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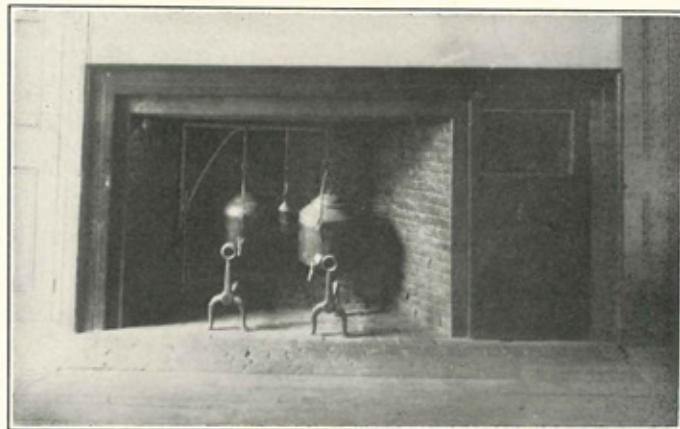


CLASS OF 1875 GATEWAY

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THE COLLEGE

BOWDOIN COLLEGE was incorporated in 1794, while Maine was still a part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and more than a quarter of a century before she was admitted into the Union as a separate State.



OLD FIREPLACE IN MASSACHUSETTS HALL

The college was named in honor of James Bowdoin, a distinguished Governor of Massachusetts, of Huguenot descent, a member of the first Continental Congress in Philadelphia, and a close personal friend of Washington. Besides his many civil offices and honors he bore honorary academic degrees from Harvard, from the University of

Pennsylvania, and from the University of Edinburgh. He was the first president of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and was a valued friend and correspondent of Benjamin Franklin.

An early patron of the college was the Hon. James Bowdoin, son of the Governor, who, while minister of the United States at the Spanish and French courts in President Jefferson's administration, collected a valuable library, a most interesting gallery of paintings and drawings by old and modern masters, a fine cabinet of minerals and fossils, all of which, together with lands and money, he gave or bequeathed to the college. In the variety and value of its art treasures it is probably not surpassed by any collegiate institution in the country.

The college is unsectarian in its government, administration, and instruction. One half the vacancies on its board of overseers are filled by nominations of the alumni. Its academical, medical, and honorary graduates number together five thousand two hundred and ninety; its enrollment for the present year (1904-05) is four hundred and thirteen, of whom forty-three are professors and instructors.



MASSACHUSETTS HALL

LOCATION

Brunswick, the seat of the college, is on the main line of the Maine Central Railroad, and at the junction of two branch lines. It is easily accessible, forty-five minutes from

Portland, four hours from Boston, three hours from Bangor, and is connected by both steam and electric roads with Bath, Lewiston, and Portland. First settled as early as 1628, it is a town of seven thousand inhabitants, with a carefully graded and ordered public school system, a free public library, and seven churches. It has a weekly news-



CHAPEL ROW — SOUTH VIEW

paper, several large manufacturing establishments (cotton, paper, pulp, boxes, etc.), and three national banks. The climatic conditions are most healthful; the town has a water supply of unusual purity, it is provided with a complete sewerage system, and with electric lights. The vicinity offers inviting facilities for the recreations and sports of both summer and winter, — delightful walks

and drives, river boating, golf-links, skating, snow-shoeing, and skeeing.

The college buildings, twelve in number, are grouped upon a spacious campus of about forty acres, five minutes' walk from the railroad station, one mile from the Androscoggin river with its picturesque falls, and a few miles (threetofifteen) from various attractive resorts on the shores of Casco



MEMORIAL HALL

Bay. A central heating and lighting plant supplies steam heat and electric lights to all the buildings, which are also connected with the water and sewerage systems of the town.



