science and as an art. The department is furnished with a suitable number of pianos. Lectures and courses are held at regular intervals at which all the necessary elements of music are required to perform. There is also a large and valuable organ, for daily chapel services.

LECTURES.

Weekly Lectures are delivered, either of the various branches of science, illustrated by experiments, or of more philosophical questions.

GOVERNMENT.

The government is vested in the President and his colleagues of the Faculty. It is regarded as its primary intention that discipline be induced to act from principle rather than the fear of punishment—to do right from a love of right. The discipline is mild. Every effort is made to reclaim the erring, by kindness and private appeals to the reason and conscience; if these fail, the student is privately removed from the Institution. No young lady will be allowed to remain in the Seminary, whose example tends to encourage idleness, or immorality, or whose influence in any respect is of an unfavorable character.

The students are amenable to the laws of the Institution during the whole period of their connection with it. Those from abroad are not allowed to make or receive visits, nor attend any exhibitions, without permission from the President.

In going abroad, they are accompanied by the teachers. They are not allowed to open accounts with merchants, without permission from their parents or guardians. They do not visit the post-office, nor the stores, except in cases of necessity, and then attended by an officer of the Institute or a relative. All letters received pass through the hands of an officer of the Faculty, and where there is suspicion of a clandestine correspondence, the letters are enclosed to the parents or guardians, without examination.

The following rules have been thought essential to the well-being of the Institution:—

1. It is highly important that each pupil should be satisfied

the beginning of the session, will be admitted and be available for the use of the next term's books.

3. Every pupil, on application, for admission into the academy or for previous admission, shall first be required to give evidence to the board of trustees that there has been no criminal record had in the special school of this session. The necessary branches are selected by the parents and governing.

4. When a young lady has been placed in a suitable branch of study at the beginning of the session, she is not to engage her studies during that session, except for good and sufficient reasons shown to the Trustees.

5. The dress of the pupils shall consist of simple, modest and sensible. Extravagance in dress will not be allowed. No jewelry shall be worn except a plain ring or bracelet.

6. Trustees are severally prohibited from using their public expenditures for their daughters; also to avoid the ill-effects of such pocket-money, as each household has a tendency to produce extravagance and bad habits in the individuals thus favored, as well as to exert an injurious influence on their competitors.

SESSIONS AND VACATIONS.

The academic year commences on the first Wednesday in October, at which session of the year it is desirable that all students who desire to take a regular course, however thin such of the first Collegiate Course commenced its instruction. The academic year is divided into two sessions, thus:—

First Session—from first Wednesday in October to the middle of February.

Second Session—from the middle of February to the first Wednesday in July.

Commencement Day—first Wednesday in July.

Though it is earnestly desired that pupils should be entered at the beginning of the session, yet they will be received at any time, and charged from the time of entrance, except that an abatement will be made for the loss of the first two weeks of the session.

There is one vacation of three months, commencing on the first Thursday in July and ending on the first Tuesday in October. The addition of another month to the length of the vacation was adopted after due consideration, it being found that nine months of continued study is as much as can well be borne by young ladies, many of them of feeble constitutions. The length of the summer vacation, together with the usual weekly recess of two days, makes all other vacations unnecessary, and therefore at Christmas only a day's suspension of business will suffice.

32- It is always best that parents and grandmothers will accompany in this season which has been adapted from the judgment of the great officers of our Christmas season, may be the very best of school. To give a well for the purpose of our students the loss of a holiday like. It is better than any of the other ones. Most will attempt to do more because of the fact that they are not that will necessarily make some amount of money, and then what they bring, getting to know the amount, you then can be better themselves and will be able to present after Christmas, they are not necessary as the other classes to begin with.

EXAMINATION AND COMMENCEMENT.

The collegiate year is closed by a public examination, and the commencement exercises of the Graduating Class. An approved examination on the studies of the session will be required to enable a pupil to take rank with her class the next session. If she comes before the public examination, she must be examined before the Faculty, previously to joining the same class.

EXERCISE FOR HEALTH.

It is a great object with the Board of Instructors to provide for the pupils regular daily exercise, which shall be at once healthful and exhilarating. The fine lawn in front of the collegiate edifice, which is now improved into an ornamental garden, will furnish ample scope for out-door amusement, as well as botanical pursuits.


SCHEME OF STUDIES

NECESSARY TO OBTAIN A DIPLOMA.

