


# Forty-eighth Annual Report

TO THE TRUSTEES OF SHAW UNIVERSITY

AND TO THE

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RALEIGH, N. C., May 31, 1913.

DEAR BRETHREN:

I submit herewith my Nineteenth Annual Report, which is the forty-eighth since the establishment of the institution. The year ended today has been successful and unusually strenuous from a business standpoint on account of the high cost of living. The enrollment in all departments was 485, slightly less than last year on account of the falling off in the Leonard School of Medicine. The daily average attendance, in all departments of the institution, was 451, somewhat in excess of last year.

GRADUATES.—On Thursday, May 15th, there were graduated fifty-one students, as follows:

Medical .....	22
Pharmacy .....	7
Theological .....	2
Law .....	2
College .....	6
Education .....	6
Academic .....	2
Domestic Science .....	4
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Counted three times, having received three degrees .....	2
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HEALTH.—The health of the institution has been better than usual, which has doubtless been due in part to the mildness of the winter.

I wish to renew my recommendation for the establishment of a gymnasium, where physical training can be regularly given.

**SANITATION.**—The institution is in good condition from the standpoint of sanitation. Each of the buildings is now connected with the city sewer; but there should be more toilets and bathrooms in Shaw Hall and the medical dormitory.

**PHYSICAL CONDITION.**—The physical condition of the property should be improved. Floors should be renewed and all the buildings painted. It has not been possible this year, because of the high cost of living, to obtain funds for ordinary minor repairs. The campus is in a sanitary and attractive condition, and the shade trees set out fifteen years ago have grown finely and are proving very attractive.

**RELIGIOUS LIFE.**—Just after the session opened a series of religious meetings was conducted by Rev. G. W. Watkins, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C. There was a general quickening of the religious life of the institution, and there were thirteen conversions. Chapel exercises have been held every morning except Saturday and Sunday. The regular weekly prayer meeting was held on Thursday night, and there was a Sunday School from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. each Sunday and a prayer meeting Sunday night from 7:30 to 8:30. Attendance upon all these exercises was required. In addition to the above, there were various voluntary meetings conducted separately by the young men and young women.

**FINANCIAL.**—While the receipts of the year have been large, there is a deficit, as will be seen by referring to the financial part of this report, caused by the high cost of living and the slight falling off of attendance in the Leonard Medical School. It has been necessary to borrow \$4,500 on short time notes to provide for the deficit.

**HIGHER SALARIES.**—I again call your attention to the necessity for an increase in salaries on account of the increased cost of living. Were it not for the deep consecration of our teachers, we would not be able to operate the institution without an increase in salaries. The cost of living has been higher this year than it was last, and if the ratio of increase continues the raising of salaries will be an absolute necessity.

**ADDITIONAL TEACHERS.**—In my last report I called attention to the need of additional teachers. Plans are being developed for the reorganization of the Leonard Medical School, and I hope to make a special report on this subject early in July. There ought to be an additional teacher in the Men's Industrial Department and also in the Women's Industrial Department.

**THE LEONARD HOSPITAL.**—The Leonard Hospital has been operated very satisfactorily, but on account of the large excess of expenditures over receipts it was necessary, on May 31st, to close the hospital until the opening of the next session. The facilities and service afforded by the hospital have been very satisfactory and deeply appreciated by the large number of patients received and cared for.

**COMMENCEMENT.**—The annual address on Commencement Day was given by General T. W. Bickett, Attorney-General for the State of North Carolina. General Bickett is a native North Carolinian and was brought up among the colored people. His address was sympathetic, and in his letter accepting the invitation to give the Commencement Address he stated that he did so because of his interest in the colored people and for the further reason that he wished to be of service to the people and to the race.

**THEOLOGICAL HALL.**—Steps have been taken to provide a home for the students of the Theological Department. The night before Commencement there was held in Shaw Chapel one of the best Alumni meetings in the history of the institution, and steps were taken to raise \$15,000 for the proposed building and for further improvements in the Leonard Medical School. A meeting of a special committee was held at the University some time after Commencement and measures were taken to reach all the graduates in every State in the South and call upon them for help. An organization was completed that will mean much for the School of Theology and also for the Leonard Medical School. This work is to be done by the graduates and friends themselves, without any obligation being assumed by the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED.—I again call your attention to the need of a library. The Carnegie offer of \$15,000 should be supplemented at an early date by \$15,000 for an endowment, so that the conditional pledge could be paid. The students in the Medical Department, under the leadership of Dr. J. G. Osborne, the Hospital Physician, have made a good beginning for a special medical library.

If the \$15,000 needed to supplement Mr. Carnegie's gift of \$15,000 for a library can not be obtained soon, the medical dormitory should be enlarged so that all the medical students can be accommodated in that dormitory. There would then be additional room in the Shaw Building for providing better library facilities and also for more toilets and bathrooms.

