

PROF. LEWIS B. MOORE, Ph. D.

Professor Lewis B. Moore, Ph. D., the Founder and Dean of the Teachers College, also Professor of Philosophy and Education, Howard University, Washington, D. C., is a man of conspicuous position and high rank in the field of education and religion. He was born near Huntsville, Ala., studied in the schools of his native town and at Fisk University, where he received the A. B. degree in 1889.

His first choice was the legal profession, but while in college his attention was turned to the Gospel ministry and teaching. He established a church at Goodlettsville, Tenn., while in college. On graduation he was called to Philadelphia to organize a Young Men's Christian Association for colored men in that city. Thus he became the second regularly employed colored secretary in the world, Mr. W. A. Hunton having been appointed the year before. Here he laid the foundation for the now flourishing Y. M. C. A., operating in its newly-erected building at a cost of over \$100,000.

During his secretaryship at Philadelphia he matriculated at the University of Pennsylvania, won from that ancient seat of learning the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, and thus became one of the small body of colored men possessing that degree. In 1895, just before receiving his degree, he was called to Howard University as a tutor. Here, because of his training and experience gained through work as a Y. M. C. A. secretary, his promotion was rapid. Two years after his appointment as tutor he was made assistant professor of Latin and Pedagogy. The following year he was promoted to full professorship, and in 1899 was made Dean and authorized to establish a college for the higher education of teachers.

He organized a summer school for teachers at Howard in 1904 which was attended by 204 teachers. The school was discontinued owing to administrative infelicities, resulting in the resignation of the President.

Dr. Moore visited Europe in 1906 to study educational methods in England, France, Germany and Denmark, thus enriching his knowledge in his own field of labor.

Though an eloquent minister, having served with success in the pulpit of the People's Congregational Church, and preached in many churches of our larger cities, he is, however, a teacher of teachers and a trainer of men. He brings to his work enthusiasm and careful, scholarly preparation which have been the basis of his large success. He has trained over three hundred teachers who occupy positions of usefulness and influence in many States of the Union. He is at present engaged in writing a psychology and history of philosophy. As educator, clergyman and lecturer, Dr. Moore is regarded by all who know him as an able scholar, careful administrative officer and a forceful and convincing speaker.