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

This Department comprises—

- The Elements of the English Language : Spelling,
- Reading, Penmanship.
- Arithmetic.
- Grammar.
- Geography.
- Elementary History.
- “ Physiology.
- “ Natural History.
- “ Moral Science.
- Composition and Letter Writing.
- Latin begun.

 This Department will require two years to complete it; but it is expected, of course, that most pupils will be sufficiently advanced when they enter to save part of this time.

COLLEGIATE DEPARTMENT,

EMBRACING FOUR YEARS.

FIRST COLLEGIATE CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.

Arithmetic, the latter part.

Poetry parsed and metaphrased, (by which is meant, transposition into prose, order, and substitution of synonyms.)

Art of Writing, Quackenbos's First Lesson.

Epistolary Composition, once a week.

History, ancient.

Latin, Bullion's Grammar and Reader.

SECOND SESSION.

History, ancient, continued.

Algebra begun.

Composition and Letter Writing, continued.

Latin, Bullion's Reader, continued.

French begun.

SECOND COLLEGE CLAS.

FIRST PART.

- Algebra, continued.
- History, continued.
- Natural Philosophy.
- Composition, and Metaphrase of the Poets.
- Latin continued, Caesar's Commentaries, Spencer's Edition.
- French continued.—Telmaque.

SECOND PART.

- Geometry begun.
- Natural Philosophy continued.
- History continued.
- Exercises in Composition and Letter Writing.
- Latin continued, Ovid, selections from Andrew's Edition.
- French continued.—Telmaque.
- Review of Geography, as in First Year.

JUNIOR CLASS.

FIRST SESSION.

Geometry continued.
Latin continued—Virgil.
French continued—Corinne.
Physiology.
Rhetoric—History.
Moral Science.

SECOND SESSION.

Trigonometry and Measurement.
Latin continued—Virgil.
French continued—the Drama.
Paley's Natural Theology.
Botany.
Moral Science, continued.
History continued.

SENIOR CLASS

FIRST SEMESTER

Astronomy.
 Paley's Natural Theology continued.
 Intellectual Philosophy.
 Chemistry begun.
 Latin continued—Cicero.
 French continued—the Drama.

SECOND SEMESTER

Chemistry continued.
 Geology.
 Intellectual Philosophy continued.
 Christian Evidences.
 Latin continued—Extracts from Horace, or
 Virgil's Latin Version of the Poets.
 French Translations, and Compositions in the French
 Language.
 English Essays for Composition.

1837 A young lady must have passed through the course, or an equivalent, before being entitled to a Diploma; but if she has not the Languages, and complete the English Course, she shall be entitled to an *Honorary Certificate*.

1838 Also, any young lady having made approved proficiency in any ornamental branch of education, shall receive a Certificate of Approbation from the Professor of that Department.

1839 Those who wish to study Greek, or any of the usual modern Languages, in addition to the French, can do so.

1840 Any young lady proposing to pursue only a partial course, can select such studies as she prefers, provided she falls into some of the regular classes, pursuing the same studies.

SABBATH EXERCISES.

On Sunday the students are required, in the forenoon, to attend public worship in such churches as their parents or guardians may direct. In the afternoon, they are instructed in the Bible, and in the most approved Sunday School Publications.

TERMS OF TUITION AND BOARD,

THE SCHOOL

NOTE—It will be perceived that these charges have been reduced in the schedule of prices. It has been found necessary to secure the location of the Institute in Illinois, with its buildings, its positions, and even with the ground prices at a distance from the institutions of equal standing often situated in various parts. Based here, as in all other parts of the country, has been necessarily raised, from the increased prices of all provisions.

ESTIMATED CHARGES TO PUPILS.

Academic Department,	\$15 00
Collegiate Department,	25 00
(This includes instruction in all the library studies of the Institute.)	
Instructional and other Lessons,	5 00
Meals on the Plan of Quarters,	20 00
" " " " Green,	25 00
Use of Instruments,	7 00
Visual Music taught without charge.	
Living and Quarters,	20 00
Printing, Oil and Fuel,	14 00
Board and Washing at the Institute,	15 00

If preferred, board on the same terms can be had at conventional houses in the village, where the pupils will be subject to the regulations and control of the Faculty.

DIRECTIONS FOR TRAVELING.

Those living near any of our railroads will find it most convenient to come in the cars to Boykin's Depot, on the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, about twelve miles from the Institute. From that point to Murfreesboro' there is a regular line of ~~cars~~.