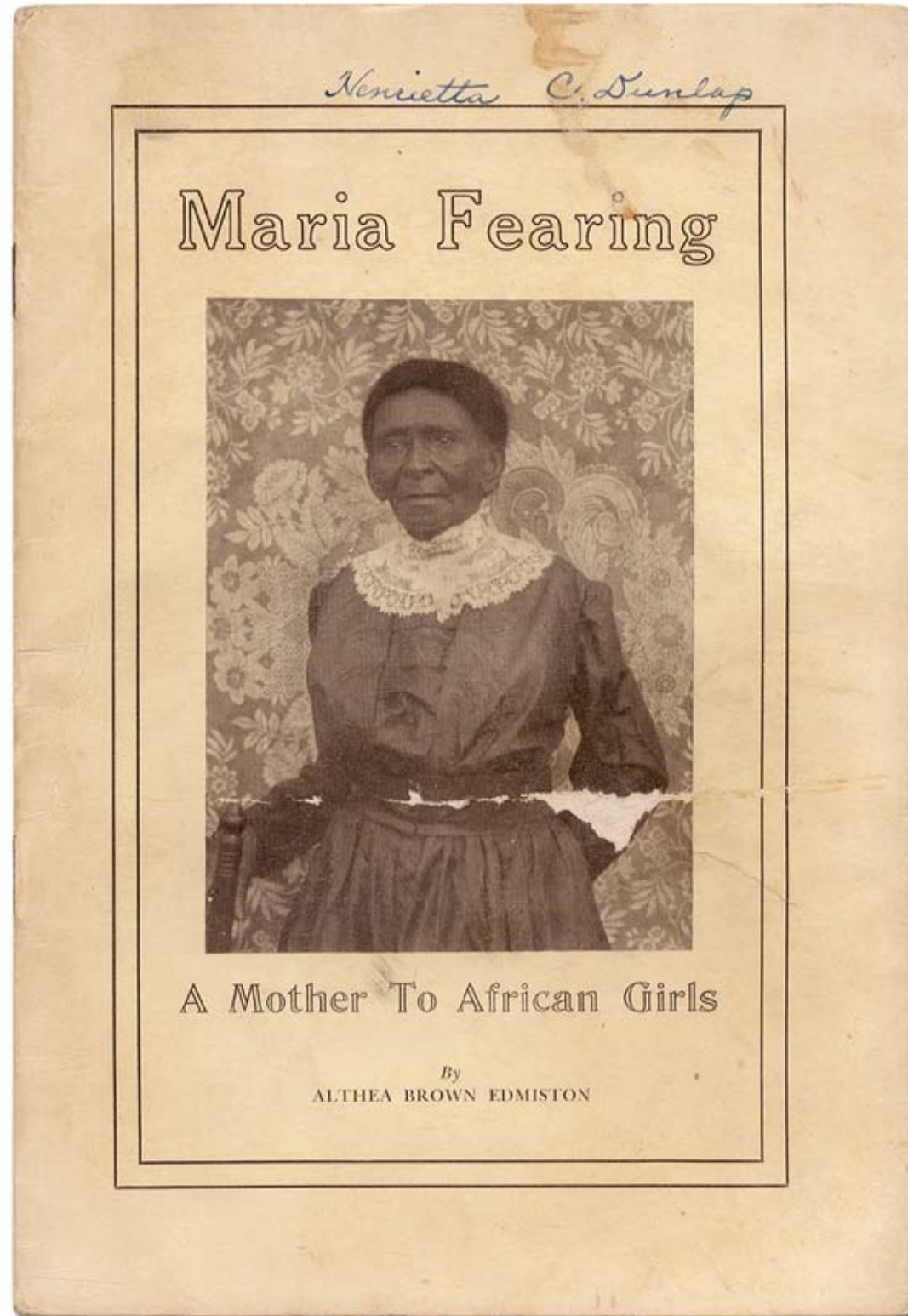


Althea Brown Edmiston

Maria Fearing: A Mother to African Girls

Atlanta, Georgia: Committee on Woman's Work, Presbyterian Church 1938



First edition. 12mo. 32pp.
Stapled photographically illustrated glazed wrappers.
Owner's name, small stain, and a scrape on the front wrap, overall very good. Born a house slave in Alabama, after emancipation she learned to read and write and worked her way through the Freedman's Bureau School in Talladega and became a teacher. At the age of 56 she applied to become a Presbyterian missionary to Africa. Unable to gain support because of her age, she sold her house in order to pay her own way. She established the Pantops Home for Girls in Luebo, Congo, only returning to the U.S. due to age restrictions, after which she taught at a church school in Selma, where she died at age 99 in 1937. OCLC locates only two copies.

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