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HISTORICAL NOTE

At the regular meeting of the Trustees of the University of Georgia in 1859, the Board determined to re-organize the University, and in the plan which was then adopted it was determined to establish a Law School, "in which facilities for the best legal education would be afforded." In pursuance of that plan, on August 4th, 1859, on motion of Gov. Herschel V. Johnson, Joseph Henry Lumpkin (the first Chief Justice of Georgia), William Hope Hull and Thomas R. R. Cobb were elected Professors, and the Law School opened in the fall. On December 19th, 1859, by an Act of the General Assembly of Georgia, the Lumpkin Law School was incorporated and these three gentlemen were both the corporators and the professors. From that time to the death of Judge Lumpkin, in 1867, Mr. Cobb having died in 1862, the Law Department of the University was conducted under the name of the Lumpkin Law School and the graduates were awarded their Diplomas by the Trustees at the regular Commencements. The exercises of the Law School were suspended during the war.

In August, 1867, Benjamin H. Hill and William L. Mitchell were elected by the Board of Trustees to the two vacancies in the Law Department, and from that time forward the Law School has been conducted under the name of the Law Department of the University.

From the time of Mr. Hill's election to the United States Senate, in 1877, his connection with the School was nominal, and the classes were under the sole care of Dr. Mitchell until 1881, when Pope Barrow and George Dudley Thomas were elected Professors of Law. Dr. Mitchell died in 1882 and Mr. Barrow resigned in 1883. In 1884 Andrew J. Cobb was elected and from that time until 1890 Mr. Thomas and Mr. Cobb filled the chairs.

In 1890, Howell Cobb was elected and the number of
ing clerical duties for his so-called preceptor, the chief advantage is lost because no reason is given him why one form is used and another discarded, why one act is right and the other wrong. In short, the student in the busy lawyer’s office, simply works out what he can for himself and catches, here and there with a chance explanation, a glimpse of the law.

In the school, where a sufficient number are collected, the professor derives a revenue which compensates him for the time he spends in instructing. He does not feel that his valuable time is taken from his business, because teaching the class is one of his chief, as it is one of his pleasantest duties. The professor has time, and what is equally important, the inclination to explain to the student every principle which he cannot master in his own study. Reciting every day in the hearing of the fellow students, and hearing them recite, together with the eager questions and answers which are constantly arising among so many young men pursuing the same object, cannot fail to impress indelibly upon the mind each day’s work. The frequent duty of drawing all legal documents and their criticism in the class room, enables the student to understand the reasons for each and teaches him to beware of errors, in his own and his adversary’s work.

The subject was fully considered by the American Bar Association in 1879 and 1881, on the report of their standing Committee on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, consisting of Carlton Hunt, of Louisiana, Henry Stockbridge, of Maryland, U. M. Rose, of Arkansas, George Hoadly, of Ohio, and Edmund H. Bennett, of Massachusetts. In this report, which was unanimously adopted, the committee say:

“...There is little, if any, dispute now, as to the relative merit of education by means of law schools, and that to be got by mere practical training or apprenticeship as an attorney’s clerk. Without disarrangement of mere practical advantages, the verdict of the best informed is in favor of the schools.

“The benefits which they offer are easily suggested, and are of the most superior kind. They afford the student an acquaintance with general principles, difficult, if not impossible to be otherwise attained; they serve to remove difficulties which are inherent in scientific and technical phraseology; and they, as a necessary consequence, furnish the student with the means for clear conception, and accurate and precise expression. They familiarize him with leading cases, and the application of them in discussion. They give him the valuable habit of attention, teach him familiar maxims, and offer him the priceless opportunities which result from contact and generous emulation. They lead him readily to survey law as a science, and imbue him with the principles of ethics as its true foundation. Disputing, reasoning, reading, and discharging, become his constant exercise.”

COURSE OF STUDY.

The course in this department is completed in one year, consisting of two terms. The exercises of the University, including this department, begin on the third Wednesday in September in each year and end at the Annual Commencement on the third Wednesday in June.

The First Term commences with the College year and closes the day before Christmas.

The Second Term commences the day following New Year’s and closes at Commencement.

The first term is devoted to the study of Blackstone’s Commentaries, Broom’s Commentaries on the Common Law, (Contracts and Torts,) the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of Georgia, Part first of the Code of Georgia relating to the Political Organization of the State, the Penal Code of Georgia, Ewell’s Medical Jurisprudence.

