The Charter of Incorporation of a Board of Trustees to aid in establishing a Publishing House, to print Books in Raised Letters for the benefit of the blind

Whereas, it is Contemplated to establish at Louisville Kentucky, a Publishing House to print books on raised letters for the use of the blind in the united States - And whereas, to establish said Publishing House, upon a permanent basis, and with a sufficient Capital, Contributions from various States of the Union will be necessary; to effect which object, Acts of incorporation, like this, will be applied for in other States, the object of which incorporation will be to aid in Collecting and effectually securing for such object, the Money which may be Contributed in each State. Therefore it is Hereby declared:

Sec 1.

That the Hon C.D. Smith, Hon Wm L Shartley, Geo D Berger, S.P. Bailey, and John C Carpenter, and their Successors &c, and they are Hereby declared to be a body Corporate, under the name and Style of the "Board of Trustees to aid in establishing a Publishing House to print Books &c. for the benefit of the blind" and as such shall have power to sue and be sued. Have a Common Seal, and to make such Contracts as may be necessary to effect the objects of their Corporation.

Sec 2.

The Board of Trustees, above named, shall continue in office, until their office becomes vacant by death, resignation, removal from the State, or until removal from office, as herein after set forth. Such vacancy shall be filled by a vote of the remaining Members of the Board.

Sec 3.

Dempsey Sherrod is Hereby appointed the General Agent of said Board of Trustees, to solicit Subscriptions, and Contributions for the above purpose, in this and the other States of the Union, and to apply to other States for an act of incorporation similar to this, for which said board is authorized to pay him a reasonable remuneration for his services. Upon his death, or resignation, the Board of Trustees shall have power to appoint another. Said General Agent may appoint Sub-Agents to aid him in the work.

Sec 4.

If any accusation for neglect, or malpractice, or other cause, is alleged against any member of said Board of Trustees, the remaining members of said Board, may cite him to answer, and may by their judgment, a majority Concurring therein, remove him from his said office, as a member of said Board.

Sec 5.

Said Board of Trustees shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer. one man may fill both offices. It shall be their duty to keep a minute of all their proceedings, Certified Copies of which, by the Secretary, shall be sufficient to prove said entries, when the same is necessary to be proved, as evidence in the Courts of Justice in this State

Sec 6.

Said Board of Trustees shall have power to receive Contributions, donations of Money, or other property, for the purpose aforesaid, and shall, until the sum of twenty five thousand dollars is raised, in this and other States, have power to invest the same, after deducting the necessary expenses, by way of loan

at an interest not exceeding ten percent. which loan shall stipulate that the interest shall be paid annually. Said loans shall be well secured by deed of trust on unincumbered property of double the value of the amount loaned, with a power of sale in default of payment of either principle or interest, or such other security as may be perfectly satisfactory to said board.
Sec 7.

Should said loan above named, not be raised within seven years, and said Publishing House not be established within nine years from the date of this Charter, then the Contributions shall, with the interest thereon be returned to the several Contributors, who are hereby authorized in such event to sue said board of Trustees for the same. Provided however, that said board of Trustees shall not be individually liable for the same, unless the same is lost by their own neglect.
Sec 8.

So soon as the Legislature of the State of Kentucky shall pass an act, incorporating Trustees for establishing said Publishing House in Louisville, and appointing Trustees to carry on said Publication House, and so soon as this board has evidence before it that the above sum of twenty five thousand dollars has been raised — then and in that event, the fund in the hands of this board, shall be transfered to the board of Trustees incorporated by the State of Kentucky, in such sums as may be needed, from time to time, to carry on the business of Publishing books, as aforesaid for the blind — Provided, that if said State of Kentucky should not pass such law incorporating said board of Trustees, then and in that case, the Board of Trustees hereby appointed, may select some other place for publication, in such State as may pass such act of incorporation.
Sec 9.

It shall be the duty of said board of Trustees, to hold a meeting on the first Monday of November in each year in the City of Jackson Miss'pi and shall hold such other meetings as may be convened by the President. The place of meeting shall be designated by the President.
Sec 10.

Said Board shall within ten days from the approval of this Charter by the Governor, meet for the purpose of organizing, at such place as they may agree upon, and shall then and there, elect a President Secretary and Treasurer, who shall continue in office one year, or until the election of their successors — All elections for officers shall be held on the first Monday of November in each year. If there is a failure to elect, the old officers shall continue in office until an election takes place.
Sec 11.

The said Board shall require from the Treasurer, bond and good security, said bond to be in the penalty of ten thousand dollars, payable to the President and his successor in office, Conditioned that he will take care of and account for the money and property of the board in his hands, and will well and truly perform his duties. The said board shall have power to pay the Secretary and Treasurer a reasonable remuneration for his services
Sec 12. Said Board of Trustees shall make an annual report of the Moneys received and appropriated, and of all their proceedings. which shall be published in two Newspapers printed at Jackson Miss'pi

Approved November 14th 1857 John J. McRae Gov.

D.C. Glenn Attorney General of Miss'pi

A B Dilworth

The Charter of Incorporation of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church Pike County State of Mississippi

First

That Stephen Albritton, Zachariah Reeves Jr, Middleton Mopp, James Price & Henry H Albritton of said County and their Successors in Office are hereby declared and Constituted a body Corporate and Politic by and under the name & Style of Mount Pleasant, Baptist Church and by this name may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded in all actions, Suits or plaints or matters whatsoever either in law or equity and that the said persons are hereby declared Trustees & their Successors in Office, may pass laws for their government and for their protection in religious worship as they see proper and do all other acts and things which are incident to bodies Corporate and not repugnant to the Constitution or laws of this State or the United States

Second

This Charter shall be perpetual and take effect from & after the date of its approval by the Governor of this State

William McWillie
Nov 28 1857

L.S.

Examined & approved
this 9th December 1857
D. C. Glenn
Atty Genl

Code 291 Art 1 Sec 1

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Iuka in
Tishomingo County State of Mississippi

Sec 1 That the Town of Iuka be and the same is hereby incorporated
and that the extent of the Corporation limits of said Town shall
be as follows, Viz One half mile in every direction from Center of
Depot Square

Sec 2 That said Town of Iuka shall compose a separate district for
the election of a Justice of the Peace and Constable who shall
hold their respective offices for the Term of Two Years from the
date of their election and until their Successors are duly qualified
who shall have the same jurisdiction and be entitled to the same
fees as are allowed by law to other Justices of the Peace & Constables
of said County

Sec 3 That an election shall be held in said Town on the Second
Monday of January A D 1858 by a Justice of the Peace for the
County under the inspection of A J Matthews, W D Hodges & S. G.
Terry for the purpose of electing a Justice of the Peace, who shall
be ex officio Mayor of said Town, One Constable five Aldermen,
One of whom shall be Clerk & Treasurer of this Board (to be chosen
by their board) all of whom shall hold their offices for Two Years
from the date of their election & until their Successors are duly qualified
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That the Justices of the Peace Elect be by Virtue of this Office Mayor & Board Town and the Presiding Officer of said Board of Aldermen, which Mayor and Aldermen Shall Compose a body Corporate by the Name and Style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Imlay, they Shall have Perpetual Succession and by that Name Contract and be Contracted with, Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto in all Suits either in law or equity, they May have a Common Seal and alter the same at pleasure, they May make such ordinances and by laws as they May deem Necessary for the good order and government of said Town, to prevent and Remove Nuisances of every description which may exist to the preservation of health, to license & tax at pleasure Theatrical amusements & shows of all kinds whatsoever within the Corporation, to Clean & Keep in Repair the Streets of said Town & Restrain and prohibit all Nightly & disorderly meetings of Slaves or other persons, in general to pass all such ordinances & by laws not in Violation of the Constitution & laws of this State or of the United States as they Shall from time to time deem expedient & Necessary to Carry into effect the Object of this act & the same to put in execution & Revoke or alter as Shall be deemed expedient; the Mayor and Aldermen Shall appoint a Clerk, a Treasurer, an Assessor and Collector of Taxes & such other Subordinate Officers as they May deem Necessary and Require such bond and Security for the faithful discharge of their duty, as they May consider adequate and fair. The said Mayor and Aldermen Shall have power to punish all Violation of said Ordinances and by-laws by fine or fines for each Violation not exceeding Fifty Dollars Recoverable before the Justice of the Peace of said Town, or in his absence before any Justice of the Peace of said County, which fines Shall be applied to the sole benefit of said Town, they May also imprison Offenders against the Ordinances and by laws of said Town, when such Offenders shall or Refuse to liquidate the fine imposed, they Shall have power, to hold and dispose of for the benefit of the Town, Real personal or Mixed property or loan or obtain loans of Money and in General to do all acts which are incident to bodies Corporate, the said Mayor & Aldermen are also empowered to establish patrols, night watches or Town guards and to erect & Keep a house for the temporary confinement of all persons Convicted by due process before said Mayor of disorderly conduct calculated to disturb the peace and quiet of said Town and to defray the expenses of the same, said Mayor and Aldermen may by and with the Consent & concurrence of a majority of the electors of said Town impose or levy a special Tax not to exceed twenty five per cent upon the State Tax & to ascertain the sense of the electors of said Town as to such special Tax it may be lawful for said Mayor & Aldermen to order an election for that purpose to be conducted in all respects as other elections provided for by this act & at which only the qualified electors of said Town Shall be entitled to vote

Sec 5 That said Mayor & Aldermen Shall have power once in each & every year to levy and Collect a Tax on all Retailers of Vinous & Spirituous Liquors & ten pin alleys not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars & to levy & Collect a tax not exceeding Two Hundred per cent on the State Tax on all persons and property within the limits of said Corporation for the use & benefit of said Town

The said Mayor & Aldermen shall also have power to impose a Street tax for the improvement of the Streets of said Town provided the tax so imposed shall not exceed Ten Dollars per annum on the persons within the limits of said Town subject to road duty, which tax shall be discharged by labor upon the Streets in proper person or a sufficient Substitute the number of days each one subject to road duty is bound to work upon the public road by the law of this State.

Sec 6 That the Citizens of said Town shall be exempt from road duty except that imposed by said Corporation laws.

Sec 7 That the Mayor and Aldermen before entering upon the duties of their office shall take the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State which oath may be administered by any Justice of the Peace of said County

Sec 8 That all white male Citizens of the age of twenty one years or upwards who shall have resided within the limits of said Town three months preceding an election for Mayor, Constable and Aldermen or either of them, shall be qualified Voters for said Mayor, Constable & Aldermen or either of them.

Sec 9 That any elector of said Town who is a freeholder therein and of the age of twenty one years and upwards shall be eligable to the office of either Mayor or Aldermen & whenever the said Mayor or any of said Aldermen be absent from the said Town for two months the office of such absentee shall be deemed Vacant.

Sec 10 That the elections for Mayor, Constable & Aldermen shall be biennially on the first Monday of April under the supervision of a Justice of the Peace for the County & three freeholders of the Town who shall act as Judges of said election.

Sec 11 That in the event of any vacancy occuring by death, resignation or otherwise in the office of Mayor, Constable or Alderman, the remaining part of the Board or any one of them shall proceed to advertise an election for the term of five days that they or he will on a day & at a place to be named in said advertisement hold an election to fill the vacancy to be specified in said advertisement which election the Mayor shall hold if an Alderman or Constable is to be elected; but if a Mayor is to be elected, the election shall be held by the Aldermen or any two of them, & in all elections it shall be the duty of the Officers holding the same to appoint a suitable number of Clerks & Judges for the proper & orderly conducting said election & that such Clerks & Judges shall be entitled to a remuneration of one Dollar per day for his services.

Sec 12 That the Mayor & Aldermen or a majority of them shall have power to adjourn their meeting from time to time; Provided the Mayor may at any time call a meeting of the Aldermen by written notice designating the time and place of meeting & on application of any two or more Aldermen, the Mayor shall call a meeting in like manner, they shall keep a Journal of all their proceedings & record all their official acts & doings & the Yeas & Nays in every question or subject shall be taken & recorded at the request of any member of the Board & the deliberations of the Board shall be public.

Sec 13 That said Board of Mayor & Aldermen shall have power to remove any officer made by their appointment for malfeasance or nonfeasance in office and in no case shall the Mayor be entitled to a vote unless there be a tie between the Votes of the Aldermen and in that case he shall give the casting vote.

Sec 14 That every ordinance or by law adopted or passed by said Mayor & Aldermen shall be published in said Town at least five days before its enforcement by written or printed advertisements posted up at three or more public places in said Town

Sec 15 That this Charter take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of this State

William McWilliams
Governor

Examined & approved
11 December 1857

D. L. Glenn
Atty General

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Summit Pike County State of Mississippi

First

That the Town of Summit in the County of Pike be and the same is hereby incorporated that the Corporate limits of said Town shall be one half mile each East South and West from the Depot of the New Orleans Jackson and Great Northern Rail Road in said Town

Second

That any Justice of the Peace in said County shall and may open and hold an election in said Town on the second Monday in February next or any time within sixty days thereafter on giving at least five days notice of such election for the purpose of electing two Justices of the Peace and one Constable in said Town who shall be Commissioned and shall immediately process and exercise the same powers and jurisdiction as belong to like officers in this State and shall hold their office until the next general election at which time and every two years thereafter the same shall be filled by election

Third

That it shall be the duty of the Justices of the Peace to declare at any convenient time thereafter to hold an election in said Town for the purpose of electing three Councilmen who shall elect one of their number as President and shall compose a body Corporate by the name and style of the President and Councilmen of the Town of Summit and in that name sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in all suits or plaints either in Law or Equity and to do all other acts which are usually incident to towns incorporate and said Councilmen shall hold their office twelve months and until their successors are qualified but all elections for said Councilmen shall be held on the first Monday in January in each year after the present Term

Fourth

That at the first and all subsequent elections for Justices of the Peace Constable and Councilmen every free white male person upwards of twenty one years of age a Citizen of the United States and of the State of Mississippi who shall have resided within the Corporate limits of said Town for one months next before any election shall be a qualified voter

Fifth

That the said President and Councilmen may make all By-laws ordinances rules and regulations for the good government order and protection of said Town not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of this State or the United States and shall cause the same to be published in said Town at least five days previous to their enforcement, and shall have power to enact penalties for violations of said by laws ordinances and regulations by fine or fines for such violations not exceeding fifty dollars recoverable before the Justice of the Peace of said Town which said fines shall be applied to the sole benefit of said Town and said President and Councilmen shall have power in each and every year to lay a tax not exceeding one fifth per cent on the State Tax on all persons and property within the limits of said Corporation for the use and benefit of said Town; all of which shall be duly subject to the control of said President & Councilmen for the purposes aforesaid

Sixth

That said Constable shall have power to assess and collect all taxes imposed by said President and Councilmen and all fines for a violation of their by laws ordinances rules and regulations

Seventh

That said President and Councilmen shall have power to require all persons subject to work on public roads to labor on the streets of said Town not exceeding six days in any one year and the inhabitants of the said Town shall be exempt from working on all other roads and highways

Eighth

This Charter shall take effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

Executive Office Jany 21st 1858. The above charter is granted and approved

William McWillie

L. S.

A. G. Dellworth
Secty of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the "Natchez Gas Company"-

Section 1 Be it Known - That we, Frederick Stanton, Thomas Henderson, Geo W Koontz, Robt C Evans, T. C. Reddy & Co. Abraham Scofield - Jno L C Wasman, Wm H Fox, A. J. Southerthwaite, S. Cochrane - P. H. McGraw, Geo K. Higgins - F. Crone & Schwartz, J. B & S. H. Foggo - Alexander & Wer - John Botto, R. A. Kugler, A. Signaigo - B. Pendleton, V. Odell, C. Sims, Livingstone & Roundtree, J. S. B. Thacher, Alex Dorman, Meyer, Deutsch & Weir, Giles & Wilger, W. H. Forbes, M. A. & S. A Marks, San Garradine, W. C. Chamberlin, Jno B Quegles, C. Schatz, H. G. Newcomb, A. Kanton, S. C. Talabot, Robt McKee, Geo W. Fox, Jno Hunter & Co, L. E. Lardee, L. Bennett, Saml W Wren, Elmer Grillo, D. Hopkins, Jas Carey, J. H. Stier, J. Elliott, Jas Hughes, Robt W. Wood, L. D. Aldrich, Richd A Inge, C. Metcalfe, Will S. Martin, John McDowell, Wm L Jackson, R. P. Millen - L. N Corey, G. & E. Kennedy, Wm Robertson, Thomas J Gans - David Fennen, V. Whitcombe, F. Sarget, A. L. Merrill, Jno C. Brown, Geo Ralston, Ben J. B. Hunter, W. C. Welden, V. Gunther, Josiah Winchester - B. Wade, Walker & Collins, W. G. Thomas, President of the Maryland Gas Company of Baltimore - and our associates, have united together as a joint Stock Company to be located in the City of Natchez, Adams County, State of Mississippi, under the provisions of the Sixty-Eighth Chapter of the Revised Code of the Statutes of the State of Mississippi, to be known as the "Natchez Gas Company".

Section 2 The object and purpose of the "Natchez Gas Company" shall be, the manufacturing, and furnishing to Consumers, Gas, for illumination, and other purposes.

Section 3 The Capital Stock of the "Natchez Gas Company", shall be Sixty Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each. And each share shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 4 Any Shareholder may vote by proxy, by executing to his proxy, a Power of Attorney, duly acknowledged, before any Judicial Officer, in which shall be stated the number of Shares such proxy is authorized to represent.

Section 5 The Officers of the Company shall consist of a Board of Directors, seven in number, to be elected annualy - A President - Secretary and Treasurer, who may be members of, and shall be elected by, the Board of Directors -

Section 6 There shall be a meeting of the Company, for the election of Officers, so soon as Sixty Thousand Dollars of Stock is subscribed - which may be called by any member of the Company representing Twenty five Shares of Stock, on giving three days notice in one of the public newspapers published in the City of Natchez - And the annual meetings of the Company shall afterwards be held at such time as shall then be determined on.

Section 7 It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors, at each annual meeting of the Company, to present a full detailed statement of the affairs and condition of the Company, to include a full financial exposé the condition and operation of the works - and the prospects for the future.

Approved. January 22d 1858.

William McWillie -

Submitted and approved by me.

J. J. Thornton.

A. B. Dibrell
Secty of State -

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Fayette in the County of Jefferson and State of Mississippi

Sec 1 The Corporate name of said Town shall be The Mayor & Selectmen of Fayette and the object of its Incorporation is the preservation of Order and the better enforcement of the Laws of the State as well as for the general improvement of the Town

Sec 2 The Corporate limits of said Town of Fayette shall extend one quarter of a Mile in the directions North, East and South and West that distance in a westerly direction from the Court House.

Sec 3 That the qualified electors residing in said Town shall elect a Justice of the Peace, a Constable and three householders as Selectmen, (the Justice to be a householder also) residing within the limits of said corporation, The first election to be held within six weeks after the approval of this act, by his excellency the Governor or as soon after as convenient, under the inspection of a Justice of the Peace, Judge of Probate, or Clerk of the Circuit Court and two householders of said Town; the persons so elected to continue in office for the term of two Years and till their successors are elected and qualified, Provided, That in case the Successors fail to qualify in ten days after their election there shall be ordered by said Justice of the Peace an election for such as fail to qualify within the time limited and said Justice of the Peace shall be commissioned by the Governor and have jurisdiction as other Justices of said County, and the same fees as shall be lawful for other Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State, shall be the Compensation of said Justice and Constable of said Corporation

Sec 4 That said Justice of the Peace shall be President of the Board of Selectmen and shall be styled Mayor, who together with the Selectmen or a majority of them may make all laws for their own government and for the advancement of the interest of said Corporation not repugnant to the laws of the State or of the United States, They shall have the power of inflicting a fine or fines on any person or persons for a violation of their by laws, not exceeding Ten Dollars for any one offence, Recoverable with Cats before the Mayor of said Corporation, for the benefit of the same

Sec 5 That said Mayor and Selectmen may levy a tax in each & every Year not exceeding one dollar upon each free pole and not exceeding one dollar on every hundred dollars worth of property of each & every person within the limits of said Corporation to be assessed by one of the Selectmen who shall receive not exceeding five per cent for so doing and said Taxes to be collected in such manner as may seem best to the said Mayor and Selectmen, which Taxes together with all fines aforesaid shall be under the direction of the Mayor and Selectmen as

is hereinafter provided.

Sec 6 That the said Mayor and Selectmen shall have the power to compel all persons subject to road duty to work on the streets of said Corporation not exceeding six days in any one year Provided any person shall be exempt for one year by paying the sum of five dollars for the use of said Corporation to the Mayor of the same, and the inhabitants of said Corporation shall not be liable to work on any road outside of said Corporation

Sec 7 That the said Mayor and Selectmen shall appoint one of their number who shall act as Treasurer of said Corporation and whose duty it shall be to safely keep and pay out all moneys under the warrant and authority of the Board of Selectmen, and shall before entering on the duties of his office enter into a bond payable to the Mayor and Selectmen in such sum and with such security as may be required by said Board, conditioned for the safe keeping and perfourth disbursing all moneys that may come into his hands as Treasurer of said Corporation and also faithfully to deliver over to his Successor in office all the funds of said Corporation and for any violation or breach of said bond the said Corporation may proceed against him as in similar cases under the laws of this State.

Sec 8 The Mayor and Selectmen shall also appoint a clerk who shall keep a record of the proceedings of said body of all laws by them enacted, of all moneys by them received and expended, give publicity to all the laws by them enacted as they may direct and said clerk shall receive such compensation as said Board may deem just and may be fined by said Board for a violation of duty not exceeding five dollars for any one offence, and said clerk shall deliver over to his successors all the books and papers belonging to said Corporation.

Sec 9 There shall be four Regular Meetings of the Board of Selectmen held quarterly and the Mayor may convene the same at other times if he shall deem it necessary and for every Regular Meeting, each Member shall receive two dollars per diem and an additional pay of not exceeding five per cent on all moneys received by the Treasurer to be paid out of the Treasury of the Corporation under the warrant of the Board

Sec 10 That this act be in force from and after the approval of his excellency the Governor

Approved January 21st 1858

William M. Tillie

T C Wharton
Atty Genl

Recd

N. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

Be it rembered, That William Henry Elder, Benjamin Rosch, John B Quegles, P H McGraw, Richard Elward, Peter Grant and Thomas C Reddy and their Successors be and they are hereby made and constituted a body Corporate and politic by the name and style of the Dr Evereux Hall Orphan Asylum and by that name shall have perpetual succession and shall be capable in Law to purchase posses and be seized by Real and personal Estate and to take such estate by gift, grant, bequest or devise all such as may have heretofore been given, granted, devised or bequested or may hereafter be granted, given, devised or bequested and alien and dispose of the same at pleasure

The said Corporation is created for the charitable purposes of a Male Catholic Orphan Asylum, The persons above named and their Successors in their said Corporate Capacity shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with and to make all such Constitution and by laws, as they may deem necessary or expedient for the good order, government and perpetuation of said incorporation not inconsistent with the laws of this State and of the United States

Approved January 25 1858
William McMillie

The above examined and found to be free from Constitutional objections
T. J. Wharton
Attg Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Bunnsville.

in the County of Tishomingo and State of Mississippi

Sec 1 That the Town of Bunnsville in Tishomingo County, be and the same is hereby incorporated and the boundary of said Town shall be as follows, Commencing One quarter of a Mile due North of the Center of the Depot House in said Town and Run due East, One quarter of a Mile, thence due South One half Mile, thence due West, One half Mile, thence due North One half Mile and thence due East One quarter of a Mile to the beginning

Sec 2 That the Sheriff or any Justice of the Peace in said County shall on the first Monday in February next, or within thirty days thereafter, by giving five days Notice thereof and in the same manner biennially thereafter open and hold an election for five Aldermen of said Town, resident Citizens therein who shall be elected by the qualified Voters Voters for County officers residing within the limits of said Corporation and shall hold their offices for the term of Two Years and until their successors are elected and qualified, That a Majority of said Aldermen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, they shall elect a Mayor from their own body and they shall be designated the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Bunnsville by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of law or equity and exercise all the powers usually incident to Towns Corporate in this State and make such Rules and Regulations and by laws for the good government and order of said Corporation they may deem expedient, but inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States.

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Sec 3 That the Corporate limits of Said Town Constitute a Seperate and distinct district for the electing of a Justice of the Peace and a Constable by the qualified Voters as aforesaid, within the Corporate limits, who when elected and qualified Shall exercise the Same powers and jurisdiction as other Justices of the Peace and Constable do in Said County

Sec 4 That the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town Shall have power to lay and Collect Such Taxes as they may deem expedient, on the persons and property of Said Town, Subject to Taxation, Not to exceed fifty Cents per Centum on the State Tax in any one Year for the purpose of improving the Streets and roads in Said Town, Removing Nuisances and for the preservation of the health and good order of the Same

Sec 5 That Said Mayor and Aldermen Shall Keep a Record of their proceedings may appoint one of their Number Secretary and in the absence of the Mayor, may appoint One of their body Mayor pro Tem, and may appoint One of their body or the Constable of Said Corporation, to collect and Collect Such Taxes as may be levied and the Secretary Shall be ex officio Treasurer and Shall report to the board the State of the finances at Such time as may be Required

Sec 6 That the Sheriff of Said County of Tishomingo Shall on the first Monday in February Next, or within thirty days thereafter, after giving five days previous Notice thereof, proceed to hold an election in Said Corporation for a Justice of the Peace and Constable as provided for in the third Section of this act, which Justice of the Peace and Constable Shall be Commissioned by the Governor and Shall Serve until the Next general election and thereafter until their Successors are duly elected and qualified

Sec 7 That the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Corporation may provide for filling any Vacancy in their body

Sec 8 That no Vinous or Spirituous liquors Shall be Sold within the Corporate limits of Said Town, in less quantities than one gallon

Sec 9 That Said Charter Take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor

William McWillie

Examined and approved
January 25th 1858
J. J. Wharton
Atty Genl

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A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the City of Enterprise, Clarke County in the State of Mississippi.

Be it enacted, That the Town of Enterprise in the County of Clarke and State of Mississippi, shall hereafter be known as the City of Enterprise and that the said City shall be and the same is hereby incorporated and invested with its Corporate limits. The East Wing of the South East quarter and the West half of the South East quarter of Section Twenty four Township Seven Range Fourteen East, the North West quarter of Section Twenty and the North East quarter of Section Twenty one Township Seven Range Fourteen East, also the North East quarter of the North East quarter of Section Twenty Nine and the North West quarter of Section Twenty Eight in Township Seven Range Fifteen East; the Inhabitants thereof shall be a body Corporate and Politic and shall have and enjoy all the rights and privileges as hereinafter directed shall be the City Limits and Style, The City Council of Enterprise and by that name may purchase, receive, hold or sell, sue grant, alien and dispose property real and personal and Sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and do and perform any other acts incident to bodies Corporate, may have a common Seal which may be changed or broken at pleasure, and their jurisdiction shall extend to and include all the lands above described.

Section 2. The said City shall be divided into two wards as follows, to wit, All that part lying on the East side of the Chickasawha River shall be the East Ward and all that part of the City lying on the West side of said River shall be the West Ward and the said City Council shall have power to form other wards when they may deem it necessary, in each Ward shall be elected by the Qualified electors thereof one Alderman who shall reside in the same and shall be elected by the qualified electors thereof and no one shall be allowed to vote in any ward but the one in which he may reside, There shall be an election held on the first Monday of February next, (1858) and on the first Monday of in December in the same Year and each and every Year thereafter, for a Mayor, who shall reside within the limits of said City and for two Aldermen for each Ward, and the two persons having the greatest number of votes for Mayor in said City, shall be Mayor and the two persons having the greatest number of votes in each Ward shall be Aldermen for such Ward; But if two or more persons shall have an equal number of votes, which number is the highest on the list for Mayor, the Aldermen shall determine who shall be Mayor, and if two persons in any ward shall have a higher number of votes than any other person, the Mayor and Aldermen shall determine, who shall be Alderman for that Ward, the one having the highest number of votes always being one; The said Mayor and Aldermen shall hold their offices until the next succeeding election and until their successors are duly qualified, if a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor or Alderman by death, resignation or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by an election by the electors of said City, for the unexpired term of office, The Aldermen shall judge of the qualifications of the Mayor and the Mayor and Aldermen shall judge of the qualifications of each Alderman

Sec 3 The first election for Mayor and Aldermen shall be held on the first Monday of February 1858 or as soon thereafter as practicable and any Justice of the Peace, residing within the limits of said City shall

appointed at least two respectable freeholders in each ward, who shall be Managers of said election and the said City Council shall thereafter make such appointments, All white male Citizens of this State above the age of twenty one, who shall have resided in said City four months next preceding said election, shall be qualified electors for Mayor and Aldermen and no person shall be eligible to the office of Mayor or Alderman unless in addition to the qualifications of electors, he shall have resided within the limits of said City one year next preceding his election.

Section 4 The said Mayor and Aldermen shall severally, before they enter upon the duties of their office, in addition to the oath prescribed for civil officers of the State make and subscribe an affidavit that they will endeavor to prevent and punish all tumultuous and riotous assemblies, affrays & batteries, gaming & keeping gaming houses and houses of ill fame and all other public offences and violations of the laws of the State and ordinances of the said City and will faithfully, to the best of their judgement skill and ability execute their offices without favor or partiality, which affidavit may be made before any Justice of the Peace in said Clarke county and shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of said City.

Section 5 The said Mayor and Aldermen in Council assembled shall have full power and authority to pass all necessary by laws and ordinances for the prevention of the introduction of contagious and infectious diseases into the city and to preserve the health thereof, to prevent & remove all nuisances at the expense of the person or persons causing the same or upon whose property it may be found, to license, regulate and restrain theatrical amusements and shows, to restrain and prohibit gaming and keeping gaming houses and houses of ill fame, to establish night watches and day watches and patrols and to appoint leaders and Captains thereof, to make, alter & ascertain new streets and alleys by paying to the owner or owners of the lot or lots through which said new street and alley may run, the damages that may be agreed by a jury of twelve disinterested freeholders one half of whom may be selected by the parties agrieved and the other half by the Mayor, which jury shall be sworn to make a true assessment according to the evidence, to clean & keep in repairs the streets and alleys and to have charge of the public springs & wells, to establish necessary inspection, to erect and regulate markets and the assize of bread, to regulate the sales at auction and to appoint City auctioneers, Provided the same shall not extend to sales under execution by order of Court or by executors or administrators, to appoint a public weigher and to erect proper scale houses and furnish proper weights & measures, by which the public weigher shall weigh and measure in case of disagreement between buyers & sellers, to which weights & measures all the weights & measures in said City shall correspond, to license and regulate waggons, carts, drays and such other vehicles as run from one part of the City to another part of the City for hire and generally, to pass such By laws and ordinances not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State and the United States as such Mayor and Aldermen shall from time to time deem fit and proper to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of this Corporation, and the same to enforce, alter and repeal; The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to appoint and remove at pleasure, a Clerk, Treasurer, and such number of Marshalls and other officers as they may deem necessary and require such bond and security as they may deem necessary and to annex such fees and salaries and to impose such fines and forfeitures for neglect of duty, not exceeding one hundred Dollars as they may deem necessary and proper, The said Mayor and Aldermen are also empowered to lay such fines not exceeding fifty Dollars for breach or breaches of the by laws and ordinances as they may deem proper and to enforce and collect the same

the person or property, or committing to jail until such fines and costs are paid, which fines shall be of such amount as the said City Council may prescribe, Provided that this section by any Ordinances of said City, shall at all times be subject to Revision & Repeal by Legislature of the State of Mississippi

Section 6 The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power and authority to assess, levy and collect annually a Tax not exceeding one dollar on each $100 worth of real estate in said City, a poll Tax not exceeding two dollars on each taxable Inhabitant above twenty one Years of age; Provided he shall have resided in said City two months next preceding the time such Tax shall be assessed on each slave over ten Years of age not exceeding one Dollar, on every free Negro and Mulatto who shall reside in said City not exceeding ten Dollars Provided This Tax shall not apply to Negro slaves whose owners pay a Trading license or negro quarters may be within the limits of said City The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have discretionary power to fix the levying the City Tax generally, but in no case shall they levy a Tax greater, than half of the State and County Tax taken together except in case of Livery Stables, Black Smiths Shops, Hotels, and Restaurants and Nine and ten Pin Alleys, or alleys with any number of Pins, The Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to prohibit the keeping in said City, and shall be allowed to take such action thereon as the Corporation not exceeding Five Hundred dollars. Section 7th The Mayor of said City shall be ex officio vested with and may exercise all the powers that belong to Justices of the Peace, by the laws of this State; And the Marshal shall be vested with and exercise all the power and authority of Constables of this State; and the said Mayor and Aldermen shall respectively be liable to the same penalties, and prosecutions as are inforced upon other Justices and Constables of this State; and the Sheriff of said Clarke County and all Ministerial officers of said County shall obey the said Mayor and Aldermen and truly and faithfully execute the warrants and processes Committed to them for service according to the mandate thereof, and it shall be the duty of the Jailor of the said County of Clark to receive all persons committed by warrants of the said Mayor, and the persons or persons so committed safely to keep confined in close Jail until delivered by due course of law, the said City Council being responsible to the Jailor for his fees, except in case in which the laws of the State have been violated, and the persons have been committed for such violations, and in no case shall the Jailor fees be greater than those allowed by law, for State prisoners;

Section 8th Should the Election not take place on the day fixed for the annual Election of City officers, the Corporation shall not for that cause be dissolved, but the incumbents shall remain in office until their successors shall be elected and qualified; and it shall be the duty of the Mayor to appoint some other day as early as convenient thereafter on which day such election shall be held.

See 9th The Citizens of the said City of Enterprise shall be exempted from working on Roads, and high ways, out side of said City. but the Streets and highways in said City shall be kept in repairs by the Citizens thereof. and all male white Citizens, over eighteen and under fifty shall be liable to patrol duty, and to serve as guard or watch at such times, and in such manner as may be prescribed by the

Said City Council. Any Citizen who may pay such Street Tax as may be assessed by the City Council shall be exempted from working on the Streets,

Section 10th. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to preside and keep order at all Meetings of the Mayor and Aldermen; and he shall Call Meetings of the City Council when ever in his opinion the interest of the City shall require it; he shall keep an office in said City, and shall as often as business requires sit and hear and determine upon all Cases for breach of the ordinances and Bylaws, and shall receive such fees and salary as may be prescribed by the City Council. In the absence, or inability of the Mayor, the Aldermen shall appoint one of their own number Mayor Pro Tempore, who shall discharge the duties of Mayor, until the Mayor returns, or his inability removed. Each Alderman may issue his warrant for the apprehension of persons accused to be tried before the Mayor, or Mayor Pro-tem; two Aldermen may Call a Meeting. The Mayor and two Aldermen or three Aldermen shall form a quorum

Section 11th The said City Council may Cause an assessment of taxes to be made in each year by some proper person the assessment naming the persons liable to such taxes when known and discribing the property when the owner is not known, which assessment shall be returned to the Mayor to be laid before the City Council, and the Mayor shall Cause at least ten days public Notice to be given; that assessment has been made and the time when the Mayor and Aldermen will proceed to hear and determine upon all Complaints which may be made against such assessment, and it shall be their duty to Correct errors, and supply omissions; and when the same shall be passed upon by the said City Council the said assessment shall have the force and effect of a Judgment and Execution, and may be Collected by levy and sale of property on giving such Notice as is required by law on executions from the Circuit Court and when no property to be found is returned on such assessment the Mayor may issue a Capias ad satisfaciendum, and all Sales of property made under, or by virtue of such assessment shall convey to the purchaser the same title as if sold by execution from the Circuit Court, and the Collector of said City shall in Case of Sale of real estate give the purchaser a deed of Conveyance which shall vest in the purchaser the same interest that the person had, against whom the assessment was made, at the time such assessment; and where the owner is not known the entire equitable and legal interest in such estate discharged of all liens, Provided that where a tax is assessed upon property the owner or owners of which are not known Ninety days notice of the Sale specifying the property and the tax shall be given in some News paper published in said City, or County, Provided further that the owner of any real estate sold for taxes shall have the right to redeem by paying treble the amount of the tax together with Costs, and charges within two years from the day of Sale.

Section 12th The said City Council of Enterprise shall have full power and authority to make ordain, and enact such laws and regulations not Contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State as may be deemed necessary in relation to the Streets, and highways public Buildings Powder Magazines and every other matter and thing which they may deem necessary for the good order, welfare and prosperity of the said City of Enterprise,

Section 13th The taxes herein mentioned shall be appropriated to City purposes,

together with such other taxes as may be assessed, and all fines inflicted in the said Corporation, shall be for the use of said Corporation, and the Collector and treasurer shall annually make an exhibit of his accts to be inspected by the Mayor, and the said Corporation shall possess all the powers incident to bodies Corporate which powers they may exercise immediately after the granting of this Charter.

Approved January 26th 1858

William McMillie

Submitted to me & found free from all Constitutional objection

P. H. Wharton Atto Genl.

A. B. Dilworth Secty of State.

Charter of the Grenada agricultural and Mechanical joint Stock association

Sec 1st. William Lake, B C Adams, H. M. Purnell, P Randolph Leigh, John I Gage, I L Davis, James M Townes, Thomas Hardeman, John P Mitchell, Roland W Jones, G W Aldridge, Jas. H Garner and A W Bartlett and their associates and successors forever are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name and style of the Grenada Agricultural and Mechanical joint Stock association for the purpose of promoting improvements in all the various departments of agriculture including not only the production of the great staples of the country but also fruits, vegetables and ornamental gardening, the promotion of the mechanic arts in all their various branches, the improvement of the race of all useful and domestic animals, the general advancement of rural economy and domestic manufactures & the dissemination of useful information upon those subjects

Sec 2d. The Corporation hereby created, may have a common seal and change the same at pleasure, may by their corporate name, sue and be sued, may contract and be contracted with, and may be capable of acquiring by purchase or otherwise any quantity of land, not exceeding fifty acres and may improve the same or any part thereof at pleasure and on it may raise for sale or other disposition, fruit trees, shrubbery and vegetables and may acquire and hold and dispose of such personal estate as the Directors of said association may deem necessary & proper and may in their corporate name do any and every other act not inconsistant with the constitution and laws of this State, nor with the constitution of the association, which in the opinion of the Directors of the association will contribute to advance the objects thereof

Sec 3 The individuals named in the first section shall constitute the first Board of Directors, They shall hold their office until their successors be elected they and their successors shall have power to cause books to be opened for subscription to the capital stock of said association at such times and places and in such manner as they may think best and may cause the same to be closed and to be reopened, when they may deem proper

Sec 4 The Directors aforesaid and their successors shall have control and management of the official and other concerns of said association together with all its estate of every kind, They may appoint a Treasurer and Secretary and such other officers and agents as may be deemed advisable to carry into full effect the purposes of the association and they may require any of the officers to give bond and approved security for the faithful performance of the duties of

[illegible] make such a Constitution for the Government of the Association as they may deem proper and inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of this State and may alter or amend the same or make and substitute another as they may deem most advisable and the Board of Directors may make such Regulations and by laws not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of this State or with the Constitution of the Association as may in their opinion conduce to the good order and management of the affairs of the Association and may from time to time modify and repeal the same; They shall have power to appoint a Marshal and deputy Marshal and assign them their duties, to assist during the exhibitions or fairs, said Marshal shall act as a police and be clothed with the powers of a Constable during such fairs or exhibitions

Sec 5 Any person or persons who may violate any law or Regulation of the Board of Directors, which they are authorized to make for conducting their fairs or exhibitions after the same has been published and made known, may be taken before any Mayor or Justice of the Peace of competent jurisdiction and fined not exceeding Ten Dollars for every such offence

Sec 6 Any five members of the Directors shall be a quorum for the transaction of business unless the Permanent member of the association shall fix and require a different number

approved February 8th, 1858
William McWhirter

Examined and approved
T. S. Martin
Atty Genl.

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

An Charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Manufacturing Company, passed under an Act of the Legislature of State of Mississippi, approved February 2, 1857, entitled an Act concerning Corporations and other Associations

Section 1 Warren Hale, Abraham Murdock, Richard Cobb, Silas Lee Lemman, David L Lemman and Daniel R Lemman with any who may hereafter associate with them are hereby created a Body politic and Corporate under the Name and Style of, The Columbus Manufacturing Company, for the purpose of Manufacturing Cotton and woolen Yarns and Cloths, Carding Wool, Making Hats, Boots, Shoes and Clothing with the privilege of Manufacturing any thing made of Silk, Linen, Wool, Cotton, Brass, Iron or Wood.

Section 2 The Capital Stock of Said Company Shall not exceed One hundred Thousand Dollars divided into Shares of One hundred dollars each.

Section 3 Said Company may make any and all needful By Laws for the Government thereof, may elect such Officers, Servants and Agents as they may deem best for the interest of Said Company; Provided that Said By Laws Shall not be contrary to the Constitution and Laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi

Section 4 The parties named in the first Section of this Charter shall be authorized to Commence business at any time with such portion of Capital as they may be able or disposed to invest or may associate with them hereafter such persons as they may think proper and with such amount of Capital as they may think best not exceeding the said Sum of One hundred Thousand Dollars

Section 5 The Said Columbus Manufacturing Company Shall be located in the County of Lowndes in the State of Mississippi and Shall remain a body Politic and Corporate until the first day of January Eighteen Hundred and Eighty with all the privileges and subject to all the restrictions contained in the act under which this Charter is granted

Approved March 16 1858
William McWillie

Submitted to & approved by me
as free from all Constitutional objections
S. D. Warton
Atty Genl

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A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Carthage in the County of Leake & State of Mississippi

Section 1 Be it enacted: That the Town of Carthage in the County of Leake & State of Mississippi, be and the same is hereby incorporated, & that the limits of said Incorporation shall extend, from the Court House in said Town, two hundred & forty yards, Westward, two hundred & forty yards Eastward, thirteen hundred and twenty yards Southwards, and thirteen hundred and twenty yards Northwards, & the inhabitants within said Limits, shall Constitute and be a body Corporate, in the name of the Town of Carthage. And the Mayor and Aldermen of said Town when elected, as herein after designated, shall be named and Styled The Town Council of Carthage" and by that name may purchase, receive, hold, let, sell, grant alien, Convey & release any real or personal Estate, may sue or be sued plead or be impleaded, Defend, & do and perform any other acts incedent to bodies Corporate, & their jurisdiction shall extend over & include all lands within the limits as above specified

Sec 2. An Election for a Mayor & four Aldermen for said Town shall be held on the first Monday in April A D 1858. And the Sheriff of said County of Leake, shall hold said Election, after giving five days public notice thereof, in the manner prescribed by Law for holding Elections for State officers & shall be returning officer thereof & give Certificates of Election to persons Elected to said offices, and give a Casting Vote in case of tie, Subsequent Elections for said offices of Mayor and Aldermen of said Town shall be held yearly, & the holding and managing the same shall be provided for by the Town Council of said Town. The Mayor & Aldermen of said Town, shall hold their offices for one year, or until their Successors are Elected. All white male Citizens of this State above the age of twenty one years shall be qualified Voters for Mayor & Aldermen of said Town

Sec 3. ~~The said Mayor & Aldermen before entering upon their respective duties as such shall~~

Sec 3 The Town Council of Carthage shall have power in Council assembled to enact any by-Laws, or ordinances not Contrary to the Constitution of the United States or of the State of Mississippi or the Laws thereof, which they may deem necessary & proper for the good government of said Town, & to alter modify or repeal the same, to license, tax and regulate all shows, and Theatrical Amusements exhibited in said Town, to restrain & prohibit gaming, or the keeping of gaming houses, to appoint Patrolls to layout new alleys and Streets by making due Compensation therefor to be ascertained by a jury of two or more, to be selected by the Sheriff, or any Justice of the Peace, of said County not Exceeding five hundred dollars.

Sec 4. The said Town Council of Carthage, shall have power to appoint a Clerk, Treasurer, Marshall, Tax Assessor, & Collector and such other officers as they may deem necessary, to remove the same at pleasure, and to require of them such bond and security, to annex such fees & salaries to their offices & to receive upon them such fines & forfeitures as they may deem fit & necessary, not exceeding five hundred dollars. And the said Town Council of Carthage, shall have power to impose fines for any breach or violation of the by-laws & ordinances of the same not exceeding fifty dollars & to enforce and collect the same, in such manner as may be prescribed by ordinance, by execution against the person or property of the offender, or by commission to jail until such fines is paid, and such fines shall be appropriated in such manner as the said Town Council may prescribe, & all process issued by said Town Council, or by the Mayor of said Town or any Alderman thereof, shall be done in the name of the Town Council of Carthage, provided however that this and all other by-laws & ordinances shall at all times be subject to repeal or revision by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi

Sec 5 The Said Town Council of Carthage shall have power to assess, levy & collect annually a tax on all real & personal Estate in said Town not exceeding one per-cent upon the value of the same, also a poll tax not exceeding one dollar on every white male inhabitant in said Town who shall have resided two months therein, preceding the time such tax shall be assessed, and the said Town Council of Carthage, shall have full power to make any and all necessary provisions by ordinance for the collecting of said taxes when so assessed, by distress or Execution & sale of property, real or personal, and such sale shall have the force and effect of sales under executions, issued from and out the Circuit Court, & in Case of the sale of real Estate, for the payment of taxes, the Mayor of said Town, shall have power to convey the same, to the purchaser by his deed, & his deed shall vest in the purchaser all the interest which the former owner had held & possessed in or to the same,

Sec 6. The said Town Council shall have power to prohibit the keeping within said Town five alleys of any number, or Billiard Tables or tax the same not exceeding five hundred dollars each,

Sec 7 Process for the arrest of any offender against the By-laws, or ordinances of said Town Council, may be issued in the name & style of "The Town Council of Carthage" by the Mayor of said Town or any Alderman thereof.

Sec 8 The Mayor of said Town shall be ex officio vested with and may exercise all the powers which belong to a Justice of the Peace by the laws of this State. & the Marshall shall be vested with and may exercise all the powers of a Constable of this State, and the said Mayor & Marshall shall respectively be liable to all the penalties & restrictions that are imposed by law upon Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State

Sec 9. The Sheriff of said County of Leake & all other Ministerial officers of said County shall obey said Town Council of Carthage, and shall truly & faithfully execute warrants & processes Committed to them for Service, according to the mandate thereof. And it shall be the duty of the Jailor to receive all persons Committed by the warrants, in the name & style of, The Town Council of Carthage. And such persons so Committed safely to keep in Close Jail. until delivered by due Course of law or discharged, & the said Town Council in such Case shall be responsible to the Jailor for his fees excepted in Cases when the person is Committed for breaking the laws of the State

Sec 10 Shall an election for Town officers not take place on the day appointed for it, the Charter of incorporation shall not be forfeited, but the Mayor may appoint an other day for the holding such election.

Sec 11 The Citizens of said Town of Carthage shall be exempt from working the Roads & highways out side of said Town, but the Citizens thereof shall keep the Streets in good repair, & the said Town Council shall have full power to make any and all necessary provisions for keeping said Streets in good order & repair

Sec 12 The said Town Council shall have power to provide for regular Meetings & Special or Called Meetings & select & provide a place for the same, & the Mayor may Call Special Meetings whenever he may deem it necessary. And said Town Council of Carthage in Council assembled, shall have full & sufficient power to pass & enact such & any & all By-laws & ordinances not Contrary to the Constitution of the United States, or of this State or laws of the same, which to them may seem proper expedient or necessary, for the good government & order of said Town, & to alter, amend, modify or repeal the same. but no person shall be eligible to the office of Mayor or Alderman, unless such person shall be a resident of said Town, and shall have been so two months prior to his or their election.

