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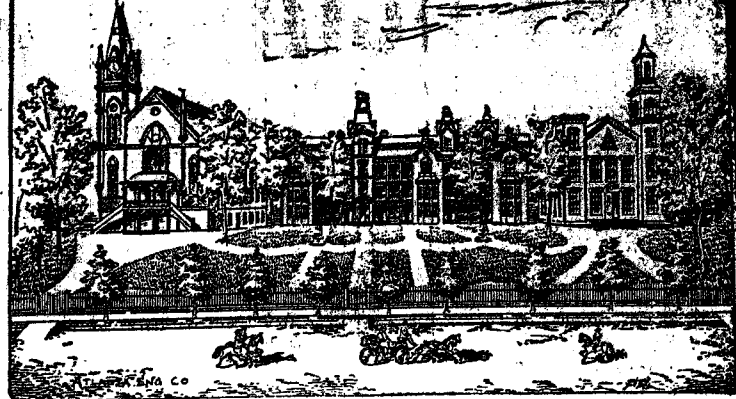
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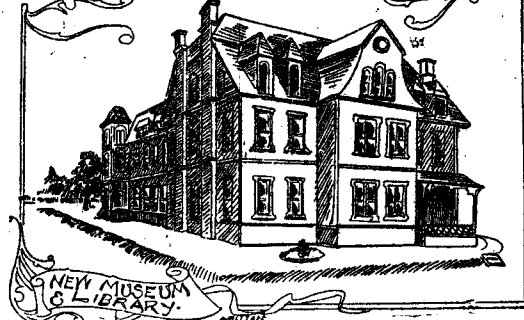
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MAIN BUILDINGS SOUTHERN FEMALE COLLEGE

CHapel. BOARDING HOUSE. SCHOOL BUILDING.
The ground floor of the chapel is used for laboratory, bowling alley and gymnasium. The public hall appropriates the second story. The art studies with skylights are in the third story, and above all is the observatory with the mounted telescope. The middle building is the boarding house. The structure is one high, and an elevator at the end may be used if desired. Windows in abundance are on each floor; these reaching each room is attached to pipestands, ready for use; electric bells and fire groups are every part of the house, and numerous stairways furnish exits. Galleries almost surround the building, affording good playgrounds.

The structure on the right is utilized for general teaching purposes. The rooms are labeled Literature, Lecture Room, Natural History, Dreammaking, Assembly Hall, and so forth. The third story is devoted to the practice of instrumental music.



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM BUILDING

This structure connects with the school building. The library and reading room occupy the first floor. The museum fills the second story and the practice rooms take up the remaining story.



THE OLD COLLEGE BUILDINGS

Burned during the late war while they were being used for a Confederate hospital.

lege. Thus the invitation has been in the hands of one family for fifty years. The parents accomplished much in their noble aims and efforts for the culture of woman, and left their life-work to their descendants as a sacred trust and labor of love.

HISTORICAL RECORDS.

Preserved in the archives of the college are an almost complete file of the catalogues and other valuable matter. Catalogues for the following years, however, are lacking: 1854, '55, '56, '57, '58, '59. Copies are extremely desired and would be highly appreciated. The set is soon to be bound.

Looking over these musty pages is full of suggestion and interest. They reveal in the beginning a lofty ambition in a pioneer field, and the succeeding pages show that purpose being realized, at least in part.

Among the

Hattie Davis, Nina Hornady, Annie Belle Northern, Leta Stakely, Annie Sanford and numerous others.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL.

As will be remembered, the semi-centennial celebration of the college was held during last June. The exercises were unique and appropriate. The address by Hon. Henry Watterson, the national tableau, the music, the literary exercises by the pupils, the delivery of medals by Dr. Wiley, and especially the alumni meeting, were in every way worthy of the occasion. On semi-centennial day there were seated upon the stage grandmothers, mothers and daughters, who offered tributes of love and praise to their alma mater. It was an impressive and memorable scene as the representatives of the classes from 1853 back to 1903 came forward to read their papers. These papers are

Mathematics—Wentworth's Geometry, with original problems, 1-6 books.
History—Universal history (Sheldon) with library work.
French, German, Spanish or Italian.
Bible—Apostolic church.
Latin—Composition. Horace with its literature. Verification.
Mathematics—Wentworth's geometry (8-10 books) and trigonometry with original problems.
Natural Science—Botany with herbarium work.
History—Universal history with library work.
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English—Rhetoric (Gearing). Traces on words. Whately's Synonymes.
Natural Science—Physics (Gage), by J. E.

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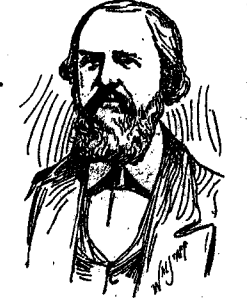
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MILTON E. BACON, A. M.
President from 1903 to 1905.

church and fellow Him. "Everybody says that all the people live in Cuba as Baptists." Miss Ida Moore, of Indian Territory, describes in an interesting manner the progress of the cause among the Indians. The pupils and the teachers are enthusiastic contributors, as is shown by their raising in 1902 the sum of \$1,518.38 for missions and benevolence, besides an extra vacation offering to support a missionary in Mexico.

At the twilight meeting all the hundreds of pupils who have ever attended the college are remembered in prayer. Scattered over the country, under varying experience of responsibility, bereavement, success, trouble and prosperity, they are borne to the heavenly throne; many of the old pupils send back requests for prayer as they enter upon new duties and trials.

In this prayer meeting, a song is sung, requests for prayer are made, all join one after another in a sentence prayer, each one then rises and repeats a verse, sometimes answers to prayer are mentioned, and a song concludes the exercises. It is an interesting fact that every member of the session past was or became a professing Christian.

HISTORICAL SKETCH.

The college was organized for the higher education of woman by John E. Dawson, D. D., the first session being held in 1853.



J. E. DAWSON, D. D.
President from 1853 to 1887.

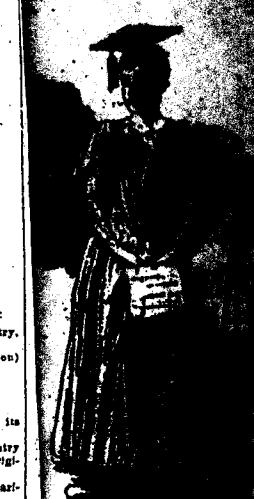
During that year Dr. Dawson's health failed, and he turned the school over to Milton E. Bacon, A. M. The session in



CHARLES E. COX, A. M.
President since 1907.

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