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## ABBREVIATIONS.

B. H.—Brown Hall. O. S.—Old Seminary.



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A knowledge of Hebrew is not essential to students entering the Junior Class, inasmuch as the rudiments of this language form part of the regular course of instruction given in the first year. But a previous acquaintance with at least the written character would be of great service to beginners.

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## COURSE OF STUDY.

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### Second Year.

Old Testament : Hebrew ; Special Introduction to the Poetical Books ; Special Introduction to the Historical Books. New Testament : Life of Christ and Exegesis of the Gospels. Didactic Theology (Theology Proper, Anthropology begun). Church History. Relations of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion. Government and Discipline of the Church : Homiletics ; Criticism of Sermons ; Elocution.

### Third Year.

Old Testament : Hebrew ; Special Introduction to the Prophets ; Biblical Theology (Elective). New Testament : Acts of the Apostles ; Special Introduction to the Epistles ; Biblical Theology (Elective). Didactic Theology (Anthropology, Soteriology, Eschatology). Church History. Relations of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion. Christian Ethics. Pastoral Care ; Ordinances of Worship. Homiletics : Analysis of texts ; Homiletical Criticism ; Elocution.

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### Lectures and Recitations.

The Junior Class has five weekly exercises in Hebrew ; two in Introduction to the Old Testament and Archæology ; one in Introduction to the New Testament ; two in the Exegesis of Paul's Epistles ; two in Old Testament and Church History ; two in the relations of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion ; one in Church Government ; and one in Elocution.

The Middle class has three weekly exercises in Church History ; three in Didactic Theology ; four in Old Testament Literature and Exegesis ; one in the Relations of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion ; two in the Life of Christ and Exegesis of the Gospels ; two in Homiletics and Church Government ; and one in Elocution.

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#### **Introduction to the Scriptures.**

General Introduction to the Old and the New Testament embraces the subjects of the Canon, the Original Languages of Scripture, Ancient Manuscripts and Versions, Sacred Criticism, and the History and Principles of Scripture Interpretation.

Special Introduction embraces an account of each book severally, its authorship, integrity, design, and structure, together with a general statement of its contents, and a more particular examination of the most interesting and important questions relating to its criticism and interpretation. The course is intended to include at least a general survey of every book in the Bible.

#### **Hebrew.**

Hebrew is taught throughout the course. But the grammatical study of the language as such is confined mainly to the first year, in which a larger portion of time is devoted to it than to any other single branch. The Junior Class is trained not simply in translation and parsing, but in the derivation of words and the comparison of synonyms, and in converting English into Hebrew. A beginning is also made the first year in the application of the knowledge of the language to the work of exposition, which is carried out more fully in the subsequent years of the course.

#### **The Old Testament.**

A general and comprehensive survey is presented of the various books of the Old Testament, in their individual plan and contents, and in their relations to one another, and to the general scheme of which they form a part. The most important questions in criticism and exegesis that arise in each are considered, with a special reference to the gradual unfolding of revealed truth, the preparation for the coming of Christ, and the fuller disclosures of the New Testament. Particular attention is paid to the interpretation of typical facts and institutions, and to tracing the progressive scheme of prophecy. The Middle Class is also engaged in the more detailed study of the Book of Psalms, and the Senior Class in that of Isaiah.

#### **The New Testament.**

In the study of the New Testament an acquaintance with ordinary Greek is assumed; but careful attention is paid to the peculiarities of the Hellenistic dialect, particularly as employed by the New Testament writers. The exegesis of the New Testament is begun with the Junior Class by the study of the Epistles of Paul. The Life of Christ is exhibited in its several periods, with a careful analysis of the different Gospels, their mutual relations, their individual characteristics, and the harmony of their respective narratives. The Acts of the Apostles is studied both exegetically and topically, with prominent reference to the life and labors of the Apostle Paul, and the early planting of the Christian Church. Special Introductions to the various Epistles are inserted in their proper chronological place.



### **Theology.**

Systematic Theology is begun in the Middle year, and completed in the Senior year. The doctrines of Theology are presented didactically, historically, and polemically. The order of topics pursued is: The nature, forms, and sources of Theology; the being of God, His nature and attributes; the Trinity; the Divinity of Christ; the Holy Spirit; the decrees of God; creation; providence; miracles; the origin, nature, and primitive state of man; the covenant with Adam; the fall; sin; imputation; original sin; inability; the covenant of grace; the person of Christ; His offices; the nature, necessity, perfection, and extent of the atonement; His kingdom; His humiliation and exaltation; vocation; regeneration; faith; justification; sanctification; the law of God; the sacraments; eschatology.