Sec 13. The Mayor & any two Aldermen, shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business or the enactment of By laws & ordinances & in the absence of the Mayor a Mayor pro tem may be chosen by the Aldermen out of their number. & shall hear & violations of the By laws & ordinances of the Town Council of Carthage shall be heard tried & adjudicated by & before the Mayor, or the Mayor pro tem of said Town & he shall have full power to impose for the same upon all offenders against the By laws & ordinances of said Town Council of Carthage such fine penalties forfeitures & punishments & imprisonments in the County Jail as are herein mentioned & may be provided for the said Town Council & all offenders against the By laws, ordinances, enactments & regulations of said Town Council of Carthage

Town, by writ issued in the name of the Town Council of Carthage and signed & sealed by the Mayor, or the Mayor pro tem, or any Alderman of said Town & the Mayor & Marshall of said Town before entering upon their respective duties as such shall enter into bond as now forbidden by the laws of the State in the case of Constable & Justice of the Peace

Approved March 22nd 1858.

William McNeill

Examined & found free
from all Constitutionall objections

J J Martin Att. Genl

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A. K. Dibrell
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Desoto, Clarke County, in the State of Mississippi.

Be it enacted: That the Town of Desoto, in the County of Clarke and State of Mississippi shall be and the Same is Hereby incorporated; and shall include within its Corporate limits one Mile Square, of which the Depot of Said Town on the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road shall be the Centre, Said one Mile Square being and lying in Section Thirty Six, Township two Range Fifteen East.

The inhabitants shall be a body Corporate, and the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town when Elected and qualified as herein after directed shall be named and styled, The Town Council of Desto; and by that name Purchase, receive, hold or let, sell, grant alien and release property, real and personal; sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; and to do and perform any other acts incident to bodies Corporate, may have a Common Seal which may be changed or broken at pleasure, and their Jurisdiction shall extend to and include all the lands above described

Section 2nd.

The said town shall be divided into two wards as follows to wit All that part lying on the East side of the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road shall be the East ward; and all that part of the town lying on the West side of said Mobile and Ohio Rail Road shall be the West ward; and the said town Council shall have power to form other Wards, when they may deem it necessary; and each Ward shall be entitled to one Alderman, who shall reside in the same; and shall be elected by the qualified electors Thereof; and no elector shall be allowed to Vote in any Ward, but the one in which he may reside.

There shall be an election held on the first Monday of June A D 1858. and on the first Monday in December in the Same year, and in each and every year thereafter; for a Mayor, who shall reside within the limits of said town, and for one Alderman for each Ward, and the person having the greatest number of Votes for Mayor in said town shall be Mayor, and the person having the greatest number of Votes in each Ward shall be Alderman for each Ward; but if two or more persons shall have an equal number of Votes, which number is highest on the list for Mayor the Senior Alderman shall determine who shall be Mayor; and if two or more persons shall have an equal number of Votes in any Ward, then the Mayor shall determine who shall be Alderman of such Ward.

Sec 3rd.

The said Mayor and Aldermen shall hold their offices until the next succeeding Election, and until their successors are duly qualified, if a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor or Alderman, by death resignation or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by an election by the electors of said town for the unexpired term of office. The Aldermen shall judge of the qualifications of the Mayor, and the Mayor and Aldermen, shall judge of the qualifications of each Alderman.

The first election for Mayor and Aldermen, shall be held on the first Monday of June 1858. or as soon thereafter as practicable, and any Justice of the Peace residing in the Justice Beat in such Said town is situated shall appoint at least two respectable free holders in each Ward who shall be

said town Council, shall thereafter make such appointments.
All white male Citizens of this State above the age of twenty one who shall have resided in said town four months next preceding an election shall be qualified electors for Mayor and Aldermen; and no person shall be eligable to the office of Mayor or Alderman, unless in addition to the qualifications of electors he shall have resided within the limits of said town one year next preceding his election.

Sec 4th. The said Mayor and Aldermen, shall severally, before they enter upon the duties of their Office, in addition to the oath prescribed for Civil officers of the State, make and subscribe an affidavit that they will endeavor to prevent and punish all tumultuous and riotous assemblies, assaults and batteries, gaming, and keeping gaming tables, and houses of ill fame, and all other public offences and violations of the laws of the State and the ordinances of said town; and will faithfully to the best of their judgment, skill, and ability execute their offices without fear or favor. which affidavit may be made before any Justice of the peace in said Clarke County, and shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of said Town.

Sec 5th. The said Mayor and Aldermen in Council assembled shall have power and authority to pass all necessary by-laws, and ordinances for the prevention of the introduction of Contagious, and infected diseases into the town, and to preserve the health thereof; to prevent and remove all nuisances at the expense of the person causing the same, or upon whose property it may be found; to licence, tax, regulate, and restrain, theatrical amusements, and shows; to restrain and prohibit gaming and keeping gaming tables, and houses of ill fame; to establish night watches, and day watches, and patrols and to appoint leaders and Captains thereof; to make, alter and ascertain new Streets and alleys, by paying to the owner or owners of the lot or lots through which said new Streets, or alleys may run, the damages that may be assessed by a Jury of twelve disinterested freeholders, one half to be selected by the parties aggrieved, and the other half by the Mayor, which Jury shall be sworn to make a true assessment according to the evidence; to clean and keep in repair the Streets and Alleys, and to have charge of the public Springs and Wells; to establish necessary inspections, to erect and regulate Markets and the assize of bread; to regulate the Sales at auction, and to appoint town Auctioneers: provided the same shall not extend to Sales under execution by order of Court, or by executors or Administrators; to appoint a public weigher and to erect proper Scale Houses, and furnish proper weights, and measures by which the public weigher shall weigh and measure in case of disagreement between buyer and seller, to which weights and measures, all the weights and measures shall correspond; to licence and regulate Waggons, Carts drays, and such other Vehicles, as run from one part of the town to another part of the town for hire; and generally to pass such by-laws and ordinances not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State, and of the United States, as such Mayor and Aldermen shall from time to time deem fit, and proper to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of this Corporation, and the same to inforce, alter, and repeal. The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to appoint and remove at pleasure a Clerk, Treasurer, and such number of Marshals, and other officers as they may deem necessary, and require such bond and security as they may deem necessary, and to annex fees and salaries, and to inflict such fines and forfeitures for neglect of duties, not exceeding one hundred dollars, as they may deem necessary and proper.

The said Mayor and Aldermen are also empowered to impose such fines not exceeding fifty dollars for breach or breaches of by-laws and ordinances as they may deem proper to enforce, and to collect the same in such manner as may be prescribed by ordinance, by execution against the person or property, or committing to jail until such fines and costs are paid, which fines shall be appropriated in such manner as the said Town Council may prescribe, provided that this and all the by-laws and ordenances of said town, are at all times subject to revision or repeal by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi.

Section 6th. The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power and authority to asess, levy and collect annually a tax not exceeding one half of one per-cent on all real estate in said town, a poll tax not exceeding two dollars on each white male inhabitant above twenty one years of age, Provided he shall have resided in said town two months next preceeding the time such tax shall be assessed: on each slave over ten years of age not exceeding one dollar, on every free negro, and Mulatto who shall reside in said town not exceeding ten dollars. Provided this tax shall not apply to negro slaves whose owners forming interest, or negro quarters may be within the limits of said town, The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have discretionary powers in levying the town tax generally, but in no case shall they levy a tax greater than that of the State and County tax rolled together, except in cases of Livery Stables Black Smith Shops, Hotels, and other eating houses, Carriages and other vehicles running in the town for-hire; and nine and ten pin alleys, or alleys with any number of pins. The Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to prohibit the Keeping of such alleys in said town, and shall be allowed to tax such when kept within the Corporation, not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Section 7th. The Mayor of said Town shall be ex officio vested with and may exercise all the power that belong to Justices of the peace by the laws of this State; and the Marshal shal be vested with and exercise all the power and authority of Constables of this State; and the said Mayor and Marshal shall be respectively liable to the same penalties and restrictions as are imposed upon other Justices and Constables of this State; and the Sheriff and all ministerial officers of said County of said Clarke County shall obey the said Mayor and Aldermen, and truly and faithfully execute the warrants and processes Committed to them for service according to the mandate thereof, and it shall be the duty of the Jailor of said County of Clarke to receive any person or persons Committed by warrants, duly to Keep Confined in close Jail until delivered by due Course of law, the said Town Council being responcible to the Jailor for his fees except in Cases in which the laws of the State have been violated and the persons have been Committed for such violation, and in no Case shall the Jailors fees be greater than those allowed by law for State prisoners

Section 8th. Should the election not take place on the day fixed for the annual Election of town officers the Corporation shall not for that Cause be dissolved, but the incumbents shall remain in office, until their successors shall be elected and qualified; and it shall be the duty of the Mayor to appoint some other day as early as Convenient thereafter on which day such Election shall be

Section 9th. The Citizens of the said Town of Desoto shall be exempted from working on roads and highways out side of said town, but the Streets and highways in said town shall be kept in repair by the Citizens thereof, and all male white Citizens over Eighteen and under fifty shall be liable to patrol duty and to serve as guard or watch at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by the town Council. And any Citizen who may pay such Street tax as may be assessed by the town Council, shall be exempted from working on the Streets.

Section 10th. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to preside and keep order, at all meetings of the Mayor and Aldermen; and he shall Call meetings of the town Council, whenever in his opinion the interest of the town may require it; He shall keep an office in said town, and shall as often as the business requires, sit hear, and determine all Causes for breach of the ordinances and by laws, and shall receive such fees and salary as may be prescribed by the town Council. In the absence or inability of the Mayor the Senior Alderman shall be Mayor pro tempore, who shall discharge the duties of Mayor until the Mayor returned, or his inability is removed; Each Alderman may issue his Warrant for the apprehension of wrong doers to be tried before the Mayor or Mayor pro tempore; The two Aldermen may Call a Meeting, the Mayor and one Alderman ~~may Call a Meeting~~ or the two Aldermen shall form a quorum.

Section 11th. The said town Council may Cause an assessment of taxes to be made in each year by some proper person or persons, the assessment naming the person liable to such taxes when known and describing the property when the owner is not known, which assessment shall be returned to the Mayor to be laid before the town Council, and the Mayor shall Cause at least ten days public notice to be given, that assessment has been made and the time when the Mayor and Aldermen will proceed to hear and determine, when upon all Complaints which may be made against such assessment; and it shall be their duty to Correct errors and legally overrule, and when the same shall be passed upon by the said town Council, the said assessment shall have the force and effect of a Judgment and Execution, and may be Collected by levy and sale of property, on giving such notice as is required by law on executions from the Circuit Court, and where no property to be found is returned on such assessment the Mayor may issue a Capias ad satisfaciendum, and all sales of property made under or by virtue of such assessment shall Convey to the purchaser the same title as if sold by execution from the Circuit Court, and the Collector of said town shall in Case of sale of real estate give the purchaser a deed of Conveyance which shall vest in the purchaser the same interest that the person had against whom the assessment was made; and where the owner is not known, the entire equitable and legal interest in such estate discharged of all liens, Provided, that where a tax is assessed upon property the owner or owners of which are not known ninety days notice of the sale specifying the property and the tax shall be given in some news paper published in said County Provided further that the owner of any real estate sold for taxes shall have the right to redeem, by paying treble the amount of the tax together with Costs and Charges within two years from the day of sale

Section 12th The said town Council of Desoto shall have full powers and authority, to make, ordain and enact such laws and regulations not contrary to the laws and Constitution of this State as may be deemed necessary in relation to the Streets and highways, public buildings Powder Magazines, and every other matter and thing which they may deem necessary, for the good order, welfare, and prosperity of the said town of Desoto.

Section 13th The taxes herein mentioned shall be appropriated to town purposes, together with such other taxes as may be assessed and all fines imposed in said Corporation shall be for the use of said Corporation and the Collector and Treasurer shall annually make an exhibit of their acts to be inspected by the Mayor, and the said Corporation shall possess all the powers incident to bodies Corporate which powers they may exercise immediately after the granting of the Charter

Approved April 14th 1858.

William M, McWillie

Examined & found to be free from all Constitutional objection

I S Morton
Atto Genl.

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

State of Mississippi }
Yalobusha County }

To his Excellency William
McWillie Governor of the State aforesaid. Your Petitioners Citizens of
Water Valley would humbly pray that you incorporate the Town of Water
Valley in said County and State, with the following powers and privileges
to wit:" That all free White Male inhabitants residing within the incorporate
limits of said town entitled to vote for Members of the Legislature, shall be en-
titled to vote for four Selectmen, a Justice of the Peace and Constable of
said town all of whom shall be Citizens of said town, and shall be elected
for the term of one year. The Justice of the Peace and Constable, shall
be a Justice of the Peace, and Constable in said town, for said County,
and Commissioned accordingly, and they shall continue in office
for said time and until their Successors are duly elected & qualified.
That the said Justice of the Peace shall be President at said Elections
a Majority of whom shall form a quorum to transact business, said
Election shall be holden in said town under the superintendance of a
Justice of the Peace of said County, and any two Citizens of said town
on the third Monday in May next, and every year thereafter, or within
thirty days after the time before Mentioned, ten days notice being
previously given by writing, stuck up in three public places in said
town of the time and place of every Election. That the Corporate limits
of said town, shall be as follows to wit," Commencing at Sell Shaws
Foundry, running North one half of a Mile, Thence East a half a Mile,
Thence South One Mile, Thence West one Mile, Thence North one Mile
and Thence East a half Mile.

That the said President and Selectmen
and their Successors shall be a body Corporate and Politic
tic and by the name and Style of Water Valley shall be liable and Capable
in Law of Suing and being Sued, pleading and being impleaded,
defend and being defended in any suit or action either in Law or
Equity in this State. That the said President and Selectmen may
make all such by-laws, rules and regulations for the good government
of said town as they may deem Expedient not inconsistant with the
laws and Constitution of this State or of the United States, and may
inflict a penalty on any person for a violation of such by laws not exceeding
twenty five dollars for any one offence recoverable with Costs before said
town Justice for the use and benefit of said town.

That the said President and Selectmen of said town
shall appoint of their number a Secretary and treasurer of said town, who
shall give bond with security in such penalty as said President and
Selectmen shall prescribe, payable to the President Constitutional faithfully
to perform the duties of his appointment according to law.

That in Case of the death, resignation or removal from said
town of the President or any Selectman, the Vacancy occasioned thereby
may be filled at any time by an election of the Citizens of said town
after ten days notice of the time of said Election.

That the said President & Selectmen of said town
may raise by taxation on the persons and property of said town in
each and every year a sum not exceeding fifty per centum on the
State taxes imposed by law on the persons and property of said town.

That the Citizens of town liable to work on roads

shall be exempt from working on roads in said County but shall be liable to work on the Streets of said town, and the said President and Selectmen shall appoint an overseer of the Streets in said town and the Citizens of said Town shall keep the Streets and alleys in said Town in good repair.

That this Charter of incorporation shall take effect and be in full force from and after the third Monday in May next. Your Petitioners will ever pray.

M H Sawtelle
J N Young M.D.
J N Sawtelle
J W Markell
J B Hughes
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J M Taylor
Jno Powell
R A Bankhead
John M Stroup
W R Mathus
J L Shillinger
W W Stewart
W S Nanous M.D.

Edm'd G Walton
C J Hunt.
P D Woods
W N Bristo
J M Shaw
E Hussey
W T Wilson
J J Rogers
Wm G Fitten
B L Thompson
J L Morison
J N Eason
Gulford Stiles
James Reasond.

Swan Burns
C M Taylor
W C Snipes
C E Stevenson
N J Smith
A D Powell
M J Seamons
James R Hendrix
W M Redmine
Mr. John Carleton
S J Nix
Edward J Walton
M D Parker

Approved April 28th 1858

W M. Millis

J J Watson
Atto Gen'l

Free from all Constitutional objections

A. H. Dibrell
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Spring Ridge Female Seminary

Sec 1st That the Female Seminary now in existence under successful operation in Wind County under the Control and management of Rev. Peter Crawford A.M. be & is hereby incorporated as the Spring Ridge Female Seminary.

Sec 2d That said Female Seminary shall hereafter be under the Control, Management and Supervision of Trustees, the first board of whom shall be as follows, to wit, Rev Peter Crawford, Benjamin Shorter A J Bracey, Rev. G E Poole, L L Bracey, John Brown, William J. Bracey, B L Brown, who by the title of the Board of Trustees of Spring Ridge Female Seminary, shall have power to Superintend, visit, manage and make all needful Rules, Regulations and by laws necessary for the Government of the same, they shall be empowered to institute and confer degrees and to issue diplomas in accordance with the established usage in such Cases, whenever they deem it expedient they shall be authorized to hold by purchase or otherwise fifty thousand Dollars of Real and personal property for the benefit of said Female Seminary they shall be capable in Law of suing and being sued by their Corporate Name

Sec 3 The first meeting of said Board of Trustees may be called in the written Request of Rev? Peter Crawford on giving ten days notice of the time & place of meeting

Sec 4 The said Board of Trustees shall elect a President, Secretary & Treasurer of their own members and shall keep a Record of their proceedings, a majority of said Board shall constitute a Quorum for the transaction of business all vacancies occuring in said Board, by death, Resignation, Refusal to act or other Causes shall be filled by appointment made by the remaining members thereof

Sec 5 The said Board shall hold Regular Meetings at such times and places as may be ordered by them, but the President and two Trustees shall have power to call a Special Meeting of the Trustees, whenever they may deem it expedient

Sec. 6 This Charter shall go into operation from and after the 5th day of June A.D. 1858

Approved June 7th 1858
William McWhirter

No Constitutional objection
to the above Charter
T. J. Wharton
Att. Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of Bahala Lodge No 173 of Free and accepted masons. in Copiah County Mississippi

This Loage shall be known by the corporate name of Bahala Loage No 173 to consist of a worshipful master. Seignior and Junior Wardens. Secretary and Treasurer Seignior and Junior Deacons Steward and Tyler and any number of members not to exced one hundred.
It shall meet at Bahala station for the transaction of busines and shall have the power to contract and be contracted with. sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in its corporate capacity and do and transact all busines necessary for the well being of this Loage or the interest of the Masonic Fraternity and it shall do and transact all busines that an individual may do. and shall be entitled to all the protection that an individual citizen is entitled to under the laws of the County and shall be liable to all the penalties that Individuals are liable to and the terms of this incorporation shall not be limited

John Guynes W. M.
John Ray J W
Henry Farmer
Andy Ray Secretary
James Foster

Approved July 27th 1858
William McWillie
A.B. Dickerson Secy of State

J J Crawford
J H Finn
D Hainsbrough
M. J. Bickham

I discover no constitutional objection to the within charter
T. J. Wharton Atty Gen

The charter of incorporation of the board of Trustees of Unity Church of the Old School Presbyterian denomination.

Be it known that Richard D Shaw, Henry G. Stutt, Hiram Morgan Gardner Sleper, Wesley G. M Elwee Michael Corcoran and James P Gattney and their associates and succesors are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the board of Trustees of Unity Church of Amite County State of Mississippi

This Corporation shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in any court of law or equity in this state having jurisdiction of the matter in dispute, shall be capable of taking to themselves and their succesors for the use and benefit of said church any real estate, goods, chattels, money or other effects not prohibited by law and dispose of the same in whatever may the objects and interests of said church may in their judgment be best promoted, and may have a common seal and shall have perpetual succession, they shall have power to fill all vacancies that may occur in their board by and with the consent and sanction of a majority of the male members of said church of the age of eighteen years and upwards.

The object of this corporation shall be the possession, control and management of the property and the promotion of the temporal interests of said church not in conflict with the rights duties and powers of the Session of said church.

The corporation shall have power to elect a president, Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as they may deem necessary for the convenient order and the promotion of the ends and aims of the corporation and shall hold their offices until their succesors are elected, It shall have power to to make such constitution & By laws and adopt such rules and regulations as will best secure the succesful administration of the affairs of the Board not inconsistent with the constitution laws of this State.

Approved Oct 22 d 1838

W M Wilkie

The within charter examined by me & found free from all Constitutional objection

F. J. Wharton
Atty Genl

N. B. Dilworth
Secretary of State

Charter for the Town of Osyka Pike County State of Mississippi

1st The limits of said Town shall be as follows Commencing where Tangipahoe River crosses the State line between the States of Louisiana and Mississippi thence north up the meanderings of said river One mile, thence West One mile thence South One mile to the said State line thence east along said State line to the place of beginning

2nd The officers of said Town shall be One Mayor, Five Councilmen and One Marshall who shall be elected on the first Monday in January A.D 1859 and continue in office for two years

3rd The Mayor of said Town shall have the jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace within the Corporate limits of said Town and shall give bond and be under the same penalties as a Justice of the Peace

4th The Marshall shall have the same powers and perform the same duties as a Constable and shall enter into bond under the same provisions and requisitions as a Constable

5th The Councilmen shall have power to pass all laws necessary for the preservation of peace and regulation of said Town, that are not inconsistent with the Laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi: and shall also have power to appoint one person as Assessor and Collector of Taxes for said Corporation, and also appoint a Treasurer each of whom shall give bond, payable to the State of Mississippi in such a sum as the Town Council shall deem necessary

6th The incorporated limits of said Town of Osyka shall be a Justices District the Mayor performing the same duties as a Justice of the Peace

7th The Mayor shall be the presiding officer of all meetings of the Council and all laws passed by said board of Councilmen shall be signed by the Mayor

8th All laws before they shall go in effect shall be published and posted in three of the most public places in said Town.

9th This act of incorporation shall go into effect from and after its approval by the Governor and Attorney General of the State of Mississippi

Approved Nov 3rd 1858

William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter

J. J. Wharton
Att'y Gen'l

E. D. Holbrook
Sec'y of State

An Act to amend the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Burnsville in the County of Tishomingo and State of Mississippi, Approved January 25th 1858

Sec 1 That the Eighth Section of the above recited Charter of Incorporation in words following, Viz, "That no vinous or Spiritous liquors shall be sold within the Corporate limits of said Town, in less quantities than one gallon, be and the same is hereby repealed & this act take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor

Approved Nov. 6th AD 1858

William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the above

T J Wharton
Atty Genl

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

An act to incorporate the town of Looxahom in the county of Desoto —

Sec 1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi that W T Cole ~~Thos J G Jeffress~~ Thomas L L Wynne Thomas Brown & Wesley Williamson be & they are herby created a body politic & corporate under the name & style of Mayor & Aldermen of the town of Looxahoma that they & their successors in office may sue & be sued plead & be impleded in any court of law in this State they may have a common seal & the same may alter or break at pleasure, they may make such by laws, rules, and regulations as to them may seem best for the Government & good order of the town of Looxahoma not inconsistent with Laws & Constitution of this State

Sec 2d And be it further enacted that the Corporate limits of said town shall extend one half mile in every direction from the lot of ground on which the store house of J G Jeffress now stands over which said mayor & Aldermen may exercise their corporate jurisdiction and the persons named in the first section of this act shall hold their office until the first monday in November eighteen hundred & fifty nine and until their successors are elected and qualified to enter upon the duties of mayor & Aldermen of said town

Sec 3d And be it further enacted that on the first Monday in November annually thereafter the qualified electors residing within the corporate limits of said town may elect five of the citizens of said town aldermen to serve for one year and until their successors are qualified they may elect one of their number mayor & one Constable who shall have the same powers within the limits of the corporation as other constables now have by law & whose duty it shall be to execute all processes directed to him in accordance with the by laws of said Corporation

Sec 4th And be it further enacted that this act shall take effect & be in force in ten days after it passage

Appeared Nov 11th 1858

William McMillen

There is no constitutional objection to the above

T J Wharton
Atty Genl.

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Temple Broaddus College or University of DeSoto, at Centre Hill, DeSoto Co. Miss

Section 1st Be it Enacted, — That Robert L. Greer, Wm. M. Strickland, William Wooten, J. L. Mabry, Robert Wilson, E. D. Miller, Fleming Mosely, T. H. Smith, J. W. Sumner, J. J. Milam, Tully E. Mosely Wilson Durham, Wm. N. Anthony of Marshall Co., A. M. Haraway Wm. H. McCargo, E. C. Crutcher, J. E. Hendricks, Wilson Flinn, B. B. Buchanan, Wm. Carey Crane, James Dennis, R. T. Sanders, Stephen Williams, J. L. Sandidge, Ransom Lee, Wm. N. Rogers, Robert Payne J. B. Stamps, Wm. J. A. Boon, B. F. Thomas, W. O. Mabry, Stephen D. Johnston, of DeSoto Co, C. B. Young, J. D. Farley, M. Vardaw Whitfield Depuy, H. M. Middleton of Panola Co, Wm. H. Carothers, J. J. Sledge of Lafayette Co, J. G. Hall, M. Granberry of Calobusha Co, W. H. Holcombe of Tippah Co, A. H. Boothe of Tishemingo Co, M. Ball of Pontotoc Co, Wm. A. Dunklin of Monroe Co, Robert J. Moore of Carroll Co, Isham Harrison Jr of Lowndes Co, M. M. Staunaugh of Hinds Co, Henderson Owen, C. R. Henderson, J. L. Crofs, J. B. Canada, J. C. P. Hammond, Isaadous Buntyn, H. G. Dent, Thomas J. Drane, Wm. Shelton C. P. Strickland, A. H. Bell, John Jarman of Tennessee, T. J. Wilkins & Samuel Halliburton of Arkansas, Shall Constitute a body politic and corporate in deed & in law by the name of the Trustees of Temple Broaddus College or University of DeSoto Co. and by that name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession and be able and capable in law, to have, receive and enjoy to them and their successors, lands, tenements and hereditaments of any kind or value in fee or for life or for years and personal property of any kind whatsoever and also, all kinds of money of any amount whatsoever which may be granted or bequeathed for the purpose of promoting the interests of said College

Section 2d Be it further Enacted, — That the Trustees of said College may have a Common Seal, with liberty to alter the same at their pleasure; and by their aforesaid name may sue and be sued, plead & be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended in all Courts of law and Equity in this State

Section 3d Be it further Enacted, — That said Trustees may make such By-Laws for their own government and the Control of the College, and enact such regulations to fill vacancies in their number as may not be inconsistent, with the Constitution of the United States nor repugnant to the laws of this State

Section 4th Be it further Enacted, — That said Trustees may meet at any time after the passage of this act upon Publication of time & place for the same by C. P. Strickland & W. C. Crane that ten persons shall, at that time, Constitute a quorum for business and five number, Ever after shall be Competent for the performance of business

Section 5th Be it further Enacted, — That said Trustees shall have full power by the President or professors of said College to grant such degrees in the arts and sciences or any honorary titles which may be conferred by any other literary institution College, or University in this State

Section 6th Be it further Enacted — That said Trustees shall appoint an Executive Committee of three members, to which the President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be added Ex officiis, which shall have power to do such acts in the management of the College or University may not be reserved to the Trustees or assigned to the Faculty

Section 7th Be it further Enacted. — That the Treasurer of the College shall give bond with approved security for an amount twice the value of the effects which may be placed in his hands

Section 8th And Be it further Enacted, — That this act shall take effect from and after its passage

I have examined the provisions of the foregoing act and find no Constitutional objection to the same

T. J. Wharton, Atto. Gen'l

Approved Nov. 11th 1858. Wm McWillie

A B Dillworth
Secty of State

An act to incorporate the town of cola water in the county of Desoto.

Sec 1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi That W. R Baker. D. W. Wright. W. E Maddox. George Hardin and W. R. Thornton be and they are hereby created a body corporate and politic under the name and Style of the Mayor and alderman of the town of Cola water, That ~~and~~ they and their successors in office may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in any court of law in this state, they may have a common seal and the same may alter or brake at pleasure. they may make such by laws. rules & Regulations as to them may seem best for the Government and good order of the town of Cola water not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State,

Sec 2 And be it further enacted. That the corporate limits of said town shall commence at the South east corner of Section Thirty & thence along the line of said section one half mile north. thence east one fourth of one mile. thence South one half mile. thence west to the beginning, it being in Township four of Range Seven west of the Basis meridian of the Chickasaw survey in the county of Desoto, and over which said mayor and alderman may exercise their corporate jurisdiction and the persons named in the first section of this act Shall hold their office until the first monday in November eighteen hundred and fifty nine and until their successors are elected and qualified to enter upon the duties of mayor and alderman of said town,

Sec 3 And be it further enacted That on the first monday in november annually thereafter the qualified electors residing within the corporate limits of said town may elect five of the citizens of said town alderman to serve for one year and until their successors are qualified they may elect one of their number mayor. and one constable who shall have the same powers within the limits of the corporation as other constables now have by law and whose duty it shall be to execute all processes directed to him in accordance with the by laws of said corporation and of this act

Sec 4 And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect and be in force in ten days after its passage. Approved nov 12" 1858.

Seal A. B. Wroth The above charter is free from constitutional objections T. J. Wharton Atty W. Wm

Charter of Ripley Lodge No 52 of the I.O.O.F.

The officers and members of the Ripley Lodge No 52 of the I.O.O.F. in the County of Tippah and all who may hereafter become Members thereof, Be and they are hereby created a Body Corporate and Politic by the Name and style of Ripley Lodge No 52. of the I.O.O.F. and by such Name have perpetual Succession, may sue and be sued, defend and be defended in all Courts of Law and Equity in this State and may have and use a common Seal and may alter or change the same at pleasure, may become by donation or purchase have, hold, use and enjoy, attend lease, rent, loan, and convey, Real, personal or Mixed estate, to an amount not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars and may do and perform all the acts incident to Bodies Corporate of this Nature, and They shall have power to enact such by laws for their government as shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States, and said Lodge shall have and is hereby empowered to sue for and collect all debts now due the same. This Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its date.

I have examined the foregoing
Charter and find no Constitutional
objection to the same
T J Wharton
Atto Genl

Approved Nov 15th 1858
William McWillie

A B Dickinson
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Brookhaven in the County of Lawrence

That the Town of Brookhaven in the County of Lawrence be and the Same is hereby incorporated

That the limits of Said Corporation Shall be a fallows One mile Square, assuming for its center the Depot in Said Town

That any Justice of the Peace in Said County Shall & may Open and hold an election in Said Town on or before the first Monday in May next between the hours of ten & four O'clock on giving at least five days notice of the time and place of holding Said election by ballot of one Justice of the Peace and one Constable who Shall be Commissioned by the Governor of this State with Such powers as belong to like officers & shall hold their offices for two Years from the time of their election & until their Successors are elected & duly qualified & that they be entitled to the Same fees as are allowed by law to Justices of the Peace and Constables of Said County; Provided that nothing [illegible]

Cases, except in Cases of attachment & where the party defendant resides within the Corporation limits of said Town, that said Justices as soon as a Board can be organized, together with two householders of said Town, shall have power by giving five days notice for five days to the Freeholders & Householders of said Corporation who shall constitute a body Corporate by the name and style of "President and Selectmen of the Town of Brookhaven," & by that name may sue & be sued, plead and be impleaded in all suits or plaints in law or equity, and do all other acts which are necessary, incident & to them Corporate.

That said President & Selectmen of said Town may make all by laws, ordinances, Rules & Regulations for the good order, protection & harmony of its Citizens not in violation of the Constitution and laws of this State and shall cause the same to be published in said Town five days previous to their enforcement, with power to punish all violations of said by laws, ordinances, Rules and Regulations by fine or fines not exceeding Twenty Dollars Recoverable before any Justice of the Peace of said County, which said fines shall be applied to the benefit of the said Town under the direction of the President & Selectmen thereof.

That the President & Selectmen of said Town shall continue in office one Year from their election & at the first & all subsequent elections specified in this act, every white person of the age of twenty one Years and upwards who shall have resided twelve months in this State & within the corporate limits of said Town, thirty days previous to such election shall be a qualified voter.

That the said Constable of said Town shall have power to collect all fines that may be imposed by the President & Selectmen of said Town & do all other acts that Constables of said County may lawfully do

That when any vacancy shall occur in any of the offices mentioned in this act either by death, Resignation or otherwise, the same may be filled by election as herein provided for the Justices of the Peace or any two householders or freeholders of said Town giving at least five days notice of such election and in all cases said Justices shall give certificate of election to said Selectmen which certificate shall be a sufficient authority for them to act as Selectmen of said Town

That said President & Selectmen shall hold their sessions at least once in every four months & a majority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, shall keep a Record of their proceedings may appoint one of their own number Secretary, who shall be ex officio Treasurer & shall report to the Board at its regular meetings & at such times as required, the State of finances

That said Justices of the Peace & said Constable before entering upon the discharge of the duties of their offices under this act shall give bond & surety as required by law from other Justices & Constables in said County,

That the Citizens of said Town subject to road duty, shall not be exempt from such duties beyond the corporate limits of said Town but shall be subject to the control & apportionment of road duty by the Board of Police in like manner as other Citizens of said County,

The provisions of the foregoing, charter are violative of no constitutional principle, J J Wharton

Atty Gen.

Approved Nov 15th 1858

William Fitz Williams

A B Dilworth

Com. of State

Charter of Ripley Lodge No 52 of the I.O.O.F.

The officers and Members of the Ripley Lodge No 52 of the I.O.O.F. in the County of Tippah and all who may hereafter become Members thereof, Be and they are hereby created a Body Corporate and Politic by the Name and Style of Ripley Lodge No 52. of the I.O.O.F. and by such Name have perpetual Succession, may sue and be sued, defend and be defended in all Courts of Law and Equity in this State and may have and use a common Seal and may alter or change the same at pleasure, may receive by donation or purchase have, hold, use and enjoy, attend lease, rent, loan, and convey, Real, personal or Mixed estate, to an amount not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars and may do and perform all the acts incident to Bodies Corporate of this Nature, and they shall have power to enact such by laws for their government as shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States, and said Lodge shall have and is hereby empowered to sue for and collect all debts now due the same. this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its date.

I have examined the foregoing
Charter and find no Constitutional
objection to the Same
T J Wharton
Atto Genl

Affirmed Nov 13th 1858
William McWillie

A B Dulworth
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Broomhaven in the County of Lawrence

That the Town of Broomhaven in the County of Lawrence be and the same is hereby incorporated

That the limits of said Corporation shall be as follows One mile Square, spanning for its center the Depot in said Town

That any Justice of the Peace in said County shall or may open and hold an election in said Town on or before the first Monday in May next. between the hours of ten & four O'clock on giving at least five days notice of the time and place of holding said election by ballot of one Justice of the Peace and one Constable who shall be commissioned by the Governor of this State with such powers as belong to like officers & shall hold their offices for two Years from the time of their election & until their Successors are elected & duly qualified & that they be entitled to the same fees as are allowed by law to Justices of the Peace and Constables of said County; Provided that nothing herein contained shall

Cases. except in Cases of attachment & where the party
defendant resides within the Corporation limits of said Town,
That said Justices as soon as elected & qualified, together
with two householders of said Town, shall elect in election
by giving five days Notice in five public places Conspicuous &
to the householders of said Corporation who shall constitute a body
Corporate by the Name and Style of "President and Selectmen of the
Town of Brookhaven," & by that Name may sue & be sued, plead
and be impleaded in all suits or plaints in law or equity, and
do all other acts which are incident to Town Corporate,
That said President & Selectmen of said Town may make all
by Laws, ordinances, Rules & Regulations for the good order, protection
& Harmony of its Citizens not inconsistent with the Constitution
and Laws of this State and shall cause the same to be published
in said Town five days previous to their enforcement, and shall
power to punish all Violations of said by laws, ordinances and
and Regulations by fine or fines not exceeding Twenty Dollars
Recoverable before any Justice of the Peace of said County which
said fines shall be applied to the benefit of the said Town under
the direction of the President & Selectmen thereof,
That the President & Selectmen of said Town shall continue in office one
Year from their election & at the first & all subsequent Elections
Specified in this act, Every white person of the age of Twenty
one Years and upwards who shall have resided twelve months
in this State & within the Corporate limits of said Town, thirty
days previous to such election shall be a qualified voter,
That the said Constable of said Town shall have power to collect
all fines that may be imposed by the President & Selectmen of
said Town & all all other acts that Constable of said County
may lawfully do
That when any Vacancy shall occur in any of the offices mentioned
in this act either by death, Resignation or otherwise, the same
may be filled by Election as herein provided for the President
the Board or any two householders or freeholders of said Town
giving at least five days notice of such election and in all
cases said Justices shall give certificate of election to said Selectmen
which certificate shall be a sufficient authority for them to act
as Selectmen of said Town
That said President & Selectmen shall hold their sessions at least
once in every four months & a majority shall constitute a quorum
for the transaction of business, shall keep a Record of their proceedings
may appoint one of their own number Secretary, who shall be ex officio
Treasurer & shall report to the Board at its Regular Meetings & at such times
as required, the State of finances
That said Justices of the Peace & said Constable before entering upon the discharge
of the duties of their offices under this act shall give bond & Surety as required
by law from other Justices & Constables in said County,
That the Citizens of said Town subject to road duty, shall not be exempt from
such duties beyond the Corporate limits of said Town but shall be subject to the
control & apportionment of road duty by the Board of Police in like manner as
other Citizens of said County,

Approved Nov 15th 1858

William M. Willis

The provisions of the foregoing, Charter
are Violative of no Constitutional principle, J J Wharton
Atty Genl

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

The charter of incorporation of the town of Greensboro in Choctaw County State of Mississippi,

Section 1st The town of Greensboro in the county of Choctaw is hereby re incorporated with boundaries as follows. viz: The limits of said town shall run to the four cardinal points and form one square mile the centre of which shall be the centre of the court House in said town.

Section 2nd Every free white male person twenty one years of age who shall have resided in said town two months next preceding an election for town officers, shall be qualified to vote thereof and be eligible to any town office.

Section 3rd. The Sheriff or some justice of the peace of the county, shall on the first monday in January next, and on the first monday in every Succeeding January, hold an election for a mayor, a Town constable and five Selectmen: and the Sheriff or justice of the peace, as the case may be shall give to each of the seven persons who may have received the greatest number of votes for said several offices, of his election for two years from and after his election and who shall continue in office until his successor is duly elected and qualified to enter into office. Five days previous notice of the first election shall be given by advertisement, at the Court House door by one of the officers authorized to hold said election.

Section 4th Within twenty days after each election the officer holding it, shall over his official signature give notice to the governor of the result of such election, as to mayor and the mayor elect, shall be commissioned by the Governor as a Justice of the peace, and said mayor and town constable, by virtue of their offices shall have, posess, and enjoy, all the powers, privileges and emoluments of other Justices of the peace and constables in said county, within said corporation and within the police beat in which said town is situated. Likewise said mayor shall preside at each meeting of the board of mayor and Selectmen.

Section 5 Said Mayor and Selectmen shall be a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the mayor and Selectmen of the town of Greensboro, and as such they ~~sueed~~ and their successors in office shall be capable of suing and being sued of pleading and being impleaded of defending and being defended, in all manner of suits and actions, either in law or equity and of doing all other acts which bodies corporate and politic may of right do.

Section 6 Said mayor and Selectmen shall ~~have~~ power have power to pass all necessary by-laws and establish all rules and regulations necessary for the good order and moral government of said town, or for the comfort and prosperity of the citizens thereof not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state and of the united States, and may inflict a fine or penalty on any person for a violation of said by-laws, rules or regulations, not exceeding twenty dollars, for any one offence, recoverable before any Justice of the peace in said county with costs, and such fine when collected shall be for the use and benefit of said town. And said board of mayor and ~~Aldermen~~ Selectmen shall appoint biennially a treasurer and recorder whose duties responsibilities and compensation shall be prescribed by the board.

Section 7 For the purpose of revenue said mayor and Selectmen may tax such property as is liable to taxation under the existing laws of the state, provided such tax shall not exceed fifty cents on ~~every~~ each white poll and on each slave and twelve and a half cents on every hundred dollars worth of other estate personal and real ~~and~~ it is to be

for the use and benefit of said Town.

Section 8. The citizens of said town subject to road duty shall be exempt therefrom beyond the limits of said corporation. And said Mayor and selectmen may release them from such duties in said Corporation for an equivalent therefor, not to exceed five dollars, for each hand in any one year

Section 9 The board of Mayor and Selectmen shall regulate their own meetings and in the absence of the mayor at any meeting of the board, any member ~~of~~ may be called to the chair and execute the duties of the president, as president pro. tem. And in case of the vacancy of Mayor, Town constable or any of the selectmen, it shall be the duty of the president or president pro tem, as the case may be, to order an election to fill such vacancy, by giving notice thereof by advertisement in said town, at least three days before the election.

Section 10 From and after the first monday in January next, all former laws pertaining to the corporation of said town shall be void.

Approved November 18th 1858

William McWhite

The provisions of the above charter violate no constitutional principle

J. J. Wharton Atty Genl

A. B. D'Urrutt Secy of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Town of West Point in the County of Lowndes.

Sec 1st The Inhabitants of the Territory embraced in the limits of one mile square reckoning the Station house on the Mobile & Ohio Rail Road at West Point in the county of Lowndes as a centre are hereby constituted a corporation and body politic by the name and style, of the mayor and Selectmen of the Town of West Point, and by that name they shall have perpetual succession unless repealed by the Legislature, may sue and be sued in all courts of Law and equity; may purchase, receive and hold property real and personal within said town for all needful purposes of the town, may lease sell and dispose of the same for the use and benefit of the Town, and may do and perform all other acts as natural persons, or which may be incident to or necessary for the well being of Town and City corporations. They shall have a common seal to be such adopted and used by said Mayor and selectmen and may break alter or change the same at their pleasure.

Sec 2d It shall be lawful for any Justice of the peace in the county of Lowndes together with two householders or freeholders, Summoned by him for that purpose, to hold and conduct an election on the second monday in January next, or at any time thereafter upon giving ten days public notice, for the purpose of electing, five Selectmen - a mayor, and a town Marshall, who shall be elected by the qualified votes for state and county officers, Said Votes to be residents within the limits of the corporation, and when the results of said election shall have been ascertained the said Justice acting in the capacity of returning officer, shall give to each of the successful candidates for said offices a certificate of election and such

certified return of the proceedings and result of said election to the President of the Board of Police of Lowndes County, who shall cause the clerk of said board to record the same.

Sect 3 The mayor of said town shall be president of the board of Selectmen and a majority of said board shall be required to transact business. They may determine the rules of their proceedings, punish members for absence or disorderly conduct, and with the concurrence of two thirds of the members elect, may expel a member and all vacancies which may occur in said board may be filled in such manner as may be provided by ordinance. The Mayor and each Selectman, shall before entering upon the duties of their office, take an oath before any competent magistrate authorized to administer the same, that they will support the constitution of the united States, and the constitution of the State of Mississippi and that they will faithfully demean themselves in office.

Sect 4 The chief executive officer of the town shall be mayor, and in addition to the powers conferred upon him as mayor, shall have all the powers of a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Lowndes, and in case of a contested election for Mayor, the Selectmen shall determine the same, and if it is determined that two or more persons have the same number of votes, they shall immediately order a new election and whenever a vacancy shall happen in the office of Mayor, it shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to order a new election upon five days notice.

Sect 5 The board of Selectmen shall have power to appoint a Secretary and such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary, either of whom may be removed from office by a vote of two thirds of the Selectmen,

Sect 6 The mayor and Board of Selectmen may require bond and security in such amounts as they may deem proper from all persons holding office, under the provisions of this charter, conditioned for the faithful performance of their respective duties, and the payment of all moneys in their hands as the board may direct, the bond and security to be approved of by the Selectmen, and the said bonds shall be made payable to the mayor and Selectmen of the town of West Point.

Sect 7 They shall have power to raise revenue by taxing such property within said town as shall at the time be liable to state tax, and at a rate not exceeding fifty per centum, on such state tax, and the taxes hereby levied assessed and collected under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the mayor and Selectmen,

Sect 8 To all prosecutions before the mayor for offences committed against the ordinances of this corporation, and for all proceedings instituted for the collection of taxes, the Mayor and the Marshall of the corporation who shall be its ministerial officer, shall be allowed the same fees as now allowed to justices of the Peace and constables in the county of Lowndes.

Sect 9 The mayor and selectmen shall have general powers to fix the compensation of town officers, and to pass all such bylaws and ordinances as may be deemed necessary or proper for the benefit of the town and not repugnant to or inconsistent with the constitution laws of this state

persons or persons for the violation of their ordinances or by-laws not exceeding thirty dollars for any one offence, recoverable before the mayor in the name of the Mayor and Selectmen and for the use and benefit of the corporation.

Sect 10 All persons residing within the limits of said town who are liable to work on roads and highways under the existing laws of this state, shall be liable to work on the streets of said town in like manner and shall be exempt from working on roads outside of the town.

Sect 11 The mayor and Selectmen shall have power to pass all by-laws necessary to preserve the health of the town and to prevent and to remove nuisances within the town and within one mile of the same.

Sect 12 May improve persons and keep in good repair the streets, side walks and public square of the town.

Sect 13 May license and regulate negro traders, livery stables auctions, groceries, dry good stores, forwarding commission receiving and all other mercantile houses, confectionaries peddlers, hawkers and also shows circuses theatres and all other places of public amusement, and tax the same.

Sect 14 The mayor and selectmen shall have power to employ a town surveyor to survey run out and make plats or maps of all streets alleys, by ways commons and public grounds, together with all other surveys necessary to ascertain the rights of the corporation or the inhabitants of the same, in the same manner and under the same laws prescribing the duties of county surveyors of this state. All of whose acts and deeds shall have the same validity as the acts and deeds of the county surveyor, within the limits of the corporation

Sect 15 The mayor and Selectmen and marshall of the town of West Point shall continue in office for the term of two years from the date of their election and until their successors are duly elected and qualified to act. Provided that the next succeeding election after the first election for mayor, Selectmen and marshall of said town shall be held on the first monday in October Eighteen hundred sixty (1860) and biennially thereafter on the first monday in October.

Approved December 20th 1858

William M Wyatt

I find no violation of the constitution in the provisions of the above charter

T. J. Wharton, Atto Genl.

SS

A. B. Dibrell Secy of State

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Amendment to Charter of Incorporation of the City of Enterprize in the County of Clarke, The Corporate limits of the City of Enterprize in Clarke County Shall extend to and include the West half of the East half of Section Nineteen Township four Range 15 East in Said County

Approved November 24th. 1858.

William, McWillie

No Constitutional objection to the above

T. J. Wharton Atto Genl.

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Hillsboro

Sec 1. That all acts and parts of acts heretofore passed incorporating the Town of Hillsboro in the County of Scott or Contrary to the provisions of this Charter, be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that said Town be, and the same is hereby incorporated, under the provisions herein after expressed, and that the Corporate limits of said Town shall run to the four Cardinal points, and form one mile square, to be laid off in such manner that the centre of the Public Square of said Town as at present laid off and surveyed shall form the centre of said Corporate limits.