The second term is devoted to the study of the Principles of Pleading, Evidence, Equity, Equity Practice, Commercial Law, the Code of Georgia, embracing the Civil Code and the Code of Practice. Lectures on Medical Jurisprudence are delivered twice a week during this term. In addition to the daily recitations from the regular text books, the students are required to consult other standard works on all branches of the Law.

The lectures by the special lecturers will be delivered during the course, as soon as practicable after the subject has been studied by the class.

MOOT COURTS AND LEGAL EXERCISES.

After the students are sufficiently advanced, frequent Moot Courts are held in which one of the professors presides and juries are taken from the students in other departments of the University. The Law students are assigned to act as counsel in the cases on trial and are sometimes required to preside. In these courts the students are taught the actual practice of the law, such as pleading, drawing orders, moving
for new trials, advocacy before the court and jury, the use of reports and text-books as authority, etc.; in short, all the elements of actual Court House practice.

Throughout the course, constant exercises are given in pleading and drawing Deeds, Wills, Mortgages, and all kinds of legal documents, including commercial paper. The students are first required to correct the papers drawn by each other and then the professor in charge reviews and explains both the original and the critical exercise. It is the purpose of the Department to equip its graduates ready for active practice of the profession.

ADMISSION.

No previous study is requisite to admission at the beginning of the course. And students may enter at any time prior to the beginning of the second term on satisfactory written examinations of the studies pursued by the class up to the time of his entry. No student can be graduated unless he remains at the University the whole of the second term. The inestimable advantages of a Law School render it desirable that students should, if possible, attend both terms. The course of study being systematized and compressed into a comparatively short time, it being vastly important that the first principles should be thoroughly understood and mastered, it is urged that each student begin with the class.

DIPLOMAS.

Upon those students who satisfactorily complete the required course, is conferred the Degree of Bachelor of Law. Under the law of Georgia, sections 398 and 1297 of the Code, a Diploma of Graduation entitles the graduate to admission to the Bar without examination.

Under an act of the General Assembly, approved November 11th 1889, the Judges of the Superior Courts of this State are authorized to hold special terms at any time to admit to the Bar the graduates of this Department.

TUITION AND EXPENSES.

The tuition in the Law School is $75.00 per annum, divided as follows: $25.00 for the first term, to Jan. 1st; and $50.00 for the second term, from Jan. 1st to graduation. Tuition is payable in advance at the beginning of each term.

No Matriculation or Library Fee is required in this Department. The students in Law are entitled to the privileges of all the other departments in the University, except the Medical, without extra charge.

The expenses of the course are about as follows:

- Tuition, first term, $50.00; second term, $50.00; whole course: $75.00
- Board, per month, from $12.50 to: $18.00
- Washing, fuel and lights, per month, about: $3.00
- Stationery, etc., for the year, about: $2.00
- Text books can be had at the following prices:
  - Blackstone, 2 vols, $5.00 to: $7.00
  - Broom's Commentaries: $4.50
  - The Code of Georgia, 1882: $8.00
  - Greenleaf's Evidence, 1st vol: $5.00
  - Stephens' Pleading: $2.50
  - Bisham's Equity: $5.00
  - Ewell's Medical Jurisprudence: $2.50
  - Mell's Parliamentary Law: $75

DEPARTMENT AT ATHENS.

Three of the departments are situated at the Ancient site of the University in Athens, to wit: The Academic department, known as Franklin College, the State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, and the Law Department. The students of these three departments are entitled to the same privileges.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Regular and punctual attendance on morning prayers in Chapel is required of all classes. On Sunday all students are required, by the laws of College, to attend divine service in any of the churches of the town they may prefer.

LIBRARIES.

There are five libraries to which the students of the University have free access, viz: the College Library, the Gilmer Library, the Library of the Phi Kappa Society, the Library of the Demosthenian Society, and the Law Library.

The College Library contains above thirteen thousand volumes of standard library and scientific works, carefully selected with a view to secure the greatest amount of valuable, solid reading matter. In foreign periodicals and costly works of reference, this library is especially useful.

The Gilmer Library is a collection of about a thousand
volumes of select literature, bequeathed to the University by his Excellency, the late George R. Gilmer.