A CAMPUS PATH

BUILDINGS

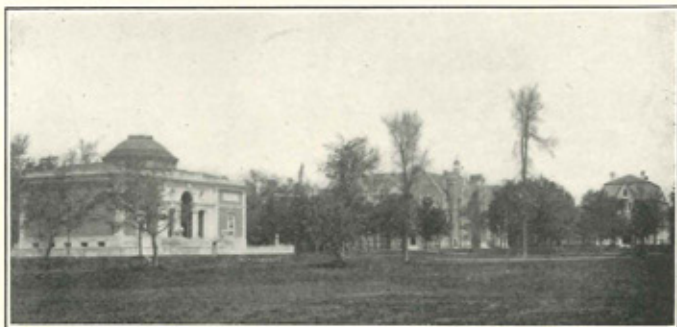
MASSACHUSETTS HALL, the oldest of the college buildings, contains the offices of the treasurer of the college, a lecture-room in which are the quaint colonial fireplace and oven used for a time



KING CHAPEL (INTERIOR)

by the first president of the college, and the Cleveland Cabinet of mineralogy and natural history, named in memory of Professor Parker Cleveland.

WINTHROP HALL, MAINE HALL, and APPLETON HALL are dormitories, of brick and stone, each one hundred feet by forty, and of four stories. Each of these dormitories con-



WEST SIDE OF QUADRANGLE

tains thirty-two *suites*, consisting of a sitting-room, or study, a bed-room, and an ample closet. The buildings are heated and lighted with steam and electricity from the central station, and are supplied with water from the town system.

KING CHAPEL, named in honor of Governor William King, the first governor of Maine, is a Romanesque church of undressed granite, the façade of which is marked by twin towers and spires which rise to the height of one hundred and twenty feet. The interior, following the model of English college chapels, is arranged after the manner of a cathedral choir, with a broad central aisle from either side of which rise the ranges of seats. The

lofty walls are decorated with mural paintings, mostly copies of old masters, and the decorated ceiling is carried up into the roof. A spacious room in the chapel building, known as Bannister Hall, is devoted to the uses of the Y. M. C. A.



SEARLES SCIENCE BUILDING

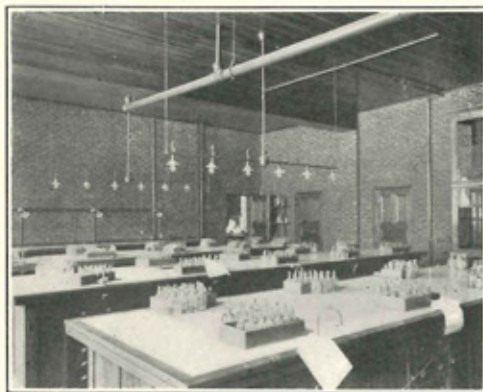
MEMORIAL HALL, constructed of granite, is a memorial to the graduates and students of the college who served in the Union army or navy during the Civil War. On the first floor are lecture-rooms and offices. The hall, on the second floor, is a spacious audience room for exhibitions and other public exercises. It is adorned with busts and portraits of presidents, professors, benefactors, and distinguished graduates of the college, together with bronze tablets containing the names of two hundred and ninety Bowdoin men who fought to maintain the Union.

MARY FRANCES SEARLES SCIENCE BUILDING is a memorial gift by Mr. Edward F. Searles, in memory



SETH ADAMS HALL

of his wife. It is built of Perth Amboy brick and Ohio stone, and is practically fire-proof. It is one hundred and eighty feet in length, and, with two parallel wings, one hundred and five feet in depth. Designed for the use of the departments of chemistry, physics, and biology, it contains both large and small laboratories for each of these departments, with lecture-rooms, offices, store-rooms, cabinets, machinery for construction of apparatus, a conservatory, etc. It is fully adapted to the uses it is intended to serve.



LABORATORY — CHEMISTRY



LABORATORY — BIOLOGY

WALKER ART BUILDING, designed for the exhibition of the art treasures of the college, was erected by the Misses Harriet and Sophia Walker as a memorial of their uncle, Theophilus Wheeler Walker. It is a notable specimen of architecture in proportion, fitness, and beauty, and is fire-proof. It is one hundred feet in length and seventy-three