Sec 2. That on the third Monday of December 1858. and thereafter in each and every year. on said day the qualified Voters of said Town, shall elect a Mayor, four Aldermen and a Town Constable: The Mayor and Aldermen to be freeholders or Householders - which election shall be conducted by a Justice of the Peace, or the Sheriff of said County and two free holders of said Town - and the person having highest number of votes for Mayor and Town Constable respectively, and the four persons having the highest Number of votes for Aldermen shall be declared duly elected, and shall be returned forthwith by such superintendant of said election to the office of Secretary of State, and shall be Commissioned by the Governor, and the Mayor and Aldermen, shall immediately on the receipt of their Commissions take and subscribe the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and such persons, so elected, shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified - That polls of such election shall be opened at 10 Oclock A.M. and Close at 4. Oclock P.M. of the same day: and notice of all such elections, shall be given at least five days previous to the time of holding the same. by posting up notice thereof at three public places in said Town -

Sec 3. That said Mayor and Aldermen shall, immediately after having taken the oath prescribed by the Constitution, meet and form a Board to do business, and shall appoint a Clerk and Treasurer, and such other officers of said Town as may be contemplated or required by this act, and not otherwise provided

be their duty, to require and take sufficient bond, or bonds from all such officers, prescribe the penalties and Condition of the same, and prescribe the duties, of each and every such of their officers, and the oath to be taken by them not inconsistant with the Con. and the Mayor, and any two of said Aldermen shall form a board for the transaction of business. and in Case of the absence of the Mayor at any meeting of the Board, they may appoint a Chairman for the purpose and proceed to do business: and the said Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall be known and distinguished by the name and style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Hillsboro, and as such shall Constitute a body Corporate and Politic, and shall have and exercise all the powers, rights and privileges, usually appertaining, or belonging to bodies Corporate and politic and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any Court of law and equity: and the said Mayor and Aldermen shall have full power and authority over all Matters of Police within the limits of said town: they shall have power to make and promulgate all such ordinances, rules and orders for the harmony and good government of said town, as they shall deem necessary, right and proper, not inconsistant with the Constitution of this State: they shall have power to inflict a penalty on any person for a violation of their By-laws, in any sum not exceeding twenty five Dollars, and ten days imprisonment in the County jail, for any one offence, recoverable with Costs before the Mayor of said town, or any Justice of the Peace in and for Scott County, in the name of said Mayor and Aldermen for the use and benefit of said town: they shall have power to prescribe the mode and manner of abating nuisances and at whose expense the same shall be removed, and of removing any obstructions in the Streets and public places in said town, and of imposing suitable penalties upon persons Causing any such obstructions. they shall have power, to enact and promulgate ordinances requiring any and all public gaming tables in whatsoever place any such may be found exhibiting, or in any manner used in said town, to be seized, together with all their implements, Cards money, or other thing thereunto belonging, and exposing the same, to be publicly burnt in any Street of said town (except the money, which shall be forfeited, and inure to the benefit of said town. And to require of the Mayor of said town in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace of Scott County, to proceed against any person or persons who may be found exhibiting or using any such gaming table, or who may be in any way engaged or interested therein — they shall have power, when it shall be made to appear to their satisfaction, that any person, or persons engaged in retailing wines or Spirituous liquors, or in any wise whatsoever, keeps a riotous or disorderly house, to order the town Constable, to close or Cause to be closed all such house, and the said house, or houses, shall remain closed until such person or persons so offending shall give bond to the Mayor and Aldermen of said town in the sum of five hundred Dollars with approved security for the good order thereof — they shall have power to raise a revenue, taxing such property within said town, as shall at such time, be liable to State tax, at a rate not exceeding

fifty per centum on such State tax, which tax shall be paid, annually within three months after the assessment roll shall be Completed, and a Copy thereof filed in the office of Said Mayor and Aldermen. They shall have power to fix the rate of taxes on all proprietors of Circuses and Menageries and on all persons making any public exhibitions of their personal powers, or agility, or any thing they may possess for which exhibition they shall charge an admittance fee to such as may attend

See 4. That the town Constable of Said Town shall be ex officio assessor and Collector of taxes; and that the powers Conferred upon assessors and Collectors of taxes for the County and State in this State in relation to the assessment and Collection thereof be, and the Same is hereby Conferred upon the assessor and Collector of taxes for Said town.

See 5. That the Mayor and Aldermen of Said town may at their option levy a tax of not more than Six Dollars in any one year, upon each and every person on being an inhabitant of Said Town, and liable by laws of this State to work on public roads in lieu of working the roads or Streets of Said town Said tax to be collected as other taxes in Said town, and to be applied to the improvements of the Streets and roads of Said town.

See 6. That the Mayor and Aldermen of Said town be, and they are hereby authorized to levy a tax on each nine or ten pin alley in Said town not exceeding fifty dollars in any one year.

See 8. Be it further enacted; of Said town Shall have power in his Judicial Capacity to exercise Jurisdiction on all matters arising out of the provisions of this act necessary to carry the Same into full effect in Said Town, and Shall have and exercise all the powers and Jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace of the County of Scott throughout Said County, It shall be his duty to see that the provisions of this act, and all ordinances, rules and orders, made in pursuance thereof, shall be truly and faithfully executed, It shall be his duty to call a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, at any time he may deem it necessary, and he shall cause to be laid before them, for their Consideration all Matters, and things, Touching the interest and welfare of Said Town. He shall precede at all meetings of the Board when present, and shall preserve order therein, He may fine any Member there of, not exceeding twenty dollars, for improper or disorderly Conduct at any such meeting he shall have power to impose a fine not exceeding twenty five dollars, and imprisonment not exceeding twenty four hours on any person who shall a Contempt of his Court while Sitting. He shall have power to appoint, or depute a Constable in case of the absence of the Town Constable.

See 9. That it shall be the duty of the Town Constable of Said Town to diligently and diligently perform all the duties required of him by the provisions of this act, or of the ordinances, rules and orders passed in pursuance thereof. He shall with [illegible] powerful

process directed to him by the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town, or by the Mayor thereof in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace for Scott County. he shall use his utmost endeavors, to prevent and suppress all breaches of the peace in Said Town, and to quell and suppress any Riotous or unusual disturbances, or any other indecent or disorderly Conduct therein he shall have power, and it shall be his duty at all times to arrest with or without warrant and take before the Mayor, for examination all or any person, or persons, who shall be found Violating the provisions of this act, or any of the rules, ordinances, or orders made in pursuance thereof; it shall be his duty to report to the Mayor, or board of Aldermen, any nuisance or obstruction in the Streets, Public places, or highways in Said Town.

Sec 10. That it Shall be the duty of Said Town Constable to require and take from Said Town Constable before he enters on the duties of his office, a bond payable to the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town, and their successors in office in the penalty of not exceeding one thousand dollars, with two or more good securities, to be approved by Said Mayor and Aldermen conditioned, that he shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him by this act, and the ordinances, rules and orders passed in pursuance thereof; and that he will well and truly pay over to the proper officers of Said Town, all the Moneys that may be collected, or received by him, for, or on account of Said Town, and that he will well and truly pay over all the moneys to the party or parties entitled by law to receive the Same, which may be collected, or received by him as Constable of Scott County, or Said Town. which bond when so taken and approved, shall be filed, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of Scott County, and at any time, if the Conditions thereof shall be forfeited, it shall be lawful for the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town, or any person who shall be injured by a breach of the Condition of Said bond, to prosecute for the benefit of any such person thus injured, and if the Said Town Constable shall, at any time collect or receive Money, on any execution or other process, in his hands, and shall fail to pay over the Same, to the person, or persons, entitled by law to receive such money, on demand, he shall pay at the rate of twenty five per cent per annum on the amount so collected, or received on such execution or other process, from the time of such demand until Paid.

Sec 11. That if Said Town Constable shall collect money on such execution or other process, and shall fail to pay over the Same, on demand as aforesaid it shall and may be lawful, for the plaintiff, his agent or attorney or other person lawfully authorized to receive the Same, by motion to the Mayor, in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace of Scott County, upon giving five days notice to such Town Constable, and the Securities on the bond, or either of them to have Judgment against said Town Constable and his Securities, or either of them, that notice may have been served on, as aforesaid, for any amount that may have been collected by Said Town Constable, on any such execution or other process as aforesaid, to gether with the interest at the rate of twenty five per cent per annum

on the amount so Collected on any such execution, or other proceeds by him after the demand thereof before directed, and upon entering upon any such Judgment against such Town Constable, or his Securities, or either of them as aforesaid, he said Mayor shall immediately thereafter issue an execution for the amount of such Judgment against the party or parties, against whom such Judgment shall be entitled and said Mayor shall endorse on such execution, that no security of any kind is to be Taken

Sec 12. Be it further enacted, That if said Town Constable shall neglect to return any execution, or other process in his hands at the time required for the return thereof, he shall upon Motion Made (by any person interested) to the Mayor of said Town after having ten days notice, be fined by said Mayor in any sum not exceeding twenty five dollars, for every such neglect, and shall moreover be liable to a recovery on his bond for any such neglect to the use of the party injured thereby.

Sec 14 That the said Town Constable shall have power to do business as Constable throughout the County of Scott, and shall be entitled to receive the same fees as are allowed other Constables of Scott County for similar services.

Sec 15. That the Mayor, and Aldermen of said Town shall have power upon Sufficient Cause appearing to them, of the culpable violation or neglect of duty, or manifest incompetency of said Town Constable or any other of their officers, to remove him, or them, from office and Cause any such vacancy to be filled in the manner directed by this act.

Sec 16. That the Mayor and Aldermen shall have full power to pass and promulgate all ordinances that may be necessary to carry the provisions of this Charter into full effect, and to prescribe such penalties and punishments for offences, Contravention of the same not herein before mentioned.

Sec 17. That the board shall cause to kept a neat and regular record, in well bound books, of all the ordinances, rules and orders of said board, and also a regular journal of their proceedings: and shall cause to be kept by the Treasurer, a true and regular account of the receipts, and disbursements of all monies of said Town, which shall be published quarterly.

Sec 18. That all ordinances, by laws, rules, and orders, that shall be passed or enacted by the said Mayor and Aldermen in pursuance of this Charter, shall be signed by said Mayor, and Countersigned by the Clerk of said Board and shall be posted up in one or more public places in said Town, or printed in some newspaper, or in hand bill form, and distributed among the Citizens of said Town. And no ordinance of said Board shall be in force until the expiration of five days from the date of its passage, unless otherwise ordered by the Mayor and Aldermen.

Sec 19. That all vacancies that may happen of officers in said Town, shall be filled by election, or appointment in the manner hereto fore directed in this Charter

S 19 That in all cases Judicially decided by the Mayor of said Town, exclusive

in his Capacity as Justice of the Peace of Scott County. an appeal may be had from such decission to the board of Aldermen whose decision shall be final upon the Subject Matter so decided.

Sec 20. That the amount of licenses assessed and received and all fines and forfeitures that may arise, or accrue, on that may be assessed for or in virtue of this act, shall inure to the benefit of the Corporation.

Sec 21 That all vacancies that may happen of officers in said Town shall be filled by election, or appointment in the manner hereafon directed in this Charter

Sec 22 That the Mayor for the time being shall advertise and give notice of all election in the manner directed by this act, and in case he shall fail to do so, any three freeholders of said town, may advertise and give notice of any such election in the manner aforesaid

Sec 23. Be it further enacted, That all white Male persons over the age of twenty one years, who shall have resided in the Corporate limits of said Town three months last preceeding any such election shall be a qualified

Approved Nov. 29th 1858 Wm M. McWillie

No Constitutional objection to the above
J. J Wharton Atty Gen'l

A B Dilworth
Sec'y of State

An amendment to the charter of the corporation of the town of Shuqualak Noxubee county State of Mississippi

That the first section of the charter of the corporation of the town of Shuqualak, in the county of Noxubee, in the State of Mississippi be amended, so that the limits of said corporation shall form a square of fifteen hundred yards square, instead of one half mile square, said limits to be surveyed and marked out by the mayor and Selectmen of said town having for the centre of said corporation the depot buildings in said town on the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road

Approved December 29th 1858

No constitutional objection to the above
J. J Wharton,

A. B. Dilworth

Charter of Incorporation of the Central Academy Madison County Mississippi.

1st That Wm E Harrell - A. S. Warren, E Cordts. M Cameron, and other persons as may hereafter by general Consent be chosen, be, and they are hereby incorporated by and under the name and Style of Trustees of the Central Academy, & as such Corporation they shall have and possess all the rights, privileges & powers prescribed by an act Contained in the provisions of the 35th Chapter of the Revised Code Page 290. by Virtue of wh this Charter is granted.

2. Said Corporation is created for the purpose of establishing an Academy to be called the "Central Academy" in Township 9. Range 2 East, in which such Studies shall be taught as the Board of Trustees shall from time to time ordain & prescribe.

3. The business of the Corporation shall be under the Control and management of the Trustees of the Central Academy, one of whom to be elected by themselves shall be President of the Corporation and of said Trustees.

4. In case any one of the Trustees wishing to dispose of his interest in said Central Academy, in such case the other Trustees shall have the preference to purchase his Stock, & if no agreement can be made, then said Trustee shall sell only by Consent of the Majority.

5. In Case of death of any one of said Trustees, the Executors or Administrators shall act as trustee or may dispose of said Interest as provided in Section 4.

6. The Trustees aforesaid shall make all necessary by-laws for the regulation & management of said Central Academy - Shall employ Teachers, prescribe their duties and salaries, prescribe the Course of Instruction, the terms of Admission of Scholars in to the School, that in their Judgment may tend to promote the Interest thereof

7. Said Trustees may divide said School into two departments Male & female, whenever in their opinion, such division may be to the interest of said Institution

8. That for the furtherance of the purposes of this incorporation, the Trustees be authorized to raise and to hold Stock to the amount of twenty thousand Dollars in Shares of one hundred dollars each; and each Share be entitled to one vote.

Approved January 6th 1859.

William M. Wilkin

I find no Constitutional objection to the above Charter.

A. B. Dinsmore
Secy of State

J. A. Wharton Atto Genl.

Jefferson Hamilton D.D. Phillips Peeley D.D. Allen F Anderson
Mark S Andrews, Thomas J McCoy, A N Mitchell D.D. Samuel
Armstrong, Thomas N Denman D.D. James L Cotton & Joshua
L Heard, Clerical and Robert A Baker, Duke N Goodman &
Beauchamp Augustus A Coleman, Cary N Bent A. M. Ryland
A J Montgomery F. F. Hemphill, Gideon E Nelson and John N
Portis Laymen, and their associates have agreed upon and
adopted the following Charter & Constitution to be submitted
to the Governor of the State of Mississippi in pursuance of
the Statute in such Case Made and provided, and to be en-
rolled in the office of Secretary of State as their Charter.

Charter of Incorporation of the Book and Tract
Society of the Alabama Conference.

Art 1. This Society shall be call-
ed and known by the name of the Book and Tract Society
of the Alabama Conference."

2. Its object shall be the more
perfect and thorough dissemination and distribution of Books
tracts and periodicals and the extension and propagation of
Sunday Schools within the bounds of said Conference, and to
assist the other portions of our Church in augmenting the Capital
of the Southern Methodist Publishing House.

3. The Capital of this Society shall be one hundred
thousand dollars, and be divided into and subscribed for
in Shares of one hundred dollars each.

4. One half the money, as it shall be subscribed and
paid from time to time, shall be appropriated under the direction
of the Board of Managers, to the establishment of a Depository
of Religious literature Stationary & the Sale and distribution of the
Same and the increase of Sunday Schools in the bounds of said
Conference, and the other half shall be paid to the Agent of the
Southern Methodist Publishing House, upon Condition that the
said House furnish, free of expense to this Society, one Copy of
the Genalogical Family Bible to each Shareholder for each and
every Share of Stock so subscribed and paid.

5. Each Shareholder shall be entitled to membership in
the Society perpetually to be enjoyed by himself and his de-
scendants owning said Share, Who said descendants or other
owner of said Share to be entitled in all time to come, to all
the privileges, and advantages of the original Share holder,
Each Subscriber shall also receive, when $50 of the amount
shall be paid, a Copy of the Genalogical Family Bible and
Mahogany Case properly Certified and inscribed. And on
payment of the whole amount he shall be entitled to receive
from the Society five dollars in Books and tracts of our
publication at Catalogue prices, per annum, forever, the
same to be applied for during the year.

6. There Shall be a Board of Managers, elected annually for
the government of the affairs of the Society, Consisting of twenty
persons, ten of whom shall be members of the Alabama Con-
ference, and ten laymen of our Church to be elected by the
Society, The Board shall elect its President and any other
officers deemed necessary, and have powers to fill vacancies

in its own body.

7. The Society Shall meet annually at the time & place of the meeting of the Alabama Conference, and shall take into Consideration the State of the Church and Country in the bounds of the Said Conference in regard to its supply of Moral & religious literature, the State of Sabbath Schools and any other Matters Conneing within its Constitutional jurview.

8. There Shall be appointed at each Session of the Alabama Conference, if the bishop Shall deem it expedient, one or more traveling agents for the benefit of the Society.

9. The Depository of this Society Shall be located at Mobile Alabama..

10. All voting in the Society for the election of Officers, or otherwise Shall be by Shares, each Share entitling its possessor to one Vote.

11. Measures Shall be taken as early as practicable to Secure for the Society Corporate privileges and advantages.

12. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a majority of two thirds of the Members present and voting at annual Meeting.

Managers of Alabam Conference

Jefferson Hamilton
Phil P Neely
A S Andrews
W S Andrews
Thos I McCoy
A H Mitchell
J W Dorman
Saml. Armstrong
Jas L Cotton
Joshua T Heard

Lay Managers

R A Baker D. W. Goodman
L I Branchaud A A Coleman
Cary W Bett A A Ryland
F H Hemphill I J Montgomery
Gideon E Nelson John M Portis

Approved January 7th 1859.

William M. Wilkie

No Constitutional objection to above charter

J J Wharton Atto Genl

A B. Dillard
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Orizaba State of Mississippi Lafayette County

The purposes for which this corporation is created are the following viz
1st That by the authority vested in said Corporation the Citizens may be the better prepared to enforce the observance of Good order within the limits of said incorporation. By having civic officers whose duty it shall be to keep and preserve good order in said Corporation &c &c

Names of persons or designation of inhabitants in this incorporation
A G Frazier B J Heiss L. L. Martin. B. W Dickson J. W. Cook. D. J Magill W. M. Ellis J. M. Stewart. S. E. Stewart, Wm M. Stewart, Thos D Cleveland Henry C Hendrick. M. M. Purnell Jas P. Ashley. W M. Maly A. M. Dickson. J. M. Smith, G. C. McGee A. J. Watson, D M McGee Amanu Stewart and B J Woodward.
Together with their families and all that pertains to them within the limits of this incorporation.

The corporate name of this incorporation shall be the Town of Orizaba with the following limits and boundaries
Commencing at the north west corner of B W. Dickson lot on which he now resides. and running thence South three eights of a mile. Thence east five eights of a mile thence North a half a mile. Thence west five eights of a mile. Thence South one eighth of a mile to the North west Corner of B. W. Dickson lot. There shall be one Justice of the Peace. and one constable, each of whom shall reside within the corporation to be elected by the legal votes of said incorporation whose terms of office shall be for one year from the date of their election.
The first election to be holden on the first monday in February 1839

One of the magistrates of district No 17 shall be authorized to hold the first election. The magistrate acting shall appoint three of the legal votes of the Corporation to act as inspectors and managers of the election who shall be qualified by said magistrate before acting. The jurisdiction of the Justice and the Constable shall be coextensive with the County &c &c Approved January 17th 1839

William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the above charter

A. B. Dillard
Secretary of State

A G Frazier
Atty Genl

Charter of Incorporation to extend the corporate limits of the Town of Ripley in Tippah County Mississippi, as follows (To wit) Commencing at the South east corner of the Edmund I. Bailey Lot, (East & North of said town) running Two and a half chains east, Thence north thirty one chains Thence west forty chains Thence south seventeen chains to the north boundary line of the old incorporation of said Town And that that portion of the town included in said extended limits shall be subject to the laws and regulations in force in said Town And that this charter take effect be in force from the date hereof -

Approved January 17th 1859 -

William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the above

T. J. Wharton
Atty Genl

A. B. Dibrowth
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the town of Fort Adams in the County of Wilkinson and State of Mississippi.

Sec 1 The town of Fort Adams situated in the Western part of Wilkinson County and on the Mississippi river. is hereby declared incorporated and the boundaries of the said town shall be as follows to wit beginning West by Mississippi River and extending one half mile in every other direction from Mouth of Bridge Bayou.

Sec 2 The Inhabitants of said town as above laid out and defined and their successors forever are hereby constituted a corporation and a body politic in fact and in law by the name and style of "The town of Fort Adams" and by that name shall have perpetual succession and shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded defend and be defended, in all courts of Law and equity and in all actions whatsoever, may purchase receive and hold property, real and personal within said town and may purchase receive and hold property real and personal beyond the limits of the town, to be used for the burial of the dead of the town, for Hospital and other buildings for the reception of persons and things infected with contagious and other diseases and for establishing and enforcing Quarantines and other regulations necessary to the health safety and good order of said Town, and for places of deposit of dangerous, ~~Combustible~~ unhealthy and combustible materials, and may sell. lease or dispose of such property for the benefit of the town. and may have a common seal and may break, change or alter the same and make a new seal at pleasure.

Sec 3 The municipal government of said town shall be vested in a mayor to be elected annually, and four aldermen to be elected annually by the qualified electors of said town, a Treasurer, Clerk, Marshall and such other subordinate officers as are in this article provided for or may be established by

appointed or elected as they shall by ordinance direct. All free white male inhabitants of said Town Twenty one or more years of age and Citizens of the United States, and qualified electors by the Constitution of this State, who shall have resided in said Town three months previous to said election, and if liable to assessment who shall have been assessed and paid a Town tax for the twelve months next preceding any election of said town, shall be qualified voters at such election, and eligible to the several corporation offices. Provided that all male residents of said town owning an estate of freehold in the same and having all the qualifications aforesaid other than that of being residents of said town may vote at any such election.

Sec 4 There shall be an election by ballot at the Hall or usual office or other place in said Town to be designated in the notice of such election hereinafter provided for, on the first monday of January of each year or within thirty days thereafter for the election of a mayor and four aldermen of said Town. Who shall be commissioned by the Governor and continue in office for the term of one year or until their successors are qualified, That the mayor of said Town or in case he shall fail to act any three freeholders of the town shall at a convenient time not less than ten days before each election cause public notice thereof and of the time and place of holding the same to be given by posting in three or more public places in said Town or by advertising in any newspaper printed and published therein or both or either and the mayor or in his absence a quorum of the aldermen shall appoint three persons (a majority of whom may act) of the qualified voters of said Town inspectors of said election who shall be sworn before acting by the mayor or marshall, or any Justice of the Peace in the County of Wilkinson to impartially perform their duty and shall with the assistance of the clerk, and marshal of said Town or such other clerks as said inspectors shall appoint, who shall also be sworn as above, hold and preside over said elections, which shall be held between the hours of ten o'clock A.M. and two o'clock P.M. on the day appointed, the said inspectors shall also decide upon the qualifications of voters they shall designate two of their number as superintendant of such election and in conjunction with such superintendant shall certify to the Secretary of State the persons having the highest number of votes who shall be declared duly elected and shall be commissioned by the Governor and the said mayor and aldermen immediately on the receipt of their commissions shall take and subscribe the oath prescribed by the constitution.

Sec 5 Whenever a vacancy in any of the offices of said town, required to be filled by election of the qualified voters thereof shall by death or otherwise occur, such vacancy may be supplied by a special election to be held on five days public notice in the manner and under the regulations that are by this act of incorporation prescribed for the holding and conducting of the annual election.

Sec 6 The mayor and aldermen for the time being in council shall judge of the qualifications of all officers elected and the validity of their election and shall have power to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers

touching any contested election and to set aside and annul any election, by them determined to have been procured or occasioned by fraud, illegal practice bribery or tumult and to order a new election, They shall also have power to expel from office from malfeasance or misfeasance The mayor or any alderman or any of the elected appointed or subordinate officers of said town by a recorded vote of four of the members of the Council at two successive meetings thereof,

Sec 7 The legislative and contracting powers of the said Town of Fort Adams shall be vested in a city Council to be constituted by the said Mayor and said aldermen with power to make and establish rules for its own government to appoint and regulate the times of its regular meetings and manner of being convened in special meeting and to alter the same at pleasure to appoint a town clerk and register of its proceedings and ordinances, and city marshall for its assistance in keeping order, and the execution of its process and orders, and such other officers as it may deem necessary for such term of office and with such regulations as it may by ordinance prescribe, A majority of said council shall shall constitute a quorum and the said mayor or in his absence such of the aldermen as the others present may elect shall be the presiding officer thereof. Vote at all elections of officers and said Council may delegate the administration of the police and other affairs of the said town to subordinate officers and committees of its own members with adequate powers. Choosing from its own members the Clerk and Treasurer of the corporation if they shall see fit, but all deeds and contracts necessary to be made by said corporation in writing shall be authorized by resolution of said council signed by the mayor and attested by the clerk and be under the seal of the corporation or in the absence of such seal a written seal or scroll after the names of the mayor and clerk shall be sufficient,

Sec 8 All resignations by the officers of said town, except when made by the mayor shall be made and addressed to the mayor and when by the mayor to the Board of Aldermen And whenever the mayor shall be absent from the town or unable or from any cause fail to discharge his duties or whenever the said office shall be vacated by death or otherwise the aldermen in council shall have power to appoint one of their own number Mayor pro tem, Who until the return the election and qualification of a successor shall be by such appointment invested with all the rights and powers to perform all the duties and receive the compensation and perquisites belonging and appertaining to said office,

Sec 9 The mayor and aldermen shall by ordinances not inconsistant with these articles of Incorporation prescribe and define the powers duties and liabilities of the mayor assessor Collector and Treasurer and any other subordinate officers of said Town, and may require from them bonds with sufficient security and penalties to secure a faithful performance of

of proceeding for the recovery of the penalty when the conditions of any such bonds shall be forfeited, and the said subordinate officers shall before entering upon their several offices execute said bonds to be approved by said mayor and aldermen in Council and take and subscribe the proper oath of office, and they shall hold their offices on the terms and conditions and limitations which shall be prescribed in the ordinances regulating the same.

Sec 10 The said mayor and selectmen in Council shall have power to pass all ordinances and by laws not inconsistent with the laws of the United State or of this state, which may be necessary and proper to carry out effect the powers delegated to them by this act of incorporation, with power also to prescribe in said ordinances such fines and forfeitures for their violation as may be deemed expedient, not exceeding fifty dollars for each offense and imprisonment in the town lockup or guard house or the common jail of Wilkinson County not exceeding ten days for a single offense, and all such ordinances to repeal and amend at pleasure

Sec 11 There shall be established in and for said Town an inferior court to be held by the mayor of said Town and called the mayors court, which may be held daily and constant session at all times when required by the business thereof and for the formation of orders and the service and execution of its processes said Court shall be attended by the town marshall, and the said Mayor shall have and exercise all the powers and jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace of the County of Wilkinson, also Jurisdiction of all the causes founded upon the breach or violation of any by laws or ordinances of the mayor & aldermen of said Town; and the said Mayor in the exercise of said Jurisdiction shall have power to require and take recognisances given under his hand and seal all warrants and processes and execute all power that may be necessary and proper for the performance of his duties and which a Justice of the Peace may by law do in like cases.

Sec 12 The mayor during the session of the mayors court or during the meeting in council of the mayor and aldermen shall have power to fine in any sum not exceeding ten dollars and imprison for any time not exceeding twenty four hours, any offender for contempt of Court, and in all convictions before said mayors court for any breach or violation of any ordinance or by law of said Mayor and aldermen when a fine is adjudged the said mayor shall have power to order and cause the offender to stand committed to the Town guard house or Jail of the County until the payment of such fine and costs.

Sec 13 The marshall of said Town and the Sheriff and constables of said County of Wilkinson shall have power and it shall be their duty when required by the mayor to execute all writs warrants and processes whatsoever in the same manner and subject to the same regulations that are by law established, with regard to warrants and other precepts of Justices of the peace in said County of Wilkinson.

Sec 14 The marshall shall be the police officer of the said Town

and it shall be his duty strictly and diligently to perform all the duties required of him by this act of Incorporation or of the ordinances rules orders or by laws passed in pursuance thereof he shall without delay execute all lawful precepts directed to him by the mayor or aldermen of said town. He shall use his utmost endeavors to suppress and prevent all breaches of the peace in said town, and to quell and suppress any rioting or improper disturbances or any other indecent or disorderly conduct therein and shall have power and it shall be his duty at all times to arrest and take before the mayor with or without warrant, for examination all or any such person or persons who shall be found violating any of the provisions of these articles of incorporation or any of the ordinances rules orders or by laws made in pursuance thereof It shall be his duty to report to the mayor or aldermen of said town any nuisances or obstruction in the streets public places or highways in said town,

Sec 15. All fines and forfeitures prescribed by the ordinances of said Town shall be recoverable with costs in the name of the town of Fort Adams" by suit in the mayors court or any court of competent jurisdiction and when collected shall be paid into the treasury of said town for the use thereof, and the said Mayor and aldermen in Council shall have power upon a satisfactory showing to remit any fine forfeiture or penalty that may be adjudged against any offender of said ordinances or by laws and any one feeling himself aggrieved by any sentence or judgment of the mayor except in such cases as may be decided by him in his capacity of Justice of the peace of Wilkinson County shall have the right of appeal from the decision of the mayor to the Board of Mayor and aldermen in Council.

Sec 16 The said mayor and aldermen in Council shall have power within said town of Fort Adams to levy and Collect taxes upon real and personal property or other things by law taxable for state purposes not to exceed at anytime the County and state taxes thereon for the same period, To open alter abolish widen extend establish grade, level, pave or otherwise improve clean and keep in repair roads streets avenues lanes and alleys within the town and when property is taken therefor to cause the property to be ascertained and assessed by three disinterested free holders of said town to be paid out of the town Treasury, to provide for the construction and repair of all necessary and convenient sidewalks and curbstones along the streets alleys and avenues of said Town at the expense of the owners of grounds fronting thereon, To improve and preserve the navigation of the Mississippi river within the town and to remove and prevent by adequate penalties obstructions thereto to regulate the erection and repairs of wharves, wharf boats and flats and to fix the rates of wharfage thereat, to regulate the stationing anchorage and mooring of vessels with the Town, To lease and regulate all ferries across the Mississippi River within the said town reserving the rent for the use thereof as they shall think best. [illegible] shall

and provide proper rules for the government and regulation of the sale of all marketable articles brought in and offered for sale in said Town. also to regulate the measures and or weight thereof. To license tax and regulate or suppress theatricals and other amusements shows and exhibitions in said Town. To prevent dogs hogs or cattle from running at large in said Town and to tax license and Regulate the keeping of Dogs. To make all needful and proper rules or regulations to secure the general health of the inhabitants. To regulate the mode and time of assessing and collecting the taxes levied by them. To establish all needful rules and regulations touching the behavior of slaves free negroes and Mulattoes and touching their residence in said town. and finally to make all ordinances and by-laws not repugnant to or inconsistent with the constitution of the united states or this state which the said Mayor and Aldermen may deem necessary and proper for the good order health and safety of the said town and its inhabitants.

Sec 17 The amount of licenses assessed and all fines and forfeitures that may arise accrue or that may be assessed in accordance with these articles of incorporation or in virtue thereof shall inure to said Corporation for the benefit of said town.

Sec 18 All ordinances by laws rules and orders that shall be passed or enacted by the said mayor and Board of Aldermen in accordance with these articles of incorporation if approved by the mayor shall be signed by him and countersigned by the clerk. and shall be published in hand bills four among the inhabitants of said town and shall not be in force until after the expiration of five days from such publication The said board shall keep a neat and regular record of all their proceedings an abstract of which shall be published from time to time for the information of the citizens.

Sec 19 The first election under and by virtue of these articles of Incorporation shall be held on the first Monday of March AD 1839 or within thirty days thereafter and all future elections thereafter shall be held at the time heretofore and herein mentioned.

Sec 20 The mayor of said town shall before he enters on the duties of his office give bond payable to the state of Mississippi in the penalty of three thousand dollars with two or more good securities to be approved of by the judge of Probates of Wilkinson County conditions the same as required by law in the bonds of justices of the peace and for any forfeiture or breach of the conditions of such bond he shall be liable and proceeded against in the same manner way and manner as Justices of the peace are proceeded against for breaches of their bonds.

Sec 21 It shall also be the duty of the mayor to see that the provisions of these articles of Incorporation are carried into effect in said Town also all ordinances rules and orders made in pursuance thereof It shall be his duty to call a meeting of the Board of Aldermen at any time he may deem it necessary and he shall cause to be laid before them all matters and things touching the interests and welfare of said town. He shall at

any time when require by any one or more members of said board give his opinion in writing concerning any matter arising out of the provisions of these articles of incorporation he shall preside at all meetings of the Board when present and shall preserve order therein and see that the business is conducted in a regular and orderly manner. He shall decide all questions of order and any decision made by him upon any point of order may be appealed from to the Board if called for by two members thereof. He may also have power to give his dissent to any ordinance and or orders that may be passed by said board of aldermen if in his opinion it is in any respect inconsistent with the Constitution of this State or the provisions of these articles of incorporation. Setting forth his reasons for such dissent in writing and if after giving his dissent and reason to any such ordinance and or order as aforesaid. the same shall be passed by three fourths of all the members of said Board of aldermen it shall be the law of said Corporation.

Sec 22 As soon as the town authorities shall receive a copy of these articles of incorporation properly authenticated they shall cause from to be distributed among the citizens of said town at least one hundred copies to be printed in pamphlet for their information

Approved Feby 3rd 1859
William M Willett

I have no constitutional objection to make to the above Charter
T J Wharton
Atto Genl,

N. B. D. Merritt
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Hillsboro Male and Female Academy In the County of Scott

Sec 1 That A Eastland, S. J. Smith Wm A Lack, J. W. Lack, Mc Lyle W Lobbitter Thomas Harris W. A. Gatewood S. J. Dennis, W. F. Haralson J. K. Glover P Saunders. Wm Sterling H. L. Lee. and Lee P. Mundle be and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic under the name and style of the President and Trustees of Hillsboro Male and Female Academy and by this name they and their successors in office may hold purchase or receive by donation subscription legacy or otherwise any estate real or personal and may sell lease or otherwise dispose of the same for the use and benefit of said Institution, and the same and their successors in office in their said corporate capacity and by their said corporate name and style shall be capable of suing and being sued of pleading and being impleading in all actions suits plaints or matters whatsoever either in law or equity, and do all other acts and things incident to bodies politic not repugnant to the constitution or laws of this state or of the united States

Sec 2 That the Trustees of said academy shall have power to frame any by-laws rules and regulations for the government of said academy and as all other acts they may deem proper for the promotion and advancement of said institution and for continuing their own corporate existence, Provided the same shall not be repugnant to the provisions of this charter or to the constitution and laws of this state or of the united States,

Sec 3 That the first meeting of the said Trustees shall be in the town of Hillsboro in Scott County on the first Monday of march A.D. 1839 when they shall elect a president Vice President Secretary and Treasurer The President or in his absence the Vice President shall have power to call Special meetings of said Trustees by giving them due notice thereof,

Sec 4th That five of said Trustees at least must be present in order to transact any business and a majority of those present shall (in the absence of the President or Vice President) have power to elect a President Pro tem. And their annual meetings shall be on Wednesday after the fourth monday in July of each and every year,

Sec 5th That in case of death resignation removal from the county refusal or neglecting to act of any of the Trustees the President and Trustees may at any time elect a successor and they shall have power to elect a Principal of said Academy and such other Teachers as the wants of said institution may require and may displace them and appoint others at pleasure

Approved Feby 26th 1839
William M Willie

Opinion no constitutional objection to the above Charter
T J Wharton
Atty Genl

A B Dickerson
Secy of State

The charter of Incorporation of Natchez Division N°17 S.s of S.

Article 1 This corporation shall consist of Leon M Patterson Josephus Hewett and David Turner Trustees of natchez division N°17 S.s of Temperance and their successors, with the officers and members of said division

Article 2 The purpose of this corporation shall be as far as possible by Total Abstinence from all that intoxicates and all the influence which our precept and example can exert to shield its members and others from the evils of intemperance - afford mutual assistance in sickness and elevate the human character,

Article 3 Said Natchez division N°17 Sons of Temperance shall be located at Natchez in adams County State of Mississippi,

Article 4 The officers of the natchez Division N°17 shall be those prescribed and required by the national Division of north America Sons of Temperance, to wit, Worthy Patriarch Worthy Associate Recording Scribe Assistant Recording Scribe, Financial Scribe Treasurer, Conductor Assistant Conductor Inside Sentinel outside sentinel and in addition three trustees who shall be elected at the first regular meeting after the yearly Anniversary of the grant of this Charter: and shall Continue in office until their successors are elected. Provided that in case of the resignation, death or expulsion from the division of any trustee the vacancy may be filled with all convenient dispatch

Article 5 Said trustees shall take charge of and safely keep all deeds or other muniments of title to any property held or owned by said division, And any choses in action funds or other property to them committed by the division they shall take charge of, rent out, keep in repair, any and all real estate owned by division. Receive and collect any and all rents due for the real or other property of the division and semi annually or oftener if thereto required by the Division make out a full statement of matters so entrusted to their hands and card as such trustees. And shall promptly surrender to their successors, all property funds or papers held by them as such Trustees,

Article 6 The duties of the officers of the division aforenamed shall be such as are required of them by the Constitution adopted by the "National Division of the Sons of Temperance of North America" for the government of Subordinate divisions

Article 7 The said Corporation under the name and for the purpose aforesaid will have perpetual Succession of body property to the amount specified and authorised by the thirty fifth Chapter of the Revised Code of the State of Mississippi and be entitled to all the privileges, and liable to all the penalties therein and thereby secured and imposed

Approved March 8th 1859
William McWillie

To the above Charter
I J Minton
Atty Genl
A B Hilliard
Secy of State

Amanda Charter of Orizaba

First That the citizens shall have power to elect three electors, whose duty shall be to appoint an overseer. Whose duty shall be to warn the citizens (those subject) to work the streets running through said corporation.

Second All citizens living inside of said corporation shall be subject to said overseers orders and none others and said overseer shall work from day to day until the streets are put in good order.

Third In case of nonattendance or failure shall be fined according to law

Approved March 12th 1859
William McWillie

No constitutional objection
to the above charter
J J Wharton
Atty Genl
A P Dillworth
Secy of State

The following Charter of Incorporation of Amite Royal Arch Chapter No 42 was adopted at a regular Meeting on the 14th of March 1859

1st The objects & purposes of this Incorporation shall be to confer Masonic degrees pertaining to a Chapter of Royal Arch Masonry, agreeable to the Constitution & Regulations of the Masonic Fraternity, to cultivate the true & pure principles of Masonic Charity, to disseminate light & knowledge among the Fraternity, to comfort & console the widow & the orphan, to aid & assist the poor & distressed of every land and Country,

2d This Incorporation shall be composed of the following persons Viz Elijah M Davis, William H Cain, David Jewett, Ebenezer D Stratton, Henry G Streets, Zachariah P Butler, Nicholas R Webb, Jerome B Robinson, John M Covington, Thomas C Gordon James D Campbell, Sylvester Gardner, Van H. Swearinger, William C McGehee, William B Timberlake, Elijah L Parker, Holly S Campbell, John G Morgan, John Williams, Marshall P Bates George D Butler, Richard E Bates, Lemuel R Adams, William D Carlton, James M McElroy, Rufus D McDowell, Chris C Smith, Charles J Bates, W N Day, James C Jegers, D M Quin, D D Quin, John F Lamkin, J A Simms, Chas D Neilson, Railway Ruff, Moses A Cheatham, Holloway A Ratcliff, William D Anderson, James H Anderson, E L Bramlett, M D Corcoran, Sam'l B Webb Isaac Schenck & such other persons as may hereafter become members of the said Amite Royal Arch Chapter No 42

3d The Name of this Incorporation shall be the Amite Royal Arch Chapter No 42 of the State of Mississippi

4th This Incorporation shall have power to purchase & own Real & personal estate not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars shall be able to Contract, sue & be sued & to do & perform all other acts & exercise all other powers not inconsistent with this Charter & the Constitution & Laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States

5th This Incorporation shall have perpetual existence

Approved April 12th 1859
William McWillie

I find no Constitutional
objection to the above Charter
J J Wharton Atty Genl

A P Dillworth
Secty of State

Mayor

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Magnolia

Section 1st. That the Town of Magnolia in the County of Pike be and the same is hereby incorporated and the corporate limits of said Town shall be as follows, Commencing at the present Rail Road Depot running North by the Rail Road one mile, South by the Rail Road one mile East from the Town Road Depot one half mile, West from the Rail Road Depot one half mile making the out side limits two Miles in length and One mile in breadth

Section 2d. That it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace of said County together with two householders or freeholders summoned by him for the purpose to hold and conduct an election on the second Monday in May next or at any time thereafter for the purpose of electing five Aldermen of said Town, there shall at the same time be elected a Town Marshal and when the result of said election shall be ascertained the said Justice acting in the capacity of returning officer, shall give to each of the successful candidates for said offices a certificate of the election and make a certified return of the proceedings and result of said election to the President of the Board of Police of the County, who shall cause the Probate Clerk to record the same

Section 3rd That it shall be the duty of the Aldermen thus elected to meet within five days after they receive a certificate of their election and choose from their own number a Mayor, and such Mayor and Aldermen and their Successors in Office shall constitute a body corporate by the name and Style of the Mayor & Aldermen of the Town of Magnolia, and by that name may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in any Court of Law or equity and do all other acts which are usually incident to bodies corporate

Sect 4th That the Mayor & Aldermen shall continue in Office for the term two years from the date of their election and until their Successors are duly qualified to act, and that at the and all subsequent elections of Aldermen in said Town, all persons having qualified electors to vote for members of the house of representatives of the State Legislature shall be qualified voters

Section 5th That it shall be the duty of each of said Aldermen before he enters upon the discharge of the duties of his office to take an oath before any competent magistrate authorized to administer the same, that he will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State Mississippi, and that he will faithfully perform to the best of his Skill and ability the duties of the Office of Alderman of the Town of Magnolia

Section 6th That an election of Aldermen and Marshall of said Town shall be held Annually on the second Monday of May, and at such other Times as may be necessary to supply any vacancies as may occur in the offices of said Town by death removal or any other cause and it is hereby made the duty of the Mayor to order the same under such rules & regulations as may be prescribed by the said Mayor & Aldermen

Section 7th That the said Mayor & Aldermen shall have power to pass all necessary Ordinances and by laws for the good government and order of said Town not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State and the United States, they shall have power to inflict penalty on any person or persons for a violation of their ordinances or by laws not exceeding Twenty five dollars for any one offence recoverable before the Mayor in the name of the Mayor & Aldermen and for the benefit of said Town, they shall have power raise revenue by taxing such property within said Town as shall, at the time be taxable liable to State Tax, and at a rate not exceeding ½ of 1 per centum on such State tax, they shall also have power to regulate by ordinances the exhibition of shows in said Town and may levy a tax not exceeding twenty five dollars on each show exhibition in said Town, which tax shall be paid as soon as levied to the proper officer, and in case of refusal the Mayor may forthwith issue his attachment directed to the Marshall, who shall proceed to make the said tax and cost out of the effects of the persons being the Owners of said Shows, they shall have power to appoint an assessor, Collector, Clerk & Treasurer, prescribe their duties, and take bonds, payable to State of Mississippi in such penalty as they may deem sufficient for the faithful discharge of the duties of said Office

Section 8th That the Mayor & Aldermen of said town power to require all persons subject to work on public roads to labor on the Streets of said Town not exceeding six days in any one year, and under the penalty of two dollars per diem recoverable before the Mayor of said Town, as other road fines are collected, and the inhabitants of Magnolia shall be exempt from working on all other roads or highways

Section 9th That the taxes hereby authorized to be levied under the provisions of this act, may be levied assessed and collected under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Mayor and the aldermen

Section 10 That for all prosecutions before the Mayor for offences committed against the ordinances of the Corporation, and for all proceedings instituted for the collection of taxes the Mayor & the Marshall of the Corporation who shall be its ministerial officers, shall be allowed the same fees as now allowed to Justices of the Peace & Constables in Pike County

Section 11th That the Mayor Alderman & Marshall shall be conservators of the peace, and it shall be their duty to make presentments of all breaches of the peace laws coming under their notice to the Grand Jury of the County and the said Alderman & Marshall shall report all violations of the Ordinances of the Corporation to the Mayor, and he shall be bound to take action on all that may come to his notice either by information on oath or affirmation or when the violation take place in his sight

Section 12th A majority of said Alderman shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Business, and in the absence of the Mayor, may choose a Mayor protem

Section 15th That it Shall be lawful for the Corporation of the Town of Magnolia to own any real estate and personal estate which may be necessary to promote its interest not exceeding in value the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars

Approved April 26th 1859
William M Willie

I have no constitutional objection to urge against the provisions of the foregoing Charter
T J Wharton
Atto Genl

A G Dilworth
Secty of State

At a Meeting of the President and Selectmen of the Town of Brookhaven Mr Meekaris introduced the following Resolution.

Resolved by the President & Selectmen of the Town of Brookhaven That his Excellency William McWillie Governor of the State of Mississippi be petitioned to so amend the Charter of said Town that the Citizens of said Corporation be exempt from road duty out of the limits of said Town

Approved Feby 14th AD 1859

Greenville Cook, President

C H Harvey
Secretary

I Certify the above to be a true Copy of the Minutes
C H Harvey, Secretary

Approved May 6th 1859
William McWillie

No constitutional objections to the above

T J Warton
Atty Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Iuka Female Institute in the Town of Iuka, County of Tishomingo, State of Mississippi

Sec 1 That James A. Doan, James M. Corban, W. J. Hart, Marcus Cook, and B. D. Hodges five in Number be and they are hereby Constituted a body Corporate and politic by the name & Style of the President & Trustees of the Iuka Female Institute & by that Name, they & their Successors in Office shall be Capable of Suing & being Sued, pleading & being impleaded in any Court of law & equity, that they & their Successors in Office may have a Common Seal & alter or amend the same at their pleasure and shall be Capable of Receiving & acquiring Real & Personal property by donation or purchase, for the use of said Institution, that they & their Successors in Office may make such By laws & adopt such rules & Regulations as they may deem expedient for the election of their officers, for the government and management of the affairs of said Institution and for promoting, Morality, Virtue & Learning among the Students & that they & their Successors in Office may constitute & confer degrees & issue diplomas in accordance with the established usages in such Cases & do & perform all other acts and things for the benefit of said Institution which are incident to bodies Corporate, not Repugnant to the Constitution & laws of this State and the United States,

Sec 2 That said Trustees shall annually elect out of their number a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall severally perform the duties to be prescribed by said President & Trustees

Sec 3 That this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval

Approved May 11th 1859
William McWillie

I have no Constitutional objections to the above
J J Wharton
Atty Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

Amendments of the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Woodville, Wilkinson County Mississippi

In addition to the powers provledges now possessed & exercised by the Mayor & Board of Aldermen of the Town of Woodville by virtue of the Charter of incorporation and the various amendments thereto, they shall have power to regulate license or suppress, Dram Shops or Stalls, Oyster Houses & Stalls, Porter Houses & cellars, Lager beer Shops and Saloons, or other places fitted up within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Woodville for the sale of Ale, porter Lager beer or other malt Liquors,

To pass an ordinance or ordinances, requiring each and every voter, before he shall be allowed to vote for municipal Officers of said Town, to pay all tax or taxes, that may have been legally assessed against him & due for the year next preceding any election for such municipal Officers at which he may desire or offer to vote,

To Choose a city Marshall, or police officer to regulate his Salary & to dismiss him from Office and choose his successor, whenever in the opinion of said Mayor & Board of Aldermen. the public good of said Town shall require it The said Marshall to be regularly elected or chosen at the first regular meeting of the said Mayor & Aldermen in each and every year, And the said City Marshall when so Chosen Shall possess & exercise all the powers & duties within the corporate limits of the said Town of Woodville, as a police officer now possessed and exercised by the town Constable, And the said Office of Town Constable is hereby abolished, to take effect from and after the expiration of the Term of Office of the present Town Constable

Approved April 30th 1859
William McWillie

I have no constitution objection to present to the above
J. J. Wharton
Atto Genl

A B. Dickworth
Secty of State

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The charter of Incorporation of the Town of Rodney in the State of Mississippi.