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY.—I renew my recommendation for the establishing at an early date of a School of Dentistry. An outlay of \$2,500 would provide the necessary equipment and there would be only a slight increase in our salary list, for most of the students in the proposed School of Dentistry would recite in the same classes with the students of medicine and pharmacy. There is such a demand throughout the South for dentists that I believe a school of dentistry would be successful from the start.

SUMMER SCHOOL.—Steps should be taken for the permanent establishment of a Summer School for the professional training of teachers and for others who might wish to enter. The location of such a school at Shaw University, which is so conveniently located in the Capital City, would draw large numbers of students from all parts of the State. I believe that the State Department of Education would be glad to have such a school established and would coöperate heartily to make it a success.

In view of the advancement of medical science and the consequent greater demands made upon the profession, a large number of practitioners would be glad to come for a few weeks and avail themselves of the superior advantages that will be afforded when the plans for the reorganization of the Leonard Schools of Medicine and Pharmacy have been completed.

HIGHER REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION AND GRADUATION.—It is gratifying to report that a ninth grade has been

added to the colored public schools of the city of Raleigh. We do not now receive students from the city unless they can present certificates showing that they have completed the work of the ninth grade. This has enabled us to raise our requirements for admission. Higher requirements for admission and graduation in all departments of the institution are being considered, and will be put into force just as soon as possible. In the Schools of Medicine and Pharmacy higher requirements for admission will be put into effect October, 1914. As a result of the higher requirements for graduation in the Literary Departments of the institution, I might remark that an A.B. graduate of the Class of 1911 is about to be graduated from the University of Chicago with the degree of Master of Arts. Graduates of our College Department now enter the Senior classes of the best Northern colleges and universities.

I can not close this report without commending highly the teachers in all departments of the institution for their faithful and consecrated service. Special mention should be made of the Leonard Medical School, because most of the teachers have served for about a third of the year without any compensation and all have promised to serve next year during our period of reorganization and transition without any compensation whatever, if the financial condition proves such that there is no money to pay them.

I append herewith my financial report, a copy of which has been forwarded to Mr. F. T. Moulton, Treasurer.

## Financial Report for Year Ended May 31st, 1913

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS:

Tuition and incidental fees.....	\$5,346.00	
Old accounts .....	106.50	
All other sources .....	5,322.30	
Loans from bank.....	5,500.00	
Book sales .....	1,130.53	
Slater Fund .....	2,250.00	
A. B. H. M. S.....	12,700.73	
W. A. B. H. M. S.....	600.00	
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		\$32,956.06

## EXPENDITURES:

School supplies .....	\$1,392.58	
Repairs and wages.....	1,975.05	
Special improvements .....	891.67	
Student labor .....	1,285.09	
Gratuities and rebates.....	508.59	
Sundries .....	3,237.80	
Teachers' salaries:		
Slater appropriation .....	2,250.00	
A. B. H. M. S.....	10,499.92	
W. A. B. H. M. S.....	600.00	
Other salaries .....	2,501.90	
Bank loans repaid.....	2,500.00	
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		\$27,642.60
Surplus .....		5,313.46
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		\$32,956.06

## LAW DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS:

Tuition and incidental fees.....	\$158.00	
Deficit .....	342.00	
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		\$500.00

## EXPENDITURES:

Salary .....	\$500.00	
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## PHARMACY DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS:

Tuition and incidental fees.....	\$1,040.00	
Deficit .....	106.15	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,146.15

## EXPENDITURES:

Salaries .....	\$837.50	
Supplies .....	308.65	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,146.15

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS:

Tuition and incidental fees.....	\$5,315.00	
Old accounts .....	70.15	
Deficit .....	19.49	
	<u>          </u>	\$5,404.64

## EXPENDITURES:

School supplies .....	\$422.89	
Charts .....	150.00	
Student labor .....	201.00	
Sundries .....	30.75	
Salaries .....	4,600.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$5,404.64

## BOARDING DEPARTMENT.

## RECEIPTS:

Students' board .....		\$17,724.00
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## EXPENDITURES:

Material for Boarding Department.....	\$9,293.54	
Service .....	900.20	
Heat, light, power and wages.....	4,259.24	
Water tax .....	457.76	
Surplus .....	2,813.26	
	<u>          </u>	\$17,724.00

## SUMMARY.

## RECEIPTS:

Medical Department .....	\$5,385.15	
Pharmacy Department .....	1,040.00	
Law Department .....	158.00	
Literary Department .....	32,956.06	
Boarding Department .....	17,724.00	
Leonard Hospital .....	2,330.78	
Leonard Hospital donations.....	488.81	
Balance from 1911-12.....	275.64	
		————— \$60,358.44

## EXPENDITURES:

Medical Department .....	\$5,404.64	
Pharmacy Department .....	1,146.15	
Law Department .....	500.00	
Literary Department .....	27,642.60	
Boarding Department .....	14,910.74	
Leonard Hospital (including equipment) ..	10,164.90	
*Balance forward .....	589.41	
		————— \$60,358.44

\*NOTE.—Loan of \$4,500 from bank; actual deficit, \$3,910.59.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES FRANCIS MESERVE,

*President.*