### **Biblical and Ecclesiastical History.**

The Junior Class is instructed in Old Testament History, using for the present Blaikie's Manual of Bible History as a guide,—and in the Church History of the first two centuries.

The study of Church History is pursued with the Middle Class from the beginning of the third century to the period of the Reformation. The Seniors are occupied with the period following the Reformation and extending to the present time, including the history of the separate church organizations in Europe, America, and the East.

The course in post-Biblical Church History is conducted by lecture, and recitation upon the subject of the lecture, with constant reference to original authorities and the best books for collateral reading. Special attention is given throughout to the historical order of revelation and development of doctrine, to Christian life, and the relations of the Church to the world.

### **Ecclesiastical, Homiletical, and Pastoral Theology.**

The study of Ecclesiastical Theology is begun in the Junior Year. The method of instruction is by Lectures. The course includes: the true idea of the Church; the organization of the Church; the Head of the Church; the claim of Papal Supremacy; Officers of the Church; Apostolical Succession; Office of the Ministry; Ruling Elders, etc.

The study of Homiletics is begun with the Middle Class in a course of Lectures, including the choice of Texts; the origination of thought; collection of material; assimilation; the drawing of a Theme; the analysis of Texts with practical exercises in Divisions; the preparation of Discourses; and homiletical criticisms of Sermons delivered in the presence of a Professor. The study of Church Government is also continued in the Middle Year by Lectures and Text-book. Subjects: Church Members, their rights, duties, privileges; Church Courts, their warrant, gradation, and power; Church Discipline in its forms and processes.

The Senior Class is instructed in Pastoral Theology both by Lecture and Text-book. The study of Homiletics is continued in the Senior Year by Lectures upon Introductions; the treatment of the different heads of a discourse; illustrations in preaching, etc.

### Christian Ethics.

This course delivered to the Senior Class treats of Biblical Ethics, studied both constructively and with reference to popular and scientific difficulties; of the Apologetic argument drawn from the moral character and results of Christianity; and of the relations of Christianity to civilization and Social Science.

### The Relations of Philosophy and Science to the Christian Religion.

The work of this chair will embrace the following subjects: Theological Encyclopædia; the Philosophy of Belief, including the theory of knowledge, tests of truth, canons of evidence, and the bearing of these topics upon current religious thought; the Philosophy of Religion; Theism in its historical, constructive, and critical aspects, including the anti-theistic theories; and Fundamental Ethics, with special reference to recent discussions.

The lectures in this department during the present session are devoted to Theism, Anti-theistic theories, Theological Encyclopædia, and Outlines of Apologetics.

### Assyriology and the Old Testament.

The relations of Assyriology to the Old Testament will be discussed by DR. DAVIS. The special subject for consideration during the present session will be "A comparison of the Religious Ideas of the Israelites and the Assyrians," which will be presented in six lectures, as follows: The ancestral home of Abraham and its religion; creation; the Sabbath; sin; sacrifice; fellowship with God.

### Special Lectures.

The foundation created by L. P. Stone, Esq., provides for an annual course of lectures upon some topic kindred to Theological studies.

The lecturer for the present year is the Rev. George T. Purves, whose subject is "The Witness of Justin Martyr to Early Christianity."

### Rhetorical Exercises in Sermonizing.

DR. WARFIELD presides at the weekly speaking of the Junior and Middle Classes, each member of which is, in his turn, expected to deliver original discourses, *memoriter*.

The weekly preaching of the Senior Class is under the direction of DR. PAXTON, who also conducts exercises with the class in analysis of texts, and in writing and criticising sermons.

MR. HENRY W. SMITH, the instructor in Elocution, is in constant attendance throughout the session, and gives a thorough course of teaching in this department, meeting the students both singly and in classes, and combining a careful discussion of principles with abundant and varied vocal exercises.

Every student is required, prior to graduation, to exhibit to the Professor of Homiletical Instruction two lectures and four popular sermons, which shall be approved by him.

### Optional Studies.

Hebrew is the only Oriental language which is taught in the regular course; but such students as desire it may be instructed in Palestinian Aramaic, Syriac, Arabic, or Assyrian.

The study of the Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments has been added to the Seminary course, but for the present is an elective study for Middle, Senior, and Graduate students.

Private classes may also be formed for classical reading, Biblical exegesis, or other subjects collateral to the course.

On application to the Professors of the College, students can have the privilege of attending lectures in that institution.