Art 1st

This corporation is created for the purpose of municipal government of the persons and the property within the limits hereinafter described with the Corporate name of "The town of Rodney," with such powers to be exercised as are hereinafter specified, and to exist under surrounded by the inhabitants within the limits hereinafter set forth or until repealed by the Legislature of said State

Article 2. All that tract of land lying in the county Jefferson in said State and bounded as follows that is to say beginning at the westernmost points of the line that separates the county of Claiborne and Jefferson in said State and running thence along said line in an eastwardly direction to the point where said line crosses Mill Bayou, Thence South 30° East to the Road leading from the Road, or east end, of Magnolia Street, to Oakland College Thence in an eastwardly direction and following the centre of said Road to its intersection with the road leading from Oakland College to York town, Thence South one fourth of a mile to a stake, thence due West to the western Boundary of the Jurisdiction of the State of Mississippi and thence in a northwardly direction following the western Jurisdictional line of the State of Mississippi to the place of beginning shall be called and designated by the name of Rodney.

Article 3d

The free white male inhabitant within the bounds aforesaid and having resided therein for the space of three months, next preceding the election, shall on the second Monday July next and on the same day in each succeeding year at some convenient house within said County limits to be designated by some Justice of the peace of Jefferson County residing within said limits hold an election to commence at the hour of ten Oclock A.M. and to close at the hour of 4 Oclock P.M. and then and there elect by ballot and a majority of votes, seven Select men, (a Majority of which whom shall constitute a quorum to do business) also a town treasurer and an assessor and collector of taxes to serve for the term of one year which said election at the time first specified shall be conducted by some Justice of the peace of Jefferson County residing within said limits, after which such election shall be conducted by three members of the Board of Selectmen who shall have been in office on the day before such election

Article 4th. The said Selectmen so to be elected shall shall on the day next succeeding such election or as soon as may be convenient meet and choose by ballot from among their own number a president who shall be called a Mayor, who shall continue in office for one year, and until his successor is elected and qualified, Such Mayor shall preside and keep order in the meetings of the said Board of Selectmen

Article 5. The said Selectmen are hereby constituted a body Corporate in fact and in name by the Style of the Town of Rodney and by that name they and their successors in office shall have perpetual succession, Shall have a common seal, which they shall alter at pleasure, and they and their Successors in office shall be capable in law to purchase, take, receive, hold and enjoy

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The Charter of incorporation of the Town of Good Hope in the County of Leake

Whereas deeming it necessary for the further protection of the good society among our citizens, the [illegible] prosperity and furtherance of every commendable order of business that is or may be carried on in the said Town of Good Hope, and many who are willing and making every effort for the above specified purposes, we find it expedient thus to fortify ourselves against surrounding Misdemeanors calculated to retard every exertion put forth by the good citizens of our town for its advancement & general interest

Be it Constituted

Section 1st The corporate limits of said Town shall be as follows, To wit, Beginning at the Academy in said Town running due East one half Mile. One half mile due West, One half mile due North, One half mile due South, embracing and comprehending within said Corporate limits One Square mile

Sec 2d Any Justice of the Peace of said County with two householders or legal voters summoned by them for the purpose shall have power to open and hold an election for five Aldermen, who shall immediately call a meeting and choose a President from their number, who shall preside at all their meetings & in case of a tie give the casting vote and ex officio be authorized to act as Mayor of the Town of said Good Hope & do & perform all other duties performed by a Mayor

Sec 3rd And said Board of Aldermen shall at their first meeting adopt a code of Town ordinances for the government of said Corporation, and in said ordinances, fix forth fines for each misdemeanor not exceeding twenty five dollars & in case of refusal to pay such fine be imprisoned for such time until payment be made, and all other by laws or regulations for their government, not inconsistent with Constitution and laws of this State or the United States

Levi Sparkman
B. D. Bridges
Danl Sparkman
I. B. Rutherford
Wm H Wynn
I. M. Rice
I A. Shelby

B P Funchess
John L. Bridges
James G. Johnson
Richard I. Rasberry
L I Pennell

Approved May 30 1859
William McWhite

I find no constitutional objection to the above charter
J. I. Wharton
Atto Genl

A B. Dickerson
Secty of State

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to the use of them and their successors in office all manner of estate real and personal not to exceed in amount the value of twenty thousand dollars, to bargain sell convey or otherwise dispose of the same, and the same name and style, they and their successors shall be capable and made in law of suing and being sued pleading and being impleaded in all manner of suits and actions at law or in equity and to do all other acts incident to bodies politic and corporate

Article 6th. The said selectmen at the time of choosing the Mayor as aforesaid shall also choose a Clerk who shall record in well bound books, kept for that purpose, all orders, rules, Ordinances and proceedings of said Board of Selectmen

Article 7. The town treasurer shall keep in a well bound books, to be provided and kept for that purpose a true account of all funds, forfeitures and penalties collected by him as well as of all taxes paid into the town treasury and the town treasurer, and the assessor and collector, shall give such bond and securities as the Mayor and Selectmen of said town shall by ordinance or resolution prescribe

Article 8th. The mayor and selectmen shall meet for the transaction of business at least one in each month, according to their own adjournment, and may make such ordinances in writing as to them may appear expedient, for the good order and government of the town, not inconsistant with the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi, they may impose reasonable fines on all who shall offend against the ordinances made by said Mayor and Selectmen, and all such fines may be demanded and recovered before any justice of the peace of Jefferson county residing within said County, or by any court of Record in said County of Jefferson having jurisdiction of the amount in the name of the Mayor & Selectmen of the town of Rodney which said fine, when collected shall be paid over to the town treasurer and paid into the town treasury

Article 9th The said Mayor and Selectmen may raise by tax in each year a sum not exceeding thirty five cents on every hundred dollars worth of such property as may be liable to taxation by the laws of the State of Mississippi within the limits of said town, such taxes shall be assessed on or before the first day of August in each and every year and the taxes so assessed shall be due and collectable from and after said last mentioned day in each and every year, and if such taxes or any part of the same remain unpaid on the first day of September in each and every year it shall and may be lawful for the tax collector of said town, to sell the property on which such taxes shall have been levied as aforesaid at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at some public place in said town, such tax collector having first given public notice for ten days of the time and place of such sale by advertisement posted up in three public places in said town provided that the owner or owners of property so sold for taxes as aforesaid may redeem the same within such time and in such manner as the owners of property sold for state and county taxes, may redeem

property sold for sixth last mentioned taxes

Article 11th. The tax collector of said town may and shall, by virtue of his office collect any Road tax, poll tax, charges for license or other tax imposed by said Mayor and Selectmen (other than taxes upon Real estate and personal estate) by seizure and sale of any estate real or personal, of the person or persons against whom such Road tax, poll tax, charges for license shall be imposed, such sale shall be made in the same manner, and on the same notice, as is directed in the ninth article hereof for the sale of property on which taxes may have been specially assessed

Article 11 The said Mayor and Selectmen may appoint necessary Overseers of Streets and highways and may regulate the working on the same, and may exempt the inhabitants of said town or any portion of them from personal labor on said Streets and highways, and impose a tax instead of such personal labor not exceeding five dollars per head on each male person between the ages of sixty years of age, and that all persons working on the Streets and highways within the limits of said town or paying Capitation tax in lieu thereof shall be discharged shall be discharged from working under any other Road in Jefferson County

Article 12th. The mayor and Selectmen of said town may pass Ordinances for regulating pitty grocers and victualing houses, or when fruits, meats or liquors shall be sold in order to be eaten or drank on the premises, and may lay a tax on every such grocery or victualing house not exceeding ten dollars per year, may lay a tax not exceeding ten dollars every wholesale or retail Store in said town, may pass and enforce ordinances for protection against fire, may make and enforce such ordinances for the preservation of the public health and for the good order any government of said town as the said Mayor and Selectmen may seem expedient and as shall not be repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States of the United States

Article 13th. Said Mayor and Selectmen may pass and enforce ordinances to regulate the running at large of Swine and Cattle the size and general quality of Bread, the market for meats, poultry fruit and vegetable, and to restrain and punish for forstalling; the paving and of flagging of side walks and ~~Kellering~~ setting out Shade trees by the same, for the removal of empty and unhealthy boats from the landing and other nuisances, for filling up ditches & sloughs for wharfage not exceeding one dollar for a landing and one dollar per day for such time as such steamboat or flat boat shall lie at the landing, and for regulating and taxing Stage Players Mountebanks Circuses and exhibitions of public shows,

Article 14. tt In case of the death or resignation of the Mayor or any member or members of the Board of Selectmen it shall be the duty of the Mayor or any two members of the Board to hold an election to fill such vacancy, on giving five days public notice of the time

Article 15th If the qualified voters of said Town shall in any year fail to hold the regular election for the Board of Select men any one of the Select men of the preceding year may hold such election at any time by giving five days notice of the time and place thereof

Article 16th The mayor and Selectmen of said Town shall within three months after their election in July A.D. 1859 cause the limits of said Town to be accurately surveyed and the lines thereof marked, and a plat thereof recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of said County of Jefferson and the Squares and lots surveyed and laid off within said limits by E.L. Wales in February 1839. as represented in a map thereof made by said Wales and now recorded in the office of said Clerk shall be a description guided in the assessment of Taxes in said Town so far as the same extends over the territory included within the limits described in this Charter; and that all other lands within the limits of this Charter shall be assessed & the owners thereof having had to the value of said land and the improvements thereon approved June 2d. 1859

William M'Kellar

No constitutional objections to the provisions of the above Charter

T.D. Wharton
Atto Genl

A B Dickerson
Sec of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Crystal Springs

Sec 1st The Town of Crystal Springs in the County of Copiah State of Mississippi is hereby incorporated, and the Corporate limits of said town shall run to the four Cardinal points and form One mile square to be laid off in such manner as that the centre of the Lot on which the depot building now stands as at present laid off and surveyed shall form the Center of said corporate limits and shall hereafter be known and designated as the town of Crystal Springs.

Sec 2, Every free white male person having attained the age of twenty one years being ~~a freeholder~~ and having resided in the State twelve months and the corporate limits of said town thirty days next preceding an election for town officers shall be a qualified elector and eligible to any town office.

Sec 3rd The Sheriff of Copiah county for the time being is hereby authorized on the first monday of September and on the first monday of September in each and every subsequent year thereafter to hold an election in strict conformity with the laws of this state for a mayor three Aldermen and Constable for said Town.

Sec 4 The Sheriff shall give to each of the persons who shall have received the highest number of votes for the several offices a certificate that he is duly elected for one year from and after his election.

Sec 5 The limits of said Incorporation shall constitute a Justices district and the mayor elected in pursuance of this charter shall be Commissioned by the Governor as a Justice of the Peace of the County, and he shall preside at each meeting of the board of Mayor and Aldermen of said Town, and by virtue of his office shall have power to perform all such duties, and receive the same emoluments as are received by other Magistrates in said County.

Sec 6 The said mayor and aldermen shall be a body Corporate and politic by the name and style of the mayor and Aldermen of the town of Crystal Springs, and as such they and their successors in office shall be capable of suing and being sued, of pleading and being impleaded and do any and all such acts as are incident to bodies Corporate and politic

Sec 7 The mayor and aldermen shall have power to pass all necessary laws for the good order and government of said town not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi and of the United States, and shall cause the same to be published at least five days previous to their enforcement. They shall have power to punish all violations of their by-laws rules ordinances and regulations by fines or fines in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars with costs before their mayor or any Justice of the Peace of said County in the name of said Corporation and for the use and benefit of said town.

Sec 8 For the purpose of running the said Mayor and Aldermen may tax such property as is liable to taxation under the existing laws of this State, Provided such tax shall not exceed twenty five cents on each slave and twelve and a half cents on every hundred dollars worth of personal property or real estate within the

limits of said town within any one year and the money so raised shall be appropriated by such mayor and aldermen for the use and benefit of said town,

Sec 9 The citizens of said town shall not be subject to road duty beyond its corporate limits and the said mayor and aldermen may release them from such labor within said limits upon their paying an equivalent therefor not to exceed six dollars for each hand subject to road duty in one year,

Sec 10 When said board has been organized the said mayor may call a meting at any time by giving five days notice, That a majority shall constitute a Quorum That in case of a tie the mayor shall give the casting vote, and that the said board shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur in their body from one annual election to the next succeeding one

Approved June 4th 1859

William M Wadell

I have no constitutional objection to make to the above Charter

S. J. Wharton
Atty Genl,

N. B. Dilworth
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Sturgusdale in the County of Noxubee in the State of Mississippi

Section 1st That the Town of Sturgusdale in the County and State aforesaid is hereby incorporated and the limits of said Incorporation shall be as follows to wit; To run to the four cardinal points and from it fifteen hundred yards square, to be laid off in such a manner as the Depot Buildings on the Mobile & Ohio Rail Road shall form the center of said corporate limits; said limits shall be Surveyed and marked out by or under the directions of the Mayor & Selectmen, as soon after the approval of this charter and their qualification under the same as may be practicable

Section 2d That Thomas Haynes, D. F. Constantine & William A. McClure or any two of them shall order an Election to be held on the first day of July next or within Thirty days thereafter, for the election of a Mayor, four Selectmen and a Constable of said Town, all of whom shall be Citizens thereof and the said persons so ordering an election as aforsaid shall appoint managers and clerks to conduct the same, and they shall cause at least five days notice of the time and place of said election to be given at which and all subsequent elections every free White male person of the age of twenty one years & upwards - who shall have resided within the corporation limits of said Town for thirty days previous to said Election shall be qualified voters

Section 3rd That the Mayor and Selectmen elected as aforsaid and their Successors in office shall constitute a body corporate by the name and Style of the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Sawgusdale - and by that name they may contract and be contracted with, hold and convey real and personal property, Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of Law or Equity in this State, and do all other acts, which are usually incident to Such bodies Corporate, and they shall hold their offices for the term of one year and until their Successors shall be elected and duly qualified

Section 4th That an election for Mayor, Selectmen and Constable shall be held annually on the first Monday of July or within thirty days thereafter, That the Mayor and Selectmen in office shall appoint managers of such elections and cause to be given five days notice of the time and place of holding the same, but if they shall refuse or neglect to give such Notice or appoint Managers to conduct said election then and in that case any three free holders of said Town being qualified voters therein - may order an election under the restrictions aforsaid, and in case any vacancy shall happen in either of said offices from death or otherwise then the Election to be held to fill such vacancies under the provisions mentioned in the preceding part of this Section

Section 5th That said Mayor and Selectmen and Constable before entering upon the duties of their Offices shall respectively take an oath before some officer of Noxubee County authorized by law to administer an oath - that they will faithfully discharge the duties appertaining to their respective offices; and a majority of said Mayor and Selectmen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and in the absence of the Mayor, a Mayor pro tem may be appointed

Section 6th That it shall be the duty of the Mayor to preside over and preserve good order in the meeting of the said Board - to call meetings thereof when in his opinion necessary or whenever he shall be requested so to do by any two of said Selectmen - to see that all orders and Judgments of said Board

possess all the powers as a conservator of the peace granted by law to Justices of the peace in this State to commit any offender to confinement in the Calaboose or guard house within the corporate limits of said town for the non payment of any fine he may impose any number of days not exceeding ten

Section 7th That the Mayor and Selectmen as soon as they shall within the oath of Office shall proceed to elect a clerk out of their number, who shall receive such salary for his services as they shall allow, and the said clerk by virtue of said Election shall be treasurer of said Corporation, The clerk before entering upon the duties of his office shall give bond and Security payable to the Mayor and his Successors in office, in such penalty as the Mayor and Selectmen shall direct, conditioned for the faithful performance of all the duties assigned him by this Charter and the by laws of said corporation, He shall keep in a well bound a copy of all the by laws and ordinances passed by the Board, and he shall also keep a full and complete record of all the proceedings of each meeting thereof. He shall take charge of all papers, writing, monies and property of whatever Kind belonging to the corporation delivering up or paying out the same to the order of the board, He shall make a full report of his doings and doings as Treasurer whenever he shall be thereto lawfully required, and upon his resignation removal or the expiration of his term of office, all the records, papers, monies and other property in his possession belonging to the Corporation

Section 8th That the Constable before he enters upon the duties of his office shall give bond and Security payable to the Mayor and his his successors in office in such penalty as the Mayor and Selectmen shall direct conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties appertaining to his office under this Charter and the by laws and ordinances of said Corporation, It shall be his duty to serve and collect all taxes ordered to be collected. To execute all process issued by the Mayor or Mayor and Selectmen, To arrest and take in charge all persons who shall in any manner violate the provisions of this Charter or any of the by Laws or ordinances passed by the constituted authorities thereof— And to do and perform all such other duties as may be required of him by the by laws & ordinances of the corporation

Section 9 That all process issued for the apprehension or detention of offenders against the provisions of this Charter and the by Laws and ordinances passed in accordance herewith, shall bear test in the name of the Mayor, but any process for the purposes aforesaid in the absence of the Mayor may be issued by any member of the board of Selectmen

Section 10 That the Mayor and Selectmen shall have full power to pass all necessary ordinances and by Laws for the good order and government of said Town not inconsistant with the Constitution and laws of this State and of the United States. The Mayor or Mayor & Selectmen shall have power to inflict a penalty on any person for a violation of the Ordinances & by Laws of said Corporation not exceeding fifty dollars or ten days imprisonment for any one Offence, to fine not exceeding five dollars and imprisoned not more one hour any person for a Contempt during the meeting of said board or Mayor, To compel all persons subject to work on roads living within the corporation to labor on the Streets and public roads within the corporate limits thereof, for two days in each year or in lieu of said labor, to levy a Street tax not exceeding four dollars per head for such

so subject to Street duty, and all Such persons are hereby exempt from Roads duty on any road in Said County, To raise a revenue by taxation taxing all persons not exceeding one dollar for each poll, And all property within the corporate limits of Said Town not more than one fourth of one per cent on the value thereof, To impose a tax of not more than ten dollars per day on any public show exhibition or mangirie that may be Exercised in Said Town, To impose a tax on Retail groceries not exceeding one hundred dollars each, To enforce the collection of all fines, penalties and taxes assessed by execution or otherwise and to have and execute all Such other powers usually incident to corporations of this nature

Section 11th That all ordinances and by Laws passed by virtue of the powers conferred on this corporation by this Charter Shall not take effect or be in force until after ten days notice thereof be given by advertisements posted up at two or more public places in Said Town

Approved June 14th 1859

William M. Willie

I Saw no constitutional objections to the above Charter

J. J. Wharton

Att to Genl

A B. Dalcroth

Secty of State

The charter of Incorporation of Westerfield Seminary

To all Whom these presents may concern Greeting

Know ye that M a Banks Lewis b Gibson G J. D Funckys L. B Walker L H Webster. G W Williams William J Douglas. Elijah Bishop Charles B Banks. John P Brown, C J Dye, Jacob Hewel Jeremiah Field Michael Cagan Seaman Walker J. L. Mendenhall Robert Bridges W B Chandler. and John D McLaurin together with those who may hereafter become their Successors Associates or assignees are hereby created a body politic and Corporate by the name and style of "Westerfield Seminary" and they and their Successors, shall by their Corporate name and style aforesaid be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all actions suits plaints and matters whatever either in law or equity. and the aforenamed persons in their Corporate name aforesaid are entitled to contract and be contracted with and shall be capable of purchasing holding and alienating by devise. bequest. donation or otherwise any and all kinds of property real personal or mixed for the use and benefit of the said Seminary and shall be capable of alienating the same and they shall further have power to appoint all professors and teachers necessary for said institution and to pay them such salaries out of the funds of the same or otherwise allow them such compensation as may be agreed upon to this end are empowered to raise by subscription, donation or otherwise a sufficient account of Capital stock to carry out the purposes for which said Corporation is created for the term of five years from the date of these presents, which shall be the time limited for the expiration of the corporate powers hereby conferred. They may make such by laws as they may deem expedient for the election and qualification and government of the officers of the institution for their own regulation and for the promotion of learning among the students thereof and may do all other acts that are generally incident to bodies corporate for the encouragement of learning and the prosperity and permanency of the institution which are not repugnant to the laws of the State of Mississippi or the united States and said corporation shall have full power to enforce any by laws by them regularly ~~established~~ enacted as aforesaid not contrary to the laws or constitution of this State and shall be fully authorized to regulate the rates of tuition to be charged for the attendance of students at said Seminary and to enforce the collection of the same

Approved Aug 9th 1859
William McWillie

No Constitutional objection
to the above Charter
T J Wharton
Atto Genl

A B. Dilworth
Sec of State

The charter of Incorporation of the town of Hazlehurst.

Sect 1st The town of Hazlehurst in the County of Copiah State of Mississippi is hereby incorporated and the corporate limits of said town shall run to the four cardinal points and form one mile north and south and a half mile East and West to be laid off in such a manner as that centre of the Cote on which the Depot Buildings now stands as at present laid off and surveyed shall form the centre of said corporate limits and shall hereafter be known and designated as the town of Hazlehurst.

Sec 2nd Every free white male person having attained the age of twenty one years and having resided in the state twelve months and the corporate limits of said town four months next preceding any election for town officers shall be a qualified elector and eligible to any town offici

Sec 3rd The Sheriff of the Copiah County for the time being is hereby authorized on the second monday of October and on the second monday of October of each and every subsequent year thereafter to hold an election within the limits in strict conformity with the laws of this State for a mayor three aldermen and constable for said town

Sec 4 The Sheriff shall give to each of the persons who shall have received the largest number of votes for the several offices a certificate that he is duly elected for one year from and after his election

Sec 5th The limits of said Incorporation shall constitute an justicis district and the mayor elected in pursuance of this charter shall be Commissioned by the Governor as a Justice of the peace of the county and he shall preside at each meeting of the Board of aldermen of said town and by virtue of his office shall have power to perform all such duties and receive the same emoluments as are received by other magistrates in said County,

Sec 6th The said mayor and aldermen shall be a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Hazlehurst, and as such they and their successors in office shall be capable of suing and being sued of pleading and being impleaded and doing any and all such acts as are incident to bodies corporate and politic,

Sec 7th The mayor and aldermen shall have power to pass all necessary laws for the good order and government of said town not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi and of the United States. and shall cause the same to be published at least five days previous to their enforcement; they shall have power to punish all violations of their By laws rules or ordinances and regulations by fine or fines in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars with costs. before the mayor or any Justice of the peace of said County in the name of said corporation and for the use and benefit of said town,

Sec 8 For the purpose of revenue the said mayor and aldermen may tax such property as is liable to taxation under the existing laws of this state, provided such tax shall not exceed twenty five Cents on each white poll, twenty five cents on each slave, and twelve and a half cents on every hundred dollars worth of [illegible] property

and the money so raised shall be appropriated by said mayor and aldermen for the use and benifit of said town,

Sec 9th The citizens of said town shall not be subject to road duty beyond its Corporate limits and the said mayor and aldermen may release them from such labor within said limits upon their paying an equivalent therefor not to exceed six dollars for each hand subject to road duty in any one year,

Sec 10th When said board has been organized the said mayor may call a meeting at anytime by giving five days notice that a majority shall constitute a quorum. that in case of a tie the mayor shall give the casting vote And that the said board shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur in their body from one annual election to the next succeeding one

Approved Septr 21st 1859
By the Governor William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the above charter
F. J. Wharton
Attº Genl

A B Dilworth
Secy of State

Sept 26th 1859

The charter of Incorporation of Midway Male & Female College

Sec 1 That the male and Female College now in existence, and under successful operation in Hinds county under the Control and management of W. B Crisler A M and Mrs Eliza V Crisler as principals. be and is hereby incorporated as midway Male and Female College,

Sec 2 That said Male and Female College is now and shall be hereafter under the control, management and supervision of a Board of Trustees. That the names of said Trustees now in office are as follows viz Isaac Riser President Geo E Tool vice President J D Granberry Secretary Benj L Brown Treasurer and R C Fulks,

Sec 3 That said Board by the title of the Board of Trustees of Midway Male and Female College shall have power to superintend, visit manage and make all needful rules and regulations and Bylaws necessary for the Government of the same. They shall be empowered to ~~entitle~~ institute and confer degrees and to issue Diplomas in accordance with the established usage in such cases should they deem it expedient.

Sec 4 That said Trustees shall be authorized to hold by purchase or otherwise fifty thousand dollars of real and personal property for the benefit of a Joint stock company which has been formed for the purpose of building up and sustaining said male and Female College: That they shall be capable in Law of Suing and being sued by their corporate name.

Sec 5 That said Board of Trustees shall keep a record of their proceedings that a majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. That the officers of said Board shall be a President. Vice President Secretary and Treasurer, who shall continue in office until their successors are elected. that all vacancies occurring in said Board by death, resignation. refusal to act. or other causes shall be filled by the Stockholders of said Joint Stock company. at a meeting called by the remaining Trustees or by the President of the Board. that the election

of said Trustees by said joint-stock company shall be by ballot

Sec 6 That the said Board of Trustees shall hold regular meetings at such times and places as may be ordered by them, but that President or vice President or any two of the Trustees shall have power to call a special meeting of the Board whenever they may deem it expedient.

Sec 7 That this charter shall go into operation from and after the ninth day of November A D 1859

No constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.

T J Wharton
Atto Genl

Approved Nov 9th 1859
William McWillie

A. B. Dilworth
Secy of State

Sec 1st

An Amendment to the Charter of the Town of Desoto in Clarke County.

That the Charter of the Town of Desoto in Clarke County be so amended as to authorize the election of Mayor and Aldermen on the first monday in January 1860 and biennially thereafter. And the said charter shall have as full force and effect after the approval of this amendment as it would have had. if the election had been held on the day specified in the original charter.

Approved Nov 10th 1859
William McWillie

No constitutional objection to the above charter
T J Wharton
Atty Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secy of State

The charter of incorporation of the Ministerial Educational Society

Art 1st This society shall have for its object the education of ministers for the Methodist Protestant Church.

Art 2d This society shall be composed of the following named persons to wit L H. Garrison William Blakely E J Taylor. Solomon Ethridge Elisha Lott William L Clearman Nathan B Whitehead. E. S Loper. W B Lott. J. C Garrison John Blakely Sr John Blakely Jr Willis R Norman. Jesse McKay D C Bankston. Thos L McGraw. And all others who may subscribe to the requirements of this constitution

Art 3d This society shall be called the ministerial Educational Society

Art 4

Sec 1st This society shall have power to make all necessary by laws, rules and regulations for its own good government and perpetuity. It shall have power to elect its own officers, and shall transact all legitimate business commonly done by such bodies. it shall have power to sue and be sued to judgment and satisfaction, and to buy and sell, or rent property or loan money. It shall have power to appoint the times and places for its own meetings and make all other arrangements from time to time for the furtherence of the object proposed. Provided however that nothing in this constitution shall be

regulation or by law in violation of the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Sec 2 The amount of property held by this society shall be confined to the limits of the Statute.

Art 5 This society shall be perpetual unless its charter is repealed by the Legislature

" 6th This society shall be under the supervision of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Art 7 Any person may become a member of this society by paying the sum of fifty dollars

Art 8 Any member of this society shall have power in anticipation of death or removal or otherwise to appoint or constitute any other person he may choose his successor, by said appointee paying to the Society five dollars.

Art 9 Sec 1st The officers of this society shall be composed of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall be elected by ballot and shall continue in office for the term of two years.

Sec 2 It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society and perform such other duties as may be required of him in the by laws

Sec 3 It shall be the duty of the Vice President to preside in the absence of the President

Sec 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of each meting, receive all the money due, or that may be paid into the society receipt the same and pay it over to the Treasurer.

Sec 5 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive the money from the Secretary receipt for the same and pay or loan it out at the direction of the society.

Sec 6 The Secretary and Treasurer shall be bound in a bond the amount of which shall not be less than twice the amount of money placed in their hands for the faithful performance of their duty

Art 10 Such portions of the interest only of this fund shall be appropriated from time to time for the education of ministers as the Society may direct, The principle of this fund shall not be reduced until it accumulates beyond the amount fixed by ~~the~~ law for the limits of the charter.

Art 11 This society shall convene annually with the annual conference and report its proceedings to that body at least two days before its sitting

Art 12th A majority of all the members present at any one meting shall constitute a quorum to do business

Art 13th This Constitution shall be in full force and effect from and after the first monday in December 1859.

Art 14 Any part of this Constitution may be altered by a vote of two thirds of all the members of this society

Approved Oct 27th 1859
William McWillie

No Constitutional objection to the above Chapter
J. I. Thornton
Atto Genl

A B Dilworth
Sec of State

Amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Greenboro in the county of Choctaw, state of Mississippi; which Charter was approved by the Governor of said state, Nov. 18th 1858, and recorded in the office of Secretary of state, in Record Book, Pages 40 and 41.

Section Third of said Charter is hereby amended so as to read thus:

"Sec. 3. The Sheriff, or some Justice of the Peace, of said county, shall on the first monday in January next, and on the first monday in each succeeding January (or as soon thereafter as practicable) hold an election for a Mayor a Town constable, and five selectmen; and the Officer who holds said election shall, within five days after the election, give to each of the seven persons, who shall have received the greatest number of votes for the said several offices notice of his election; and the persons so elected shall continue in office until the first monday in January following, and until their successors shall be duly elected and authorized to enter into office. Five days previous notice of the first election shall be given by one of the Officers authorized to hold it."—

And section sixth of said Charter is hereby amended so as to read thus:

"Sec. 6. Said Mayor and Selectmen shall have power to pass all by-laws, and establish all rules and regulations necessary for the good order and moral government of said Town, or for the comfort, or prosperity of the citizens thereof not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States; and also impose fines and Penalties for violations of the by-laws, rules or regulations of said Town, not exceeding twenty-five dollars for any one offence. The Mayor shall have power, and it shall be his duty to imprison offenders against such by-laws, rules and regulations, in the county-Jail, until the fines and cost, thus adjudged against them shall be paid—Provided the imprisonment shall not be longer than twenty days for any one offence; and the Judgment or order of the Mayor imposing such fines shall have the force and effect of a Judgment of a Court of competent jurisdiction, and may be enforced by execution like other judgments of a Justice of the Peace; and such fines when collected, shall be for the use of said Town. And said Mayor and selectmen shall appoint, annually, a Treasurer and a Recorder, whose duties responsibilities and compensation shall be prescribed by said Mayor and selectmen".

Approved Nov. 11th 1859
William McWillie.

L. S.

No constitutional objections to the above charter.
T. J. Wharton
Att. Genl.

A. B. Dilworth
Secty. of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Waterford in the County of Marshall.

Sec 1 That the Town of Waterford in the County of Marshall is hereby incorporated that the limits of said Corporation shall be as follows one half mile square upon it's Center the Depot of the Mississippi Central Rail Road in Said Town

Sec 2. The officers of Said Town shall be a Mayor ~~and~~ a Constable and five Selectmen who shall be elected by the qualified voters in Said Town and continue two years in office and until their Successors are duly elected and qualified

Sec. 3 The Mayor of said Town shall within the corporate limits of Said Town have the Jurisdiction of Justice of the Peace and shall be subject to all the rules and regulations prescribed for Justices of the Peace in said County with regard to oaths bonds and duties

Sec 4 The Constable shall have the same powers and perform the same duties within the corporate limits of Said Town as are vested in Constables in Said County to have and perform

Sec 5 The Mayor and Selectmen, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business shall have power to pass all laws necessary for the good order peace & regulation of said Town not inconsistent with the Constitution of this State and the laws of the same. They shall have power to appoint a Secretary Treasurer and an Assessor and Collector of taxes and shall prescribe their obligations, and duties. The Mayor and Selectmen shall be Styled the "Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Waterford. The Mayor shall preside at the meetings of said Board and in case of absence any member of said Board may preside they shall have power to fix the time and place of their meeting by law,

Sec 6 All laws passed by said Board shall be posted ~~up~~ in some public place in said Town at least five days before the enforcement

Sec 7 Every free white male person over the age of twenty one years who shall have resided in this State one year and a resident of said Town at least twenty days shall be a qualified voter in said Town

Sec 8 The first Election for Mayor, Constable and five Selectmen shall be held on the first Saturday of January A. D. 1860. under the supervision of any Justice of the Peace in said County or any two freeholders of said ~~County~~ Town and ~~and~~ all subsequent elections shall be held biennially thereafter under the supervision of said Board and said Board may by order special election to fill all vacancies,

Sec 9. Said Board of Mayor and Selectmen shall have power to levy a tax on real & personal taxable property of said Town not exceeding Twenty five per cent Dollar for State tax in any one year

Sec 9. Said Mayor and Constable shall be commissioned by the Governor

Sec 10 Said Board of Mayor and Selectmen shall have powers to levy a tax on all taxable property in said Town not exceeding twenty five per cent on the State tax in any one year

Sec 11 This Charter shall take effect and be in force after its passage

No Constitutional objection to the above charter

J. J. Wharton Atty Genl

Approved Dec 1st 1859

John J Pettus

A. B. Dillard Sec'y of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Biloxi in the County of Harrison.

Sec 1. That the Town of Biloxi in the County of Harrison is Hereby incorporated, and that the Corporate limits of Said Town, Shall be bounded by the line of the Jackson and Harrison Counties, on the South by the Middle of the Channel of the Bays of Biloxi, on the west by the lands known as the Petravan Property on the North by the Reserve of the United States on the back Bay, thence an Easterly direction to property of Jacob Elmer, thence along Said property to the Back Bay, thence down Said Bay to Said Jackson and Harrison County lines. thence South down Said line to place of beginning.

Sec 2d Be it further Enacted, That an Election Shall be held in Said Town at any time within Ninety days, after the passage of this act, upon application being made by any three freeholders of Said Town to any Justice of the County of Harrison County whereupon, Said Justice of the peace Shall give ten days Notice in writing of the time and place of holding Said Election, Said Election Shall be held under the inspection of Said Justice of the Peace, and any three freeholders of Said Town appointed by Said Justice of the Peace, for the Election of One President and Eight Selectmen, one assessor & Collector of Taxes, one Treasurer, and one Constable, who Shall Hold their respective offices until the first Monday in January A D 1861. and until their Successors are duly qualified, and a general Election of officers of Said Town Shall be held upon the first Monday in January every two years thereafter, under the inspection of one Justice of the Peace and three freeholders, residing in Said Town appointed by Said Justice, and the Constable Shall Serve as Returning Officer of Said Election and Certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State whereupon the President Shall be Commissioned by the Governor of this State, as President of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Biloxi. Said President and Selectmen Shall Receive no Compensation for their Services Except as hereinafter provided, and Shall be Exempt for working Roads.

Sec 3d Be it further Enacted, That no person Shall hold the office of President, or Selectman unless he be a Citizen of the United States, and of this State, and Shall have been a resident of Said Town one year next preceeding this Election, and he shall also be a freeholder of Said Town at the time of his Election

Sec 4th Be it further enacted, That Said President and Selectmen Shall meet Monday next following the Election and take and Subscribe the Oath required by the Constitution. and that the regular Meetings of the President and Selectmen, Shall be held on the first Monday of every Month, a majority of whom shall at all times form a quorum for business, and in case of the absence of the President, the Selectmen Shall have power to elect a President Pro tem, out of their own body; and the President Shall have power to call Special Meetings of Said Board, whenever business may require,

Sec 5. Be it further Enacted, That the President and Selectmen of the Town of Biloxi Shall be a body Politic and Corporate, in fact and name by the Style of, The President and Selectmen of the Town of Biloxi, and by that name, they and their Successors in office Shall have perpetual Succession, be Capable in law to purchase, take, Receive Hold and enjoy to the use of them, and their Successors in office, Real Estate in fee simple or lesser interest, and the same to lease, Release, Sell alien and convey

and all Manner of Chattles, and personal Estate, to purchase, take Recive hold and enjoy, to Sell or otherwise dispose of: providid, that the Value of all the property owned by Said Corporation, Shall not Exceed fifty Thousand dollars, By the Same Name, they and their Successors, Shall be liable and Capable in Law, to Sue and be Sued, Plead and be impleaded in all Manner of Suits, or actions, either in Law or Equity, and to do and perform all other acts and deeds, which are incident to bodies corporate, They Shall have power to Raise Such Sums of Money, as they may think necessary for the use of Said Town, by taxes Levied on the real and personal Estate therein According to the Regulation of Said Board, and to tax all free negroes and Mulattoes therein, providid that the Sum So raised Shall not in any one year Exceed one fourth of one percent on real Estate, and Shall not Exceed the State tax on personal property, Authorized by law. They Shall have power to make Such By laws, ordinances and Regulations in writing not inconsistant with the Constitution and laws of this State, as to them Shall Seem necessary for the well being, good order, Health and prosperity of Said Town, And the Same to put in execution, revoke, alter or amend, as to them Shall appear Expedient, they Shall have power to elect a Clerk, to appoint and nominate all the officers, except, those herein after Specified that they may deem fit, and necessary, for Carrying into effect their By-laws, ordinances, or regulations, and to suspend, remove or revoke any officer by them appointed, and they Shall have power to Compell all Constables, Magestrates and Sheriffs (Elected by the people in the County of Harrison) to Execute, and Carry into effect all ordinances, they may pass for the good order, and well being of Said Town, not inconsistant with the Constitution and laws of this State. and to require of the assessor and Collector Treasurer, Constable, Justices of the peace, and other officers of Said Town, Such Bonds as they may deem meet and proper for the faithful discharge of their respective duties. They Shall have power to Establish and Regulate Patrolls within the Corporate limits, also to lay out, open and Repair Such Streets as they may think necessary to order the owners, or agents, of any lots or Houses in Said Town, to make the necessary improvements, or Repairs in the Streets in front of Said lots or Houses.

Sec 6. Be it further Enacted; That the Said, President and Selectmen Shall have power to make and Repair, or cause to be made and Repaired Bonquetts, or Side walks, paved with brick, Stone, or any good and Substantial Material, also Repair the Streets of Said Town, when ever a Majority of the persons owning Real property, upon Said Streets, Shall petition for the Same, providid that one half of the Expense thereof, Shall be born proportionably by the persons in front of whose property Said Streets, Sidewalks, or Bonquetts Shall be made, and the Remaining half, by Said Town.

Sec 7. Be it further Enacted, that this act Shall not be So Construed, as to come in Conflict with any State laws now in existance.

Sec 8. Be it further Enacted, that this act Shall take effect, and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved December 2nd 1859 John I. Pelly

I have no Constitutional objection to the above Charter
T. I. Charlton Att Genl.
A. J. Dilworth Secty of State.

An Act to incorporate the Mobile and Ohio Telegraph Company.

Sec 1st. Be it enacted that R A Baker, C R Poole, C S McNac L S Fleming, L B Moody and A S Humphries, or any five of them, and those whom they may associate with them, and their Successors, be, and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and Corporate, under the name and Style of the Mobile and Ohio Telegraph Corporation, and as such Corporate body, they shall have power 1st to have Succession by its Corporate name and make contracts. 2nd to Sue and be Sued. 3d. to use a Comon Seal, and to alter the same at pleasure. 4th. To hold purchase, dispose of and Convey Real and personal Estate, to such amounts as its business may require. 5th to appoint such subordinate officers, and agents, as the business of the Company shall require, prescribe their duties, and fix their Compensation. 6th to make By laws not inconsistant with any Existing law, for the Transfer of its Stock, the Management of its property, or Regulation of its affairs.

Sec 2. And be further enacted, that the said Corporation shall have power to cause to be erected, kept up and used, one or more Telegraph lines of such description as they may from time to time, think proper, along the route of the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road and its branches, or any part thereof, with all Stations and appurtenances for the use of said Rail Road, and branches, and for the use of the public generally, under such Rules and Regulations, as may be deemed expedient, and at such rates of Compensation as may be agreed on, and for that purpose said Corporation may use such amount of Capital as may be needed to Carry on said business.

Sec 3. And be it further enacted that the Capital Stock shall be held in shares of one hundred dollars each and the number of Shares may be increased or diminished from time to time as may be deemed expedient, and as its business may require; provided it does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars.

Sec 4. Be it enacted further, that the Stockholders shall annually elect five Directors who shall manage all the affairs of said Corporation, one of whom shall be selected by the Directors as President of the Corporation and in all such elections each share of the Stock shall entitle the holders to one vote. all vacancies to be filled by the Directors. Sec 5. And be it enacted further, that the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road Company shall have power and authority to subscribe for and hold Stock in said Corporation, and to Contract and agree with said Telegraph Corporation for the erection keeping up using and transacting the business of Telegraphing, and to agree with said Telegraph Corporation for the Commission of its dispatches and Telegraph business on such terms as the two Corporations may agree on, and they shall have power to Contract with each other for that purpose provided that the said Mobile and Ohio Rail Road and branches shall always have the preference in point of time, when there may be a press of business, over others for the transmission of its dispatches, and all mes-

-ful regulations may be made by said two Corporations to accomplish the object herein provided.

Sec 6. That the office of said Corporation shall be located at Mobile (until moved by a majority of the Stock represented, to some other point upon the line of the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road) & when all dividends shall be paid and Books of transfer of Stock shall be kept.

Sec 7. That said Corporation shall have power, to contract for all connections with other lines in or out of this State they may think proper, and to purchase or build such connecting lines, extending to any place they may deem advisable and may enlarge the Capital Stock for that purpose at any time required

Sec 8. Be it further enacted, that this act take effect from the time of its passage.

I have no Constitutional Objection to the above Charter

T J Wharton
Atto Genl.

Approved December 13th 1859

John A Pettus.

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

An Act entitled An act to Incorporate the Rose Hill Male and Female Academy in the County of Jasper

Sec 1st Be it Enacted, That G W Ogan, B F White, James M Kennedy, John A Barksdale & Wm W McPherson, be and they are hereby constituted a body Corporate and politic, by the name and Style of the President and Trustees of the Rose Hill Male and Female Academy" and by that name, they and their Successors in office shall be capable of Sueing and being Sued, pleading and being impleaded, in all actions, Suits plaints, matters and causes whatsoever: and they may have a Common Seal, and alter the Same at pleasure; shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real, personal or Mixed estate not exceeding forty thousand dollars: May make By-laws for the election of their officers, Trustees and all other purposes; and may do and perform all other acts for the government of the affairs of the Said Corporation that are incident to bodies Corporate and not inconsistant to the Constitution and Laws of this State

Sec 2nd Be it further enacted. That this act take effect from its passage.
There is no Constitutional objection to the above Charter
T J Wharton.
Atto Genl

Approved December 14th 1859 John J Pettus
A B Delamotte
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of incorporation of the board of Trustees of Leaf River Baptist Church in the County of Covington

1st Be it known that Cader Mitchell, James M. Speed Norvell L. Robertson, Joseph T. Duckworth and Asaph P. Robertson and their associates and successors are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the "Board of Trustees of the Baptist Church of Christ at Leaf River in the County of Covington" and State of Mississippi

2nd " That the said Trustees and their successors in office are hereby made capable of suing and being sued pleading and being impleaded and are empowered to hold property real and personal to the value of Two Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars.

3rd " That the said Trustees and their successors in office shall have power to fill all vacancies that may occur in their body, selecting such only as are members of said Church in fair standing.

4th " That the number of Trustees of said Church shall at no time exceed Five - a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business - and should it ever occur that there is only one legal acting Trustee, he is hereby authorized to fill all vacancies in said board -

5th " That the said Trustees above named and their successors in office, shall be subject to removal from office by said Church at pleasure - Provided always that the Board of Trustees shall not all be removed from office at one and the same time

6th " That the Land - with the buildings &c thereon, shall be and remain sacred to the use of the Regular Baptist Denomination of Christians - subject to such laws, as the Church may pass for their government and for their protection in religious worships, not repugnant to the Constitution and Laws of this State or the United States -

7 This Charter shall be for 100 years and take effect from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of this State -

I know no constitutional objection to the above Charter
J. J. Wharton
Att'y Gen'l

Approved Dec 13th 1859.
John J. Pettus.

A. B. Dilworth
Sec't of State.

The Charter of incorporation of the Mary Bethel, Church, School and Cemetery of Covington County,

1st Be it known that the following described Lands, being and situate in the County of Covington and State of Mississippi, with the Buildings &c thereon are hereby incorporated sacred to the purposes above named - to wit for Church school and Cemetery purposes. Said Lands containing six (6) acres more or less bounded as follows Commencing at the Northwest corner of W 1/2 of S W 1/4 running South twelve chains, thence East five chains, thence North twelve chains, thence West five chains to the beginning, in Section (5) Township (7) Range (17) West.

2nd The Sheriff, of said County - and his successors in office, is hereby constituted Trustee of said Mary Bethel Church School and Cemetery, with power to protect the same from trespass and do all other things as Trustee of the same, not repugnant to the Constitution and Laws of this State or the United States -

3rd This Charter shall be perpetual and take effect from and after the date of its approval and signature by the Governor of this State

I have no constitutional objection to the above Charter
S. J. Wharton
Atty. Genl.

Approved December 13th 1854
John J. Pettus -

A. B. Dalworth
Secty of State.

The charter of Incorporation of the Second Presbyterian Church of the City of Natchez

Be it Known, that James M Conchie, Thomas Warren William D Swain David Turner Philip Neibeisel William Stead Duncan Davidson Alexander Anderson and Richard Paine, of the City of Natchez, County of Adams and State of Mississippi and their succesors in office, are hereby constituted a Corporate body in perpetuity by the name and Style of "The Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church of the City of Natchez" for the purpose of enabling them to hold and enjoy such real and personal estate, as by the laws of said State, Religious Societies may hold, and empowering them to manage and control the temporal affairs of said church. And that by that name they may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, purchase, receive and hold the Estate above mentioned, and the same alien and Convey at pleasure: and for the purposes aforesaid do and suffer all acts not in contravention of the Laws of said State

Approved this 31st day of December AD 1839
John A. Quitman

There is no constitutional objection to the above charter
J. J. Thornton
Att Genl

A. R. Dilworth
Secretary of State

Amendments to The Charter of Incorperation of the Town of Iuka in Tishomingo County in the State of Mississippi

Section Ten Shall be and is hereby so amended That the election for mayor Constable and alderman Shall be held biennially on the third monday of January the first election under this provision Shall take place on the third monday in January 1861 and the present mayor Constable & alderman Shall Continue in office til that time & til their successors are Qualified provided said mayor and Constable Shall remain there official bonds for the length of time that they may hereby be Continued in office

Section Eleven Shall be and is hereby so amended that should a Vacancy in office occur of any one or more of the Board of aldermen mayor or Constable That it Shall be Lawful for a Majority of the Board of aldermen if a majority Shall remain in office to make an appointment to fill out such unexpired term and such person or persons so appointed Shall proceed to Qualify according to law and Shall be in all respects as Competent is if elected according to the provisions of law

Approved February 1st 1860
John J Pittus

Examined & Approved
J J Thorton
Atty Gen

A. B Ledbetter
Secty of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of The Town of Mooresville in the County of Iredell.