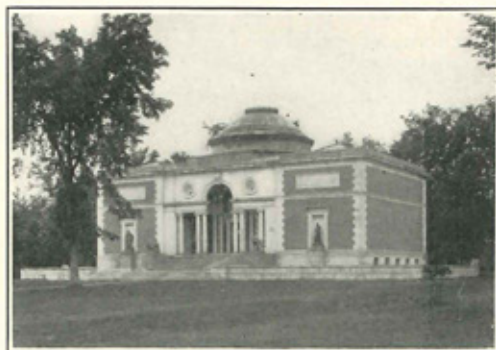
in depth, and is surrounded on three sides by a paved terrace with granite supporting walls and parapets. Granite and bronze sculptures mark the entrance and adorn the front wall. Within, four tympana below the dome of the Sculpture Hall are filled with mural paintings by John La Farge, Kenyon Cox, Elihu Vedder, and Abbott Thayer. The building has three galleries, the Bowdoin, the Boyd, and the Sophia Wheeler Walker Galleries, filled with rare paintings, portraits, miniatures, drawings and etchings, ivory carvings, ancient glass, tapestries, laces, Japanese bronze and pottery, antiquities, etc. The building is open to visitors from 10 to 12.30 A.M. and 1.30 to 4 daily throughout the year; Sundays and holidays, 1.30 to 4.30.



OBSERVATORY (INTERIOR)

HUBBARD HALL, the library of the college, is a gift from General Thomas Hamlin Hubbard, of the class of 1857, and his wife, Sibyl Fahnestock Hubbard. It is one hundred and seventy feet in length, and fifty feet in depth, with a wing, for the stack-room, eighty-eight feet by forty-six. It is of seventeenth-century Gothic architecture, with a central projecting tower one hundred feet in height, and is entirely fire-proof. It contains two large reading and consultation

rooms, a lecture hall, alumni and seminar rooms, offices, etc. The library contains more than eighty-two thousand volumes, and several thousand unbound pamphlets, and is a subscriber



WALKER ART BUILDING

to about two hundred periodicals, American and foreign. The library is open daily from 8.30 to 5.30, and in the evening from 7 to 9.30.

The nine buildings which have been mentioned enclose an ample and attractive quadrangle of about twenty acres, the main entrances to which are through two notable memorial gateways, erected by the classes of 1875 and 1878.

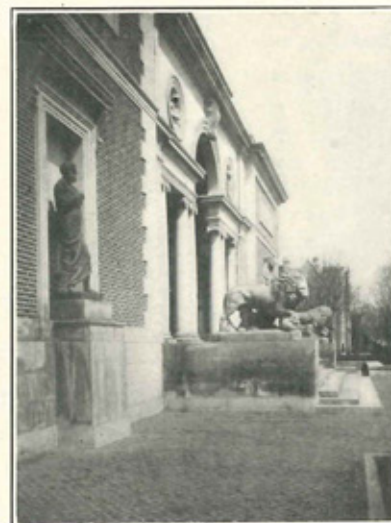
Outside the limits of the quadrangle are ADAMS HALL, with lecture-rooms for the Academical and Medical departments, and a physiological laboratory; the OBSERVATORY, with the necessary



ROTUNDA OF WALKER ART BUILDING

equipment for astronomical observation and instruction; and the SARGENT GYMNASIUM, fitted with the most approved apparatus for physical instruction and exercise.

From the Gymnasium a short path through a beautiful grove of pines leads to the WHITTIER ATHLETIC FIELD. This field, in convenient proximity to the campus, affords an ideal place for the college sports of baseball, football, and track athletics, with a commodious and architectural GRAND STAND, the gift of General Thomas H. Hubbard, of New York. It is a substantial structure of stone, brick, iron, and cement, and contains, besides seats for eight hundred spectators, training quarters for the athletes, baths, dressing-rooms with lockers, and other conveniences.



WEST ROW—NORTH VIEW

There are tennis-courts in the vicinity of the Gymnasium, and on the grounds of some of the Fraternity Houses.

ADMINISTRATION

THE EXAMINATION FOR ADMISSION covers the subjects required by the leading New England colleges. Subjects representing an aggregate of twenty-six points must be

offered by the applicant; twenty of these points represent *required* studies; the remaining six points may be made up from a list of fourteen *elective* subjects. The examination may be divided between successive years, or between June and September of the same year. Explicit details, including times and places for examinations, may be learned from the college catalogue, which will be sent to any one desiring it.