Instruction in the French and German languages can be obtained from competent teachers at the student's expense.

### Hebrew Fellowship.

The George S. Green fellowship, yielding \$600 in quarterly payments, is offered to that member of the graduating class, who shall stand highest in a special examination to be held in April upon a specified portion of Hebrew, and who shall in addition prepare the best thesis on a specified subject, to be presented on or before the first day of April.

The holder of this fellowship will be expected to spend at least one year in Old Testament study, under the direction of the Faculty, either in Princeton or in some approved foreign university.

No student can receive this fellowship, who has not spent at least two years in this Seminary, nor unless he passes a satisfactory examination on all the studies of the regular course, nor unless his specified examination and thesis are decidedly meritorious.

The examination for this fellowship this year will be upon the Hebrew of the Senior year together with the first sixteen chapters of Leviticus. The subject for the thesis is The unity and authorship of the Book of Leviticus.

The examination next year will be upon the Hebrew of the Senior year together with the books of Hosea and Amos; and the subject for the thesis is The indications of the age of the Pentateuch furnished by the books of the prophets.

### Biblical Prizes.

Mr. Robert Carter and Mr. Charles Scribner established the following prizes for excellence in Biblical studies.

Messrs. Robert Carter & Bros. will present \$50 worth of their publications to that member of the Senior or Middle Class who shall prepare the best thesis on an assigned subject in Old Testament literature or exegesis, and submit it to the Professor of the department on or before April 1st. The second and third in merit will each be presented with \$10 worth of their publications.

Messrs. Charles Scribner's Sons make a like offer of their publications for a thesis in New Testament literature and exegesis.

The themes assigned for the present Seminary year are :

In the Old Testament : An exegesis of Psalm lxviii.

In the New Testament : Paul's doctrine of the place of the Incarnation in the Divine plan.

### Religious Exercises.

Daily prayers, which every student is expected to attend, are conducted in the morning by members of the Senior Class, and in the evening by the Professors.

On Sabbath mornings the Professors preach in rotation in the Seminary Chapel. In the afternoon a conference is held in the Oratory, at which the Professors conduct the discourse on a subject previously announced, and the students conduct the devotional exercises.

Missionary meetings are held every Sabbath evening among the students. The concert of Prayer on the first Monday of each month is under the direction of the Professors.

Various other meetings for devotion or mutual exhortation are maintained either by the students as a body, or by each class separately, or by the graduates of the several colleges, etc.

Abundant opportunities for active usefulness and observation of pastoral life are afforded in Princeton and its vicinity. A large number of the students regularly engage in the conduct of religious meetings, in Sabbath School instruction, and in other kinds of Christian work.

### Library.

The library has been removed to the new and elegant edifice erected for it by the late James Lenox, LL.D., of New York. The library now contains about 48,000 bound volumes, chiefly theological, including, in addition to many rare and costly works, the large and unique collection of pamphlets presented by the Rev. Dr. Sprague, the libraries of Drs. Ashbel Green, John M. Krebs, John Breckinridge, etc.; the valuable library of Dr. Addison Alexander, the gift of Messrs. R. L. and A. Stuart; a remarkably full collection of works on the Baptist controversy, embracing over 2000 volumes and 3000 pamphlets, gathered and presented by the late Mr. Samuel Agnew, of Philadelphia; and also a collection of 2000 volumes of Puritan Theology, presented by friends of the Institution. The library has, from the generosity of Messrs. R. L. and A. Stuart, a fund of ten thousand dollars, and from the estate of the late John C. Green, Esq., an additional fund of twenty-five thousand dollars, whose annual proceeds are devoted to its maintenance and increase. It is open three hours every week-day for reading and consultation, and for drawing books. Text-books may be kept out during the entire term.

Students are also entitled to the free use of the Library of the College.

The reading-room is well supplied with the leading newspapers and periodicals. It is open to all the students.

### Stuart Hall.

This admirable structure affords the most ample and complete accommodations in the way of lecture-rooms, and apartments devoted to other public uses of the Institution.

### Rooms, etc.

The commodious buildings of the Seminary, which have recently been thoroughly renovated, afford ample accommodations for students. The rooms, both in the original edifice and in Brown Hall, are furnished with a bedstead, mattress, pillows, bureau, washstand, chairs, table, looking-glass, bookcase and clothes-press. Whatever may be needed or desired beyond this must be supplied by the students themselves.