Sec. 1st Be it enacted, That the Town of Mooresville in the County of Iredell be, and the Same is hereby incorporated, and that the Corporate limits of Said Town shall be one half Mile North, East, South and West, from the Centre of Hayes Tavern

Sec 2d Be it further enacted that any Justice of the Peace in Said district shall and may open, and hold an election in Said town on the first Monday in March or at any time in Sixty days thereafter on giving at least ten days notice of Such election for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace, and Constable in Said town, who shall be commissioned, and Execute bond, take the oath prescribed by law, who shall issue process, and exercise the Same powers and Jurisdiction as belonging to like officers in this State, and shall hold their offices until the next guneral election, at which time and every two years thereafter the Same shall be filled by Election.

Sec 3d Be it further Enacted, that it shall be the duty of the Justices of the Peace So elected at any Convenient time thereafter to hold an election in Said town, for the purpose of electing five Selectmen, who shall choose one of their number as President, and shall Compose a body Corporate by the name and style of the President and Selectmen of the Town of Mooresville, and by that name Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded in all Suits or pleants either in law or equity, and to do all other acts which are usually incident to towns Corporate, and Said Selectmen shall hold their offices for twelve months, and until their Successors are qualified

Sec 4th Be it further enacted, that at the first and all Subsequent elections for Justice of the Peace, Constable or Selectmen every free white male person upwards of twenty one years of age, who shall have resided within the Corporate limits of Said town, for one months next before any election Shall be a qualified voter

Sec 5th Be it further enacted, That Said President and Selectmen may make all by-laws, ordinances Rules and Regulations for the good government, order and protection of Said town, not in violation of the Constitution or laws of this State, or the United States, and Shall cause the Same to be published in Said town at least five days previous to their enforcement, and Shall have power to enact penalties for violations of Said by laws, ordinances and Regulations by fine or fined, for Such violations not exceeding fifty dollars recoverable before the Justice of the Peace of Said town which Said fines Shall be applied to the Sole benefit of Said town, and Said President and Selectmen Shall have power in each and

on the State tax, on all persons and property, within the limits of Said Corporation for the use and benefit of Said Town, all of which shall be duly subject to the control of Said President and Selectmen for the purposes aforeSaid.

Sec 6th Be it further enacted; That Said Constable shall have power, to assess and collect all taxes imposed by Said President and Selectmen and all fines for violation of their by-laws, or ordinances, Rules and Regulations and shall be bound to pay over Said amounts to the President of Said Board of Selectmen

Sec 7th Be it further enacted; That the Said President and Selectmen Shall have power to require all persons residing in said Corporation subject to work on public Roads, to labor on the Streets of Said Town, and keep the Same in good order to the limits of Said Corporation, Provided no one shall be compelled to work Exceeding Six days in any one year and the inhabitants of Said Town shall be exempt from working on all other roads and highways

Sec 8th And be it further enacted; That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved February 4th 1860

John S. Pettis.

Examined & Approved
T. J. Thurston
Atto Genl

A B Dickerson
Secretary of State (L S)

The Charter of Incorporation of Whitworth College for Young Ladies.

Sec 1. The Whitworth College for Young Ladies in the Town of Brookhaven is hereby Incorporated as follows.

Sec 2. The Said College Shall hereafter be under the control management and Supervision of the Trustees the first Board of whom Shall Consist of the following Persons, E L Brown Esqr Dr Robert Montgomery John S Carson Esqr John Storm Hon I A Thompson Hon John Dickerson Rev I M Turner who by the title of the Board of Trustees of Whitworth College Shall have power to Superintend, Visit and manage and make all needful Rules and Regulations, and by-laws necessary for the government of the Same. They Shall empowered to institute and confer degrees, and to issue deplomas in accordance with the established usage in Such cases Should they deem it expedient. They Shall be authorized to hold by purchase or otherwise fifty Thousand dollars of Real and Personal property for the benefit of Said Female College. they Shall be capable in law of Suing and being Sued. by their Corporate Name.

Sec 3. The first Meeting of Said Board of Trustees may be called at the written Request of the Rev M J Whitworth on giving ten days Notice of the time and place of Meeting.

Sec 4. The Said Board of Trustees, Shall elect a President Secretary and Treasurer from among themselves, and Shall keep a Record of their proceedings. A Majority of Said Board Shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. all vacancies Occuring in Said Board by death Resignation refusal to act or other Causes Shall be filled by appointment made by the Remaining Members thereof.

Sec 5. The Said Board Shall hold Regular Meetings at Such times and places as may be ordered by them. But the President and two Trustees Shall have power to Call a Special Meeting of the Trustees, when they may deem it expedient

Sec 6. This Charter Shall go into operation from and after its approval by the proper officers Constituted for that purpose

Examined & Approved
T J Wharton
Atty Gen'l.

Approved February 1st 1860
John I. Pilling

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

An act to Repeal the act hereto fore passed incorporating the Town of Brookhaven and defining the boundaries & powers of the Town

Sec 1 Be it enacted that the acts heretofore passed incorporating the Town of Brookhaven in the County of Suffolk be and the same are hereby Repealed and that the said Town be and the same is hereby incorporated under the provisions hereinafter expressed within the following boundaries and limits that is to say Commencing at the Depot House in said Town and extending one mile & a half each way Viz- North, South, East and West making said Town Two miles Square

Sec 2. Be it further enacted, That on the first Monday of March in each and every Year the qualified voters in said Town shall elect a Mayor six aldermen and a Town Constable the Mayor & Aldermen to be either freeholders or householders which Election shall be conducted by a Justice of the Peace and Town Inspectors thereof and the person having the highest number of votes shall be declared duly elected and shall be forthwith returned by said Superintendent of said election to the office of Secretary of State and shall be Commissioned by the Governor, and the said Mayor and alderman immediately on the Receipt of their Commissions shall take and subscribe the oath prescribed by the Constitution and such persons so elected shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified, the polls of such election shall be opened at ten o'clock A.M. and close at four o'clock P.M. of the same day and notice of all such elections shall be given and published at least ten days previous to the time of holding the same

Sec 3 Be it further enacted that the said Mayor & Aldermen shall immediately thereafter meet and form a Board to do business and shall appoint a Clerk and such other officers & Boards as may be contemplated or Required by this act and shall otherwise provide for therein and they shall have full power and it shall be their duty to Require and take such sufficient bond or bonds from all such officers, prescribe the penalties and conditions of such bond or bonds and prescribe the particular duties of each & every such of their officers and the oaths to be taken by them not inconsistent with this act and the Mayor and any three or more of said Aldermen shall form a board for the transaction of business and in case of the non attendance of the Mayor at any Meeting of the board, if there shall appear a sufficient number of the members thereof to form a board they may appoint a Chairman pro tempore and proceed to do business and the said board of Mayor and Aldermen shall be known and distinguished by the name and Style of "The Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Brookhaven" and as such shall constitute a body Corporate and politic and shall have and exercise all the powers, rights & privileges usually appertaining or belonging to bodies Corporate and politic and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of Law or Equity; and the said Mayor and Aldermen shall have full power and

said Town, they shall have power to make and promulgate such Ordinances, Rules and Orders for the Harmony and Government of said Town as the said Mayor and Aldermen shall from Necessity, Right and Proper not inconsistent with the Constitution of this State, they shall have power to inflict a penalty on any person for a violation of their by laws in sum not exceeding twenty Dollars for any one offence Recoverable with Costs before any Justice of the Peace for the County of Lawrence in the name of the said Mayor and Aldermen, for the use and benefit of said Town, they shall have power to prescribe the mode and manner of abating nuisances, and at what expense the same be removed and of removing any obstructions in the Streets and public places in said Town and of imposing suitable penalties upon persons causing any such obstructions, they shall have power and it shall be their duty to enact & promulgate ordinances Requiring any and all public gaming tables in what Power place any such may be found and the time or in any manner used in said Town to be seized together with all their implements, Cards, Money or other things thereto belonging & exposed the same to be publicly burnt in any street of said Town (except the Money, which shall be forfeited & came to the benefit of said Town) and to require the Mayor of said Town in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace of Lawrence County to proceed against any such person or persons who may be thus found exhibiting or using any such gaming Table or wheresoever may be in any way engaged or interested therein, as Justices of the Peace, by the laws of this State are directed to proceed, they shall have power, when it shall appear to them that any person or persons retailing spirituous liquors in any wise whatever shall keep a disorderly house, that the Town Constable, by order of the Mayor and Alderman shall close or cause to be closed the doors or houses of all such person or persons, and the said house or houses shall remain closed until such person or persons so offending shall give bond to the Mayor and Alderman of said Town in the sum of one thousand Dollars with approved security for the good order thereof, they shall have power to levy a tax in each and every year in a sum not exceeding fifty Cents on every hundred dollars of value thereof on all lots of ground & lots and tenements within said Town and that they shall have full power and authority to levy taxes on all property and things not hereinafter specified in this act, subject to taxation in the Town, and they shall have the power to fix the rate of taxes on all Merchants, Auctioneers, Brokers, Venders of Medicines, Collectors, Tavern Keepers, Proprietors of Theatres, Circuses & Managerie and on all persons making any public exhibitions of their personal powers or agility or any thing they may purpose for which exhibition they shall charge an admission fee to such as may attend

Sec 4 Be it further enacted That the Mayor and Aldermen of said Town shall elect annually an assessor and Collector of Taxes and that the said

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aforesaid and collection thereof to be and the same is hereby
conferred upon the aforesaid Collector of Taxes for said Town
Be it further enacted, That the Mayor & Aldermen of said Town
may levy a Tax of not more than two dollars upon each
every free white Male and Male slave inhabitants of said Town
not under eighteen nor more than sixty years of age, and
to be collected as is provided for in the fourth section of this
act and the said inhabitants shall be exempt from said tax
and road labor and the Mayor and Aldermen of said Town
shall have power to cause each and every owner or owners of
lot or lots in said Town to make a good and sufficient pave
of bricks, stone, gravel or plank on the side or sides of the street in
in front of said lot or lots, said pavement may be the width of
the said Mayor and Aldermen may prescribe and if any
owner or owners of said lot or lots shall refuse after being
required or notified by the written notice from the Mayor of said
days before the paying shall commence to construct the pavement
way, that shall the said Mayor & Aldermen have power to
cause the same to be made at the cost of said owner or owners
with ten per cent damages and the Town Constable shall have
power to make distress of the goods and chattels, lands and
tenements of said owner or owners to pay said cost if not
paid by him, her or them after due notice thereof

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Be it further enacted, That the Mayor & Aldermen of said
Town shall have power and it shall be their duty to cause
to be kept a decent and orderly manner in said town and
Regulate the same with a view to do justice to the
inhabitants thereof, as also to see such as may supply
and furnish the same

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Be it further enacted That the Mayor of said town shall
have power in his judicial capacity to exercise
jurisdiction on all matters arising under the provisions
this act necessary to carry the same into full effect in
said town and shall have and exercise all the powers
and jurisdiction of a Justice of the Peace of the County
Lawrence throughout said County, it shall be his duty
to see that the provisions of this act, necessary to carry the
same into full effect in said town and shall have and
exercise all the powers and jurisdiction of a Justice
of the Peace of the County of Lawrence throughout said
County, it shall be his duty to see that the provisions of
this act and all ordinances, Rules and orders made in pursuance
thereof shall be truly and faithfully executed, it shall be
his duty to call a Meeting of the Board of Aldermen at such
time he may deem it necessary and he shall cause to be
laid before them for their consideration all matters and
things touching the interest and welfare of said town, he shall
preside at all Meetings of the Board when present and shall
preserve order therein and shall see that the business thereof
is conducted in a regular orderly manner, he may fine
not exceeding twenty Dollars any member thereof for
improper or disorderly conduct at any such Meeting, he
shall have power to withhold his

Rule or order that may be passed by said Board of Aldermen as aforesaid, if in his opinion it is in any respect inconsistent with the Constitution of this State or this provisions of this act - and if after giving his dissent and Reasons & any such ordinance, Rule & order as aforesaid Shall have been passed by two thirds of the Members of said Board; which Shall be the then of said Corporation, He Shall have power to impose a fine not exceeding Twenty Dollars and imprisonment not exceeding twelve hours on any person who shall offer a Contempt of his Court while Sitting;

Sec 8 Be it further enacted, That it Shall be the duty of the Town Constable of Said Town to Strictly and diligently perform all the duties required of him by the provision of this act, or of the ordinances, Rules and orders passed in pursuance thereof, he Shall without delay Execute all Lawful process directed to him, by the Mayor or Board of Aldermen of Said Town, or by the Mayor thereof in his capacity as Justice of the Peace for Lawrence County; he Shall use his utmost endeavours to prevent and suppress all breaches of the Peace in Said Town, and to quell and suppress any rioting or improper disturbance or any other indecent or disorderly Conduct, therein; and Shall have power, and it Shall be his duty at all times to arrest and take before the Mayor with or without Warrant for examination, all or any such person or persons who Shall be found violating the provisions of this act or any of the ordinances Rules or orders made in pursuance thereof; it Shall be his duty to report to the Mayor or Board of Aldermen any nuisance, or obstructions in the Streets, Public places or highways in Said Town.

See 9. Be it further enacted; That it Shall be the duty of Said Mayor and Aldermen to require and take from the Said Town Constable, before he enters upon the duties of his office, a bond payable to the Mayor and Aldermen of Said Town and their Successors in office in the penalty of not exceeding two thousand dollars, with two or more Securities, to approved by said Mayor and Aldermen, Conditioned that he Shall and truly perform all the duties required of him by this act and the ordinances, rules and orders, passed in pursuance thereof; and that he will well and truly pay over to the proper officers of Said Town, all the monies that may be collected or received by him for or on account of Said Town, and that he will well and truly pay over all monies to the parties entitled to receive the Same, which may be collected or received by him as Constable of Lawrence County or Said Town, which Bond when so taken and approved Shall be filed and recorded in the Clerks office of the Probate Court of Lawrence County, and at any time if the Conditions thereof Shall be forfeited, it Shall be lawful for the Corporation aforesaid, or any person who Shall be required by a breach of the Condition of Said bond to Sue the Same in Such to be prosecuted for the benefit of any Such party thus injured; and if the Said Town Constable Shall at any time collect or receive money on any execution or other process in his hand, and Shall fail to pay over the Same

Sec 24 Be it further enacted, That the Mayor for the time being, shall advertise and give notice of elections in the manner directed by this act, and in case he shall fail to do so, any three freeholders of said Town may advertise and give notice of any such election in the manner aforesaid.

Sec 25 Be it further enacted That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage

Approved February 6th 1860

John S. Pettus

Examined & Approved

J. J. Wharton Atto Genl

A B Dilworth

Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Gainsville in the County of Hancock.

Sec 1. Be it Known, That the Town of Gainesville, in the County of Hancock, be, and the Same is Hereby incorporated, and the Corporate limits of Said Town, Shall include all the origine tract of land formerly donated and owned by the late Ambrosi Gaines deceased, and Known as the Ambrosi Gaines tract, in T 7 R 16. West.

Sec 2. Be it further enacted, That it Shall be Lawful for any Justice of the Peace of Said County, together with two House Holders, Summoned by him for that purpose, to Hold and Conduct an election on the first Monday of January Next or at any time thereafter for the purpose of electing five Selectmen of Said town, there Shall at the Same time be elected a town Constable, and when the result of Said Election Shall have been ascertained, the Said Justice, acting in the Capacity of returning officer, Shall give to each of the Successful Candidates for Said offices a Certificate of his Election, and make a Certified return of the proceedings and result of Said Election, to the President of the Board of County Police of Hancock County, who Shall Cause the Clerk of Said board to record the Same,

Sec 3. Be it Further Enacted, That it Shall be the duty of the Selectmen thus elected to meet within ten days after they received a Certificate of their Election, and Choose from their own number a President, and Such President and Selectmen and their Successors in office Shall Constitute a body Corporate by the Name and Style of the President and Selectmen of the town of Gainesville, and by that name may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of Law or Equity, and do all other acts, which are usually incident to bodies Corporate.

Sec 4. Be it further enacted, That the President and Selectmen Shall Continue in office for the term of one year from the date of their election and until their Successors are duly elected and qualified to act, and that at the first and all Subsequent Elections of Selectmen in Said Town, all persons being qualified Electors to vote for Members of the House of Representatives of the State Legislature, Shall be qualified Voters.

Sec 5. Be it further Enacted, That it Shall be the duty of each of Said Selectmen before he enters on the discharge of the duties of his office, to take an oath, before

to administer the Same, & that he will Support the Constitution of the United States, and of the State of Mississippi; and that he will faithfully perform, to the best of his Skill and ability the duties of the office of Selectman of the Town of Gainesville

Sec 6. Be it further enacted; That an election of Selectmen and Constable of Said town Shall be held yearly on the first Monday of January and at such other times as may be necessary to supply any vacancy as may occur in the offices of Said town, by death removal or otherwise, and it is hereby made the duty of the President to order the Same under such Rules and regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by the Said President and Selectmen.

Sec 7. Be it further enacted that the Said President and Selectmen, or a majority of them, Shall have power to pass all necessary ordinances and by-laws for the good Government and order of Said town, not inconsistant with the Constitution and laws of this State, and the United States; They Shall have power to inflict penalty on any person or persons for the violation of their ordinances or by-laws not exceeding fifty dollars for any one offence, recoverable before the President in the name of the President & Selectmen and for the benefit of Said Town: They Shall have power to raise revenue by taxing such property, within Said town as Shall, at the time be liable to State tax, and at a rate not exceeding fifty per centum on such State tax; They Shall also have power to regulate, by ordinances, the exhibition of Shows in Said town; to regulate, to regulate the Selling of Vinous or Spirituous liquors in Said town; to regulate the Wharfs and bridges in Said town, they Shall have power to appoint an assessor, Collector Clerk and Treasurer, prescribe their duties and take bonds from able to Said Corporation in the name of the President and Selectmen and their Successors in office, in such penalty as they may deem sufficient for the faithful discharge of the duties of Said offices.

Sec 8. Be it further enacted; That the President and Selectmen of Said town Shall have power to require all persons Subject to work on roads to labor on the Streets of Said town, not exceeding Six days in any one year, and under the penalty of one dollar and fifty cents per diem, recovrable before the President of Said town, as other road fines are collected, and the inhabitants of Gainesville Shall be Exempt from working at all other roads or highways

Sec 9 Be it further Enacted; That the taxes hereby authorized to be levied under the provisions of this act, may be levied, assessed & collected under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the President and Selectmen.

Sec 10. Be it further Enacted; That for all prosecutions before the President for offences Committed against the ordinances of this Corporation, and for all proceedings instituted for the Collection of Taxes the President and Constable of the Corporation who Shall be its Ministerial officers, Shall be allowed the Same fees as now allowed to Justices of the Peace and constables in Hancock County

Sec 11 Be it further Enacted; That the President Selectmen and constable Shall be conservators of the Peace

per annum on the amount to collected, or received on such Execution from the time of such demand till paid

Sec 10. Be it further enacted; That if such town Constable shall collect money on such execution or other process, and shall fail to pay over the Same on demand as aforesaid it shall and may be lawful for the Plaintiff in execution his agent or attorney by Motion of the Mayor, in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace of Lawrence County upon giving five days notice to such town Constable, and his Securities on his bond or either of them to have Judgment against said town Constable, and his Securities or either of them that notice may be served on them as aforesaid for any amount that may be collected by said town Constable on any such Execution or other process as aforesaid together with the interest at the rate of thirty five per cent per annum on the amount so collected on any such execution or other process by him after the demand thereof before directed, and upon the entering up any such Judgment against such town Constable or his Securities or either of them as aforesaid the said Mayor shall immediately thereafter, issue an execution for the amount of such Judgment against the party or parties against whom such Judgment shall be entered and said Mayor shall endorse on such Execution that no Security of any kind is to be taken.

Sec 11. Be it further enacted; That if said town Constable shall neglect to return any execution or other process in his hands at the time required for the return thereof, he shall upon Motion made (by any person interested) to the Mayor of said town after hearing three days notice, be fined by said Mayor in any Sum not exceeding twenty dollars for every such neglect, and shall moreover be liable to a Recovery on his bond for any such neglect to the use of the party injured thereby.

Sec 12. Be it further enacted; That if the town Constable shall wilfully neglect to perform any of the duties required of him by this act, or shall be at any time guilty of any Misdemeanor in office, he may be presented or indicted in the Circuit Court of Lawrence County thereof, and if guilty he shall be fined by said Court, in any Sum not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Sec 13 Be it further enacted; That the said town Constable shall have power to do business as Constable throughout the County of Lawrence.

Sec 14 Be it further enacted; That the Mayor and Aldermen shall have power upon Sufficient Cause appearing to said Mayor and Aldermen of the probable violation or neglect of duty or manifest incompetency of said town Constable, or of any other of their officers, to cause him or them to be prosecuted and removed from office according to the Constitution and cause any such vacancies to be filled in the manner directed by this act

Sec 15. Be it further enacted; That the said town Constable shall be entitled to receive the same fees as are allowed to Constables of Lawrence County for similar Services.

Sec 16. Be it further enacted; That the Mayor and Aldermen shall have full power to pass and promulgate all ordinances that may be necessary to carry the provisions of this act into full effect, and to prescribe such penalties and punishment for offences contemplated by the same not herein before mentioned.

Sec 17 Be it further enacted; That the Board shall cause to be kept a

neat and Regular record in well bound Books, of all the ordinances, rules and orders of Said Board, And also a Regular Journal of the proceedings shall be certified to by the Clerk of Said board, and posted up in one or more public places in Said town for the information of the Citizens thereof. The Said board of Aldermen, Shall cause to be Kept by the treasurer a true and Regular account of the Receipts and disbursements of all monies of Said town which Shall be published as aforesaid quarterly.

Sec 18. Be it further enacted; that all ordinances by-laws and orders that shall be passed or enacted by the Said Mayor, and Aldermen in pursuance of this act if approved by the Mayor, Shall be Signed by Said Mayor and Countersigned by the Clerk of Said board and Shall be published in handbill form, and distributed among the Citizens of Said Town and no ordinance of Said board Shall be En force until the Expiration of five days from the date of the publication thereof.

Sec 19 Be it further enacted; That it shall be the duty of the Sheriff or any of his deputies, or any of the Constables of Lawrence County to Execute any Lawful Process directed to him or them by the Mayor or board of Aldermen of Said town, and to aid and assist the town Constable thereof in the Execution of said duty required of him by law whenever Called upon and it shall also be the duty of Said Sheriff and his deputies and all Constables of Said County to arrest and take before the Mayor of Said town to be dealt with according to law all persons who shall violate the laws of this Corporation in their presence within the limits of the same and any such officer may be sworn before the Said Mayor as a witness in such case and if any officer or officers mentioned in this Section of this act shall refuse to perform the duties required of him therein he or they may be prosecuted, or indicted in the Circuit Court of Lawrence County for any such refusal or neglect, and on Conviction thereof shall be fined by the Court five hundred dollars, and moreover dismissed from office.

Sec 20. Be it further enacted; That in all cases Judicially decided by the Mayor of Said town except such cases as may be decided by him in his Capacity of Justice of the Peace of Lawrence County an appeal shall be from such decision to the board of Aldermen.

Sec 21. Be it further enacted; that the amount of ~~fines~~ licenses assessed and received, and all fines and forfeitures that may arise accrue or that may be assessed, for or in virtue of this act shall inure to Said Corporation for the benefit of Said town

Sec 22. Be it further Enacted, That the Sheriff of Lawrence County or any of his deputies or any Constable thereof (other than the town Constable) shall be Subject to the Same penalties, liabilities and recoveries for any defalcation under the provisions of this act as the town Constable of Said town, and shall be proceeded against for any such defalcation in the Same way and manner as town Constable.

Sec 23 Be it further enacted, That ~~the Mayor of Said town being shall administer the oath of office~~ all vacancies that may happen of Said town officers, shall be filled by election or appointment in the manner therefor directed in this act.

and it shall be their duty to make presentment of all breaches of the law coming under their notice to the Grand Jury of the County, and the Selectmen and Constable shall report all violations of the ordenances of the Corporation to the President, and he shall be bound to take action in all that may come to his notice either by information on oath or affirmation or when the violation takes place in his sight

Dec 12. Be it further enacted, That a majority of said Selectmen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and in the absence of the President may appoint a President Pro tem,

Dec 13 Be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Corporation of Gainesville to own any Real and personal Estate, which may be necessary to promote its interest, not exceeding in value the sum of twenty five thousand dollars

Examined & Approved
T J Wharton
Atto Genl.

Approved February 6th 1860.
John. S. Pilling

A B Dilworth
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the officers and members of Pascagoula Lodge No 202 of free and accepted Masons in the County of Jackson

Sec 1 Be it known that the officers & members of Pascagoula Lodge No 202 of free & accepted Masons in the County of Jackson and all who may hereafter become members thereof be & they are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name & style of Pascagoula Lodge No 202 & by such name may have perpetual succession, shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded defend & be defended in all courts of law or equity in this State and may have and use a common seal & alter and change the same at pleasure, may receive by donation or purchase & have, hold, use, enjoy, alien, lease, rent, loan & convey, real, personal or mixed estate an ammount not exceeding Four thousand Dollars and may do & perform all other acts incident to bodies corporate of this nature & they shall have power to enact such by laws for their own government as shall not be inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this State and of the United States

Sec 2 Be it further enacted that this act take effect and be in full force from and after its passage

Approved February 6 1860
John J Pettus

Examined & approved
T J Wharton
Atty Genl

A. B. Dilworth
Secy of State

Amendment of the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Osyka Pike County, State of Mississippi Amend Section 1st

The Corporate limits of Said Town of Osyka Shall be as follows, to wit: Commencing where the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Rail Road, Crosses the line between the States of Louisiana and Mississippi, thence west with Said line one half mile, thence North one half mile, thence east one mile, thence South one mile to Said line, thence west on Said line, one half mile, to where Said Rail Road crossed Said line, the place of beginning

Amend Section 2nd

The officers of Said Town Shall be one Mayor, five Councilmen and one Marshal, who Shall be elected by the qualified voters within Said Corporation on the first Monday of March AD 1860. or Some Subsequent Monday, and whose terms of office Shall continue one year, and the Justices of the Peace, within the Police District in which Said Town is Situated is hereby authorized, after giving ten days notice by posting advertisements in Said Town, to hold Said Election, Provided, that it Shall be the duty of the Mayor, or a Majority of the Councilmen to order an election to fill any vacancy, that may occur in the officers aforeSaid, within ten days after Such vacancy Shall occur. And provided further, that in case they refuse or neglect to order an Election as aforeSaid, or Said officers refuse or neglect to qualify under the provisions of this Charter, then and in that Case, any three Citizens, of Said Town, being freeholders, may order and hold Said election at any time by giving the notice Same as before required.

3rd That this amendment take effect, and be in force, from and after its passage.

Approved February 6th 1860
John J Pittus

Examined and Approved
T J Wharton Atty Genl.

A B Dellworth
Secy of State

Amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Summit in Pike County, State of Mississippi; approved January the 21.st 1858.

First Amend Section 3.d of Said Charter in which it is provided that the President and Councilmen of Said Town Shall have power to levy a tax, in each and Every year, Not exceeding twenty five per cent, on the State and County tax, by Striking out the words, "twenty five per cent" and authorize Said President and Councilmen, in each and every year, to levy a tax, Not exceeding the State and County tax, On all personal and property, within the limits of Said Corporation

Second. — Amend Section 7th

By adding after the words days in Said Section, or to pay in lieu thereof a Road tax not Exceeding Six dollars, in any one year, and by making an additional provision to Said Section, empowering Said President and Councilmen to provide for the construction and repair of all necessary and convenient Side walks and curb Stones, along the Streets, alleys and avenues of Said Town, at the Expense of the owners of ground fronting thereon

Third. Amend by additional Section the Said President and Councilmen, Shall have power to License, tax, and Regulate or Suppress Theatricals, and other amusements, Shows and Exhibitions in Said Town, And all licenses assessed, and all fines and forfeitures that may arise, accrue, or that may be assessed in accordance with these articles of incorporation, or in virtue thereof Shall inure to Said Corporation for the benefit of Said Town, and that these amendments take effect from their approval by the Governor

Approved February 9th 1860
John. J. Pettus

Examined & Approved
J. J. Wharton Atto Genl.
A. B. Dilworth
Secy of State (L S)

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The Charter of Incorporation of Corona Female College in Tishomingo County.

Sec 1 Be it enacted; That the institution of learning established in the Town of Corinth by the Rev. LeRoy B Gaston be, and the Same is Hereby Incorporated. And the Said L B Gaston and such other persons as may be associated with him in Said Institution, and their assigns be and are Hereby Created a body Politic and Corporate, by the name and Style of "The President and Board of Instructors of Corona Female College", and by that name may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in any Court of Law or Equity in this State or elsewhere, may have and enjoy all the rights privileges and immunities of Similar institutions in this State, may purchase and receive by donation, any property Real or Personal, Necessary for the use of Said Seminary: And to create and ordain such by-laws, rules and Regulations for the government thereof, not inconsistant with the laws of this State, or of the United States, as may be necessary for the management of Said Seminary, and for the promotion of learning and good Morals among the Students.

Sec 2. Be it further enacted that Said President and Board of Instructors Shall have full powers to arrange different Scholastic departments in Said Institution, Confer degrees, & give Diplomas for the encouragement of learning among the Students of Said Seminary: and Shall be authorized to have a Common Seal with Such device, motto or emblem as may be deemed appropriate by Said Board of Instructors.

Sec 3. Be it further Enacted; That Arthur E Reynolds. Thomas Peters James M McCalla, Robert A Hill, A B Dilworth, James B Stafford C W McCord, W G Campbell, Henry Walsh, Jno A Kimmons, Gordon W Buford, Jas L Moore, and William A McCain, be and they are Hereby Recognized by this act as a Board of visitors to Said Institution who Shall visit the Same, and Supervise the Conduct thereof, and attend Examinations, and accredit the graduating Certificates and Diplomas given by the Board of Instructors And do all other acts usually performed by Such bodies;

Sec 4. Be it further Enacted; That all vacancies occuring in either of the aforesaid Boards, Shall be filled by the President and Board of Instructors, and the members thereof Shall Continue in office during Pleasure, or until death, Removal, or ceasing to act, Provided, that nothing herein Contained Shall operate to the prejudice of any right of property in and to the buildings, outfits and appurtenances of Said Institution, now existing, or that may hereafter be acquired by purchase.

Sec 5. Be it further Enacted, That this act Shall take effect and Continue in force from and after its approval

Approved February 9th 1860
John J. Pettus

Examined & Approved
J J Wharton
Atto Genl

A B Dilworth
Secretary of State (L S)

The Charter of Incorporation of the Baptist Church at Clinton

Sec 1st Be it enacted that I T Baskin, S A Wills, A S White, George Stokes & J W Wellborn. & their successors in office, be, & they are hereby created a body Corporate by the name & style of the Trustees of the Baptist Church at Clinton. & as such shall have succession subject to the limitation herein after provided & by that name & style shall be, & are hereby made capable in law to have, purchase receive, possess & enjoy real & personal Estate, to the amount of fifty thousand dollars & retain to them, their successors & assigns all such lands, tenements & hereditaments as they may require for any purpose not prohibited by law, and such as may be purchased or donated to them, or as may be conveyed to them by way of security or in justification of debt, & the same to sell, grant, rent, or otherwise dispose of, to sue & be sued, to plead & be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend & be defended, in any Court of law, or equity, & to make have & use a common seal, the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure

Sec 2nd Be it further Enacted, That the Baptist Church at Clinton shall have the power to make removals & appointments & to fill all vacancies in said Board of Trustees, in the event of the death. Removal or resignation of any Member of said Board.

Sec 3rd Be it further Enacted; that three Members shall constitute a quorum of the Trustees for the transaction of business.

Sec 4th Be it further Enacted; That the said Trustees shall have the power to elect a President Secretary & Treasurer from their number & prescribe their terms of office & to pass all needful by-laws & Regulations for their government,

Sec 5th Be it further Enacted; That the first Meeting of the said Trustees may be convoked by the Baptist Church at Clinton & at such time & place, as may be designated by them.

Sec 6th Be it further Enacted; That this act shall take effect from & after its registration by the Secretary

Approved February 13th 1860
John J Pettus

Examined & Approved
T J Wharton
Atto Genl

A B Dilworth
Secy of State (L S)

The Charter of Incorporation of the town of Forest.

Be it remembered that the town of Forest in the County of Scott and State of Mississippi, be and the same is hereby incorporated; and the Corporate limits of said town shall run to the four Cardinal points of the Compass, and from one mile square, to be laid off in such manner that the Depot of the Southern Rail Road Company, in said town, shall form the center of said Corporate limits.

That it shall be lawfull for any Justice of the peace for said County to gether with two house-holders or free-holders of said town Summond by him for that purpose, to hold and conduct an election on the first Monday in ~~February~~ June ——— next or within thirty days thereafter for the purpose of electing one Mayor, four Aldermen and one Constable of said town, and that such Justice of the peace shall give to such Mayor Aldermin and Constable, who may be elected, a certificate thereof

Such Mayor and Aldermen, and their Successors in office, shall constitute a body Corporate, by the name and style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Forest, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any Court of law or equity, and do all other acts, which are usually incident to bodies Corporate and politic. The Mayor Aldermen and Constable shall continue in office one year, and until their Successors are elected and qualified, and at the first and all Subsequent election in said town every free white male person being a citizen of the United States upwards of twenty one years of age, who shall have resided in Corporate limits of said town, one month previous to any election shall be a qualified Voter.

It shall be the duty of said Mayor and Aldermen, before entering upon the discharge of the duties of their offices, to take an oath before some Judge or Justice of the peace, that they will faithfully perform the duties of their respective offices of Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Forest.

An election of Mayor Aldermen and Constable, shall be held annually on the first Monday in February under such rules and regulations as may from time to time be prescribed by said Mayor and Aldermen. The said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to pass all necessary ordinances for the good government and order of said town, not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of this State and of the United States; They shall have power to inflict a penalty on any person or persons for the violation of their ordinances and by-laws, not exceeding twenty five dollars, recoverable before any Justice of the peace in said County of Scott in the name of said Mayor and aldermen and for the use of said town; they shall have power to raise a revenue on such property within said town, as shall at the time, be liable to State tax, and at a rate not exceeding fifty percentum on such State tax. They shall also have power to regulate by ordinance the ~~exhibition~~ of Shows in said town, and may levy a tax not exceeding ten dollars on such Show exhibited in said

tax shall be paid assoon as levied to the proper officer. They shall have power to appoint a clerk and treasurer prescribe their duties, and take bonds payable to said Corporation, in such penalty as they think sufficient for the faithful discharge of the duties of said officers.

It shall be the duty of the Constable of said town to diligently perform all the duties required of him by the provisions of the Charter or by the ordinances, rules and regulations passed in pursuance hereof by the Mayor & Aldermen, and said Constable shall be ex officio assessor and collector of taxes in said town.

All ordinances, by-laws, rules and regulation, that shall be passed and enacted by the said Mayor and Aldermen in pursuance of this Charter shall be signed by said Mayor and shall be Countersigned by the Clerk of said Board, and shall be pasted up in one or more public places in said town, and shall not be enforced before the expiration of five days from the time that it is pasted.

The Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to require all persons subject to work on public roads to labor on the streets of said town not exceeding Six days in any one year or may at their option levy a tax of not more than six Dollars upon each person subject as aforesaid in lieu of working the roads, and the inhabitants of said town of Forest shall be exempt from working on all other public Roads & highways. The taxes hereby authorized to be levied under the provisions of this Charter may be levied assessed and collected under such rules and regulations as may be perscribed by the Mayor and Aldermen, and the collection may be by distress and sale of the goods and Chattles of the persons Charged therewith.

The Mayor and any two of said Aldermen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and his absence may choose a Mayor pro tempore

Examined & approved ~~John J. Pettis~~
T. J. Wharton
Atty Genl

Approved February 17th ~~A. D. 1860~~ 1860
John I De Witt

A. R. Dibrell
Secty of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Chatawa Lyceum Hall Association

Art 1. We Shepherd, Henry Carter, Robert Pittman, I L Lancaster, I S Knapp, I L Riddell, A L Abbott, A L Lyon, J P Chamberlayne, McGill, Lobey Jr. and their legal associates and successors, of Chatawa, Pike County, Mississippi, hereby Constitute themselves a Corporate body, in accordance with the provisions of Art 1. Sec 1. Chapter XXXV. page 290 of the Revised Code of Mississippi = To be designated and known as "The Chatawa Lyceum Hall Association".

Art 2. The objects of the association are, to foster and advance the education of youth, to strengthen and uphold the cause of good morals, to obtain and diffuse useful knowledge, to procure grounds and erect thereon a suitable building to be called, "The Chatawa Lyceum Hall"; which building and grounds shall be held and used for the purposes before specified, in this article, and for no other purposes, and to provide and maintain a Cemetery;— all these purposes to be for the use and benefit of the neighborhood within four miles of the Rail Road Depot of Chatawa.

Art 3. The Capital Stock of this Company shall not at any time exceed twenty five thousand Dollars, and it may in the beginning be fixed by the Trustees at not less than one thousand dollars, and from time to time, be advanced in amount by majority vote in amount of the Stockholders, as the interest of the Association may require. The Stock shall be represented by Shares of twenty five dollars each, and after having been full paid, it may be transferred, in writing; on the Treasurers books, kept for that purpose, Each and every Share of Stock shall entitle the holder to one vote in all Stockholders Meetings; but no one person, whatever amount of Stock he may own, shall be entitled to vote in the election of Trustees, or more than one eighth of the whole Capital Stock extant at the time.

Art 4. The Officers of the Company to be elected by the Stockholders, shall be three Trustees, one of them to be designated on the ballots as President. No person owning less than four Shares of Stock shall be eligible to the office of Trustee, the election shall be for one year, and it shall take place at the Chatawa Lyceum Hall, or until that is ready, at what ever Communicant place the Trustees may designate, on the first Monday in August at 4 oclock P.M. Vacancies occuring ad interim may be filled by the remaining Trustees; The President and Trustees shall have the full executive power customary in such cases. The first Board of Trustees, to serve until the first monday in August 1860, shall be I L Lancaster President, A L Abbott and I L Riddell.

Art 5. The Trustees shall appoint a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who may or may not be of their own body; and they shall require from the Treasurer good and sufficient security to an amount sufficient to cover the monies likely to come into his hands, which amount may at any time be raised or diminished by the Trustees

requiring the execution of a new bond, at their discretion

Art 6. This Corporation shall have the power to buy and to Sell, to lease and to release, to sue and to be sued, Election to be made on the Presidents, to receive donations inter vivos and Mortis Causa; but no voluntary Sale or Mortgage of Real estate shall be made unless first Sanctioned by a Majority in amount of the Stockholders, given by written Consent. It shall be Lawful to appropriate the funds of this Company to the following purposes, and to none other, Namely, - to the acquisition and building up of, and to the improvement, and repairing of real estate; for the uses set forth in this Charter; and for the purpose and end of a Library and apparatus appropriate for educational institutions, this association shall never lend itself to the furtherance or establishment of Sectarian views in Religion, or party views in politics; yet the Trustees may permit the occasional use of the Hall for Lectures, Sermons and addresses on the Sciences, Morals, Political economy and general Religion: but the Trustees shall be precluded from giving a preference to any particular religious Sect.

Art 7 This association in Regular Stockholders Meetings, May by majority vote in amount, frame and adopt, or modify or Repeal Bye-laws designating the powers and duties of the officers, and other matters, not inconsistant with this Charter,

Art 8. Amendments to this Charter, must be proposed in writing at Stockholders meetings duly Called, and must lie over at least one Month; when a two thirds vote of the Stockholders in amount shall be required to Confirm the proposed amendment, the voting shall be open, and a detailed record thereof made.

Art 9. This Corporation is to endure for twenty five years, but it may be sooner liquidated by the written Consent of four fifths in amount of the Stockholders: but in any event, the ground set apart as a Cemetery, and Specially assigned by metes and bounds, to individuals shall remain Sacred for that purpose.

There is no Constitutional
objection to the above Charter
J J Wharton
Atto Genl.

Alpharetta Mch 12th 1860

John A Pettus

A B Dilworth
Secty of State

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Charter of Incorporation of the Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi Fraternity at Oxford Mississippi.

Sec. 1st Be it enacted, by and with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi: That the Officers and members of the Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi or Fraternity at Oxford Mississippi a Literary and Social Institution be and are hereby constituted a Body Corporate by the name and style of the Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi Fraternity and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any suits at Law or Equity in any of the Courts of this State; and may do all other acts for the benefit of said Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi Fraternity not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this State and the United States.

Sec. 2d Be it enacted &c: That the said Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi Fraternity may acquire and own property real and personal not exceeding in amount the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars for its use and benefit.

Sec. 3d Be it further enacted &c: That the said Phi Chapter of the Delta Psi Fraternity may make such rules and regulations for the management and disposition of its property as its Officers and Members may deem necessary for the maintenance and prosperity of the Chapter.

Sec. 4th Be it further enacted &c: That this Charter be in force and effect from and after its approval by the Governor.

No constitutional objection
to the above Charter
T. J. Wharton
Atto Genl

Approved March 21st 1860
John J. Pettus

A. B. Dilworth
Secty of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Bethany Male and female institute Situated in the County of Amite and State of Mississippi

Section 1 Be it enacted with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi That J M Anderson William Vaughn William A Daniel A M. Smylie Albert S Easton and Jas M Gallent, Ruling Elders, and E J Copple and R P Smiley Elders elected but not ordained, in Bethany Church Situated in the County of Amite and State of Mississippi; and in ecclesiastical connection with the Louisiana Presbytery, and their successors in the offices of the eldership in said church, be and are hereby constituted a Body Corporate, under the name and style of the Board of Trustees of the Bethany Male and Female institute, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any court of law or equity in this state. They may have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure and may acquire by donation or purchase property real and personal not exceeding in value the sum of fifty thousand dollars

Sect 2 Be it further enacted that at the first meeting of the Board of Trustees under this charter due notice of the time and place being given, any three of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business, they shall proceed to elect one of their number President of the Board who shall hold his office for the term of two years and until his successor shall be elected, They shall also elect a Secretary and a Treasurer out of their own number, or otherwise, who shall hold their offices for the term of two years and until their successors are elected The Treasurer if required shall give bond and security in such sum as the Board of Trustees may require, Their officers shall perform such duties as may be required of them by the Board and such other duties as properly appertain to their respective offices.

Sect 3 Be it further enacted &c That the Board of Trustees in order to raise funds to put the said institution in full operation, shall have power to declare individuals who shall pay a stipulated amount Stockholders to define the rights the rights that shall accrue to them in virtue of their stock and to decide on what terms an individual may acquire & scholarship in said institute.

Sect 4 Be it further enacted &c That the said Board of Trustees shall have power to prescribe the terms upon which pupils shall be admitted in the said institute and to make such and regulations as they may deem best for the interest of the said institute,

Sec 5 Be it further enacted &c That if at any time hereafter the said Bethany Church should from any cause whatever be left without a ruling elder and without any immediate prospect of electing any according to the constitution of the Presbyterian Church then the said Bethany Church shall have power to appoint a number of Trustees not less than three nor more than five who shall discharge the duties devolving upon the Board of Trustees, until they shall be superseded by Ruling Elders constitutionally elected by the said Bethany Church.

Sect 6 Be it further enacted &c That if the said Bethany Church should at any time cease to exist as a church or should transfer its ecclesiastical connection to any other religious denomination than that of the Presbyterian Church of the United States usually denominated the "Old School" then in that case the Louisiana Presbytery or such other presbytery in connection with the said Old School Presbyterian Church of the United States as may include the said Bethany Male and Female Institute in its bounds shall have the sole right and power to appoint

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the Board of Trustees of said Institute

Sec 7 Be it further enacted &c That this charter be in force from and after its approval by the Governor of the State.

Examined and found free of constitutional objection

T. L. Wharton
Attd Genl

Approved April 7th 1860
John, I, Pettus

A. C. H. Brougher
Secty of State

Secty of State

The charter of Incorporation of Bethany Church Situated in the County of Amite and State of Mississippi

Section 1. Be it enacted with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi That J W Anderson, William Hughes, William A Daniels, A M Smylie, Albert S Caston and Jas McGallent Ruling Elders and E J Capell and R P Smiley, Elders elected but not ordained and such others as may be associated with them by an election to the Eldership in Bethany Church Situated in the County of Amite and State of Mississippi and in ecclesiastical connection with the Louisiana Presbytery and their Successors in the office of the Eldership, be and are hereby constituted a Body Corporate by the name and style of Bethany Church and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any suits at law or equity in any of the Courts of this State, and may do all other acts for the benefit of said church, which a Body corporate may of right do, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the united States.

See Sec 2 after Sec 3 it should be above 3.

Sec 3 Be it further enacted &c That the said Bethany church may if deemed necessary elect from its own members any number of Trustees not exceeding five, who shall under such restrictions as the said church may impose have the management of any property real or personal that the said Church may acquire, and shall render an account of their proceedings to the Church whenever required so to do.

Sec 2 Be it further enacted &c That the said Bethany Church may receive by donation or purchase property real and personal not exceeding in amount the sum of Fifty thousand Dollars for its own use and benefit

Sec 4 Be it further enacted &c That this charter be in force from and after its approval by the Governor of the State

I have no constitutional objection to the above Charter

T J Wharton
Attd Genl

Approved April 7th 1860
John I. Pettus

C A Brougher
Secty of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Town of Marion Station in the County of Lauderdale & State of Mississippi

Article 1st The town of marion Station in the County of Lauderdale ~~and State of Mississippi~~ is hereby declared an incorporate town extending over the following area to wit beginning at the public Square - extending east to Sowashee creek North from public Square three fourths of one mile, west three fourths of one mile and South one half of one mile and the Citizens residing within said limits are declared Citizens of said town and subject to the provisions hereof

Article 2d The municipal officers of said town shall consist of one mayor, five Aldermen and one marshall to be chosen by the qualified electors resident within said town at an election to be holden at any time after the approval hereof, upon ten days notice thereof, given by any two Citizens of said town, in writing posted at two or more public places in said town - which election may be holden by such Citizens giving the notice and return of the result thereof shall be made to the office of the Secretary of State, the officers so elected shall hold their respective offices for the space of twelve months from their said election, upon taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution, to be administered to them by any person qualified legally authorized to administer oaths under the laws of this State, at the expiration of which twelve months another election shall be held and annually thereafter for the election of said officers under the direction and supervision of the mayor and Aldermen.

Article 3 The mayor shall be ex officio a Justice of the peace and exercise the duties & receive the fees of such within said town. The Aldermen shall be respectively conservators of the peace. The marshall execute the process of the mayor within said town and may be required by the Board of mayor and Aldermen to give Bond and security in such sum as they deem sufficient for the due performance of his office.