HUBBARD HALL

ADMISSION BY CERTIFICATE. In place of examinations, certificates will be accepted from those preparatory schools in New England which have been approved by the *New England College Entrance Certificate Board*. The associated colleges on this Board are Amherst, Boston University, Bowdoin, Brown University, Dartmouth, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Wellesley, Tufts, and the University of Maine.

The examination certificates issued by the College Entrance Ex-

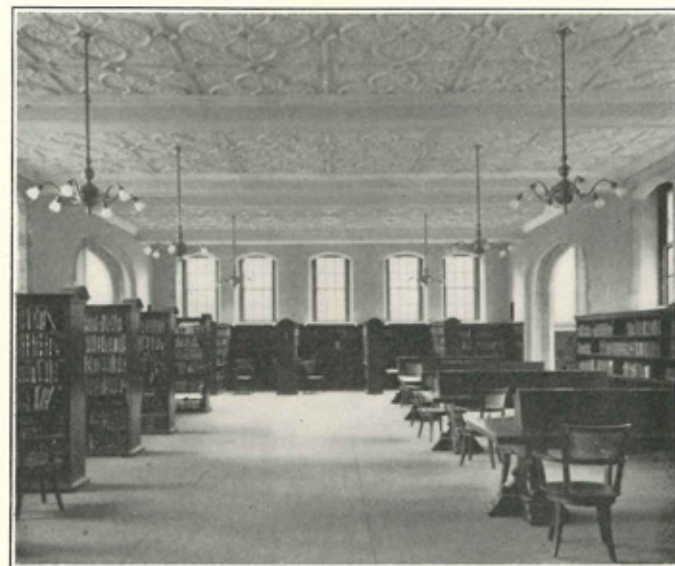


HUBBARD HALL — CORRIDOR

amination Board of the Middle States and Maryland are accepted in so far as they meet the requirements of the college.

THE CURRICULUM for the degree of A.B. may be briefly summarized as follows:

The required studies are English (including writing and elocution), French, German, Hygiene, and Physical Training.



HUBBARD HALL — MAIN READING ROOM

In Freshman year there must be an election of two of the three studies, Greek, Latin, and Mathematics.

Elective courses, to the number of one hundred and twenty, include advanced study in the subjects already

mentioned, together with courses, both elementary and advanced, in Science, Philosophy, History, Literature, Economics, Sociology, Debating, and Education.

Students intending to pursue the study of medicine may substitute for the academical studies of the Senior year the work in Anatomy, Physiology, and Chemistry, in the first year of the medical course.

THE TUITION is seventy-five dollars a year. The income of more than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars is annually distributed in scholarships and prizes.

THE ACADEMIC YEAR is divided into two semesters of equal length, which are separated by the summer vacation of thirteen weeks. There are also two recesses,

of ten days each, one the Christmas recess, and the other the Easter recess, at or near the first of April.

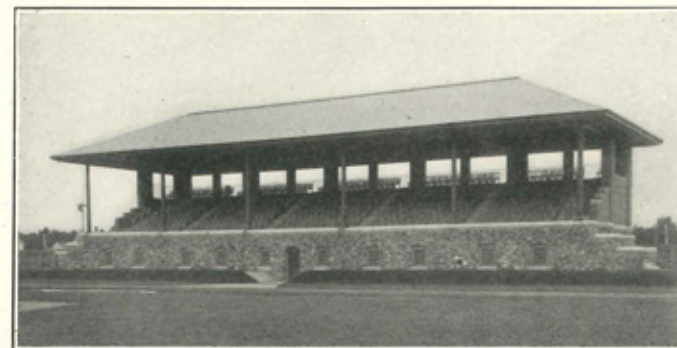
CATALOGUES, containing full and detailed information concerning examinations, degrees, courses of study, prizes, regulations, etc., will be sent on application to the REGISTRAR OF BOWDOIN COLLEGE.



PATH TO WHITTIER ATHLETIC FIELD

THE MEDICAL SCHOOL OF MAINE

The medical department of the college was incorporated in 1820 by the first legislature of the new State of Maine. Its course of instruction covers four years of eight months



HUBBARD GRAND-STAND

each. The studies are distributed through the curriculum according to the following schedule:

FIRST YEAR: Anatomy, Histology, Physiology, Chemistry, Personal Hygiene.