### Expenses.

There is no charge for tuition or room rent. The only fees required of students are \$10 for the general expense fund, to pay the cost of warming and lighting the public rooms, the attendance of servants, etc., and \$2 for the use of the library and reading room.

Board is furnished at the refectory for \$3 per week; in clubs about the same; in private families from \$3 to \$5.

Fuel costs from \$8 to \$15 per annum; and washing \$1.50 per month. Total of necessary expenses for the Seminary year, from \$175 to \$200.

Books can be bought at a liberal discount, and some class-books are provided in the library.

Gas-light may be had in the Seminary at the option of the student.

Students are not advised to engage in teaching or in other distracting occupations during term time, with a view to self-support. This is found to interfere seriously with their attention to study, and is rendered unnecessary by the aid which they may receive from the funds of the Seminary, from the Board of Education, and from the liberality of private benefactors.

### Reports to Presbyteries.

Annual reports are sent to Presbyteries of the attendance of the students under their care upon the exercises of the Seminary.

### Examinations.

The next annual examination will begin on Monday, April 30th, and be continued until the following Monday. During the first four days it is conducted in writing; during the last three it is oral, and is in the presence of the Committee appointed by the Board of Directors, to whose scrutiny the results of the written examination are likewise subjected.

The Committee of Examination for the present session will meet at Stuart Hall, on Thursday, May 3d, at 4 P. M.; it consist of *Principals*,—Robert Hamill, D.D., Joseph T. Smith, D.D., LL.D., Abraham Gosman, D.D., James O. Murray, D.D., LL.D., Everard Kempshall, D.D., Rev. George T. Purves, Alfred Yeomans, D.D., Hon. James A. Beaver, Hon. John Trunkey; *Alternates*,—William C. Cattell, D.D., LL.D., Elijah R. Craven, D.D., William E. Schenck, D.D., John Hall, D.D., LL.D., William Irvin, D.D., Rev. William Brenton Greene, James T. Leftwich, D.D., George Junkin, Esq., Bennington F. Randolph, Esq., and Hon. John T. Nixon, LL.D.

The examination is public, and the presence of visitors, particularly from Presbyteries having students under their care, will be welcomed.

Students who are absent from the examinations of their class, or who fail to pass this test in a satisfactory manner, must submit to an examination with the corresponding class in a subsequent year.

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### THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DIVINITY (B.D.) IN PRINCETON COLLEGE.

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This Degree may be conferred on a Bachelor of Arts of any approved College, who shall also have completed a three years' course of theological study in any approved institution, followed by a two years' course of prescribed study in theology. This course of special study shall be prescribed, and all examinations required by this scheme shall be conducted, by examiners designated by the Trustees of Princeton College.

#### Regulations.

I. *Preliminary Qualifications.*—Every applicant must be, as above required, a graduate of an approved College and Theological institution, and in the month of April shall pass an examination on

1. His knowledge of the Biblical languages (Hebrew, Aramaic, and the Greek of the New Testament);
2. His knowledge of the Latin and German languages, to test his ability to use them for the purposes of advanced study and research;
3. His general acquaintance with Church History, Systematic Theology, and Introduction (General and Special) to the Old and New Testament.

II. *Chief Subject of Study.*—Every candidate who has successfully passed this preliminary examination shall then announce which one of the following three departments he selects for his chief subject of study:

#### I. PHILOLOGY, EXEGESIS AND CRITICISM:

Including (a) The further Study of the Biblical Languages, with two Cognate Languages; (h) The special Exegetical and Critical Study of such parts of the Old and New Testaments as may be suggested by the candidate and approved by the examiners; (c) Biblical History of the Old and New Testaments; (d) Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments.

#### 2. SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY:

Including (a) Biblical Theology of the Old and New Testaments; (h) Philosophy of Religion; (c) Apologetics; (d) The History of Christian Doctrine; (e) The chief systems of Contemporary Theology; (f) Ecclesiology; (g) Christian Ethics.

#### 3. CHURCH HISTORY:

Including (a) Biblical History of the Old and New Testaments; (h) Patristic Theology; (c) Symbolics; (d) History of Christian Doctrine; (e) Special studies in the History of the Christian Church in some one of its chief periods; (f) Ecclesiology.

III. *Examination in the Chief Subject.*—In the month of April, in the last year of his course, the candidate shall undergo an examination on the studies embraced in the department which he has selected for his chief work.

IV. *Subsidiary Subject.*—Each candidate in addition to the prescribed studies of the department which he may select, shall offer one subsidiary study, chosen from among the branches prescribed for other departments.