Article 4 The style of all ordinances passed by the Board shall be "Be it ordained by the Board of mayor and Aldermen of Marion Station" And all municipal process shall bear test in the name of the mayor The Board shall have power to pass ordinances touching roads etc. Revenue (for corporation purposes) and preservation of good order and penalties for non-compliance with said ordinances, and may appropriate moneys arising from contribution levy or fines and all Improvements to the improvement of the streets of said town, or such other corporation purpose as they deem fit, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Article 5 The mayor shall preside at the meetings of the Board or when absent the Board may select one of their own number to be mayor pro tempore - and any three of the Board of mayor and Aldermen shall constitute a quorum for the dispatch of business and of their number may choose one to be Secretary and Treasurer who shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Board and safely keep and account for all moneys received by him and disbursed under ordinance or warrant of the Board.

Article 6 This Charter shall be in force from this date.

Examined & found to be constitutional A.D. 1860 & Approved A.D. 1860

T. D. Marton Atty Genl C. A. Broughton Secty of State E. John, Gov. Pettus

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Charter of Incorporation of Union Lodge No. 106. of F. A. M. and the Mt. Carmel R. A. Chapter No. 50.

That the officers and members of Union Lodge No 106, of F. A. Masons, and the officers and members of Mt Carmel R. A. Chapter No 50. in the Town of Mt. Carmel Covington County, and all who may hereafter become members thereof, be, and they are hereby created bodies Politic and Corporate, by the name and style of Union Lodge No 106. of F. A. Masons, and Mt. Carmel R. A. Chapter No 50, and by such name may have perpetual succesion, shall sue and be sued, Plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all Courts of law or equity in this State, and may have and use a common seal, and alter and change the same at pleasure, may receive by donation or purchase, and have, hold, use, lease, rent, loan and convey, real, personal or mixed estate, to an amount not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars, and may do and perform all other acts incident to bodies corporate of this nature and they shall have power to enact such bylaws for their government as shall not be inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of this State, and of the United States,

I find no Constitutional objection to this Charter

S. F. Graham
Atto Genl

Approved May 23rd 1860
John J. Pettus

C. A. Bruglier
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Gilmer Hotel Company.

Under an act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, Approved February 2nd 1857. Entitled "An Act Concerning Corporations and other Associations."

Sec. 1. James Whitfield, Thomas C. Billups, Charles Baskerville, John F. Otley, Albert Simpson, Harrison Hale, Abraham Murdock, Jerome Womeldorff, Thomas J. Sharp, and their associates and successors be and they are hereby created a Body Politic and Corporate under the name and style of "The Gilmer Hotel Company" for the purpose of erecting and sustaining a Hotel in the Town of Columbus, in the County of Lowndes.

Sec. 2. The capital Stock of said company shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into Shares of Fifty Dollars each, which said Shares shall be transferable upon such terms as the Board of Directors herein after provided for shall determine, and each share shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote in all meetings of the company, which vote may be given in person or by proxy.

Sec. 3. The affairs of the company shall be managed and controlled by Thirteen Directors chosen by the Stock holders annually on the 1st Monday of April in each year hereafter, which directors shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified, and in case it should so happen that the Stock holders failed to make an Election on said first Monday of April, the said Corporation shall not thereby be dissolved but the former or last board of Directors may call a meetings or meetings at such time as in their judgment shall seem best, for the purpose of making an Election.

Sec. 4. The directors shall have power and authority to elect a President and such other officers, Agents and Servants as they may deem best, and to make any and all By Laws for their own Government and for the company not inconsistent with the constitution and Laws of this State of the United States.

Sec. 5 Said company may have, hold, possess and enjoy any real, Personal or mixed estate necessary for the purpose of Erecting and maintaining a Hotel in the Town of Columbus and the same to alien and convey at pleasure, not exceeding, Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Sec. 6. The said company shall have perpetual succession and may sue or be sued in all courts of law or equity in this State or elsewhere.

Sec. 7. The directors which have been heretofore elected for said company shall hold their Offices until the anual election on 1st Monday of April 1861 and their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 8. The said Board of Directors shall not be authorized to contract debts to a greater extent than the amount of assets belonging to the company, without the consent of a majority in Stock of said Company of Three fourths.

Sec. 9. The Directors of said company may require bond and security from any and all of their Officers, Agents and Employees in such sum and with such conditions as they may deem best, which bonds shall have all the force and effect for a violation of the provisions thereof that attach to the Bonds of Public officers in this State.

I have no constitutional objection to the above Charter.
T. J. Wharton
Att'y. Gen.

Approved May 28th 1860.
John J. Pettus.
C. A. Vaughan Dep. Sec.

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Hazlehurst Male & Female Institute.

Art. 1. The purposes for which this Corporation is created, are the Education of such persons, Male and Female, as may require it, and the promotion of good Morals among the Students of the Institute.

Art. 2. All persons who have heretofore donated Money or other valuable thing to purchase the Lot of ground on which the School buildings at the Town of Hazlehurst in the County of Copiah, in the State of Mississippi, are situated, and to furnish the materials, and erect said buildings, and finish the same, as well as all such persons as shall hereafter donate Money or other valuable thing to beautify said ground to finish, repair, add to, and uphold said buildings and to furnish the said Institute with Books, Instruments, Apparatus &c, &c, shall constitute a body corporate which shall be known and designated as the Hazlehurst Male and Female Institute.

Art. 3. The members of said body Corporate shall in the manner hereinafter provided, elect Seven Trustees, who shall manage the affairs of the Institute, employ teachers and supervise them, make such by-laws, as they may deem expedient (not inconsistent with the laws of this State) for the government of themselves, the Institute and the Teachers, elect one of their number to be President of the Board of Trustees, and one to be Secretary and Treasurer, to fill any Vacancy that may happen by death resignation, removal or other cause, elect their successors in office, Continue in office one year, and until their Successors are elected, and do such other things as may be necessary to carry out and further the purpose for which this Corporation is created: Warren A. Miller Thomas Stovall, and Cornelius Bancroft, or any one or more of them, shall immediately after the approval of this Charter, open a Book at said Town of Hazlehurst and keep the same open each day from 10 o'clock A.M. till 12 M, until the 1st day of July 1860, for the purpose of ascertaining and entering in said Book, the names of all persons who have heretofore donated as aforesaid, and the amounts they have donated and to take such further donations as may be offered, and enter the same in said Book; said Commissioners or any one or more of them, shall as soon as practicable after the closing of said Book, give ten days previous notice by posting or by publication in some newspaper printed in said County of the time and place of holding an election for Seven Trustees, to Constitute the first board of Trustees, and shall preside said election, and declare the result; at said election each donor shall by himself or his proxy be permitted to vote one vote, for each ten dollars donated by him

or greater amount in proportion, to be ascertained from said Book; any ten donors may at any time, order an election for Trustees upon giving twenty days previous notice, and the Trustees elected at such election, shall supersede the Trustees then in office, or any elected by them.

Art. 5. The Board of Trustees, shall as soon after their organization as practicable, procure a corporate seal, such as shall meet and devise, and the Board of Trustees shall ever, keep the seal & custody of the Corporation, without first submitting the proposition to the donors, and obtaining their assent thereto.

Art. 6. After the first election hereinbefore provided for, any person may become a donor, to said Institute, and be entitled to one vote by himself or proxy, for every ten dollars donated.

Approved June 9th 1854
John D. Potter

There is no Constitutional
Objection to the foregoing Charter
J. W. Carlin
Atty Genl,

C. A. Bringhurst Secy of State

An Act to establish a Rose Gates College. (Female) Okolona Chickasaw Co, Miss.

Whereas Sundry Citizens of the State of Mississippi, Contemplate establishing a Female College to be located in the Town of Okolona, County of Chickasaw, which College is to be under the Control and government of members or stated worshippers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, subject to such Rules, Regulations and restrictions, as are hereinafter set forth; And whereas it is the interest of the State & indeed of every State to encourage the creation of Seminaries of Learning;

Therefore,

Section I. Be it enacted by the Governor of the State of Mississippi: That William M. Green, Charles Gates, G. F. Gates, John C. Tucker, Joseph Betsey, Duncan C. Hubbard, W. Gaston Henderson, & C. S. Howe, & such other person or persons, as may hereafter be appointed Trustees of said College, in pursuance of the Constitution and By Laws thereof, be, and they, and their successors are hereby Constituted a body Corporate and Politic, in fact and in name by the name of Rose Gates College, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and a Common Seal, and shall be Capable in Law of suing and being sued, and shall have power to purchase, receive by donation or otherwise, and to posess, hold, alien and dispose of property of all Kinds and descriptions to be held in fee simple or otherwise, subject nevertheless to such restrictions and conditions, as are contained in this Charter, and the Constitution, Provided that said property shall not exceed in value the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars.

Section II. Be it further enacted, that said Trustees, shall have power to form a Constitution for the government of said College. Said Trustees shall have power, in, and by said Constitution, to designate how, by whom, and in what way the said College shall be governed: and said Constitution when adopted, may be altered or amended in such manner as may be provided for in said Constitution.

Section III Be it further enacted, that said Board of Trustees shall meet at least once a year at the College, but they may be called together, in extra session, in such manner, as may be provided for in said Constitution, or by the By laws of the College.

Section IV Be it further enacted, that said Trustees, shall have power to appoint Committees, all the members of which shall not be required to belong to the Board of Trustees, to perform the duties, which may be delegated to them by said Trustees,

Section V. Be it further enacted, that all subscriptions, donations, devises or bequests, made upon the faith of the terms, Conditions or stipulations, set forth in the Constitution of said College, shall be governed thereby and the subsequent Change or alteration of said Constitution

shall not have the effect to alter the terms, conditions or stipulations of said subscription, donation, bequest or devise.

Section VI Be it further enacted, that said Trustees, shall elect a President, and shall have power from time to time to make By Laws and Ordinances for the government of said College, not inconsistent with the Constitution thereof, etc, Provided the same be not inconsistent with the laws of this state, or of the United States.

Section VII Be it further enacted, that upon the death, resignation or removal, of any of said Trustees, the vacancy occasioned thereby, shall be supplied in the manner provided in the Constitution.

Section VIII That said said College shall have power to confer upon students the Degrees of Mistress of Literature and Science (M.L.S.) and Mistress of Art Literature and Science (M.A.L.S.); and shall enjoy all powers and immunities, incident to Corporations of this description.

Section IX That said College shall be established and located at Oklona, Chickasaw County,

Section X Be it further enacted, that said College may hold and possess as much land, as may be necessary for the buildings, and to such an extent as may be sufficient to protect said institution from intrusion; not to exceed twenty acres,

Section XI. Be it further enacted, That no misnomer, or mistake in addition of said Corporation, in any deed, will, gift, grant devise, or other instrument of Contract or Conveyance, shall abate or defeat the same, but the same shall take effect in like manner, as if the said Corporation, were regularly named, Provided it shall be sufficiently described to ascertain the intention of the parties,

Section XII. Be it further enacted, that this act shall take effect immediately.

No Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.

R. J. Charlton
Att'o Genl,

Approved June 14th 1860.
John J. Pettus

Attest,
C. A. Brougher
Secretary of State

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An Act to amend the Charter of Incorporation of the Mayflower Male & Female Institute.

Approved June 9th 1860.

Sec 1. That so much of the Original Charter as is contained in the following words, to wit: "And the donors may at any time order an election for Trustees upon giving twenty days previous notice, and the Trustees elected at such election shall supersede the Trustees then in office or any elected by them", be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec 2. That the following words and figures be added to article Fifth to wit: "Provided said donors shall cater one or more Scholars to said Institute".

Sec 3. That the following words and figures to wit: be added to said Original Charter as Article Sixth. "That said Trustees as soon after their election as may be convenient, shall meet at some place agreed upon, for the purpose of Organization, who shall then proceed to elect one of their number as President, and also One, who shall act as Secretary and Treasurer of said Incorporation. The President shall have power to call all meetings necessary for the transaction of business, and preside over their deliberations, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to transcribe the Original Charter of Incorporation, and the amendments thereto in a Book Kept for that purpose, and all other proceedings had and transacted by said Board of Trustees. That all money given as donations, or that may hereafter be given, shall be collected, unless by order of the Trustees, and furthermore it shall be the duty of the Treasurer, to collect said money upon the order of said Trustees, and pay out the same as the Trustees may direct."

Sec 4. That this amendment be in force from and after its approval by the Governor and Attorney General, Hence, no Constitutional objection to the forgoing amendments

T. J. Wharton
Att'o Genl.

Approved July 5th 1860
John S. Pilcher

Attest, C. L. Brugher
Secretary of State

Charter of the Town of Verona

Sec 1 The Town of Verona lying partly in ~~the~~ Itawamba ~~county~~ and partly in Pontotoc Counties on the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road, is hereby incorporated, the limits of said Town to include all the territory within one mile from the depot of said Town

Sec 2 The ~~said~~ boundaries of said town shall constitute a Justices' District and it shall be lawful for any Justice of the peace of either of the aforesaid Counties and two freeholders or householders of said town, to be summoned by him for the purpose; to hold an election in said town on the Twentieth day of August 1860 or within ten days thereafter, for a Justice of the peace and Constable and for five Selectmen for said town. Said Selectmen shall within ten days after their election, elect a President, from their number and together shall form a Board of Selectmen, for said town; who and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate, by the name and style of President and Selectmen of the Town of Verona, and by that name may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity and do all acts incident to such corporate bodies.

Sec 3 Said Justice of the Peace and Constable and Selectmen, shall continue in office until the first monday in January 1861 and until their successors shall be qualified, The tenure of said offices thereafter shall be the same as those of county officers in this state: and at the first and all subsequent elections for offices of said town, every free white male person of the age of twenty one years and over who shall have resided in the corporate limits of said town ninety days previous to any election, shall be a qualified voter.

Sec 4 All elections after the first for Justice of the peace Constable and Selectmen in said town shall be held on the days of each and every general election for county officers as prescribed by law, and conducted in the manner prescribed in the second section of this Charter upon the notice of the President of the Board of Selectmen or any two of said board, of the time and place of said election posted for the space of ten days immediately preceding any election at three or more conspicuous places in said town, Provided that elections to fill vacancies in any of said offices which may occur from death resignation or otherwise, may be held at such times as said Board of Selectmen may order and direct, and be held upon the same notice and conducted in the same manner as above prescribed.

Sec 5 The said Justice of the peace and Constable shall be commissioned by the Governor and give bond and take the oath prescribed by law for Justices of the peace and Constables, and said Selectmen before they enter upon the duties of their office shall take an oath before any Judge or Justice of the peace, that they will faithfully perform to the best of their ability, the duties of Selectmen of the town of Verona

Sec 6 Said Board of Selectmen shall have power to pass all necessary ordinances and by laws for the good order and government of said town, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this State, nor of the United States. They shall have power to impose a penalty upon any person or persons, for the violation of their ordinances or by laws, not exceeding twenty dollars for any one offence, recoverable with cost before the Justice of the peace of said town, in the name of said President and Selectmen, and for the benefit of said Town. The said board shall have power to raise a revenue by taxing such property within said town, as shall at the time be taxable by the State,

and at a rate not exceeding fifty per cent on the State tax. They shall have the power to regulate by ordinances the exhibitions of shows, in said town and may levy on each show exhibited in said town a tax not exceeding fifty dollars. Said Board shall have power also to appoint a Clerk, an assessor, a collector and a Treasurer, for said town prescribe their duties and take bonds payable to the said board in such penalty as they may deem sufficient for the faithful discharge of the duties of said offices.

Sec 7 The taxes hereby authorized may be levied assessed and collected under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by said board and the Collection of said taxes may be by warrant returnable forthwith before said Justice of the peace or by distress and sale of the goods & Chattels of the person charged therewith.

Sec 8 The Justice of the Peace who may officiate at any election authorized by this Charter shall give a certificate or certificates of election to the officer or officers then elected.

Sec 9 A majority of said Selectmen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and in the absence of the President, they may choose a President Pro tempore

Sec 10 This Charter shall take effect and be in force from the date of the approval of the Governor

Approved July 18th 1861
John. J. Peters

There is no constitutional objection to the above Charter
T J Wheaton
Atty Genl

E. K. Broughton
Secy of State.

The State of Mississippi
Pascola County

By virtue of the power in me vested, in article 4, Section 14, and Chapter 85 of the Revised Code of the State of Mississippi, I hereby declare the S.W. Quarter of Section (8) Range (7) Township (9) together with forty four acres taken off from the East side of the North East quarter of same section, Township and Range, be incorporated under the name of Batesville, the said Tract of land lying and being in the County of Pascola and State of Mississippi.

1st That the Officers of the said Corporation, Consist of a Mayor, four Aldermen, a Constable and Clerk.

2nd That the Mayor be ex-officio a Magistrate, and shall execute the by-laws and Municipal regulations of said Corporation, and shall use the powers, and be liable to perform all the duties of Police Magistrate, within the limits of the incorporation, that he give bond in like manner and amount as by Section, and that the town Constable be subject to and the penalties, have and the powers and give bond in like manner and amount as by said Constables, within the limits of the incorporation, that he be Collector of Corporation taxes, and liable together with the securities on his bond, for the faithful collection and disbursement of the same.

4th That the Secretary shall record the proceedings of the Mayor and Aldermen, and have the custody of the seal.

5th That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to levy taxes, not exceeding one eighth of one per cent upon the cash value of the property within the limits of said Corporation, and that they have power to grant licenses, to all transient traders vending merchandise within their limits, Provided that such merchandise are not exempted or their taxation otherwise specially provided for by law.

6th That a Majority of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Constitute a quorum, and that they have power to enact all needful laws and regulations for the police of the Town of Batesville, and that the Mayor be the Judicial, and the Constable the Executive officer of the same, Provided that said laws be in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

7th That all persons residing within the limits of the Town of Batesville, who are liable to road work on the public Roads, be liable to work on the Streets of the town, and that they be exempt from road work, and that the fine for delinquents be the same as against delinquents upon the roads, and that same be recovered before the Mayor with like costs and appeals as in cases of Road delinquents before Magistrates.

8th That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to establish wells markets and harbors within the town, and that duties of such wells may be defined by Municipal laws.

9th. That any magistrate of the Boat wherein Batesville is located, shall have power (first giving ten days public notice at some public place within the limits of said town) to open and hold within the said town, an election for the officers herein before named, and that all free white male persons, who have resided within said Corporation three months previous to said election, shall be entitled voters,

10th That all delinquent tax payers, transient venders, travelling showmen, &c, who shall be liable to license or tax under the ordinances or regulations of the Corporation, shall be by the Assessor reported to the Mayor, who shall forthwith issue a distress warrant against the same, which shall be levied first on the personal property of said delinquent and in default of such, on his real estate, and that cost shall accrue in like sum, and be collected in like manner, as in similar cases under the laws of the State.

11th That the Mayor and aldermen shall prescribe a day whereon shall and the first of May of said Corporation and that they shall hereafter prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for Corporation officers, that they shall have perpetual succession under the name and style of Mayor and Aldermen of Batesville, shall under such name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and do all such acts, as are consequent to, and ordinarily performed by similar superior bodies,

12 That this Charter take effect and be in full force from its passage.

No Constitutional objection to the above Charter

L. J. Gholson
Atty Genl.

Approved August 10 1860
John T. Peelus

Attest C. A. Bruaghen
Secretary of State

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The Charter of incorporation of Sun. Maine Lodge 2013. of Independent Order of Good Templars.

Art 1st The Lodge shall be known and described as Sun. Maine Lodge 2013. I. O. of G. T. and shall have jurisdiction over Cyprus.

Art 2nd John N. Purvis, A. H. Patterson, and Ralph A. Young and such others as may be associated with them are hereby declared a body Corporate under the above title and name, with power to take and hold real and personal estate, not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars, the objects of the incorporation as declared & for which the association is formed shall be the suppressing, selling, manufacturing or using any spirituous or malt liquor wine or cider and to encourage the manufacture thereof in accordance with the rules & usages

Art 3 said Lodge shall have power also to elect all necessary officers, and to initiate the same, and to pass all Bye laws & Laws and Rules & Regulations necessary to carry out the objects of the incorporation not inconsistent with this Charter, and the Laws of the Land, and to be in force from its date.

No Constitutional objection
to the above Charter,
C. J. Jackson
Att Genl.

Approved August 14 1860
John A. Poor

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Attest, H. A. Brown
Secretary of State

Incorporation of the Richland Male and Female Academy in the County of Rankin and State of Mississippi.

Be it Known that I, John J. Pettus, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of said State, entitled. "An Act concerning Corporations and other Associations" Commencing on the 290th page of the Revised Code of said State, do hereby incorporate and Charter the Richland Male and Female Academy, to be located at Hindes School house in the County of Rankin, and said State, this Charter to be in force from and after this date, and to continue in force until repealed by Law.

1st That Jo. Bell, G. A. Smythe, R. A. Clark, Daniel Allen, Isham Smith Sr, William Thomas, Thomas N. Nowell, Charles M. Williams, James Hill, A. K. Smith, be, and are hereby constituted a body Corporate and politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Richland Male and Female Academy, and by that name, they, or their successors in office, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all actions and cases whatsoever; they may have a Common Seal, and alter the same at pleasure, and shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real and personal estate by donation or purchase, not exceeding the sum of Fifty thousand Dollars,

2nd. Said Trustees shall elect a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall fill their offices for one year from this date, at which time their successors shall be elected for a like period of one year, but if such successors be not elected, then the Trustees in office until their successors are duly elected.

3d Said Trustees and their successors in office, shall hold at least one annual meeting, and two quarterly meetings at said Academy, and at such times as they may think proper, and shall have power to call any other meeting when they think expedient. A majority of said Trustees, shall constitute a quorum to do business, and in case a vacancy shall occur in said Board before a regular election, a majority of the continuing Trustees shall fill such vacancy at any time.

4th. At the annual Meeting of said Trustees, an Election shall be held by a majority of the Stockholders present, unless said Meeting be postponed to some future day, and each Stockholder shall be entitled to one vote, for every share of ten dollars subscribed by him, — In the election of Trustees not more than two persons from the same Religious denomination, shall be elected or hold the position of Trustee, at the same period, and at least two persons, not connected with any religious denomination, shall at all times, be Members of the Board of Trustees, and no person not a Stockholder shall be elected to the office of Trustee. If any Stockholder refuses to submit to the action of a majority of the Stockholders or Trustees, Consistent with this

charter, such recusant stockholder shall forfeit to said Trustees his interest in or right to the stock subscribed by him.

5th The Shares of Stock in said Incorporation shall be in the sum of Ten Dollars, for each Share designated by numbers, and upon the payment to the Treasurer of said Incorporation, by any Stockholder, of One or more Shares Subscribed by him, said Treasurer shall deliver to said Stockholder, a Certificate of such payment, and such Certificate shall be made payable to Order and bear six per cent interest per annum from the date thereof, and be transferable like any other negotiable paper transferable by law. Said Certificates of Stock shall be good against and binding upon the property real and personal of said Incorporation, and as against the parties through whom the same may be derived unless a thereon transferred by such endorsement, such Certificates shall be payable only out of any dividends declared by the Trustees of said Incorporation, or by order of some Competent Court.

6th. If at any Time there should be a deficiency of available assets, in the hands of said Trustees, to meet the current expenses of said Incorporation, said Trustees may tax each Share of Stock Subscribed, with a pro rata proportion of such deficiency, and the Holder of such Share or Shares, shall not be entitled to receive any payment thereon, until the amounts taxed upon said Shares, shall have been paid by such Holder of said Stock.

7th. Said Academy under the Control and Supervision of said Trustees, and at their discretion, may be used as a place for religious worship by the different Protestant denominations, and in no case or Contingency, shall a preference be given to any denomination, nor shall any denomination be recognized as a Particular denomination, be excluded from the use of said House, for religious Worship, unless it be done by a vote of a majority of the Trustees.

8th. Said Trustees and their successors in office may make such By Laws, as they may deem expedient for the government of the affairs of said Institution and may do and perform all other acts for the benefit of said Institution, which are incident to boards of Corporate, and not repugnant to the provisions of the Charter, and not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States or of this State - or the laws of either.

(Seal)

I have no Constitutional objection to the Charter
T. J. Wharton
Att. Genl,

Approved August 22nd 1865,
John L. Pectus

By the Governor
C. A. Bruglas
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of "Fair River Baptist Church"

State of Mississippi
Lawrence County

The undersigned having been duly elected Moderator, Clerk and Deacons of Fair River Baptist Church in said Lawrence County, and being members thereof ourselves, and having associated ourselves together for the purpose of obtaining to be incorporated as a Religious Society - have adopted the following Charter,

This Church is to be known as the "Fair River Church" and hold its regular meetings in perpetuity at the present Church building, on Fair River, or such other building as may hereafter be acquired, and set apart for that purpose.

The object is to be the Spreading the gospel of Christ, and the general advancement of religion, according to the principles and creed of the Baptist Denomination,—

To wit to acquire title to the Church site and building and to such other property, as we may be allowed by law to acquire, and generally to do any and all acts that it may be necessary lawful and proper to do as a Religious Society

Isham Key
John Dickerson } Deacons.

W. H. Bailey Mod.
L. H. Maxwell Clerk

I have no Constitutional objection to the within Charter,

J. D. Thornton
Att. Gen.

Approved August 23d 1865,

Atty Gen. Brumfield
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Missionary Board of the Yazoo Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church,

Sec. 1st By virtue of the Act of the Legislature of Mississippi, authorizing the Governor to grant Charters in Certain Cases, Daniel Giles, John Clark, J. R. Mosely, A. Fleming, A. S. Harrison, all of Noxubee and Jo. Bell, and their Successors in Office, are hereby Constituted a body Corporate, by the name and Style of the Missionary Board of the Yazoo Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and by that name shall be able to in Law or Equity, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, of Contracting and being Contracted with and doing all other acts which are Incident to such Corporations,

Sec. 2. Said Board shall have power to make such Rules, Regulations and By Laws, as shall be necessary, for the and right for the dissemination of the Gospel, within the bounds of said Yazoo Presbytery, and to elect such officers from time to time, as they may deem expedient to carry the same into effect, provided the said Board shall adopt and build no regulations, conflicting with the Constitution and laws of the United States, or of the State of Mississippi,

Sec. 3. The said Board shall be capable of holding by purchase donation or otherwise, property, to the amount of Twenty five Thousand Dollars.

Sec 4. The Members of said Board shall be elected by the said Yazoo Presbytery, at such times and in such manner as the Presbytery may adopt,

Sec 5. And that this Charter be in force from and after its approval by the Governor,

Shand as Constitutional
objection to the Charter
D. Harbarton
Atto Genl

Approved August 20th 1852
John A Quitman

(Seal)

By the Governor,
C. A. Bringhurst
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of Bluff Creek Church.

Be it Known that the Members of the Baptist Church in Jackson County, and State of Mississippi, Known and Designated by the name of Bluff Creek Church, for the purpose of purchasing, owning and occupying property both real and personal for the benefit of said Church, of any amount in value not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and to their Trustees James Austin, Thomas Kelley and James W. Phillips, and to their successors in office, is hereby granted Corporate Powers to Superintend and Transact the business of said Corporation, and to purchase such property in the name of said Corporation, as may be, by them, Considered necessary for the benefit of said Church, not exceeding the sum aforesaid, and to sell and convey the same, or any part thereof, that the said body Corporate may think proper to sell, That the said Corporation is hereby declared capable of suing and being sued, in any Court of law in the State of Mississippi. And that said Corporation & other Corporations of like Character are entitled to by the laws of the State of Mississippi.

No Constitutional Objections to the above, J. J. Thacker Atty, Genl

Approved December 14th 1860

John J. Pettus

A. A. Bingham Secy of St. Com

An amended Charter for the Town of Verona, in the Counties of Itawamba and Pontotoc

Section 1 The whole of the Territory within one mile of the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road Depot buildings including a part of Sections Nineteen and Thirty in Township Ten Range Six East in Itawamba County, and a part of Sections Twenty four and Twenty five in Township Ten Range Five East in Pontotoc County, is hereby incorporated, by the name of the Town of Verona.

Sec 2 The inhabitants of said Town, as above defined, are hereby constituted a corporation and body politic in law and in fact under the name and style of the Town of Verona, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law or equity in this State

Sec 3 The officers for said Town shall consist of a Justice of the Peace Constable five Selectmen, To be Householders in said Town clerk, Treasurer, assessor and collector of taxes, The Justices of the Peace and Constable to be biennially elected, at the General election of County officers in this State, The selectmen of said Town to be elected annually, the first election for which to be held on the first monday in March 1861, at which time the term of office of the present selectmen of said Town, shall expire. And all other officers for said town may be elected or appointed, as the President and Selectmen may by ordinance prescribe.

Sec 4 Any elector residing in said Town who may be entitled by law to vote at any general election in this State, is hereby declared to be a legal voter at any election in said town, Provided, he shall have resided within the corporate limits of said town four months previous to any election at which he may offer to vote,

Sect 5 The election for the officers of said Town, shall be conducted in the following manner to wit, The election for the Justice of the Justice of the Peace and constable shall be governed by the laws of this State governing such elections, The mayor of said Town shall give ten days notice, to be posted in one or more public places in said Town, of the time and place of holding an election for Selectmen, and shall appoint two free holders or house holders of said town, as inspectors of such election, who shall open the polls of said election at nine Oclock A.M. and close at four Oclock P.M and shall count out the votes, and certify to the mayor who are elected selectmen, a majority of the votes polled shall elect.

Sec 6 The Justice of the peace and Constable so elected shall give bond and take the oath of office, as prescribed by the laws of this State and thereupon said Justice of the Peace shall be commissioned as such by the Governor, and they shall be governed in the discharge of their official duties, by the laws of this State

governing such officers. The jurisdiction of said Justice and Constable shall be confined to that portion of the corporate limits of said town which is situated in the county of Tallapoosa and the Justice district in which said portion is situated.

Sec 7 The Justice of the Peace for said Town shall be ex officio Mayor of the Town of Verona, and said constable shall be ex officio Marshall of said Town. The jurisdiction of said Mayor and Marshall shall be confined to the corporate limits of said Town.

Sec 8 The Selectmen shall within ten days after their election, or as soon thereafter as possible, meet in council, and shall elect one of their number President of the Board of Selectmen, and they shall thereupon take and subscribe an oath before the Mayor or some Justice of the Peace, to faithfully discharge the duties of their offices; a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. It shall be the duty of the President of said board to preside over the meetings of the same and in case of a tie shall give the casting vote, he shall preserve order, shall sign the minutes of each and every meeting, and shall perform all other duties that may be required of him by law. In the absence of the president, the board shall have power to appoint any one of their number president, pro tem, And the President and selectmen, under the name and Style of the President and Selectmen of the Town of Verona," shall have power to pass all such laws rules and regulations as shall be deemed necessary for the good order and government of said Town, also to abate nuisances: to provide against fire in such manner as they may prescribe: They shall have power to buy and hold lands in fee simple either in or without the corporate limits of said town: also to erect and build a Calaboose in said town in which all offenders may be lodged and safely kept when authorized by the laws of said town: also to erect necessary pavements, side walks gutters bridges &c: To have the streets and public highways of said town put and kept in good repair, by the labor of persons living in said town, liable to work on roads by the laws of this state, or by taxing such persons not less than two, nor more than ten dollars each annually, the masters overseers and guardians in all cases to pay the taxes of their slaves or wards; and any person so taxed or so liable to work, shall not be liable to work the roads or highways without the corporate limits of said Town. They shall also have power within said town, by ordinance to levy and collect taxes upon real and personal property taxable by law for state purposes not exceeding for general purposes the taxes now allowed this state on such property. They may also for general purposes levy and collect a tax not exceeding three per centum upon the sales of transient merchants vendors and auctioneers in said town: a specific tax of one dollar upon each negro. Horse or Mule and a less specific tax on all other kind of live stock which shall be exhibited for sale or sold therein by a trader. They

by the consent of the owners of the property to be taxed, to be ascertained by ballot, under such rules as the President and Selectmen may prescribe, a majority of the votes polled at such election to govern. They shall also have power by ordinance to prescribe the mode and time of assessing and collecting taxes levied by them & subject to levy seizure and sale any personal effects, and in default thereof any real property, of any person in said town for the satisfaction of all taxes due by such person, and moreover, all taxes levied by said President and Selectmen upon real and personal property in said town shall from the date of assessment be and remain subsisting liens respectively upon the property taxed. They shall also have power to invest the tax collect upon sale of such property for taxes due thereon with power and authority to transfer by conveyance the same to the purchaser under such regulations as they may by ordinance prescribe. They shall also have power to tax all circuses or shows of any kind that may be exhibited within the corporate limits of said town. They may also tax hawkers and peddlers that may offer any goods wares or merchandise for sale in said town. They shall have power to pass all such ordinances as may be deemed proper not inconsistent with the state laws in reference to the sale of vinous or spirituous liquors within the corporate limits of said town. They shall also have power to appoint Constables for said Town, to prescribe their duty &c. They shall have power by ordinance to prescribe such duties of the Mayor and Marshall as may be deemed necessary which is not imposed by this charter, also to prescribe the duties of all other officers for said town; They shall also have power to regulate the fees of the Mayor Marshall and all subordinate officers, either by fees or perquisits of office by special salary or otherwise. They shall have power to pass all ordinances and by-laws which are not subversive to the laws of this state or of the United States which may be deemed necessary and proper to carry into effect the powers delegated to them by this Charter And all laws rules and regulations which may be necessary for the public welfare of the inhabitants of said Town as above defined - with power also in said ordinances to prescribe such fines and forfeitures for their violation as may be deemed expedient, not exceeding fifty dollars for each offence, and imprisonment in the Calaboose not exceeding twenty days for a single offence which fines or forfeitures shall be recoverable with cost by suit or action in the mayors court and when collected shall be paid into the treasury of said Town for the use and benefit thereof

Sec 9 There is hereby established in and for the town of Verona An inferior court, to be held by the mayor to be known as the mayors court which may be held daily and considered constantly in Sesion at all times when required by the business thereof, And the mayor of said Town is hereby vested with full and ample jurisdiction for the

trial of all causes which may arise under this Charter or the Laws and ordinances of said Town, he shall issue all proces that may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Charter or the laws of said Town and shall exercise all power that may be necessary and proper for the performance of his duty. He shall have power to fine and imprison in the calaboose any person for contempt of his court, He shall in all cases when authorized by the laws of said Town, sentence any person to the calaboose thereof, there to be safely kept until discharged by law, He shall keep a docket in which he shall enter in full all the proceedings had before him as Mayor And in the absence of the mayor any Justice of the Peace for Itawamba County is authorized to act as mayor pro tem.

Sec 10 It shall be the duty of the Marshall of said Town to execute and return all proces to him directed by the mayor, He shall arrest either with or without a warrant any person who shall violate any of the laws or ordinances of said Town and shall carry them forthwith before the mayor to answer such violation or in case a trial cannot be had forthwith before the mayor he shall have power to lodge such offender in the Calaboose of said Town there to be safely kept until a trial can be had, He shall have power to summons and compel any Citizen of said Town to assist him to arrest any offender or to carry any offender to the Calaboose, And he shall perform all other duties required of him by the laws of said town.

Sec 11 In the absence of the Marshall the mayor is hereby authorized to appoint under his hand and seal any person to act as Marshall

Sec 12 If any vacancy shall occur in in any office in said Town Such vacancy shall be filled in the following manner. to wit: If such vacancy shall be the office of Justice of the or Constable an election shall be ordered by the President and Selectmen upon five days notice to be posted in one or more public places in said Town of the time and place of Holding Such election, If said vacancy should be in the office of Selectman then like notice is to be given by the Mayor of said Town. Said elections to be governed in other respects as are general elections for said town.

Sect 13 All vacancies that hereafter may occur in any of the offices of said town by death resignation or otherwise shall be filled under the provisions of this charter.

Sec 14 The Style of the ordinances of said town shall be "Be it ordained by the president and Selectmen of the Town of Verona" all ordinances passed by said president and Selectmen shall be signed by the president of the board, and shall within ten days after the passage thereof be published, by one insertion in

in one or more public places in said town: and said ordinances when so published shall be received as evidence in all the courts of law or equity in this state without further proof

Sec 15 All the provisions of any former charter for said town which are inconsistent with the provisions of this charter are hereby repealed and this charter to take effect from and after its approval

I have no constitutional objection to the foregoing charter

T J Wharton
Att Genl

Approved January 18th 1861
John J Pettus

C. A. Snyder Secretary of State

The State of Incorporation of Beth Israel
Church an Israelitish Congregation of worshipers
of God, at Jackson in the State of Mississippi.

Whereas the People calling themselves Israelites, residing at Jackson in the State of Mississippi, are desirous of a more formal and permanent organization as a body of religious worshippers according to the forms and ceremonies of their fathers, and for the more perfect management of their religious affairs as a Congregation of such worshippers, Therefor I John J. Pettus Governor of the State of Mississippi (by virtue of an act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi) do hereby nominate and appoint H. Goodman. M. Asher, E. Blum, M. Ullman, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and Corporate, by the name and style of the vestry of "Beth Israel at Jackson Mississippi", and by that name, they or their successors in office, shall be capable of suing and being sued, impleading and being impleaded, in all actions and cases whatsoever, and they may have a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure, shall be capable of receiving, holding and conveying such real and personal estate as religious bodies may now receive, hold or convey by law, may make such by-laws as they may deem expedient for the election of their officers and for the government of the affairs of said Incorporation, and may further do and perform, all other acts for the benefit of said Incorporation which are incident to bodies corporate and not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

An amendment of this Charter shall be made unless such amendment be submitted in writing, signed by at least three members of said Congregation, which amendment shall lie over until the next regular meeting thereof and shall require the votes of two thirds of all the members present for its adoption.

I have no Constitutional
Objection to the above,
T. J. Charlton
Atty. Genl.

Approved Jany 21st
1861.
John J. Pettus

C. A. Scruggs Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Garlandsville Seminary An Institution of Learning, at Garlandsville in the County of Jasper and State of Mississippi

Section 1st It is hereby declared at Isaac P Patton and William H Handy of Newton County, and James E Watts Isaac Levy, John F Heard W H Bonner and George W Chatfield of the County of Jasper and State of Mississippi, shall be a body corporate by the name and Style of the Trustees of Garlandsville Seminary, and by that name and Style may sue and be sued in any Court of Law and Equity in the said State of Mississippi having lawful jurisdiction of the subject matter of suit, and the said Trustees of the Garlandsville Seminary for the time being and their Successors in office, may have and keep a corporate Seal, which they may break or alter at pleasure, and the said Trustees may make all by-laws Rules and regulations, which they may deem needful and proper for their Government, not repugnat to the constitution and Laws of Mississippi.

Section 2d The said Trustees may establish and Keep in operation an Institution of Learning at Garlandsville, in the County of Jasper to be called the Garlandsville Seminary, for the education of boys and Girls. And the said Corporation may have and possess in its corporate capacity, real and personal Estate to the amount of Fifty thousand Dollars. And said Corporation shall have the right and privilege of purchase and sale of real and personal Estate to the said amount of Fifty thousand Dollars.

Section 3d The said Trustees, or a majority of them may Elect a President of the Garlandsville Seminary and such a corps of Instructors as they may deem necessary, And the President of said Garlandsville Seminary shall have power to prescribe a Curriculum or course of study for the said Seminary to includes a primary Academic, and for females a Collegiate Course. And the President of the said Seminary shall have the authority and right to confer the degree of Proficient in English Literature, on such female pupils, of said Seminary as shall have pursued and made Satisfactory proficiency in the prescribed course of study, And may give diplomas, or certificates of said degree, to such female pupils as may graduate at said Seminary

I have no constitutional objection to the above Charter
D S Wardlaw
Atto Genl

Approved March 6th 1861
John J Pettus

A M Scarborough
Secy of State

1844

Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Baldwyn.

Sec: 1. Be it ordained by the Governor of the State of Mississippi That the Town of Baldwyn in the Counties of Tishomingo and Itawamba, On the M & O. R.R. be and the same is hereby incorporated with the following boundaries. That is to say to commence at the Depot House of said Town on said R. R. and run in the direction of the four Cardinal points, one half of a mile, so as to enclose a Mile Square within the limits of said Town.

Sec: 2. Be it further ordained, that it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace of either of the said Counties, to appoint three of the Citizens of said Town, Summoned by him for the purpose, to hold and conduct an Election, at some suitable place in said Town, on the first Monday in May A.D. 1861, and annually thereafter, in the same manner and time, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Constable and five Selectmen from the Citizens of said Town, which upon receiving a Certificate of Election, from the aforesaid Justice of the Peace, shall be duly sworn and qualified by the said Justice of the Peace, well and faithfully to perform each and all of their duties and obligations of their respective offices.

Sec. 3. Be it further ordained, That the Selectmen, Mayor & Constable of said Town, shall continue in office for the term of One Year, and until their successors shall be Elected and qualified and after the first and all subsequent elections, every free white Person of twenty One years of age, and upwards who shall have resided in the Corporate limits of said Town, three months previous to any election shall be a qualified Voter.

Sec 4. Be it further ordained that the Mayor and Selectmen of said Town, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, in all suits of Law & equity and to do all other acts incidental to bodies Corporate, under the style and name of the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Baldwyn. They shall be empowered to make all By laws and Regulations for the government of the Town, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State, or the laws and Statutes in any case hereafter provided for the violation of the laws recognized with Costs for the use and benefit of said Town, in the name of the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Baldwyn; in which action the process may be by Summons or warrant, returnable forthwith before the Mayor.

Sec 5. Be it further ordained that the said Mayor, shall have power to Compel all persons within this Corporation liable to road duty, to work the Streets and highways of said Town, not exceeding five days in Each Year, under the penalty of One Dollar per diem, recoverable before the Mayor

shall be exempt from work on all other roads and highways, within the limits of the said Corporation.

Sec. 6 Be it further ordained. That for the purpose of revenue, the Mayor and Selectmen may tax such property, as is liable to taxation under the existing laws of this State, Provided such tax shall not exceed fifty Cents on each white Poll, fifty Cents on each slave, and twelve and a half Cents on every Hundred Dollars worth of property, real or personal, within the Corporate limits of said Town, besides a specific tax, not exceeding fifty Dollars, on every Show, exhibition, transient Vender and Auctioneer,

Sec 7, Be it further ordained. That the Mayor and Selectmen shall elect from among their Number, One, as Treasurer, who shall give Bond to Assess and collect taxes for the said Town, to keep and pay out all monies, that may accrue to said Town, by the order and authority of the Mayor and Selectmen, and before entering on his Official Duty, shall enter into Bond with approved Security. Payable to the said Mayor and Selectmen, for the use of said Town, in the penal sum of Five hundred Dollars, Conditioned for the safe keeping and properly disbursing, all such monies as may come into his hands as Treasurer of said Town, and also faithfully to deliver over to his Successor in office, all the funds of said Town, the Mayor and Selectman shall also appoint a suitable Clerk whose duty it shall be, to keep a true record of the proceedings of said Board, of all by laws by them enacted, of all the Monies received and expended, and to give publicity to all such by laws and Ordinances of said Mayor and Selectmen by posting them up in public, at least three days before they shall take effect, Said Clerk before entering on office, and after each annual election, record the returns and Certificates of the elections, and deliver over to his Successor in office, all books and papers,

Sec. 8, Be it further ordained. That the Boundaries of said Town shall constitute a Magistrates Court, and the Mayor elected as aforesaid, shall hold said Court and Continue in Session, as long as the business of the Boundaries and execution all and every power given by law to Justices of the Peace said Court shall be attended by the Town Constable, whose duty it shall be to execute process of all kinds, issued by the Mayor and do all other acts that a Constable may do, and under the same penalty, The Mayor shall have power during the session of his Court, to fine for Contempt of Court, any Person, in any sum not exceeding fifty dollars, and on failure to pay such fine to Commit such offender, to such Warrant, until such fine paid or he otherwise discharged. He shall also have power to Confine by imprisonment, any person by him Convicted in open Court, of disturbance of the Peace, for any Time not exceeding twenty days. Any Person or Persons Considering themselves aggrieved by the final judgement of the Mayor of said Town, otherwise than fines for Contempt of Court, may remove said cause and Supersede execution thereon, by application to the Circuit Court of Pickering or Itawamba County, in the same manner and with the same restrictions and provisions

The Mayor and Constable of said Town shall receive for their respective Salaries the same fees and Compensation that Justices of the Peace and Constables in this State, are by law entitled to receive in similar Cases. In other Cases the Town Council may regulate the fees of Officers.

Sec 9. Be it further ordained — That if at any time any vacancy shall occur, the vacancy shall be filled by an election, ordered by the Town Council, the said election to be Conducted in the manner of the regular election. The Style of Ordinances of said Town shall be, "Be it ordained by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Baldwyn."

Sec 10. Be it further Ordained, that all fines and forfeitures imposed by the Mayor shall be appropriated, to the use and benefit of the Town, whereby the cause of Morality and Education may be promoted, the Streets and Highways kept in order, and other purposes which the Board may deem necessary.

Sec 11. Be it further ordained — That for his services the Town Treasurer shall be entitled —— per centum of the amount which he may collect, in his Capacity of Assessor, and Treasurer, during his term of office for one year.

Sec 12 Be it further ordained — That this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval,

I have no Constitutional objection to the above Charter,
D. J. Charlton
Att'y Gen'l

Approved April 14th 1886
John L. Sellers

Attest
C. A. Bringhurst
Secretary of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Town of Morton Scott County Mississippi

Section 1st That the said Town of morton be and the same is hereby incorporated under the provisions hereinafter expressed and that the corporate limits of said Town shall run as follows to wit: Commencing at a point on the north boundary of the right of way on the Southern Rail Road where the west line of Section (23) Twenty three in Township Six and Range Six East in Scott County crosses said right of way & running South with said Section line to the line of Burnett Eastenings land thence in an Easterly direction with said Eastenings line for a distance of one half a mile & thence directly north to the northern boundary of the right of way of said Southern Rail Road & thence in a Westerly direction with said northern boundary of the right of way of said Rail Road to the beginning Inclusive.

