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REV. GEORGE JUNKIN, D. D. LL. D. President and Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy.

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JUNIUS M. FISHBURN, A. M. Professor of Latin and Modern Languages.

J. L. MASSIE, First Assistant Instructor in Mathematics.

A. S. PENDLETON,
Second Assistant Instructor in Mathematics.

H. A. WHITE,
Assistant in Mathematics for 1857-'58.

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### LIST OF CLASSES.

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- \* Received the Robinson Gold Medals.
- † Deficient in the composition and delivery of original orations.
- ‡ Required to withdraw.

#### NOTE.

The Students of this institution are graded in all the departments of study by a system of marking, as follows: The value of every recitation is expressed by a number referring to 100 as the maximum. The average of all the marks thus given to a student in any class, determines his standing in that class. Delinquencies of all kinds (not meriting higher penalty) are also expressed in numbers, (demerit marks,) varying upward as high as 12, according to the nature of the offence. The sum of all the demerit marks substracted from 100 determines the student's standing in conduct. A combination of the average of the marks at-

standing in conduct. A combination of the average of the marks attained in all the departments of study, with the conduct mark, gives the general grade of the student as compared with others in the same class. In the tables, the column of numbers on the left gives the general grade in conduct and scholarship combined. The columns marked "Mathematics," "Latin," "Greek," &c., denote the grades attained in these several branches of study.

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### JUNIOR FRENCH.

1	H. A. McCutchen,	Rockbridge, Virginia.
2	H. Estill,	Lexington, "
3	W. M. Wilson,	Rockbridge, "
4	H. A. White,	Lexington, "
5	H. Fry,	Wheeling, "
6	J. H. Figgat,	Fincastle, "
7	G. W. Finley,	Clarkesville, "
8	F. McF. Swoope,	Augusta, "
9	D. Blain, (d)	Albemarle, "
10	N. C. Luck, (d)	Botetourt, "
*	W. R. Anderson,	Greenbrier, "
*	J. D. Brooks.	Augusta, "
*	W. M. Brown,	Highland, "
*	A. W. Cameron,	Rockbridge, "
*	T. L. P. Cocke,	Cumberland, "
*	H. B. Craig,	Augusta, "
*	J. M. Dunlap,	Rockbridge, "
*	A. H. Jackson,	Lewis, "
*	G. T. Lyle,	Montgomery, "
*	A. D. Robertson,	Amherst, "
*	J. A. Sale,	Bedford, "

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### JUNIOR GERMAN.

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T. L. P. Cocke,	Cumberland, Virginia.
George Life,	Highland, "
S. M. Lightner,	Pocahontas, "
A. S. Pendleton,	Lexington, "
F. Preston,	Lexington, "

Whole number of Students 93.

## Course of Study.

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### PREPARATORY.

The requisites for admission to the regular College course are a competent knowledge of the English Grammar, Geography and Arithmetic—especially Vulgar and Decimal Fractions and Proportion—Algebra through equations of first degree, and three books of Legendre's Geometry—thorough acquaintance with Latin and Greek Declensions and Syntax, and the reading of the following books or their equivalents: Bullion's Latin Reader, Cæsar, Virgil, Cicero's Orations and Ovid; Bullion's Greek Reader and the first book of Xenophon's Anabasis.

# College Curriculum.

# FRESHMAN CLASS.

Livy (Lincoln's); Cicero de Senectute and de Amicitia; Arnold's First and Second Latin Books; Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Ancient Geography, (Mitchell's) and Roman Antiquities. Anthon's editions will not be tolerated in any of the classes.

#### GREEK.

Xenophon's Anabasis, (Owen); Herodotus, (Wheeler); Arnold's First Greek Lessons; Ancient Geography. (Anthon's editions are not allowed in any of the classes.)

### MATHEMATICS.

Davies' Bourdon's Algebra to Theory of Equations; Davies' Legendre, completed.

# SOPHOMORE CLASS.

Horace's Odes and Epistles; Prosody; Tacitus' Germania, Agricola and History; Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Synonymes; Roman Antiquities, (Fiske).

#### GREEK.

Homer's Iliad, (Owen); Xenophon's Memorabilia; Demosthenes de Corona; Arnold's Greek Prose Composition; Grecian Antiquities, (Fiske).

### MATHEMATICS.

Theory of Equations; Plane and Spherical Trigonometry; Mensuration and Surveying, with practical exercises in the use of Compass, Level, and Theodolite; Descriptive Geometry, (Davies); Shades, Shadows and Perspective.

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### JUNIOR CLASS.