The Demosthenian and Phi-Kappa Libraries are well stored with current literary works, containing about three thousand volumes.

The Law Library consists of the Georgia Reports and standard text books. Under the laws of the State, the Georgia Reports and all other public books are furnished to the department as soon as published.

SOCIETIES.

There are two Literary Societies in connection with the University, viz: the Demosthenian and Phi-Kappa Societies. The former was founded in 1801, the latter in 1820. The members of the Societies meet in their respective halls every Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

In these Societies, debates on interesting subjects are had at each meeting and all the members take part. Certain members are also selected at each meeting to deliver orations on chosen themes. The value of these debates to the students in general and the Law students in particular, cannot be estimated. In them, the students learn self reliance, readiness of expression, rapidity of thought. To the lawyer, perhaps one of the most valuable accomplishments is the ability "to think on his feet," and these Societies afford a good field for the acquirement of this accomplishment.

EXaminations.

There are two kinds of examinations, oral and written. Each professor daily examines orally on the prescribed lesson. Written examinations are held at the conclusion of each text book or branch of study. These examinations are made very searching and the student is given abundant time to write out his answers, without assistance, thus impressing upon his mind what he has learned and disclosing accurately and impartially his progress.

PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

Every citizen is liable at times to participate in some deliberative assembly, either religious or secular. Upon the floor, a knowledge of the general principles of Parliamentary Law enables one to achieve otherwise impossible results, and in the chair this knowledge is essential to an intelligent dis
GRADUATES OF THE LAW SCHOOL.

CLASS 1860.  

A. O. Bacon, Macon, Ga.  
*E. B. Brown.  
*F. M. Chambers.  
*J. M. Cleveland.  
Lamar Cobb, Athens.  
*Virgil C. Cook.  
*J. C. Gardner.  
*J. G. George.  
W. R. Gignilliat, Dalton.  
Geo. G. Grattan, Richmond, Va.  
*A. F. Hill.  
Wiley C. Howard, Jefferson.

Madison Bell, Atlanta.  
*H. B. Busey.  
T. S. Cox, Green's Cut.  
M. J. Cofer, Easton, Ga.  
*Thomas Evans.  
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James D. Rusk, Butler.  
Jno. W. Heidt, Georgetown, Texas.  
*Henry B. Heidt.  
S. M. Herrington, Athens.  
Robert Humphries,  
Samuel Humphries, Miss.  
F. L. Little, Sparta.  
*Frank C. Lumpkin.  
Robert McCay, Baltimore.  
G. E. Macon.  
F. H. Turnipseed.  
H. D. Twigg, Augusta.  
R. J. Walton.  
*Geo. W. Moore.  

*Wm. M. Brown.  
Howell Cobb, Athens.  
*James J. Turnball.  


CLASS 1861.  

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Roswell King, Marietta.  
L. A. Lane, Smith's Mills.  
S. G. Mitchell.  
L. O. Niles.  
*George L. Peavy.  
A. C. Perry.  
*H. J. Randall.  
J. H. Rees, Rome.  
Jas. M. Reid, Sparta.  
*Jno. A. Stephens.  
*L. J. Winn, Decatur.

*Deceased.

CLASS 1862.  

Thos. P. Newell, Milledgeville.  
James M. Pace, Covington.  
W. A. S. Parks.  
W. J. Raines.  
Cosmo B. Richardson, Savannah.  
Jas. O. Rutherford, Macon.  
*Geo. D. Seymour.  
W. J. Walton.  
*Samuel S. Tunlin.  
Benjamin M. Turner.  
Wells Thompson.  
W. W. Williamson.  
W. T. Wimberly, Green's Cut.

*Deceased.

CLASS 1863.  

Henry Jackson, Atlanta.  
*James J. Turnball.

CLASS 1864.  

J. B. Conyers, Cartersville.  
H. B. Everett.  
*W. M. Jackson.  
J. M. Moon.

*Deceased.

CLASS 1865.  

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James M. Bellah.  
Frank L. Haralson, Athens.  
Rufus Hardy, Texas.  
John C. Hart, Union Point.  
James L. Hoskinson, Rome.

CLASS 1866.  

Samuel J. Hale,  
Hudon A. Jenkins, Eatonton.  
J. Harvey Turner, Texas.

CLASS 1867.  