Section 2 That on the first monday of may in each and every year the Qualified votes of said Town of Morton shall elect a Mayor four Aldermen and a Town constable. the Mayor and Aldermen to be free holders or house holders within said Corporation which election shall be conducted by a Justice or the Sheriff of said county of Scott & two free holders of said town and the persons receiving the highest number of vote for Mayor & Town constable respectively and the four persons receiving the highest number of vote for Aldermen shall be declared duly elected & shall be returned forthwith by the Superintendent of said election to the office of the Secretary of State and shall be commissioned by the Governor & the mayor & aldermen shall immediately on the receipt of their commissions take and Subscribe the oath prescribed by the constitution and such persons so elected shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified the polls of such election shall be opened at 10 Oclock A M & closed at 4 Oclock P M of the same day & Notice of all such elections shall be given at least five days previous to the time of holding the same by posting Notices thereof at three public places in said town of Morton

Section 3 That said mayor and Aldermen shall immediately after having taken the oath prescribed by the constitution meet & form a board to do business and shall appoint a clerk & Treasurer & such other officers of said town as may be contemplated or required by this charter & not otherwise provided for therein & they shall have full power & it shall be their duty to require & take sufficient bond or bonds from all such officers prescribe the penalties & conditions of the same & prescribe the duties and every such of their offices the oath to be taken by them not inconsistent with this charter & the mayor and any two of said Aldermen shall form a board for the transaction of business and in case of the absence of the mayor at any meeting of the board they may appoint a chairman protem and proceed to do business and the said board of Mayor & aldermen shall be known & designated by the name & style of the mayor & Aldermen of the Town of Morton and as such shall constitute a body corporate & politic

and shall have and exercise all the powers rights & privileges usually appertaining or belonging to bodies corporate & politic & by that may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in any court of law & Equity & the said mayor & Aldermen shall have full power & authority over all matters of police within the limits of said town. They shall have power to make and promulgate all such ordinances rules and orders for the harmony & good government of said Town as they shall deem necessary right & proper not inconsistent with the constitution & laws of this State. They shall have power to inflict a penalty on any person for a violation of their by laws in any sum not exceeding twenty five dollars and ten days imprisonment for any one offence recoverable with cost before the mayor of said town or any Justice of the peace in and for Scott County in the name of said Mayor and Aldermen for the use and benefit of said town they shall have power to prescribe the mode and manner of abating nuisances and at whose expence the same shall be removed & of removing any obstructions in the streets or public places of said town & imposing suitable penalties upon persons causing any such obstructions. They shall have power to enact & promulgate ordinances requiring any and all public gaming tables in whatsoever place any such may be found exhibiting or in any manner used in said town to be seized to gather with all their implements cards money or other thing thereto belonging & exposing the same to be publickly burnt, in any street of said town except the money which shall be forfeited & inure to the benefit of said town and to require of the Mayor of said Town in his capacity of Justice of the peace of Scott County to prosecute against any person or persons who may be found exhibiting or using any such gaming table or who may be in any way engaged or interested therein. They shall have the power to raise a revenue taxing such property within said Town as shall at such time be liable to state tax at a rate not exceeding fifty per centum on such state tax which tax shall be paid annually within three months after the assessment Roll shall be completed and a copy thereof filed in the office of said Mayor & Aldermen they shall have the power to fix the rates of taxes on all proprietors of Circuses & Menageries & on all persons making any public exhibition of their personal powers or agility or any thing they may charge for which exhibition they shall charge admittance fee to such as may attend

Section 4th That the town constable of said town shall be ex officio assessor & collector of Taxes & that the power conferred upon assessors & collectors of Taxes for the county & state in this State in relation to the assessment & collection thereof be and the same is hereby conferred upon the assessor & collector of taxes for said Town.

Section 5th That the Mayor and Aldermen of said town may at their option levy a tax of not more than six dollars in any one year upon each and every person being an Inhabitant of said town & liable by laws of this State to

of working the roads or streets of said Town. Said tax to be collected as other taxes in said town and to be applied to the improvement of the streets & roads of said Town

Section 6th That the mayor and aldermen of said Town be and they are hereby authorized to levy a tax on each nine or Ten persons liable in said Town not exceeding fifty dollars in any one year

Section 8th That the mayor of said town shall have power in his Judicial capacity to exercise jurisdiction on all matters arising out of the provisions of this charter necessary to carry the same into full effect in said town and the said mayor shall have & exercise all the powers & jurisdiction of a justice of the peace of the County of Scott throughout said County and it shall be his duty to see that the provisions of this charter and all ordinances rules & orders made in pursuance thereof shall be truly and faithfully executed it shall be his duty to call a meeting of the Board of aldermen at any time he may deem it necessary and he shall cause to be laid before them for their consideration all matters and things touching the interest & welfare of said town. he shall preside at all meetings of the Board when present and shall preserve order therein he may fine any member thereof not exceeding twenty dollars for improper or disorderly conduct at any such meeting he shall have power to impose a fine not exceeding twenty five dollars & Twenty four hours imprisonment on any person who shall offer a contempt for his Court while sitting. he shall have power to appoint or depute a constable in case of the absence of the town Constable

Section 9 That it shall be the duty of the town constable of said town to strictly and diligently perform all the duties required of him by the provisions of this charter or the ordinances Rules & orders made in pursuance thereof. he shall without delay execute all lawful process directed to him by the Mayor of said Town in his capacity of justice of the peace for Scott County or by the mayor & aldermen of said town he shall use his utmost endeavors to prevent and suppress all breaches of the Peace in said town & quell and suppress any rioting or improper disturbances or any other indecent or disorderly conduct therein he shall have power and it shall be his duty at all times to arrest with or without warrant & take before the mayor for examination all or any person or persons who shall be found violating the provisions of this charter or any of the ordinances rules or orders made in pursuance thereof. it shall be his duty to report to the mayor or board of aldermen any nuisance or obstructions in the street public places or highways in said town.

Section 10th That it shall be the duty of said mayor & Alderman to require & take from said town constable before he enters upon the duties of his office a bond payable to the Mayor & aldermen of said town & their successors in office

in the sum of not exceeding one thousand dollars with two or more good securities to be approved by said mayor and Aldermen conditioned that he shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him by this charter & the ordinances rules & orders issued in pursuance thereof and that he will well and truly pay over to the proper officers of said town all the monies that may be collected or received by him for or on account of said town & that he will and truly pay over all the monyes to the party or parties entitled by law to receive the same which may be collected or received by him as constable of Scott County or said town. Which bond when so taken & approved shall be filed and recorded in the office of the clerk of the probate court of said County of Scott and at any time if the conditions thereof shall be forfeited it shall be lawful for the mayor & aldermen of said town or any person who may be injured by breach of the conditions said Bond to put the same in suit to be prosecuted for the benefit of any such person thus injured if the said town constable shall collect or receive money on any execution or precep in his hands & shall fail to pay over the same to the person or persons entitled by law to receive said money on demand he shall pay interest at the rate of 25 per cent per annum on the amounts so collected or received on such execution or other precep from the time of such demand until paid

Section 11th That if said town constable shall collect money such execution or other precep & shall fail to pay over the same on demand as aforesaid it shall and may be lawful for the plaintiff his agent attorney or other person lawfully to receive the same by motion to the mayor in his capacity of Justice of the Peace for Scott County upon giving five days notice to such town constable & the securities on his Bond or either of them to have judgment against said town constable his securities or either of them that notice may have been served as aforesaid for any amount that may have been collected by said Town constable on any any such Execution or other precep as aforesaid together with the intrest at the rate of twenty five per cent per annum on the amount so collected by him after the demand thereof before directed or upon entering up any such judgment against said Town constable or his securities or either of them aforesaid the said mayor shall immediately thereafter issue an execution for the amount for such judgment against the party or parties against whom such judgment shall be entered said mayor shall inquire on such execution that no security of any kind shall be taken

Section 12th That if said town constable shall neglect to return any execution or other precep in his hands at the time required for the return thereof he shall upon motion made by any person interested be fined by the mayor in any sum not exceeding twenty five dollars for any such

to a recovery, on his bond for any such neglect to the use of the party injured thereby

Section 13th That said town constable shall have power to do business throughout the County of Scott and shall be entitled to receive the same fees as allowed to other constables of Scott County for similar services

Section 14th That the mayor and aldermen of said town shall have power upon sufficient cause appearing to them of the palpable violation or neglect of duty or manifest incompetency of said Town constable or any other of their officers to remove him or them from office & cause any such vacancy to be filled in the manner directed by this charter

Section 15th That the mayor and aldermen of said Town shall have full power to pass and promulgate all ordinances that not incons tent with the constitution & laws of this state which may be nec- sary to carry the provisions of this charter into full effect and to prescribe such penalties & punishment for offences contemplated by the same not known before mentioned

Section 16th That the Board of Mayor and aldermen shall cause to be kept in a neat well bound & regular set of Books a record of all the ordinances rules & orders of said board & also a regular Journal of their proceedings & shall cause to be kept by the Treasurer a true and regular account of the receipts and disbursements of all monies of said town & a report of same to be made to the mayor & aldermen quarterly

Section 17 That all ordinances by laws rules & orders that shall be passed or enacted by the said Major & aldermen in pursuance of this charter shall be signed by said mayor & countersigned by the clerk of said Board & shall be posted upon one or more public places in said town or printed in hand Bill form and distributed among the citizens of said town and no ordinances of said Board shall be enforced until the expiration of five days from its passage unless other- wise ordered by the mayor & aldermen

Section 18 That in all cases judicially decided by the mayor of said Town except such cases as may be decided by him in his capacity of Justice of the Peace of Scott county an appeal may be had from such decisions to the Board of Aldermen whose decision shall be final upon the subject matter so decided

Section 19 That the amount of licens assessed & recovered and all fines and forfeitures that may arise or accrue ~~or~~ that may be assessed for or in Virtue of this charter shall inure to the benefit of the Corporation

Section 20 That all vacancies that may occur of officers in said Town shall be filled by election or appointment in the manner heretofore directed in this charter

Section 21 That the mayor for the time being shall advertise and give notice of all elections in the manner directed by this charter and in case he shall fail to do so any three freeholders of said town may advertise & give notice of any such election in the manner aforesaid

Section 22 Be it further enacted that all white ~~persons~~ male persons of the age of twenty one years who shall have resided within the corporate limits of said Town for three months last preceding any such election shall be a qualified voter in such elections

Approved April 10th 1861
John S Pettus

I have no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter
J J Thatcher
Att Genl

Attest C A Broughton
Secy of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Winona, County of Carroll State of Mississippi.

Sec: 1st Be it enacted by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, That the Town of Winona in Carroll County, be, and the same is hereby incorporated, and that the corporate limits of said town shall extend to the four Cardinal points and form one half Mile square to be laid off in such manner as that the Centre of the Coping of Summit Street and Scotsman Avenue of said town as at present laid off and surveyed shall form the Centre of said Corporate limits.

Sec: 2. Be it further enacted, That every free male citizen person having obtained the age of Twenty One years, and having resided within the State twelve months, and in the Corporate limits of said town four Months next preceding an election for town officers, shall be a qualified elector and eligible to any town office, provided however that any qualified voter of the County who may have resided within the Corporate limits of said town, ten days next preceding shall be entitled to vote at the first election.

Sec: 3 Be it further enacted, That the Sheriff of Carroll County or any acting Justice of the Peace for said County shall on the first Monday in each and every year, hold an election, in strict conformity to the laws of this State for a Mayor, Five Aldermen and Constable for said town, and the Sheriff or Justice of the Peace as the case may be, shall give to each of the Seven persons, who may have received the greatest number of votes for the several offices a Certificate that he is duly elected for one year from and after his election or his shall continue in office, until their successors are duly elected and qualified,

Sec: 4. Be it further enacted, That the Mayor elected in pursuance of this act shall be Commissioned by the Governor as a Justice of the Peace, he shall preside at each meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of said Town, and by virtue of his office, shall have power to perform all such duties and receive like emoluments and immunities as are attained by other Magistrates in said County but in case of his absence from any meeting of said Board of Aldermen any member thereof may be called to the Chair and execute the duties of President Pro tem.

Sec: 5. Be it further enacted, That the said Mayor and Aldermen shall be a body Corporate and politic by the name and style of the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Winona, and as such they and their successors in office shall be capable of suing and being sued, of pleading and being impleaded, of defending and being defended all manner of suits and actions either in Law or equity and also receive donations purchase give, grant, sell, convey and Contract, and do any and all other such acts as are incident to bodies Corporate and politic, and not inconsistent with the Constitution & laws of this State.

Sec: 6 Be it further enacted that said Mayor and Aldermen shall have power to pass all necessary laws for the good ord and government aforesaid town, not inconsistent with the Constitut and laws of this State and the Confederate States, whereby education and humanity may be promoted, and the retail and vending of ardent or vinous spirits, and gambling and every species of vice and immorality may be suppres and in their Corporate Capacity they may inflict a fine or a penalty on any person after a violation of such by-la not exceeding fifty dollars for any offence recoverable with Costs before any Justice of the Peace of said County in the name of said Corporation for the use and benefit of said Town.

Sec: 7. Be it further enacted, That the Corporate limits of said Town of Vinona are hereby declared to be a district entitled to a Justice of the Peace and Constable, and the said Mayor and Constable shall each be subject to perform all the duties and receive all such profits as are performed and received by other Justices of the Peace and Constables of this State.

Sec. 8. Be it further enacted, That the Board of Mayor and Aldermen shall elect annually a Treasurer and Recorder whose duties responsibilities and Compensations shall be prescribed by said Board.

Sec. 9. Be it further enacted, That for the purpose of revenue, the said Mayor and Aldermen may Tax such property as is liable for taxation under the existing laws of this State, provided such tax shall not exceed fifty cents on each Slave, and twelve and a half cents on every hundred dollars worth of the personal and real estate within the limits of said Town in any One year, and the money so raised shall be appropriated by said Mayor and Aldermen, exclusively to the use and benefit of said Town,

Sec: 10. Be it further enacted, That any Citizen of said Town, subject to road duty shall be exempt from such duties beyond its Corporate limits, and the said Mayor and Aldermen may release them for an equivalent therefor not to exceed Ten dollars in any one year,

Sec: 11. Be it further enacted, That if from any cause, the said Board shall not be constituted as contemplated by this act any three Citizens of said Town may call a meeting at any time for the purpose of such election by giving ten days previous notice by advertisement set up in said Town and such election shall be as valid as though said shall been held on the regular appointed days thereof.

Sec. 12. Be it further enacted, That when said Board has been organized, the said Mayor may call a meeting at any time by giving five days notice, that a majority shall

of a tie, the Mayor shall give the Casting vote, and that the said Board shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur in their body from One annual election to the next succeeding one,

Sec. 13 Be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage.

I have no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter, J Charlton Attorney General

Approved May 2nd 1867
John J. Pettus

Attest C. A. Pomphey
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Woodville Female Seminary.

Section 1st Be it Known, that Edward McGehee, Daniel Hoard, Wiley B. Bryan, John W. Burruss, Charles G. McGehee, George T. McGehee, Thomas J. Henderson Samuel H. Stockett, William R. Sims, William A. Simrall, William H. Woods, Noland S. Dickson, Wilson L. Burton, Leonard K. Barber, and the regular appointed Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the Town of Woodville, who shall for the time for which he is appointed, and their successors in office are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the "Board of Trustees of the Woodville Female Seminary" and that they and their successors shall by this name be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all actions, suits, plaints and matters whatsoever either in law or equity; They may have a common seal, and change or alter the same at pleasure, and shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real and personal estate by donation, bequest, devise or purchase, for the use and benefit of said institution not to exceed in value at any time the sum of fifty thousand dollars; to sell and convey and make titles to real and personal estate; they shall have power to appoint all professors and necessary teachers for said institution, and pay them such salaries out of any of the funds of said institution, held or accruing, as may be agreed upon; they may make such by-laws as they may deem expedient for the government and management of the said institution for their own regulation, and for the promotion and encouragement of learning amongst the students of said institution; they may make provision for the election of their own officers and the admission of new members into said Board, and may do all other acts that are generally incident to bodies Corporate, such as conferring degrees, giving diplomas &c &c, for the encouragement of learning and building up of said institution, which are not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this State.

Section 2d That said Trustees shall elect annually out of their own number a President Secretary and Treasurer, who shall severally perform the duties to be provided by the Board; and the Treasurer before entering upon the duties of his office shall enter into Bond with good security, and in such amount as may be affixed by the President and any three Trustees may call said President and Trustees Conditioned faithfully to discharge the duties assigned him by said Board, and in default of such Treasurer, he may be proceeded against in the name of the President and Trustees of the Woodville Female Seminary as in similar Cases provided by law, and all damages so recovered shall enure to the benefit of said Institution. Said Board may at any time remove from office any of the officers or members thereof; for malconduct in the discharge of their respective duties.

Section 3rd

That said Board shall hold regular Meetings Twice a year or oftener if they think proper at Times to be agreed upon by themselves, but the President shall have power to call a meeting at any Time by giving three days notice thereof, or shorter notice if business requires it, and the President be absent or from any other cause fail to Call the Board together then any three of said Trustees by giving said notice may assemble said Board.

Five members at the regular meetings, and Seven Members at Called meetings of said Board shall Constitute a quorum to Transact all business, The President shall preside at all meetings when present, but in his absence any member may be called to the Chair as President Pro-tempore,

In case of vacancies in said Board, by death resignation or otherwise of any of the members, the Board may, at any time supply such vacancy in such a manner as they may prescribe, subject to the approval of the Mississippi annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

I have no Constitutional objection to the above charter,
T. J. Wharton
Att'y Genl

Approved May 2nd 1861
John J. Pettus

Attest
C. A. Scruggs
Secretary of State

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Charter of the Bronsville College for Young Ladies.

Whereas it is proposed by various Citizens to establish on the principles of a joint Stock Company, an Institution of learning in Bronsville Hinds County Mississippi, for the education of young Ladies, and whereas it is deemed advisable to have said Institution Managed by Trustees, to be annually elected by the Stockholders it is therefore declared, ——

Section 1st That Geo. J. Adams, Dr J. D. McConnell, D. D. Boykin J. J. Birdsong, Dr J. W. Phillips. Maj. J. B. Roberts and D. H. Trotter, and their successors in office be and are hereby declared a body Corporate under the name and Style of the "Board of Trustees of the Bronsville College for Young Ladies" and as such shall have power to sue and be sued; have a Common Seal and to make such Contracts as may be necessary to effect the object of their incorporation.

Section 2d. The Board of Trustees named in the forgoing Section shall continue in office until ~~Wednesday~~ the 9th day of August 1861, on which day a new Board shall be elected by the Stockholders, which Board and each Board subsequently elected, shall hold their office for one year from the day of their election.

Section 3d. The Stockholders shall hold an annual meeting on the 9th day of August of each year, unless said day occur on Sunday, then the Saturday previous for the purpose of electing Trustees.

Section 4th. The sum of Fifty Dollars shall Constitute a Share in the Stock of this Company, and each share shall entitle the holder to one vote. The number of shares that one individual may hold shall not be limited or any prohibition put upon the sale purchase or transfer of shares. Shares shall be Confined to the sum paid in for the same,

Section 5th. The Trustees shall elect a President Secretary and Treasurer, The Secretary shall Keep a true and faithful record of the proceedings of the Board of Trustees, and Certified Copies of said record shall be received as evidence in Court, should such be necessary, Provided they are Certified to as true by the President and Secretary.

Section 6th, No person shall be eligible to the office of Trustee in this Company who does not own stock in the same, to the amount of ~~fifty~~ five dollars or more share.

Section 7. The Trustees shall have Control of all property belonging to the Company and shall provide Teachers on such terms as they may elect,

Section 8, Nothing in this Charter shall be so construed as to make the Trustees individually liable for obligations

The foregoing Charter violates no provision of the Constitution of the State.

S. J. Wharton
Atto Genl.

Approved July 23th 1861
John I. Pettus

A Brughes
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Corinth Shoe Manufacturing Company.

Art. 1. W. L. Duncan, C. J. Polk, R. J. Sawyers, J. M. McCalla, Houston Mitchell, K. H. Allen, J. H. Walker, R. R. Trousdale, Robert Davenport, A. B. Dilworth, and such other persons as shall become stockholders under the provisions of this Charter, are hereby incorporated under the name of "The Corinth Shoe Manufacturing Company" for the purpose of manufacturing shoes and boots of all kinds and descriptions, and every thing necessary for this end.

Art. 2. This incorporation shall have, and are hereby invested with full powers, to procure and own real and personal estate necessary for the object of their incorporation, and to own and employ a capital not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars in aggregate value,

Art 3. The capital stock of this incorporation shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and as soon after this charter is approved as practicable, the above named incorporators shall meet at Corinth, or a majority of them, and determine upon the times and places for opening books for subscription for stock in said incorporation, and the time for the meeting of the subscribers for organization under this Charter, which may be done as soon as one hundred shares are subscribed,

Art. 4. The place for the meetings and transaction of the business of this incorporation, shall be Corinth, Tishoming County State of Mississippi,

Art. 5. The officers of this incorporation shall consist of a President, four Directors and a Secretary, who shall be ex officio Treasurer of the same, who shall be elected by the stock subscribers to have one vote each for each share of stock subscribed, a majority of votes for the whole stock subscribed, being necessary to an election, the President to hold his office for two years, the directors for one

and the Secretary for four years from the time of election and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified.

Art. 6. By the style aforesaid, this incorporation may contract and be contracted with, and sue and be sued in any Court of law or equity in this State, and hold and dispose of both real and personal estate to the extent provided for in this Charter, and have perpetual succession Subject to the Constitution and laws of this State.

Art 7. The signature of the President attested by the Secretary shall be sufficient to bind this incorporation in all cases within the purview of this Charter, and by the same signature attested as aforesaid and acknowledged by the President before any competent officer, to take the acknowledgement of deeds, may the real estate of said incorporation be conveyed, and such deeds be recorded as other deeds.

Art. 8. This incorporation may purchase materials for their business where, and in such manner, as they shall think proper, and the manufactures thereof sell and dispose of or barter and exchange in like manner.

Art 9 - At the first meeting of the Stockholders for organization, they shall proceed to elect the officers of this incorporation, and make by-laws for the regulation, prescribing the duties and Compensation of the officers, the securities they shall give, &c, but a majority of the votes representing the entire Stock Subscribed, shall be necessary in all cases to any final action affecting the incorporation.

Art. 10. At such first meeting after the election and qualification of the officers herein provided for, each Stock Subscriber shall pay to the Treasurer ten per cent of the Stock subscribed, and thereafter such sums may be agreed, for other subscriptions as shall be directed by the incorporation, until the entire Capital Stock shall be subscribed, no one being accepted as a subscriber except upon payment of ten per cent upon the amount of his subscription, and at said first meeting all subscribers who shall not pay in the manner the said ten per cent, shall be stricken from the subscription roll and forfeit all their rights in said Corporation acquired on account of said subscription, and be no longer Corporators.

Art. 11. The incorporation may direct at what times, place and amounts the balance of the Stock subscribed shall be paid in, and shall have power to declare Stock not paid in, as provided, forfeited to the incorporation and all the rights of such delinquent subscribers, and also the declaration and payment of dividends to the subscribers.

Art 12. Annual meetings of the Stockholders shall be provided for, and special meetings may be called by the President and Directors whenever the welfare of the incorporation may demand.

Art. 13. The

May be modified at any time on a concurrence of the majority of the votes of the incorporation, at any regular, annual or special meeting of the Stock Subscribers,

There is no constitutional objection to the above charter,

T. J. Whaiton
Attd Genl

Approved Sept. 23d 1861
John I Pettus.

Attest
C. A. Brumley
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Sisters of Mercy in the city of Vicksburg

Section 1st.

In pursuance of the Statute of the State of Mississippi, Frances E Brown, Frances S Sumner, Martha P Brown, Mary Madigan and Rose A Farmer, their heirs and assigns are hereby created and constituted a body corporate, to be known by the name and Style of the Sisters of Mercy in the city of Vicksburg, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining an Academy and Free School in said city for the education of female children, and also maintaining a House of protection for homeless and indigent females to qualify them by training and education for the discharge of such domestic duties as will enable them to procure protection and support: also for the purpose of establishing and maintaining an infirmary for sick people, or more than one, should said corporation deem it expedient.

Section 2.

And the said Frances E Brown, Frances S Sumner, Martha P Brown, Mary Madigan and Rose A Farmer, their heirs and assigns are hereby made capable of holding by their corporate name, property real and personal to the amount authorized by the Laws of this State for the purposes herein before set forth; and of selling and disposing of the same should they deem it expedient so to do: That they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer & demurr to all manner of actions in any court of Law or Equity: make by Laws, Rules and regulations for their own government, not inconsistent with the Laws of this State; may employ all necessary agents, teachers & professors necessary to carry out and execute the objects of said corporation. They shall have power at their first meeting and annually thereafter, to elect from their own body a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall hold their offices

until the section of their Successors. To fill all vacancies which may occur by Death, Resignation or otherwise. Special meetings may be called at any time during the Year, by the President, whenever She shall deem them necessary or proper.

Section 3.

The Trustees of the School and Directors of the "House of Protection" and Infirmary, Shall be elected from time to time by the members of said Corporation in such a manner and form as they may determine, and Shall be subject to the Supervision and Control of said Corporation. Said Corporation may increase the number of its members to Seven; and whenever the members of said Corporation Shall be reduced by Death, Resignation or otherwise below Seven, the vacancies or vacancy Shall be filled up to that number by the remaining members or a majority of them, at any regular or Special meeting.

The regular meetings of said Corporation Shall be held annually on the first Monday of July, and a majority of the members Shall constitute a quorum for the Election of Officers, adoption of Bye Laws, Rules and Regulations" and for the transaction of all business.

There is no constitutional objection to the above charter

Signed

T J Williams

Att'y Genl.

Approved Nov 7. 1861

Signed

J J Peters

C A Broughes

Secy of State.

To His Excellency John J. Pettus Governor of the State of Mississippi.

The undersigned citizens of the County of Claiborne respectfully represent that they desire to be incorporated for certain purposes under and by virtue of the laws of this State, as contained in Chapter Thirty Fifth of the Revised Code, for which purpose they have drawn, prepared, and herewith submit to your Excellency a Charter as follows to wit:

Charter

of Incorporation of the Grand Gulf Academy in Claiborne County

Sec. 1st This Corporation is created for the purpose of establishing maintaining and conducting an Academy of learning located at Grand Gulf Claiborne County Mississippi.

Sec. 2nd The names of the persons incorporated are the following to wit:

Charles A. Pearson
Horace M. Booth
Charles Johnson
Benjamin Dochterman
Benjamin Stamm M. D.
J. H. Barlow
C. D. Hamilton,
John S. McArthur
P. M. Hall
Alfred Hendrix,

and such other persons as may become members of said Corporation,

Sec. 3. The Corporate Name of said association shall be "The Grand Gulf Academy"

Sec. 4. The powers to be exercised and such as shall be necessary and proper for the establishing maintaining & conducting a school of learning at the place aforesaid, and all such other powers as are designated in Section second of said Thirty fifth Chapter of the Revised Code aforesaid.

C. D. Hamilton
J. J. McCaslin
J. A. Barlow

C. A. Pearson
H. M. Booth
Charles Johnson
B. Dochterman
P. M. Hall
A. Hendrix

There is no Constitutional objection to the above Charter
C. J. Wharton
Atto Genl

Examined & approved November 6. 1861.
John J. Pettus

By the Governor
C. A. Scruggs
Secy of State

The charter of the Carrollton Odd Fellows Female Academy

Article 1st That William Ray W H Curtis J W Sanders J P Scales J. J George S T Ferguson A G Smith J P Marshall and F P Pleasants and their successors be and the same are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of "The Carrollton Odd Fellows Female Academy" That by such name they shall be capable of sueing and being sued pleading and being impleaded in all actions suits plaints and matters whatever either in law or equity. that they shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real and personal estate by donation or purchase to the amount of fifty thousand dollars the same to hold in fee simple by mortgage or otherwise to and for the use and benefit of said institution. that they may sell and convey and make titles to real and personal estate. and in fine may do all other acts incident to bodies corporate. which may be for the benefit of said institution and not in conflict with the terms of the grant by the Carrollton Odd Fellows Lodge to said Corporators as Trustees. and not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this State or of the Confederate States

There is no Constitutional objection to the within Charter

T J Wharton
Attd Genl

Approved Decembr 12th 1861
By the Governor John J Pettus

C A Brougher Secy of State

The Charter of incorporation of the Town of Bonneville in the County of Tishomingo State of Mississippi.

Section 1st Be it ordained that the Town of Bonneville in the County of Tishomingo be and the same is hereby incorporated, and that the incorporate limits of said town shall be as follows (To wit) Commencing on the South boundary of Section ten in Township Five Range Seven East Eighty poles east of the South west Corner of said Section, running due South one hundred poles, thence due west three hundred and twenty poles, thence due north two hundred and Sixty poles, thence due east three hundred and twenty poles, thence due South one hundred and Sixty poles to the ~~place~~ of beginning.

Section 2 That any Justice of the Peace in said County shall and may open and hold an election in said Town on the first day of January next or within Sixty days thereafter, on giving at least five days notice of such election for the purpose of electing one Justice of the Peace and one Constable in said Town, who shall be commissioned, and shall issue process and exercise the same powers and jurisdiction within the limits of said town, as belong to like officers in this State and shall hold their offices until the next regular election for county officers, at which time and every two years thereafter the same shall be filled by election.

Section 3rd It shall be the duty of the Justice of the Peace so elected at any convenient time thereafter to hold an election in said Town for the purpose of electing five Selectmen who shall choose one of their number as President, and shall conduct

of the Town of Bonnerville and by that name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all suits or plaints either in law or in equity and do all other acts which are usually incident to Towns Corporate and said Selectmen shall hold their offices for twelve months and until their successors are qualified.

Section 4 At the first and all subsequent elections for Justice of the Peace Constable or Selectmen, every free white male person who shall be entitled by law to vote for State officers in this State and who shall have resided in said Town for three months next before any election shall be a qualified Voter.

Section 5 That said President and Selectmen may make all Bylaws Ordinances Rules and Regulations for the good government, order and protection of said Town not in Violation of the Constitution or laws of this State or of the Confederate States, and shall cause the same to be published in said Town at least five days before the same is to their enforcement, and shall have power to enact penalties for violations of said Bylaws Ordinances and regulations by fine or fines for such violations not exceeding twenty five dollars recoverable before the Justice of the Peace for said Town which said fines shall be applied to the sole benefit of said Town and said President and Selectmen, shall have power in each and every year to levy a tax not exceeding twenty five per cent on the ordinary State tax on all persons and property within the limits of said incorporation for the use and benefit of said town all of which shall be duly subject to the control of said President and Selectmen for the purposes aforesaid.

Section 6. Said Constable shall have power to assess and collect all taxes imposed by said President and Selectmen and all fines for a violation of their Bylaws Ordinances Rules and Regulations

Section 7 The said President and Selectmen shall have power to require all persons subject to work on Public Roads to labor on the Streets of said Town not exceeding six days in any one year, and the inhabitants of said town shall be exempt from working on all other roads and highways

Section 8 That this ordinance take effect and be in full force from and after its approval

There is no constitutional objection to the above and foregoing Charter

D. W. Manton
Attorney

Approved December 12th 1861

By the Governor John J Pettus

A. P. Bonyhur
Secy of State

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The Charter of incorporation of the Jefferson County Tanning and Shoe and Leather Manufacturing Company

Section 1st Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That James M Watson George G Noland John W Marble John J Griffing Edgar G Wood William M Lewis Gustavus H Wilcox James E Broughton Richard H Fornad Edward Purcell James O Wilcox Gustavus M Wilcox Dunbar Kent Jasper D Griffing Joseph Pruitt Charles Perkins Snow W Killingsworth A Maddox Samuel N Robb William E Bolls and all others who now or hereafter may become associated with them as Stockholders in the manner hereinafter prescribed their successors and assignees be and they are hereby created a body Politic and Corporate by the name and Style of "The Jefferson County Tanning and Shoe and Leather Manufacturing Company" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any Court of law or equity Contract and be contracted with, and shall be capable of taking purchasing holding alienating and incumbering all kinds of property whatever real personal or mixed, for the purpose of establishing and Carrying on in the County of Jefferson and State of Mississippi, the business of Tanning dressing and Manufacturing of Leather, Shoes boots harness and other articles made of leather, or of which leather is a component part, and for the purchase or erection of all buildings and the making or purchasing all machinery, tools fixtures and materials necessary thereto; and said Corporation shall have power to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this state, which may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Charter and the purposes thereof.

Section 2d That the Capital Stock of said Company shall be Four thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of twenty five dollars each, with the privilege of increasing the said Capital Stock to the sum of Two hundred thousand dollars or any less sum, and with the further privilege of owning and holding real estate of a value not exceeding Twenty five thousand dollars, which shall be held owned and disposed by and between the members of said body Politic and Corporate; and said Stock shall be paid in, in such instalments and at such time as shall be required by said Company.

Section 3d That if any stock holder shall fail or neglect to pay any instalment or part of his or her subscription as may be required by the by-laws of said Company or demand for thirty days after the same shall be due and payable the President and Directors of said Company upon giving twenty days notice thereof by advertisement in some news paper published in said County of Jefferson or in any of the adjoining Counties may and they are hereby authorized to sell at Public auction to the highest bidder for ready money so many shares of such delinquent Stockholder as may be necessary to pay such instalment and the expenses of advertising and sale and transfer the share or shares, so sold, to the purchaser: and the residue

and in the event the proceeds of the sale of any the stock held by such delinquent Stockholder shall not pay the installment or installments then due and the expenses of sale then said President and Directors may recover the residue by suit in any court having jurisdiction of the amount so due and unpaid with legal interest, and ten per centum damages thereon.

Section 4th That from and after the approval of this Charter the Stockholders of said Company shall have power to elect, as soon as practicable, five of their number, who shall Constitute a board of directors, one of whom shall be chosen by said board President thereof; and the said Board and President shall Continue in office until the first monday in January A.D 1862. and the said Stockholders shall annually thereafter on the first monday in January elect such Board of directors, which Board shall on the day of their election, elect one of their number to be president thereof; and in case such election be not held for any cause, on the first monday in January, said Stockholders may at any time thereafter hold such election, and may at any time fill by election all vacancies in said Board; Provided, that in voting in this and all other matters appertaining to the affairs of said Company a majority of shares shall rule; and Provided also; That the Stockholders may vote by proxy.

Section 5 That it shall be the duty of said Board of Directors to keep suitable books of record, in which shall be entered, all the actings and doings of said board in the premises, and they shall also cause to be kept by a competent clerk or clerks, books of account in which shall be entered all moneys received and disbursed, all purchases and sales made and all things else appertaining to the Carrying on and management of the business of said Company; which books shall be subject at all times to the inspection of the Stockholders under the supervision of said clerk or clerks.

Section 6th That upon full payment being made for stock taken by each subscriber the receipt shall be taken up and receipt issued in place thereof, which receipt shall be assignable in such manner as the Company may direct by regulation to be made for that purpose.

Section 7th That this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval, and in the event that the charter of said Company shall at any time be extinguished by non-user mis-user or by any judicial proceeding, the Choses in action of said Company shall not become extinct with said Charter nor shall the real estate at such time owned by said Company revert to the grantors, nor the personal property be forfeited to the State, but all such property estate and effects shall be equitably divided between the existing Stockholders, at the time of such extinction, after all the debts of the Company are paid, and the Capacity of the Company to sue and be sued shall continue until its Choses in action can be collected and its real and personal estate can be disposed of.

Approved December 16th 1861

John I Pitts

There is no constitutional objection to the above Charter

D J Whaley Atty Gen

C A Bruegher Secy of State

The Charter of incorporation of the Amite Female Seminary in Amite County Miss.

The Institution of learning established near the Town of Liberty in Amite County under the charge of Rev. Milton S. Shirk shall be and the same is hereby declared an incorporated Institution, and the said Milton S. Shirk in his Capacity of Principal thereof is hereby created a body Corporate and politic, so long as he shall continue in the charge and management thereof by the name and Style of the "Amite Female Seminary", and as a Corporation may sue or be sued, implead or be impleaded in any Court of Law or Equity in this State, and shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real or personal property by donation or purchase for the benefit of said Institution to the extent and upon the terms prescribed by the act under which this Charter is granted.

Sec. 2. That said Milton S. Shirk shall be authorized to have and use a common seal for said Institution, and that he alone, or in connection with such other persons, as he may choose to associate with him, as a Board of Visitors or otherwise may arrange the Scholastic department of said Institution, confer degrees give Diplomas, make "By laws", and adopt and such rules and regulations as he or they may deem proper for the government and management of said Institution, and for the promotion of learning, morality and Religion among its pupils, and that he and they may do and perform all other acts and things for the benefit of said Institution which are usually incidental to such incorporations, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State, and of the Confederate States of America.

Sec 3 That this act shall take place and be in force from and after its passage,

Approved January 25th 1862

John J. Pettus

By the Governor

C. A. Brougher

Secretary of State

Shaw no Constitutional objection to this Charter

J. J. Wharton

Att Genl.

An Act to incorporate and Charter the Hebrew Benevolent Congregation "Anshe Chassed" in the City of Vicksburg Warren County Mississippi.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, That L. M. Lavenburg, Alexander Kuhn, Isaac Leonenhardt, Joseph Simmons, M. Cohen, Jos. Mayer, A. Hinston, Sam Dale, Simon Lewis, S. Levy, Isaac Bonn, J. C. Blum, S. Rothschild, A. Kinsky, and C. Kienesky, and their successors in office, &c, and they are hereby created a body Corporate to be styled and known "The Hebrew Benevolent Congregation" "Anshe Chassed" of the City of "Vicksburg" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any of the Courts of this State, Contract and be contracted with, and do and perform any and all acts necessary for carrying out the objects of their incorporation and enjoying the privileges hereby conferred.

Sec. 2 Be it further ordained, That the individuals composing said Congregation, may adopt a Constitution and such by-laws, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, or the provisions of this Charter — as may be necessary for the government of said Congregation, may choose their own officers and keep a common seal.

Sec 3. Be it further ordained, That said Congregation for the purpose of erecting a synagogue, or academy, or both, may purchase and hold in their Corporate Capacity, real estate to the value of twenty five thousand Dollars, — or less — exclusive of the improvements thereon — also, personal property to the value of five thousand dollars, which estate, real or personal, said Congregation may at any time, sell or dispose of as they may determine;

Sec 4th Be it further ordained that this act of incorporation take effect and be in operation from and after this the 14th day of March A D 1862,

There is no Constitutional objection to this Charter
F. J. Thornton
City Jent

Approved March 5th 1862
John J Pettus

By the Governor
C. L. Vaughan
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Manufacturing Company.

Whereas James J. Smilley and John Bruce of the Town of Meridian in the County of Lauderdale and State of Mississippi, have in Contemplation the establishment of a Manufacturing Company in said County and State to be known as the "Meridian Manufacturing Company" for the manufacturing of shoe-pegs, Buttons, Combs, as well as, Yarns, Cloth, Cotton Cards &c, And Be it Known, That the said James J. Smilley and John Bruce, their associates and successors, be and are hereby declared and Constituted a body Corporate by the name and style of the "Meridian Manufacturing Company" and by that name may sue and be sued, implead, and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in any Court of Law or Equity; and Contract and be Contracted with, and shall be capable of purchasing holding and alienating all Kinds of property, both real and personal and mixed, for the purpose of Carrying on the Manufacturing establishment aforesaid, and for the erection of suitable buildings, and the making or purchasing of machinery - And the said Corporation shall have power to make and enforce any by laws not Contrary to the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi, which may be necessary to carry into effect the provision of this Charter and the purposes thereof.

Be it further Known, That the Capital Stock of said Company shall be fifty Thousand Dollars, to be divided into Shares of Twenty five Hundred Dollars, and said Shares shall be transferable by assignment according to the by laws of said Company.

Be it further Known That neither Stockholder shall at any time sell or transfer his Share of the Capital Stock or any part thereof to any person or persons not a Stockholder in the Company without first giving to the other Stockholders the preference to purchase said Share or shares so intended to be sold or transferred at such price and rate as he could obtain from such other person, not a Stockholder in said Company.

Be it further Known, That this Charter take effect and be in force from and after the 28th day of December A.D. 1865

The above Charter has been examined by me, I have no Constitutional objection to the same.

S. J. McLaurin
Attorney General,

Executive Chamber
Macon Dec 24 1865

In testimony of the approval of the above charter, and the grant therein - I Chas Clark, Governor of the State of Mississippi have hereunto set my Signature, and Caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. This the day and year above written

Chas Clark

By the Governor
E. A. Burnham

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The charter of Incorporation of Brookhaven Lodge No 241 of Free and accepted Masons.

The Officers and members of Brookhaven Lodge No 241 of Free and accepted Masons in the Town of Brookhaven, and such other persons as may hereafter come become members of said Lodge are hereby made constitutes and declared a body politic and Corporate, by the name and style of Brookhaven Lodge No 241 of Free and accepted masons, and by such name, may have perpetual succession and have all the powers rights privileges and franchises equal to those granted to Macon Lodge No 40 by an act of the Legislature of this State entitled an act to incorporate the Macon Lodge No 40 of Free and accepted masons Approved February 6th 1841

I find no constitutional objections in the provisions of the above Charter

J J Wharton

Attorney Genl of Miss

The above charter having been submitted to me and having been referred to the Attorney General by him approved, is by me also approved and granted

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Mississippi, this 20th day of December 1844

Chas Clark

Gov of Miss

By the Governor

C H Bonaghur

Secy of State

Renewed of Charter and Amended Charter of Verona.

I. Benjamin G. Humphreys Governor of the State of Mississippi, do Certify that the Original Charter of the Town of Verona, Recorded at pages 127 and 128, and the Amended Charter of said Town of Verona recorded at pages 137, 138, 139, and 140 of "Record of Incorporations" Kept in the Office of the Secretary of State have this day been by me renewed in as full and ample a Manner as they originally existed,

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed at Executive office in the City of Jackson. This 26th day of October 1865,

Benj: G. Humphreys

By the Governor
C. A. Bringhes
Secretary of State

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An Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Bonneville in the County of Pishomingo State of Mississippi.

Sec. 1. Be it ordained that the Charter of Incorporation of the Town of Bonneville in the County of Pishomingo in the State of Mississippi, approved by the Governor John J. Pettus, December the 12th 1861. be & is amended that in every instance, where the words "Confederate States" occur in said Charter, the same shall be stricken out, and the words "United States inserted instead thereof.

Benj G. Humphreys
Gov of Mississippi

By the Governor
O. A. Gholson
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Harperville Manufacturing Company.

Art 1st Be it known that M Lyle, G.C. Harper W.D. Chas. Sarrell, J.W. Hogan, D W Lipscomb W Lyle I.J. Rich B D Holifield. J W Lack J.W. Shepherd P.T. and their associates together with those who may hereafter become Stockholders their Successors and assigns be and they are hereby constituted a body Politic and Corporate under the name and Style of the Harperville Manufacturing Company and that by that name may become and be sued, and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in all the Courts of Law and Equity, and contract and be contracted with and shall be capable of purchasing holding and alienating all kinds of property real personal or mixed, for the purpose of carrying on in the County of Scott in the State of Mississippi the manufacture of Cotton and woolen yarns and Cotton and woolen fabrics, Meal, Lumber, Cotton and Iron manufacture, wood work in all its branches, and for the Erection of all buildings and making and purchasing of all Machinery necessary therefor. And the said Corporation shall have the power to make and enforce any rules regulations and by-laws which may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions and purposes of this incorporation, not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States and said Company shall have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure

Art 2nd Be it further known that the Capital Stock of the said Company shall be Two Hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and that they may increase the same at their option to any amount not exceeding Two Hundred Thousand Dollars to be divided into shares of twenty five dollars, each, and said shares shall be transferrable by assignment agreeable to the by-laws, of said Company.

Art 3. Be it further known that G.C. Harper M Lyle, J R J Keahey F C Davis J W Hogan Dr J W Lack and Dr I M Kelly shall be appointed Commissioners, and hereby authorized to open books of Subscription for Stock in the Harperville Manufacturing Company, at any time within twelve months from the granting of this Charter, at such places as they may deem advisable, The subscription for stock,

shall be payable in money or Cotton or in both money and Cotton as the said Commissioners may determine and shall be payable at such time and place as the Commissioners may determine Provided that five Percent of said Stock be paid at the time of Subscribing and provided further that any five of said Commissioners shall Constitute a quorum to transact any business required by this Charter.

Art 4th

Be it further known, that when the Sum of fifty Thousand dollars is subscribed the said Commissioners shall appoint a time and place for a meeting of the Stock holders, for the election of Officers of said Company and shall notify each Stockholder thereof The Stockholders when assembled shall proceed to elect a President and a board of directors to consist of Seven Members each of whom shall hold in his own right not less than one share of the Capital Stock of said Company, and shall have held such share at least ten days before said election The Stockholders shall have one vote for each share subscribed And the President and members of the Board shall hold their offices one year and until their successors enter upon the duties of their offices, And the Stockholders shall hold such election once a year at such time and place as may be fixed by the by-laws. The President and board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Company under such by-laws as may be adopted. That the said President and board of directors shall have full power and authority on behalf of the Company to transact all business that may appertain to said Company also to employ agents and to grant powers of attorney for the transaction of business in the State and out of it, Provided all Powers of Attorney are Countersigned by the Secretary of said Company

Art 5.

Be it further known that if any Stockholder or Subscriber who takes Stock in said Company fails or refuses to pay the Same or any installment thereof within thirty days after the Same becomes due and payable the Board of Directors shall declare the said Stock of such defaulting Stockholder forfeited and may proceed to sell the Same to the highest bidder after giving such notice as may be prescribed by the By-laws of said Company.

Art 6th

Be it further known that the Stockholders at their first meeting, and annually thereafter shall elect a secretary and Treasurer who shall give bond as prescribed by the by-laws, for the faithful discharge of their duties. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a correct journal of the proceedings of all meetings of the Stockholders and the Board of Directors, he shall also keep a correct account of the assets and liabilities of the Company and report the same to the President at least fourteen a year, who shall lay the same before the Board of Directors and Stockholders as often. It shall also be the duty of the Secretary to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the by-laws. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to safely keep the funds of the Company which he shall pay out only on the warrants of the Board of Directors, or an Executive Committee appointed by them, which warrants shall be signed by the President and Countersigned and Numbered by the Secretary.

Art 7.

And be it further known that this Charter hereby granted shall be and remain subject to be altered modified or abolished by the Legislature of this State and that the Same shall remain in force until so altered modified or abolished. Charter granted by Adelbert Ames. Bvt. Maj. Gen. U. S. A. Comding 4th Mil. Dist Jackson Miss.
July 26. 1869

An Act to amend "An Act to incorporate the City of Enterprise" approved by Governor Wm. McWillie and Attorney-General S. J. Wharton on the 26th day of January A.D. 1858, and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on the 29th day of January A.D. 1858.

Section 1. Be it enacted

That the Act, incorporating the City of Enterprise in the county of Clark, approved by the Governor, and Attorney-General of the State of Mississippi on the 26th day of January A.D. 1858, be so amended as to include within the corporate limits of said City of Enterprise, the South East quarter of the South East quarter of Section Nineteen (19) Township four (4) Range fourteen (14) east in said county of Clark, and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor with the advice of the Attorney-General in accordance with Section one Article thirty-five of the Revised Code of 1857.

Approved October 5th 1870.

L. L. Alcorn

Governor of Mississippi

Att Gen's Office
Jackson Oct 3-1870

I am of opinion that there is nothing unconstitutional in any of the provisions of the within act.

J. S. Morris
Attorney General

James Lynch
Secty of State

Fees to be paid

Proceedings of the Board of Directors organizing the

San Rafel Silver Mining Company.

Water Valley Jany 21. 7'

The Corporators of the "Miss San Rafel Silver Mining Company" under an act of the Legislature of Mississippi, approved Jany 18. 1887. Met at 11 O.C. A M.

Present. J N Harris, B A Day, H M Walter, H L Duncan, A J McCormico, and S B McCormico.

Capt J N Harris was called to the Chair and A J McCormico appointed Secretary, pro. tem.

The Charter was presented by Col H L Duncan who read the same, after which the meeting went into the election of officers, resulting as follows

John N Harris. President.
A J McCormico Vice "
S B McCormico Secretary and Treasurer

On motion of Col Walter it was resolved, That the Secty of the Company, be directed to enclose and forward, to the Secty of State, a copy of the foregoing minutes, and the acceptance by this Company, which is hereby declared to be made, of the Act of the Legislature of the State, entitled An Act to incorporate the "Miss San Rafel Silver Mining Company" (approved Jany 18. 7' together with a copy of this resolution.

(Signed) John N Harris
Chairman

A J McCormico
Secty pro tem.

March 1st 1871.

Hon James Lynch
Secty of State.
Jackson Miss.