V. *The Thesis.*—Each candidate shall present in the month of March, in the last year of his course, a thesis on some special topic in the department which constitutes his chief subject. The length of this thesis should not be less than 12,000, nor more than 24,000 words. The topic of the thesis shall be announced to the examiners for their approval in the first year of his course. The thesis shall not be accepted unless it contains evidence of high scholarship and original research. If the thesis is not accepted the candidate will not be admitted to examination on his chosen subject of study.

N. B.—In order to meet the expenses of examinations, those who apply for the degree shall pay a fee of forty dollars upon their first application, twenty dollars each subsequent year of his course, and fifty dollars when the degree is conferred.

### The Academical Year

opens on the third Thursday of September, and closes on the Tuesday before the second Saturday in May.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Monday, May 7th, at 7.30 P. M.

The usual certificates will be conferred on the next graduating class on Tuesday, May 8th, in the presence of the Board of Directors, when the students will be dismissed with an address by James O. Murray, D.D., LL.D., or the Rev. George T. Purves, his alternate.

The annual sermon, at the close of the session, will be preached by the Rev. Joseph T. Smith, D.D., LL.D., or in case of his absence by the Rev. Abraham Gosman, D.D.

### Vacations.

The long summer vacation presents a suitable opportunity for engaging in teaching, or in other remunerative occupations. Students are particularly encouraged to spend their vacation in practical Christian work, under the direction or with the approbation of their pastors or Presbyteries. This will furnish a most important supplement to the training of the Seminary, affording an experience and familiarity with the active duties of the ministry, which will be invaluable as a part of the preparation for the sacred office.

A recess of two weeks is also taken at the Christmas holidays.

### Location of the Seminary.

The seclusion and quiet of a rural village is particularly favorable to academic occupation. It was chiefly for this reason, and for the additional advantage of proximity to the College of New Jersey, that the General Assembly, after mature deliberation, selected Princeton as the site of the oldest Seminary of the Church.

It is in quick and easy communication with the neighboring cities of New York and Philadelphia, while yet it is sufficiently removed from them to be free from all distracting influences.

### Gifts and Bequests to the Seminary.

The corporate name of the body in charge of the property of the Seminary is "The Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church located at Princeton." Gifts may, at the pleasure of donors, be directed to the Permanent Fund, which is for the support of the Professors; to the Education Fund, which is for the aid of needy students; to the Contingent Fund, which is for defraying the general expenses of the Institution, its buildings, grounds, etc.; to the Sustentation Fund, designed to diminish the expense of boarding; to the Library Fund, or to any other important object connected with the Seminary. The value of a scholarship is from \$2500, which is the minimum, to \$3000.

### Alumni Association of the Seminary.

The Alumni Association of the Seminary will hold its annual meeting in the Seminary Chapel on Tuesday, May 8th, at 11 A. M., when the Annual Necrological Report will be presented, and free discussions will be held on prearranged topics. The Alumni will dine together in Stuart Hall.

The officers of the Association for the present year are as follows: *President*, ELIJAH R. CRAVEN, D.D., of Philadelphia; *Vice-President*, GEORGE ALEXANDER, D.D., of New York; *Secretaries*, WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., of Philadelphia, and Rev. JOSEPH H. DULLES, of Princeton, N. J.; *Treasurer*, WILLIAM HENRY GREEN, D.D., LL.D., of Princeton, N. J. These with Rev. JOHN R. FISHER, of South Orange, N. J., Rev. HORACE G. HINSDALE, of Princeton, N. J., and JAMES ROBERTS, D.D., of Darby, Pa., constitute the Executive Committee.

### The Annual Necrological Record.

This publication, begun in 1875, and issued until 1884 under the supervision of Wm. E. Schenck, D.D., contains a brief biographical notice of each of the Alumni of the Seminary dying during the course of a given year. The present Committee on Necrology, Charles A. Aiken, D.D., H. C. Cameron, D.D., and William H. Roberts, D.D., earnestly solicit early and full information respecting deceased Alumni.

### The General Catalogue.

The last edition of the General Catalogue of the Seminary was published in 1881, was edited by William E. Schenck, D.D., with the co-operation of the Librarian of the Seminary, and contains a record of each student of the Institution, so far as obtainable, from 1812 to 1881. Its price is 50 cents, postage included, except to Alumni of the Seminary, to whom it will be sent on receipt of 11 cents for postage. The Catalogue can be had by addressing the Rev. Joseph H. Dulles, Princeton, N. J. Any facts tending to make the record complete will be welcome.