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Horace's Satires, (Lincoln's), with scanning; Arnold's Latin Prose Composition; Original Latin Exercises.

#### GREEK.

Euripides; Exercises in Greek Prose Composition; Kühner's Greek Grammar.

#### MATHEMATICS.

Analytical Geometry, (Smith's Biot with lectures); Differential and Integral Calculus, (Courtenay's).

#### PHYSICAL SCIENCE.

Light, Heat, Electricity, Magnetism and General Chemistry, (Lectures and Text-book); Agriculture, embracing the applications of Chemistry; Animal and Vegetable Physiology, (Lectures); Mineralogy, (Dana's Manual).

### RHETORIC AND MENTAL SCIENCE.

Exercises in Declamation and Composition continued; Mental Philosophy, (Brown, with reference to Aristotle, Locke, Reid, Stewart and Cousin); Logic, (Parker's); Rhetoric, (Campbell's).

### SENIOR CLASS.

LATIN.

Terence; Juvenal and Persius; Latin Prose Composition; Original Exercises; Roman Literature, (Brown's).

#### GREEK.

Sophocles; Æschylus; Kühner's Grammar continued; exercises in Greek Composition, and Grecian Literature.

#### MATHEMATICS.

Mathematical Mechanics, (Boucharlat's); Fortification, (Mahan's); Gunnery, (Ward and Knowlton); Optics, (Bartlett).

### PHYSICAL SCIENCE.

Astronomy, (Gummere); Geology, (Hitchcock).

### MENTAL AND MORAL SCIENCE.

Moral Philosophy; Evidences of Christianity, (Alexander's); Political Economy; Constitution of United States and Laws of Nations.

### COMPOSITION, DECLAMATION, &c.

Exercises in the composition and delivery of original orations are required of the senior class. In all classes below the senior, regular exercises in English Composition and Declamation are required.



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### EXTRA COURSE.

### MODERN LANGUAGES.

FRENCH.

First year.—Ollendorff's System, Charles XII, and Collot's Collection of French Plays.

Second year.—Ollendorf continued, in connection with Bolmar's Levizac's French Grammar; Some of Voltaire's and Racine's Plays.

### GERMAN.

First year.—Ollendorff; Tiark's Grammar; Adler's German Reader.

Second year.-Ollendorff; Adler's Reader and Schiller's Wm. Tell.

### ITALIAN AND SPANISH.

Text-books can be procured in Lexington.

### SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENT.

Students who do not wish to take the full College course are allowed to recite with the regular classes on any of the above studies, for which the Faculty shall judge them competent; it being required that each student shall have at least three daily recitations, and attend to the regular exercises in Composition and Declamation.

### MILITARY INSTRUCTION.

In addition to Fortification and Gunnery, instruction and exercises in military tactics will be given by the Cincinnati Professor, whenever a class of sufficient size can be formed.

# APPARATUS, LIBRARIES AND CABINET.

The College has an excellent Chemical and Philosophical Apparatus, which cost about five thousand dollars, and is kept in good order.

The Library contains about two thousand five hundred volumes; those of the two literary societies, three thousand five hundred in the aggregate. Provision is made for the gradual increase of the College Library, and the Societies display a highly commendable zeal in this case.

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by variety and arrangement, to illustrate the important sciences of Mineralogy and Geology. Additional specimens are solicited.

### RELIGIOUS AND MORAL CULTURE.

This is accounted of primary importance; as the increase of intellectual power is not a benefit or a blessing, unless placed under the controlling influence of right moral feeling. Our means of securing this all-important end, are the regular morning and evening worship of the College assembled as a family; this consists of reading a portion of sacred Scripture, singing and prayer; Bible recitation on Sabbath; and the public lecture in the chapel. Students are also required to attend one other public exercise on Sabbath, in such place as their parents or guardians may direct. There is access, regularly, to service in the Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, and Episcopal churches; and of course we exercise no constraint as to which they shall attend, unless specially requested by parents. With these are combined the parental vigilance of the members of the Faculty, who have rooms in the College, and spend a large portion of their time in them. If these appliances, together with frequent, private, kindly conference with the students, fail of securing upright moral deportment and application to study, then, with conscientious severity, we carry out our law, Chap. I. 12. "The Faculty shall require of all students, a strict obedience to the College Laws and regulations; and they shall, in no case suffer a disorderly, immoral or negligent student, to continue in the College, unless he soon amend his conduct after being duly admonished." Parents may rely upon us, that we will not allow any youth to remain here, if we have reason to believe him endangering his moral welfare by the formation of bad habits. We are happy to be able to say, that more than one half of our students, at present, are consistent professors of religion; and it is our constant prayer, and shall be our unceasing endeavour, that He, whose is the residue of the Spirit, may descend as the rain and distill as the dew, until the proportion be greatly increased.