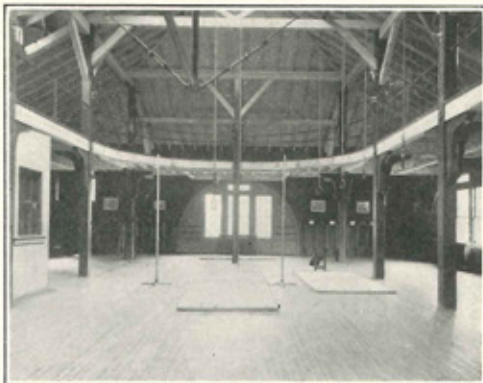
SECOND YEAR: Anatomy, Physiology, Chemistry, Pathology, Bacteriology.

THIRD YEAR: Internal Medicine, Surgery, Materia Medica and Therapeutics, Obstetrics.



MAINE GENERAL HOSPITAL, PORTLAND

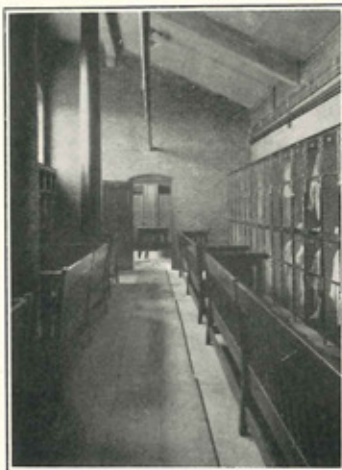
FOURTH YEAR: Internal Medicine, Surgery, Materia Medica and Therapeutics, Medical Jurisprudence, Public Hygiene, Diseases of Women, Diseases of Children, Diseases of the Mind, Diseases of the Skin, Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System, Diseases of the Eye, Diseases of the Ear, Diseases of the Nose and Throat, Diseases of the Joints.



SARGENT GYMNASIUM (INTERIOR)

The students of the first and second years are instructed at Brunswick, where the school has been situated since its foundation in 1820, and where the students have the advantage of the library, the collections, and the laboratories of the college; while the instruction of the last two years is given in the neighboring city of Portland, where the students have the clinical advantages afforded by the Maine General Hospital and other hospitals in that city.

The Tuition for each of the four years is \$100, in addition to



TRAINING QUARTERS, HUBBARD GRAND-STAND

FRATERNITY HOUSES



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PSI UPSILON



DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

the matriculation fee of \$5.00 and moderate charges for laboratory expenses and examinations.

The requirements for admission include English, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, History of the United States, Physics, Chemistry, and Latin, as specified in the annual catalogue. Graduates of colleges, normal schools, high schools, and academies; and students who have passed the entrance examination of any recognized college are exempted from examination on presenting their diplomas or matriculation tickets, provided the latter cover the requirements of the Medical School.

The annual catalogue of the college includes also a catalogue of the Medical School of Maine. A separate bulletin for the medical department is issued early in July and may be had on application to the DEAN OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOL, Brunswick, Maine. Any inquiries for more detailed information concerning entrance examinations, courses of study, etc., may be addressed to the same officer.

ALLIED INTERESTS

The Greek Letter Fraternities constitute, as in most American colleges, an important element in the intellectual and social life of the student body at Bowdoin. The Fraternity houses are attractive and well ordered, with stewards and keepers; they have pleasant dining-rooms, and are in all respects well fitted for the social life of the Fraternity members, and for the entertainment of their friends. Besides the six houses shown in the accompanying cuts, there is a seventh, that of Delta Upsilon, which is now being completed for occupancy by the Fraternity, and an eighth, the Kappa Sigma house, which is in process of construction.

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A building not belonging to the college, but belonging to its history, and used for many of its public assemblies and ceremonies, is the First Parish, Congregational, Church. In this beautiful Gothic structure, close by the campus, are regularly held the Baccalaureate services, Commencement exercises, Anniversary gatherings, and other important public ceremonials of the college. Though not organically connected with the college, it is so intimately associated with it by virtue of these special occasions, as well as by its regular services of worship attended by many of the professors and students, that it is not uncommonly designated as the College Church.



COLLEGE CHURCH (INTERIOR)



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