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AMERICAN CHURCH INSTITUTE FOR NEGROES

At the meeting of the Board of Missions, January 9, 1906, the following plan for the incorporation of the American Church Institute for Negroes was adopted:

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Incorporate under the laws of Virginia

"THE AMERICAN CHURCH INSTITUTE FOR NEGROES"

The purpose shall be to promote the cause of Education of the Negroes in connection with the work of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Incorporators and original Trustees shall consist of twelve persons to be designated by the Board of Missions, the majority of whom shall be members of the Board. The Trustees may appoint a Secretary and also a Treasurer either from their own number or outside.

The Institute shall have power to enter into any lawful agreement with the Bishop Payne Divinity and Industrial School in Virginia, a corporation of Virginia created November 22, 1884, the Saint Paul Normal and Industrial School, a corporation of Virginia created March 4, 1890, and Saint Augustine's School, a corporation of North Carolina organized July 19, 1867, and extended February 4, 1893, and also in the discretion of the trustees of the corporation hereby formed, with any other school or institution for the education of negroes in the Southern States in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church: and especially to undertake the duties of visitor to any such institution with which any such agreement shall be made.

The Institute shall receive from the Church and from any others who will contribute, moneys for the said of the several institutions with which such agreements shall be made, and shall appropriate and give such contributions to such institutions so long as and only so long as the Institute approves of their administration and methods.

RESOLVED: That the Board of Missions herewith give its approval to the formation of the American Church Institute for Negroes, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the foregoing plan.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman be requested to appoint a committee to select the Incorporators and original Trustees of the American Church Institute for Negroes in accordance with the foregoing terms and conditions.

The two resolutions recommended by the Committee were adopted and the Chair named as the Committee raised by the latter:

The Bishop of Washington, the Rev. Dr. Huntington and Mr. Ryerson.

The Committee retired.

At a later moment they reappeared and reported the following gentlemen as selected to serve as the Incorporators and Trustees of the American Church Institute for Negroes:

The Right Rev. Drs. Lawrence, Greer and Lines; the Rev. Drs. Alsop and Stires, Messrs. Pepper and Pruyn of the Board, together with the Rev. R. P. Williams, Messrs. W. W. Frazier, Francis L. Stetson, Geo. Foster Peabody and Seth Low.