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The geographical position of this College commends it to a very wide range of country. The whole of Virginia, west of the Blue Ridge, except the northwestern corner of the State and a considerable portion that skirts its southeastern base, will find access to it easier than to any other College. Students from Eastern Virginia can reach Lexington from Richmond or Alexandria in 14 hours. The Central Rail Road reaches within twenty miles of Lexington.

The unrivalled beauty of its mountain scenery, contributes not a little to its advantage, in the view of all persons who duly appreciate the power which the sublime scenes of nature exert upon the mind, and especially upon the youthful mind. It is not possible, that the eye of youth, under a course of intellectual training, should continually rest upon our undulating hills and rise to the summit of our majestic mountains, without lifting the spirit to something of their own sublimity.

### EXPENSES.

Tuition fee,	P10	00
Room-rent from \$2 00 to \$6 00, according to value	PTU	00
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Servant's hire, for those rooming in College \$5 or		
50 cents per month,	5	00
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Fuel for public rooms, and incidental expenses,	2	00
Deposit for damage, all of which will be refunded in case no damage is perpetrated,		0.0
Total, \$55; always payable in advance.	2	00

Extra tuition-for instruction in one Modern Language,

\$5; in two or more, \$8.

Boarding can be had in private families, for from \$10 to \$12 per month, payable in advance-making \$100 or \$120 per annum; washing, \$1 per month; fuel and light about \$12; bed [if rented] about \$7. Thus the highest necessary cost is \$204. Boarding, washing, fuel, and lights, can be had a short distance from town for \$9 per month, making the lowest total expense \$150. To students entering after the 1st of February, the Treasurer's bill is only \$30.

All parents or guardians who give money to their sons or wards, to pay any portion of their board in advance, as is usually done, are advised to require the immediate transmission of a receipt for the amount, as young men are often tempted by the possession of money, to waste it in extravagance or vice. And if parents or guardians desire that their sons or wards should make bills with the merchants in Lexington, they are requested to inform the Faculty of that desire; and in case bills are made contrary to law, they are especially requested not to pay them, but to forward them to the Faculty.

Since 1834, the Faculty have been required by an order of the Board, to admit to all the privileges of the College, tuition free, all indigent young men, of good character and

talents, who may apply for such privileges.

### SOCIETIES.

The Graham Philanthropic Society was founded in A. D. 1809. It has two thousand volumes it its Library.

The Washington Literary Society was founded in A. D.

1812, and has one thousand seven hundred volumes.

The halls of both are tastefully fitted up, and though, not by any means as capacious as is desirable—indeed, necessary for pleasant and profitable public speaking, yet they are made the theatres of much exciting, emulous discussion, essays and criticisms, greatly conducive to the welfare of the College and to the students' preparation for public employment.

### THE SESSION-COMMENCEMENT.

The session opens on the second Thursday (10th) of September. Punctuality in attendance at the opening of the Session is of the utmost importance. Deficiencies are often due to missing or neglecting the first lessons.

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### REPORT

Of Rev. B. T. LACY, and Hon. R. M. HUDSON, members of the EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

To the Board of Trustees:

GENTLEMEN:—Having been appointed by you a Committee on Examinations in Washington College for the Session of 1856-57, we take pleasure in stating that we attended the intermediate examination of the Classes during the third week of February. The examinations were continued from the 16th to the 21st inclusive, and were of the most fair and thorough character. They were oral, written, and demonstrative, and were so conducted as to preclude the possibility of fraud or deception. The young gentlemen when subjected to the protracted and searching tests which were applied, acquitted themselves with decided credit. No examination could better prove the faithfulness and competency of the Instructors, or the diligence and success of the students. It would be difficult to discriminate between the excellency of the instructions afforded in the Language, Mathematical and Scientific departments, or in regard to the proficiency made by those classes. We know of no institution where the classics are so admirably taught, nor are we acquainted with any where, in the other departments, better instruction is afforded. Washington College not only sustains the high place it has held since it was founded by Graham and endowed by Washington, but has advanced with the improvements in the method of instruction, and the progress of the age, until it occupies a position which justly entitles it to the confidence, admiration and patronage of the citizens of Virginia.

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### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

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### ANNUAL MEERING.

The next Annual Meeting will be held in the College Chapel on the morning of Commencement day, July 1st, 1858, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Annual Oration will be delivered on the evening of Commencement day, by

ALEX. S. BROWN, Esq.

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