Wm. Y. Atkinson, Newnan.  
Andrew J. Cobb, Athens.  
Wallace W. Fraser, Savannah.  
Robert M. Holley, Palmetto.  
Darling J. Knots, South Carolina.

CLASS 1868.  

Phillip W. Davis, Elberton.  
T. W. H. Harris, Rome.  
Alva C. Lowry, Rhode Island.

*Deceased.

A. W. Hill, Atlanta.  
*Samuel Hoyne.  
R. M. Jackson, Watkinsville.  
*Davenport Jackson.  

*W. D. Trammell.  
Howard Van Epps, Atlanta.  
John E. Webb.  
Hamilton Yancey, Rome.

CLASS 1871.  

W. A. Broughton, Madison.  
Washington Deasau, Macon.  
Walter R. Hill, Macon.  
B. H. Hill, Atlanta.  

CLASS 1872.  

W. A. Blount, Florida.  
M. C. Davis.  
J. L. Fielder, New Mexico.  
D. R. Groover, Bullock, Co.  
J. E. Harridges, Florida.

CLASS 1873.  

J. L. Johnson, Rome.  
A. A. Lipscomb, Washington, D. C.  
T. C. Milner, Cartersville.  
*W. W. Wilburn.  
James Whitehead, Warrenton.

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S. W. Schofield.  
J. G. Parks, Dawson.  
L. W. Thomas, Atlanta.

CLASS 1875.  

Robert S. Howard, Athens.  
Samuel G. McLendon, Thomasville.  
*John A. McWhorter.  
Robert L. Summerlin, Florida.  
John C. Williams.  
Boyd Wright, Augusta.

CLASS 1876.  

Samuel J. Hale,  
Hudson A. Jenkins, Eatonton.  
J. Harvey Turner, Texas.

CLASS 1877.  

Wm. Y. Atkinson, Newnan.  
Andrew J. Cobb, Athens.  
Wallace W. Fraser, Savannah.  
Robert M. Holley, Palmetto.  
Darling J. Knots, South Carolina.

CLASS 1878.  

Phillip W. Davis, Elberton.  
T. W. H. Harris, Rome.  
Alva C. Lowry, Rhode Island.

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Robert.
F. W. Gilbert,
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Frank,
Hughes,
Athens,
Robert
Johnson,
Arlington.
John
B.
Johnson,
Florida.

John L. Hodgges, Hartwell.
Albert Howell, Atlanta.
James A. Hixon, Americus.
Frank M. Hughes, Athens.
John S. Johnson, Arlington.
William P. Walts, Americus.

Walter E. Stell, Butler.
Robert V. Swain, Waycross.

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James Skelton, Jr., Hartwell.

Victor Lamar Smith, Atlanta.

W. E. Thomas, Valdosta.

John R. Singleterry, Cairo.

John W. Bennett, Jesup.

Nash Broyles, Atlanta.

Thomas R. E. Cobb, Athens.

John B. Green, Atlanta.

Andrew J. Cobb,
Professor of Law, Athens, Ga.

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T. Charlton Du Pont.

Edward T. Bishop.
Thomas S. Moll, Athens.

James H. Palmer, Mitchell Co.

John L. Ashbury, Jefferson.
Warren W. Beck, Jackson.
Burwell R. Calhoon, Montgomery Co.
Ebb T. Lampkin, Augusta.
David W. Meadow, Danville.

John P. Yoos, Statesboro.

A. J. Arnold, Monroe.

Edward Aytry, Alabama.

W. N. Conley.

William A. McLean, Pennsylvania.

S. A. McColl, Valdosta.

T. B. Peller, Dublin.

John T. Allen, Milledgeville.

Albert H. Henley, Athens.

Wilson J. Tompkins, Texas.

James W. Schell, Senoia.

Edgar F. Hinton, Americus.

John W. Cox, Atlanta.

Joe L. Gross, Warrenton.

K. Harvey Johnson, Atlanta.

N. H. Jones, Tennessee.

D. C. McNemar, Mcville.

J. M. Merritt, Waycross.

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E. L. Ballard, Fairburn.

Walter S. Chisholm, Jr., Savannah.

H. H. Dean, Milledgeville.

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Arnold Brydges, Atlanta.

Frank Z. Curry, Hampton.

Toliver P. Elberhart, Elberton.

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