I have the honor to inform you that the Vicksburgo Savings Institution was this day organized under the act as passed by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi Approved July 9th 1867, and amended by act approved May 17th 1870. That the amount of Stock required for the organization of said company was subscribed and paid in, and that Hon. O. Taylor H. N. Saunders and H. Mitchell were elected by said Stockholders Trustees for the Institution & by-laws declared duly authorized, and this notice to be duly forwarded to you.

Very Respectfully
D. W. Cochran
Secty Board Incorporators

March 22. 1870

Proceedings of the Board of Directors organizing the Meridian Red River & Texas R.R. Co

At a meeting of the Corporators of the Meridian Red River and Texas Rail Road Company, a quorum being present held at the Edwards House in the city of Jackson, County of Hinds, and State of Mississippi at 7 P.M. March 22nd 1871, at the Company's organization, Louis Yeager Esq was called to the Chair and T.D. Whipple appointed Secretary.

The chairman briefly stated the object of the Meeting, when Geo. F. Bratt Esq moved that the Board proceed to the election of a President, Treasurer and Secretary, for the Corporation. Motion put to vote, viva voce and carried.

Geo F. Bratt Esq then nominated George W. Cochran Esq for the position of President and also moved that the Chairman and Secretary perform the duties of tellers. The Ballots prepared & the motion was carried, and Ballots prepared and cast for President.

Upon a count of the of the Ballots it was found the Hon. W. Cochran had received eight (8) votes and Louis Yeager five (5) votes for President.

Mr Cochran having been declared duly elected President of the Meridian Red River and Texas Rail Road Company, he was duly inducted into the Chair and made a brief address in which he thanked the Directors for the honor they had conferred upon

Chair. It was then moved to proceed to the election of a Treasurer, Ballots ver prepared and cast with the following result Louis Drager, Five (5) T. H. Whipple (4). J. M. Stone one (1). No choice having been made, Ballots were again prepared and cast with the following result. Louis Drager Six (6) T. H. Whipple four (4). Louis Drager was then duly declared elected as the Treasurer of the Company.

The Direton then proceeded to the election of a Secretary, Ballots having been prepared they were case and T. H. Whipple having received the entire vote was duly declared as elected the Secretary of the Company.

The election having been closed, the following resolution was presented and unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the Capital Stock of the Meridian Red River and Texas Rail road Company is hereby fixed at one million ($1,000,000) Dollars, in ten thousand shares of one hundred (100^{00}) Dollars each, with power to the said Company Company to increase its capital stock to five millions ($5,000,000) of Dollars in accordance with the provisions of the Charter, the same also to be in shares of one Hundred (100^{00}) Dollars each

The following resolution was also duly presented and adopted;

Resolved That the Chair appoint a Committee of two to act in conjunction with the President, whose duty it shall be to retire and prepare a set of By-laws and regulations for the government of this Corporation.

The President thereupon appointed Louis Drager, the treasurer, and T. H. Whipple the Secretary, to act as such committee with himself.

The Committee named above after deliberation presented the following by-laws, and regulations which after some amendments, were voted upon section by section and adopted.

"For by-laws see original on file."

G W Cochran Prest
T. H. Whipple Secty

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 125

Wesson. Miss. Aprile 26th 1871

"Extract from proceedings of a meeting of the Incorporators of the Mississippi Mills.

Whereas the Incorporators named in an "Act entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Mississippi Mills", Approved the 13th Aprile 1871, having met in convention in the Town of Wesson, Aprile 26th 1871 in pursuance thereof, And Whereas it is deemed advisable to organize permanently under and by virtue of the provisions of the same, by the election of five Directors,

And Whereas, it is also deemed advisable to accept formally the said Act of Incorporation and to notify the Governor of the State of Mississippi of the same, Therefore, Be it resolved, that said Act of Incorporation is hereby adopted and accepted by the unanimous assent of all the said Incorporators.—

Be it further resolved, that the President of this company be and he is hereby directed to notify the Governor of the State of Mississippi of the adoption and acceptance of said Act of Incorporation, by forwarding to him by mail a copy of the above preamble and resolutions with the Seal of the company affixed thereto, and attested by the Secretary of said company.

Office of Mississippi Mills
Wesson. Miss:

I certify, that the foregoing to be a correct extract from the proceedings of a meeting of the Incorporators of the Mississippi Mills held at Wesson, Miss: on the 26th day of Aprile 1871

Given under my hand and Seal of the company hereto affixed this 1st day of May 1871.

L S

Wm Olivier
Secretary & Treasurer.

Jackson May 29th 1871

Southern Railroad Association.

Lessees of the Mississippi Central Railroad.

This is to certify: That the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of Mississippi, approved June 24th 1870, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Railroad Association, and for other purposes, and the provisions of the Act of the said Legislature approved July 13th 1870, entitled "an Act supplementary to, amendatory of, an Act entitled: An Act to incorporate the Southern Railroad Association, and for other purposes, approved the 24th day of June 1870."

have been duly accepted by the Southern Railroad Association, therein named, and that the sum of "One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars" has been paid on the Capital Stock of the said corporation.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set the corporate seal of the said company, and duly attested the same by my signature, this Twenty third day of November A.D. 1870.

Attest:

L.S.

Wm. H. Edgar
Secretary.

Harrison Co Miss Oct 25, 71

Proceedings of the Incorporators of the Harrison Harbor Co

Hon James Lynch
Secty of State.

Dr Sir.

I am directed to notify you that on the 14th day of June 1871 this Company was duly organized in accordance with Section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Harrison Harbor Co Approved April 22nd 1871. by the adoption of by-laws and the election of the following Directors viz. R. F. Harrison, J. N. Bradford, A. P. Harrison W. W. Legarden, A. E. Bignon. And that R F Harrison was by said Directors elected President & manager.

Very Respectfully
L. A. Palfrey
Secretary.

Fire Company

The Charter of Incorporation of Mississippi No 1 of Shieldsborough

1st The members of this Company, who have hereinafter subscribed their names, and all others who may hereafter become members, shall keep a fire engine for the use of said company, and all other needed apparatus for the extinguishing of fires, and shall use the same for that purpose in a prompt and efficient manner, for the protection of life and property in the City of Hillsborough from the ravages of fire, and shall continue to do so, as long as they continue to be such fire Company

2d The following named persons are hereby constituted members and incorporaters of said Fire Company, viz-

Charles Y	Thiery	John V	Tonline	P A	Cayenne
Louis	Ladner	Y	Landrier	Francois	Cibis
O	Ladner	Canline	Claude	F	Fayard
G W	Maynard	A	Tuduru	Alfred	Fayard
Joe	Thiery	H W	Williamson	Jules	Fayard
Joseph	Conrad	B	Lyons	Laurence	Fayard
Elihu	Carver	Frank	W Fox	Emile	Bacar
John	Roadway	M	Conlon	George	Wixenbary
E	Latham	D	Gragnon	Arthur	Hoyt
Wm	Colson	A	Perez	Pierre	Thierges

3d This Association shall be known by the corporate name of Mississippi No 1 of Sheildsborough.

4 This Company shall have a common Seal, shall have power to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded defend and be defended and possess all the powers and privileges of a body Politic a body Corporate, provided they do not conflict with the laws of this State, or of the United States. This Company shall have power to prescribe rules and regulations for its own government by the members of said Corporation, for the Election of such officers as shall be necessary: for the admission suspension and expulsion of its members, and all other rules and regulations whatever for the government of said Corporation, subject only to the provisions of the Charter. This company shall further have power to hold and possess real and personal property to the amount of ten Thousand dollars. When acquired and said Company is hereby empowered to take the same by gift, devise, or purchase, and that the house and lot in which said Company shall keep their Engine, hose and apparatus or any other property of said Company necessary to or employed for the purposes of said

Company, is hereby declared exempt from all Taxation Whatever, The period for which this Corporation is to exist is hereby limited to twenty years and it shall not be dissolved sooner, as long as nine members desire its continuance The active members of Mississippi No 1 of Shieldsborough, shall be exempt from Militia duty

The active members of this Company shall not in number exceed fifty at any one time

The Roll of This Company may consist of active and exempt members Provided That no member shall become exempt unless he has served five years as an active member, Whenever This Company shall cease to exist, their Engine, house and lot, apparatus and all other property of said Company whatever shall be vested in and belong to The City of Shieldsborough for the use of The Fire Department Thereof, and may be appropriated by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of said City or Their Successors in office, in such manner as they deem necessary for the protection of property of said City from fires.

Constitutionality Approved
February 28th 1872
J. D. Morris
Atty General

Approved February 28th 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

State of Mississippi
Hancock County

Personally appeared before The undersigned Clerk of The Chancery Court of said County parties whose names appear in the foregoing Charter of incorporation of Mississippi No 1 of Shieldsborough, Who each and severally acknowledged That they signed sealed and delivered the above instrument of writing, being the Charter of incorporation of Mississippi No 1 Shieldsborough as their own voluntary act and deed, for the purposes therein mentioned

Seal

Witness my hand and Seal,
This 10th day of February A.D. 1872
H. Landers
Clerk of Chancery Court

1823

The Charter of Incorporation of the Union Literary and Benevolent Institution

This Corporation is formed for the purposes of Christianizing and educating the Youth of both Sexes of Pallahatchie County Mississippi. also for charitable purposes, and to that end it may assess and collect monthly dues from its members The proceeds to be used for educational purposes, and also for the relief of such of them as may be proper objects of relief through sickness or other misfortune

The following named persons do hereby agree to become the Incorporators of the above entitled Corporation or Institution Viz

David Jones President- Moses Wright Treasurer

J C Akers Secretary

Isaac	Harvey	Trustees
William	Ball	
Edward	Rayburn	
Milton	Wright	
James	Carter	
Charles	Harvey	

The Said Corporation to be known by the Style and Title of The Union Literary and Benevolent Institution, and by that name they or their successors may and shall be capable of suing and being sued pleading and being impleaded, in any Court of law and equity and may have a common Seal and alter and change the same at pleasure and shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real and personal estate by Deed Gift- purchase or donation

The above named Incorporators acting in the Capacity of President and Board of Trustees shall have power to determine the number of Professors and Tutors, appoint the same and fix their Salaries. they shall also be empowered to remove any Professor or Tutor when in the judgment of the Board the best interests of the Institution shall require it, to fix and regulate the course of instruction, and to prescribe the extent and character of the Studies

The President and Board of Trustees shall appoint an Executive committee of three who, when said Board is not in session shall have the management and control of the affairs of said Institution under the direction of the President, and shall present a full report of their proceedings at every regular meeting of Board

and at such other times as the Board may direct—

The President and Board of Trustees shall have the general supervision of all Lands Building and other property belonging to said Institution and Control of all the Expenses Thereof.

All donations and Bequests of money and other property to the Institution shall be placed in the hands of the Treasurer and invested in such manner as the President and Board of Trustees may direct—

Having carefully examined the foregoing Act I find in it nothing repugnant to the constitution.
Febr 28th 1872
J S Morris Atty Gen

Approved Febr 28th 1872.
R C Powers
Governor

Incorporation
of the
Magnolia Cottage Paint and Fire Brick works of
Adams County

Art. 1.

That H. M. Gastelle D W Ducie, R. R. Wilson P E Williams W. J. Davis S. M. Preston A. H. Foster, C C Walden and their associates Together with those who may hereafter become Stock holders, their successors and assigness, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of the Magnolia Cottage Paint and Fire Brick Works Company, and by this name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded answer and be answered in all Courts of Law and equity and contract and be contracted with and shall be capable of purchasing, holding and alienating, all kinds of property, real, personal or other property held by them, and are authorized to carry on in the County of Adams in the State of Mississippi, the manufacture of paints, Bricks &c They may erect all buildings therefor, and said Corporation shall have power to make and enforce any by Laws not contrary to the Constitution and laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi, which may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes and provisions of this Incorporation, for the term of Twenty five years

Article II

The capital Stock of said Company shall be twelve thousand Dollars, and may be by said Corporation increased to two Hundred Thousand Dollars, to be divided into shares of Twenty five Dollars each, which shall be personal property, and which may be [illegible] Corporation

may provide, and each Stockholder shall in person or by proxy be entitled to one vote, for each share held by him.

Article III

The Board of Directors shall consist of five of the shareholders of said Corporation, who shall elect one of their number President. The said Directors shall be elected as soon as said stock is Taken, and that said Board of Directors shall be elected annually thereafter in such manner as may be provided by the By Laws, and shall hold their office until their successors are elected and shall transact the business of said Company

Article IV

The Stock subscribed in said Company shall be paid upon such Terms and in such manner as the Directors may prescribe Provided that not less than one half thereof shall be paid at the time of subscribing

No Constitutional objection to this Charter March 20th 1872
J L Morris
Atty Genl

Approved March 20th 1872
R C Powers
Governor

The Charter of incorporation of Carlisle Female Seminary in the Town of Carlisle Carlisha County,

Article 1st

The purposes for which this corporation is formed is to establish and carry into operation in the Town of Oakland in Carlisha County a white female seminary, to have taught there in the various branches of learning usually taught in schools and Colleges

Article 2d

The following persons who have been elected Trustees of said institution by the Stockholders thereof, and their successors in office to be elected as hereinafter provided for, shall be the Corporators of said institution, to wit: Henry W Winter President William E Benson secretary. E M Dale Treasurer, William H. Fitzgerald. James Moore John H Dame. J N McEarchin Alfred S Brown and Sampson Barbee

Article 3d.

The corporate name by which said institution may be known and by which it may sue and be sued shall be Oakland Female Seminary

Article 4th

The powers intended to be exercised by said corporation are as follows. to wit, may purchase real and personal property for cash or on credit, may acquire and hold and use for the purposes of said Seminary real and personal property by grant, gift or devise, the whole property already purchased to be purchased or otherwise acquired not to exceed in value the sum of fifty thousand dollars; may sell, lease rent or hire as they see proper, any property belonging to said Institution may make any and all contracts necessary to repair construct and conduct said Seminary, may appoint a principal and all necessary professors teachers and assistants for said Seminary and remove them or either of them at pleasure; may make all such by Laws rules and regulations as they may deem necessary and proper for the government of said Seminary; and in fine may do all other acts incident to such bodies corporate and politic for the benefit of said Seminary not inconsistant with the constitution of the United States and the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi

Article 5th

The said corporation is to have perpetual succession

Article Sixth

That said Board of Trustees shall hold their office for the term of one year from the time they were elected to wit: from the 14th day of September A D 1871, and until their successors are elected, that an election of Trustees may be held on the same day annually thereafter,

Article 7th

That the Shares of Stock held in said institution shall be twenty five dollars each That each share shall represent one vote; That each Stockholder shall have as many votes as he owns Shares in said Corporation,

Article (8)

That said Stockholders shall vote by ballot and that the Trustees so elected shall out of their own number elect a President Secretary and Treasurer for said Corporation

Article 9

That the Treasurer of said corporation shall enter into Bond in an amount to be fixed by the board of Trustees and to be approved by the President of said board, for the faithful application of the funds of the said Corporation, That he shall pay out no money except upon the order of the Secretary under the seal of said Corporation and countersigned by the President.

Article 10

That said Corporation shall have a seal with such devise as said board may choose,

Article 11

That said Board may regulate their meetings and all other matters appertaining to their corporate ~~business~~ business by by Laws approved by a majority of the stockholders

Article 12

That a majority of said board of Trustees shall be a quorum to transact business,

Article 13th

That should said corporation be dissolved all the property belonging to the same, after paying the debts shall be divided among the stockholders in proportion to the amount of stock owned by them respectively.

Given under our hands and seals
this the day of A.D. 1872

N H Winter	Seal
E N C Sayle	Seal
W E Benson	Seal
William H Fitzgerald	Seal
J H Dame	Seal
H S Brown	Seal
J N McEarchin	Seal
S Barbee	Seal
James Moore	Seal

The State of Mississippi }
Calobusha County }

This day personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named persons, Henry W Winter, E N C Sayle W E Benson Wm H Fitzgerald John H Dame J N McEarchin and Samuel Barbee and James Moore, who each for himself acknowledge that the signed sealed and delivered the foregoing contract of incorporation as their act and deed

Given under my hand and seal
This the 9th day of February A.D. 1872

G F Kuykendall Justice P.C. (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Tallahatchie County }

This day personally appeared before me the undersigned an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named Wm H Fitzgerald who acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the foregoing contract of incorporation as his act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal
This January 16th 1872

H Barnes J.P. (Seal)
Justice Pct

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State of Tennessee
Shelby County }

Personally appeared before me J H Goodlett a Commissioner for the State of Mississippi C & L Brown one of the Signers of the foregoing Charter who acknowledged he signed Sealed and delivered the same for the purpose therein expressed done in my office this 9th Day of February 1872

J H Goodlett
Commissioner

Seal

Approved March 26 1872

R C Powers

By the Governor
James Lynch
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of
Colfax Institute

For the purpose of establishing an institution of learning in the County of Choctaw in the State of Mississippi for the Education of youth and Children of both Sexes the undersigned Joseph McBride, George H Holland and the other Stockholders who may be associated with or succeed them are hereby created into an Incorporation under the name of Colfax Institute and that as such they shall have succession may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded own real and personal estate to the value of one hundred thousand dollars to contract and be contracted with and as such shall have and enjoy perpetual succession. Said corporation shall also have the right to organize by the election of a Board of Trustees and President thereof to act for them and in their behalf in making establishing and altering at pleasure all necessary By laws for the Government and regulation of the Incorporation as they shall deem proper not inconsistant with the constitution or Laws of the United States or of this State and to act for and in behalf of the of the corporation in all things necessary and proper in carrying out its objects and the Stockholders shall have one vote for each Share of twenty five dollars paid in and may elect a Treasurer who shall give bond and security for indemnity against neglect or violation of duty as the Board of Trustees shall prescribe. Said corporation shall employ or discharge their own teachers at pleasure under such regulations as they may prescribe and in general regulate their own affairs in their own way subject to the Laws of the land.

This Charter is made under the provision of Chapter fifty five

of the Revised Code of Mississippi 1871. Given under our hand and Seals this the 28th day of March A.D. 1872.

G. H. Holland. (Seal)
Joseph McBride (Seal)

State of Mississippi
County of Hinds.

Personaly appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State G. H. Holland and Joseph McBride who severally acknowledge that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing articles of Incorporation on the 28th day March A.D. 1872 for the purposes therein expressed. Given under my hand and Seal this the 28th day of March A.D. 1872.

H. V. Barr J.P. (Seal)

Approved March 28th 1872.
A. C. Powers.
Governor.

Articles of Incorporation of the St Lukes Protestant Episcopal Church of Sheildsborough

Article 1st

James A Ulman George W Maynard Frank Heiderhoff and Joseph Atkinson, and their associates and successors in office, are hereby created a body politic and Corporate under the name and designation of St Lukes Protestant Episcopal Church of Shieldsborough and by that name said corporation may sue and be sued plead and be imple aded in any of the Courts in this State, and may acquire property both real and personal not exceeding twenty five thous and dollars in value and may do and perform all other all other acts, which corporations may do in accordance with the Laws of the State, incident to Corporations for religious purposes

Article 2d

The Said St Lukes Protestant Episcopal Church of Sheildsborough shall have power to adopt all by Laws Rules and regulations necessary for its government that are not repugnant to the Laws of the State or of the United States

Article 3

The Trustees of this Corporation shall have power to let sell mortgage or convey any property belonging to said Corporation

subject to such regulations as may be established by said Corporation

Joseph Atkinson Seal
G. W. Maynard Seal
Frank Heiderhoff Seal
James A Ulman Seal

The State of Mississippi
Hancock County } Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid James A Ulman George W Maynard Frank Heiderhoff and Joseph Atkinson Corporators in the above and foregoing Charter for the purposes therein set forth

Given under my hand and seal
This 31st day of March A D 1872

John G Colly J.P. Seal
Beat No 5 H. C.

191 Consistent with the laws of this State and the objects of the Corporation

5th This Corporation shall continue until dissolved by an ordinance for that purpose there being no limit fixed for its duration.

6th The offices of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President a Recording Secretary a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and Board of Directors, whose duties shall be as follows, The President shall preside at all meetings shall preserve order and put all questions to the Vote of Members present, and in case of a tie, he shall have the Casting Vote, and such other powers and duties as are usual in Corporations of this Character, Call meetings when deemed necessary at the request of three or more members, in the absence of the President The Vice President shall perform the duties and exercise the authority of said officer The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate Minutes of the proceedings of the Corporation and safely keep Corresponding Secretary shall attend to the Correspondence of the Corporation The Treasurer shall receive all monies of the Corporation and pay out the same, only in such way as he may be authorized by the Board of Directors, The Board of Directors shall consist of nine members of the Corporation and shall audit their accounts against the same and attend to the general finances of the Corporation

8th The officers provided for in the last preceding article shall be elected by a majority of the members present at any annual meeting and shall hold their offices for twelve months, and until their successors are elected and qualified

9th This Corporation may make such by laws from time to time as may be found necessary for the promotion of the objects of the same and as it shall deem proper, a majority of the members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business

Names	Names	Names
John T Brown	John H. Miller	M C Signes
C S Austin	T A McNeil	J A Walton
A M Evans	E N Davis	M J McKinney
A Balfour	Henry A Jones	J M Porter

State of Mississippi }
Marshall County }

This day personally appeared before John Thomas Brown President of the Board of Supervisors of said County, John Miller John T Brown M C Signes C S Austin T A McNeil J A Walton A M Evans E N Davis M J McKinney A Balfour Henry A Jones and J M Porter whose names appear signed to the foregoing Charter of Incorporation and acknowledged that they signed the same on this day as their several acts and deed for the purposes and object within set forth and in accordance with Chapter 65 Article 1 of the Revised Code of Mississippi of 1871

John T Brown
Pres Board Supervisors

Consistent with the laws of this State and the objects of the Corporation

5th This Corporation shall continue until dissolved by an ordinance for that purpose there being no limit fixed for its continuation.

6th The affairs of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President a recording Secretary a corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and Board Directors, whose duties shall be as follows, The President shall preside at all meetings keep order, and put all questions to the Vote of Members present, and in case of a tie, he shall have the ~~casting~~ deciding Vote, and such other powers and duties as are usual in Corporations of this Character, Call meetings when deemed necessary at the request of three or more members, in the absence of the President The Vice President shall perform the duties and ~~perform~~ the duties and exercise the authority of that officer. The recording Secretary shall keep an accurate Minute of the proceedings of the Corporation preserve the papers and documents and perform such duties as are usual for that officer in similar Corporations, The Corresponding Secretary shall keep, attend to the Correspondence of the Corporation The Treasurer shall receive and safely keep all Monies of the Corporation and pay out the same, only in such ways as he may be authorized by the Board of Directors, The Board of Directors shall consist of nine members of the Corporation and shall audit their accounts against the same and attend to the general finances of the Corporation

8th

The officers provided for in the last preceding article shall be

elected by a majority of the members present at any annual

9th meeting and shall hold their offices for twelve months, and

until their successors are elected and qualified. This corporation may

make such by laws from time to time as may be found necessary

for the promotion of the objects of the same and as it shall deem

may demand, and the presence of eleven members shall be necessary

to constitute a quorum to do business

Names	Names	Names
John T Brown	John H. Miller	M C Pigues
E S Austin	T A McNeil	J A Watson
A M Evans	E W Davis	M J McKinney
A Balfour	Henry A Jones	J M Wooten

State of Mississippi
Marshall County

This day personally appeared before

John Thomas Brown President of the Board of Supervisors

of said County, John Miller John T Brown M C Pigues E S Austin

T A McNeil J A Watson A M Evans E W Davis M J McKinney

A Balfour Henry A Jones and J M Wooten whose names appear

signed to the foregoing Charter of incorporation and acknowledged

ged that they signed the same on this day as their several acts

and deed for the purposes and object therein expressed

under and in accordance with Chapter 65 Article 1 of the Revised

Code of Mississippi of 1871

John T Brown
Pres Board Supervisors

1872

Marshall County Mississippi

No Constitutional objection
to This Charter April 29
A.D. 1872

J. P. Morris
Atty General

Approved April 29th 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

T Charter of Incorporation
of the Gaurdians of Temperance for the City of
Meridian Lauderdale County Mississippi

This Corporation is formed for the purpose of promoting the principle of Temperance among our Citizens and the suppression of Intemperance by all ~~lawful~~ Honorable means, The follow persons have agreed and do hereby combine together as corporators for the promotion of Temperance and suppression of Intemperance W B Hines J A Ellis J B Baldwin W W Welsh Ira J Carter J W Harmon Theo Whitfield D F Smith G Henderson B C H West A H Smith A B Wagoner G P Shedd E L Pendleton J A Lewis Thomas Shearer Daniel Brown H M Swan J M Nolan L D Williams W C Barrett A J Gressett A J McFarland J L Duck. The name by which this Association shall be known to the World is the Guardians of Temperance

This Association known by the Name of the Guardians of Temperance shall have power to make all needful Legislation for the formation of a Constitution and Bylaws for its own regulation and for the purpose as set forth above, they shall also have power to make a Constitution and Bylaws for all subordinate associations they shall have power to issue Charters Books and rituals to all subordinate Associations. They shall have power to hold Monies, property bequests and donations for purposes set forth above not exceeding in real and personal property Fifty Thousand Dollars

They shall have power to sue and be sued plead and be pleaded contracted and be contracted have a common seal, with power to change the same with at pleasure and do and perform all other acts, which bodies politic and corporate may do not inconsistant with the Constitution and laws of this State, and the Constitution and Laws of the United States and to have a succession without limit,

The Grand body formed under this act of incorporation shall have power to fill all Vacancies that may occur in the Board of Corporators or appoint Trustees at their pleasure

I find no Constitutional or other objection to the Charter of the Guardians of Temperance on the contrary its purposes worthy of all commendation

Jackson Miss
June 1st 1872

J. S. Morris, Chancellor

Approved June 1st 1872

R. C. Powers
Governor

Seal

Countersigned
James Lynch
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Lodge of the Independent Order of Benai Brith

1st The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are to alleviate the wants of the poor and needy, to visit and minister to the sick, to protect and assist widows and orphans, on the occasion of the principles of charity and benevolence, and to improve and elevate the mental and moral condition of our fellow beings by a liberal support of science and art, and by the inculcation of the sacred principles of philanthropy, honor and patriotism.

2d The Names of the persons who are corporators under this Charter are Samuel Fischell Samuel Leyers David Cromelein L Mayer, Joseph L Herman Jacob Adler Joseph Simmons and Isaac Bloomenstel,

3d The Corporate Name of the Society hereby incorporated shall be the Vicksburg Lodge of the Independent Order of Benai Brith

4th The persons above mentioned are hereby constituted a body Politic and Corporate and by the name aforesaid, shall have perpetual succession and by that name shall be capable in law of contracting and being contracted with, suing and being sued, pleading, and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto, as to all matters whatsoever, in any Court of Law or equity, and may purchase and hold real, personal and mixed property, and dispose of the same for the benefit of said Society, and may have and use a common seal, and change break and renew the same at pleasure, and shall have power to appoint all necessary officers of said Corporation, and to make all such bylaws rules and regulations as shall be requisite and expedient for the proper management of the affairs thereof, not inconsistent with the constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi, Provided, That at no time shall the real property owned and held by said Corporation exceed in value ten thousand dollars.

5th The purposes and uses of said Society being as lasting as the wants of humanity the Corporation hereby created is without limitation of time and is to be perpetual,

A Adler Joseph L Herman David Cromelin
Saul Leyens Joseph Simmons Samuel Fischel
Isaac Bloomensteel S Mayer

No constitutional objection
J S Morris
Atty General

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Approved June 25th 1872
R C Powers
Governor of Mississippi

State of Mississippi
Warren County

Personally appeared before me The undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, all of the persons whose names are subscribed to the above instrument, and severally acknowledged that they signed the same for the purposes therein expressed,

Witness my hand and Seal of Office
This 18th day of June A.D. 1872.

J Adler

Justice of the Peace

Charter
of the
Yazoo Agricultural Society

1. The Yazoo Agricultural Society shall have for its object & purpose the improvement of agriculture, horticulture, live stock, general domestic economy and the Mechanic Arts

2. 3 & 4. Robert Campbell, Fountain Barksdale, Robert E. Craig, Henry Tandell, R. B. Shephard N. H. Leed, H. M. Thompson, D. N. Gilruth F. P. Hilliard, and their successors are hereby incorporated into a body politic under the aforesaid name of the Agricultural Society and as such shall have perpetual succession, shall sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, hold real estate necessary and proper for its purposes not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars and shall have all other powers and privileges conferred on Corporations by Articles 1 & 2 of chap 66 Revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1871.

5. The existence of said corporation is not limited.

6. The said Society shall be a company of shareholders in which every subscriber of five dollars, shall be a shareholder with one share, and the price of each share shall be five dollars. The number of shares shall not exceed two Hundred. Every shareholder shall be entitled to one vote for every share of stock he may hold not exceeding twenty shares, but shall have no vote for shares he may hold over twenty, and every shareholder shall be a corporator.

The Officers of said Corporation shall be a President, five Vice Presidents from each Supervisors District, Nine Managers, a Treasurer & Secretary The last two offices may be held

or may be seperate, with such salary as the Board of Managers may allow. All of said officers shall be elected at a general meeting of stockholders on the first Saturday of June of each year, after the first general election unless that time be changed by the by-laws

The President, Vice Presidents, and Managers shall constitute a Board of management whereof eight shall be a quorum, Said Board shall control the affairs of the Society, make contracts, purchase property, appoint agents and committees under them, and change and remove the same at pleasure, and subject to the control, approval, or alteration of the stockholders assembled in general meeting, may make by laws and declare dividends, and do all other things necessary to carry into complete effect the objects and ends of the Society

The Board of Managers may fill any vacancy that may occur in their body out of the Company of Stockholders, may call meetings of the Society, at which meetings unless otherwise provided by the by-laws of the Society, shall transact all business, and do all things that can be done at a regular or adjourned meeting.

The Board of Managers shall keep a record of their proceedings which shall be laid on the table at each meeting of the Company and subject to the examination and inspection there and all times ~~by~~ of every stockholder. The Secretary of the Society shall be the custodian of the record of said Board of Managers.

At all meetings of the Society a quorum shall consist of Twenty stockholders in person, and stockholders may be represented and vote by proxy.

All accounts against the Society must be approved by a majority of the Board of Managers and then presented to the Secretary who shall draw a check for the same on the Treasurer which check must be signed by the President and Countersigned by the Secretary. The accounts so approved and checked for must be receipted and then filed by the Secretary. Checks payed by the Treasurer must be preserved by him as vouchers.

The Secretary and Treasurer shall be

appointed by the Board of Managers, and to guard against accident in case of the death of the Treasurer the shall be required to open an account in his name as Treasurer, with such bank or firm in Yazoo City as may be designated by the Board of Managers from time to time, and shall there deposit all the funds of the Society, received by him to his credit as Treasurer, and such sums shall only be paid out by such firm or banking house on the check of the President or Secretary as hereinbefore provided. In case either the Secretary or Treasurer shall fail at any time to discharge the duties of his office, he shall be removed by the Board and a successor appointed

The Board of Managers may adopt a common Seal and shall prepare a forme for certificates of stock and cause the same to be issued in the mode provided in the by laws, said certificate shall only be assignable on the books of the Company and they may contract and make agreements without putting the Seal of the Company thereto

By a vote of two thirds of the voting stock of the Society this Charter may be amended, such amended Charter to be granted, approved and recorded in the manner provided for original Charters in Art 1 Chap 55. Code of 1871.

State of Mississippi
Yazoo County.

Before me the undersigned Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County, this day personally appeared the above named, Robert Campbell, Fountain Porkdale Robert Ellerain, Henry Yandell R. E. Shephard, N. M. Thompson D. N. Smith and acknowledged that they signed the foregoing Charter of Incorporation as their act and deed.

In witness whereof I hereunto sign my name and affix the seal of my office on this 28th. day of June A.D. 1872.

J. N. Dubbett
Clerk

Seal

Robt Campbell (Seal)
R. E. Craig (Seal)
Henry Yandell (Seal)
R. E. Shephard (Seal)
N. M. Thompson (Seal)
D. N. Smith (Seal)
F. Porkdale (Seal)
W. Hume

Approved July 2nd 1872.
J. L. Morris Atty Gnl
Approved July 1st 1872.
R. C. Powers
Governor

Charter of the Magnolia Cemetery Association of Pike County Mississippi

Article I

Be it Known that we, E. McNair of the Presbyterian Church, J. J. Conway of the Catholic Church, C. C. Gibson of the Methodist Church J. H. Miller of the Episcopal Church, D. N. Hughes of the Baptist Church and E. M. Bee of the Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Town of Magnolia, Pike County, State of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together as a Charitable Association in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of the State of Mississippi in such cases made and provided, under the name and Style of "Magnolia Cemetery Association" and by that name and Style may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State and exercise all other rights and franchises necessary and incident to bodies corporate, and not contrary to constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi.

Article II

The objects of said association shall be to receive and hold by gift grant or purchase, such lands as may be suitable for a Public Cemetery for the town and vicinity of Magnolia not exceeding ten Acres; to have the same properly fenced and kept; also to have said Cemetery properly laid out in lots and plats, suitable for family and individual burying grounds, with appropriate and necessary carriage ways and foot walks running through it; said lots and plats to be sold by said Association in the exercise of a sound and humane discretion, and the proceeds of said Sale to be applied exclusively to the keeping of said Cemetery in neat and proper order. The Association is also authorized to raise by Subscription or otherwise, as may be needed, any additional funds required by them in carrying out the object of said Association, and to make all such rules and regulations for the government and protection of said Cemetery as may be necessary and not in violation of the Constitution and Laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi. Said Association shall have also power and authority to fill any vacancy that may occur in their number by removal, death or resignation by choosing from the adherents of that Church or Lodge whose representation in said association may become vacant, another member, provided that said Association shall never exceed Six Members, a majority of whom shall always constitute a quorum at all regular meetings and be authorized to transact business

E. McNair
J. J. Conway
C. C. Gibson
J. H. Miller
D. N. Hughes
Eugene M. Bee

The State of Mississippi
Pike County

Personally came and appeared before me, the undersigned members of the Board of Supervisors of said County, E McNair, J. J. Conway, C. C. Gibson, J. H. Miller D.W. Hughs and E. M. Bee whose names appear in and are subscribed to the foregoing Charter, and acknowledge, each and severally, that they signed the same as their Act and deed and for the purposes therein set forth

Sworn to and Subscribed
before me this 1st day of
June A D 1872

Signed W. L. Conny
Member Board Supervisors

Approved July 6" 1872
J. Morris
Attorney General

Approved July 6" 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

James Lynch
Secretary of State
Seal

Charter of Incorporation of the "Nazareth Literary and Benevolent Institution"

Section 1 This Corporation shall be denominated and Known by the name of the "Nazareth Literary and Benevolent Institution" and the purpose of its formation is declared to be, the dissemination of Learning and Morality

Section 2 That Frances Chambige, Frances Gardiner, Columba Carroll, Helena Torney Frances Xavia Nolan, Emily Elder and Julia Hobbs are hereby designated and declared to be the corporators of said Institution

Section 3 That the above named Corporators and their associates and Successors, be and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in the State of Mississippi, under, and by the name and Style of the "Board of Moderator and Trustees of the "Nazareth Literary and Benevolent Institution" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all Courts of Law and Equity in this State they may have at their option a Common Seal; and shall have perpetual succession and the right to acquire property, real, personal and mixed, by gift, grant, purchase or devise; and shall have power to sell, exchange, lease, transfer or mortgage the same, whenever, in the judgement of the said Board or a quorum thereof, the interest of said institution shall require; and to make titles to the same, and to make any and all contracts that they may deem necessary to the successful management of said Institution, not in derogation of the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Section 4 That the affairs of said Institution shall be managed by said Board of Moderator and Trustees and their successors in office - four member of which - including the Moderator shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business appertaining to said Institution; and they shall have power to appoint and employ all necessary Professors, Teachers and Assistants, and to remove them or either of them at pleasure; and they may do all other legal acts usually done by incorporated Institutions for the dissemination of Learning and Morality.

Section 5 That the said Board of Moderator and Trustees shall prescribe the course of study to be pursued at said Institution; and shall have power to grant diplomas and degrees, under such rules and regulations as they may prescribe

Section 6 That this Act of Incorporation and Charter shall take effect and be in force, from and after the approval by His Excellency, the Governor of the State of Mississippi, and after it shall have been recorded in the office of the Secretary of said State, and in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Yazoo County, and of Marshall County, in said State.

F. Chambige (Seal)
Mother Frances Gardiner (Seal)
Columba Carroll (Seal)
Helena Torney (Seal)

Francis Xavia Nolan (Seal)
Emily Elder (Seal)
Julia Hobbs (Seal)
Corporators

over

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Commonwealth of Kentucky
County of Nelson

Before the undersigned T. P. Linthicum a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid this day personally appeared Francis Chambije, Francis Gardiner, Columba Carroll, Helena Tormey Francis Xavia Nolan, Emily Elder and Julia Hobbs, whose names appear in the foregoing instrument as Corporators of the "Nazareth Literary and Benevolent Institution" and severally acknowledged that they signed and executed the foregoing act of Incorporation and Charter of said Institution, on the 29th day of June A.D. 1872 as their voluntary act and deed

In witness whereof I have hereunto ~~subscribed~~ signed my name with my official initials

T. P. Linthicum
J. P. N.C. Ky

State of Kentucky
Nelson County

I, J. D. Elliott Clerk of the Nelsm County Court in the State aforesaid, do certify that T. P. Linthicum Esq is a justice of the peace in and for said County, duly elected, commissioned and sworn as such, and that his signature to the foregoing Certificate is genuine, and his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and Credit

Seal

In Witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of said Court at Bardstown this 29th day of June 1872

J. D. Elliott CK

State of Kentucky
County of Nelson

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I, Felix G. Murphy presiding Judge of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that J. D. Elliott is Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly Elected Commissioned, and qualified according to Law; that his signature as it appears to the foregoing certificate is genuine, and all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit

Witness my signature this 29th day June A.D. 1872

T. G. Murphy Presiding
Judge of the Nelson County Court

Approved July 17th 1872
J. S. Morris
Atty Genl of Miss

Executive Office
Jackson Miss July 17th 1872

Approved in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of April 30th 1872

James Lynch
Secretary of State

R. C. Powers
Governor

The Charter of Incorporation of "Inidependant Hook and Ladder Company No 1, of Yazoo City"

Section 1 For the purpose of preventing and extinguishing fires in Yazoo City, William Hamel, Patrick Dever, Frank Campbell, Owen Brown, F H Kearnan, Peter Kline, and W. G. Delex; together with the other officers and members of the "Independent Hook & Ladder Company No 1, of Yazoo City, their successors, and all other who may hereafter become members of said Company, be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the above name and style, and by that name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded: aspear — answer and defend in all courts in this State as a natural person and may acquire by purchase, gift or otherwise, real and personal property not exceeding Ten Thousand dollars, and may sell mortgage or encumber the same for the benefit of said Company in such manner as the Constitution and By-Laws thereof may prescribe; they may have and use a common Seal, change or renew the same at pleasure; may elect such officers and make such By-Laws, as they may deem necessary for the good management of said Company.

Section 2 That said company shall allways keep on hand & ready for effective use, a Truck, Hooks, Ladders, Axes, Buckets and all other articles and implements necessary to prevent or extinguish fires in said City- And the said Truck and all articles and implements belonging to said Company, and the House & Lot in which the same shall be kept, shall be exempt from all taxation; Provided, said Company shall own said House or Lot; and the members thereof shall be exempt from Militia & patrol duty in time of peace & from all poll-tax levied by Yazoo City.

Section 3 That said Company may consist of as many members as they may deem sufficient to best promote the interests & efficiency of their organization.

Section 4 That whenever said Company shall cease to exist or maintain an efficient organization, the title to the Truck, Hooks, Ladders, and all other articles, and implements belonging to said Company shall vest in, and become the property of Yazoo City.

Section 5 That this act shall be in force and take effect from and after its ~~pass~~ approval & shall remain in force without limit as to time.

Jackson July 31st 1872

Approved in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of April 30th 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

Approved July 30th 1872
J. Morris
Atty Genrl.

James Lynch
Secretary of State

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Charter of The Jackson Hibernian Mutual Aid Association

It is hereby agreed on this the 15th day of July A.D. 1872 by and between the persons hereinafter named to form under the Statutes of the State of Mississippi, a Corporation to be known as and called "The Jackson Hibernian Mutual Aid Association, under the following Charter, that is to say;

1 This Association shall be for charitable and benevolent purposes for the benefit of persons of Irish birth or lineage under such By laws rules and regulations as may have been or shall hereafter be adopted by the Association not in violation of the laws or policy of the State or the United States.

2 The Corporators of this Association shall be William Fitzgerald
G. Cummings
John C. Cashman
Robert Aylward
M. McLaughlin
J. J. O. Sullivan
P. Giles
J. D. Monahan
M. Shaughnessy
P. O'Leary
Marcus Smith and
James Herbert and their associates and successors

3 The Association shall be known as "The Jackson Hibernian Mutual Aid Association"

4 It shall have the power to have and keep a corporate seal, to make By laws, Rules, and Regulations for its own proceedings and to carry out all its purposes of charity and benevolence not inconsistent with the laws of the land; to acquire, own, and dispose of real and personal property to the value of fifty thousand dollars; to sue and be sued and to perform all needful and proper acts of a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State and the United States.

5 It shall have perpetual existence and succession

6 It shall Keep its domicile at Jackson Mississippi or at such other place or places as it may by its constitution lawfully determine, and in all respects conform to the laws of the land

Given under our hands and seals the day and year first above written.

J. J. O'Sullivan (Seal)
G. Cummings (Seal)
Robert Aylward (Seal)
M. McLaughlin (Seal)
Jno C. Cashman (Seal)
Pat O. Leary (Seal)
Patrick Giles (Seal)
M. Shaughnessy (Seal)
J. D. Monahan (Seal)
W. F. Fitzgerald (Seal)
Marcus Smith (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
County of Hinds }

This day before the undersigned Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Mississippi personally came W. F. Fitzgerald, C. Cummings, John S. Cashman, Robert Aylward, M. McLaughlin, J. F. C. Sullivan, P. Cohn, James O. Monahan, M. Shaughnessy, P. O'Leary and Marcus Smith, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed, and delivered the foregoing charter of Incorporation for the "Jackson Hibernian Mutual Aid Association" as their voluntary act and deed for the purposes and considerations therein named.

Given under my hand and seal this the 30th day of July A.D. 1872.

Jas M. McKee
Clerk

Approved Aug 2. 1872
I. D. Morris
Atty General

Approved in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of April 30 1872
Jackson, August 2. 1872

R. C. Powers
Governor

James Lynch
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of "The Capital High School Company,

Article I

Sec 1, The name of this Association shall be "The Jackson High School Company and by that name may contract be contracted with, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded and have succession for the period of twenty years,

Sec 2. The business of this association shall be conducted by a President and Board of Directors not exceeding twelve in number, to be elected by the Company, The Board of Directors may elect a Secretary and fix his compensation and mode of payment,

Sec 3 There shall be an annual meeting of the Board of Directors at such time as they may agree upon for the transaction of all business; but the President may call meetings whenever the same shall in his judgment or opinion be necessary,

Art II

Sec 1, The purposes of the association are: To purchase suitable lots in the City of Jackson Mississippi for the establishment of a first class Primary and Preparatory School at which all the white male children in said City and any other white male children in or out of the State may be prepared for college or for any ordinary business; To erect on said lots all necessary buildings for the accomodation of Professors and Scholars; To purchase proper books and apparatus, and generally to do all other things not contrary to the laws of this state which are incidentll to and connected with the main object in view,

Art III

Sec 1, The Capital Stock of the Company shall be not less than ten nor more than twenty thousand dollars, represented in shares of twenty five dollars each, Subscription to which shall be paid in such manner and at such time as the Board of Directors may determine, Each share of stock shall entitle the holder to one vote at all meetings of the company

Sec 2, Twenty five per cent of one share may be applied by each Stockholder to the payment of tuition fees for any scholar in attendance on said School during any one year, Any stock so applied shall be returned by the Board of Directors and shall inure to the benefit of the Company to be disposed of as the exigencies of the case may be require. All stock surrendered as aforesaid shall be and constitute the reserve fund of the Company,

Sec, 3, All transfers of stock shall be made upon the books of the Company,

Art IV

Sec 1, The subscribers to this Charter shall be the Corporators of said Company, and shall on the fourth Monday in July A. D. 1892 elect a President and Board of Directors, who shall have power to make all needful rules and regulations touching said Institution and all the laws for the government and control of the scholars who may attend the same, They may employ suitable teachers, and agree upon their compensation and exercise general supervision over said Institution and its management; subject alone to the authority of the stockholders, to whom all reports shall be made,

Sec 2, The President shall preside at all meetings of the Stockholders or Directors,

Sec 3, The President and Directors shall hold their offices for the term and until their successors are elected,

Sec 4, There shall be an annual meeting of the Stockholders of said Company on the first Monday of July in each and every year for the election of President and Board of Directors and the transaction of such business as may arise under this Charter, at which Stockholders may be represented by proxies if unable to attend in person, A majority in value of the Stockholders shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business

Art, V

Sec 1 At the expiration of the period limited in this Charter, the Stockholders may dispose of all property held by them in such manner and upon such terms as they may be deem proper, or may by resolution of said

period indefinitely so as to make their succession perpetual.

Sec 2. All powers liabilities immunities and privileges specified in Sections 2406 to 2415 inclusive of the Revised Code of 1871 and not herein expressly enumerated or referred to are adopted as part of this Charter.

In testimony hereof the Parties hereto set their hands and seals at Jackson Miss issippi the 17th day of July A. D. 1872

Names	No Shares	Amt
W. M. Hunter	Four	100 00
W P Harris	Six	150 00
C. E. Hooker	Ten	250 00
R. D. Hardy	Four	100 00
W. L. Nugent	Six	150 00
Henry Strauss	Two	50 00
S. G Newcomer	Ten	250 00
E. J. Worden	Ten	250 00
Thomas E. Helm	Twenty four	500 00
J. H. O. deMeza	Three	300 00
J H Harrington	Four	100 00
Gus Asher	Four	100 00
G. C. Enrich	Four	100 00
J. J. Wharton	Four	100 00
Robert Bradley	Four	100 00
J Strauss	Four	100 00
J. V. Robinson	Twelve	300 00
H Hilzheim	Ten	250 00
J. P. Strauss	Twelve	300 00
A. Worden	Six	150 00
H K. Yost	Two	50 00
C. Cummings	One	25 00
James Carlin	One	25 00
H. Musgrove	Four	100 00
Lowe & Duncan	One	25 00
James S. Barfield	Four	100 00
S. Lemly	Four	100 00
S. G. Burnham	Two	50 00
G. D. Sidway	Four	100 00
E. B. Sentell	Two	50 00
John McGill	One	25 00
W. H. Allen	Four	100 00
Chas. A. Ligons	One	25 00
Jon. G. Cashman	One	25 00
H. M. Taylor	Four	100 00
C. L. Gaston	One	25 00
B. Jones	Two	50 00
Thos E. Helm	Twelve	300 00
W. W.	Four	100 00
H. A. Tanhook	Two	50 00

A. H. Hirshheimer	Two	50 00
J. J. Mitchell	Four	100,00
Zeboge Muh	Four	100,00
B Cohea	Four	100,00
Wi, Masal	Two	5-0,00
Martin Smith	Four	100,00
J. M Coats	Two.	5-0,00
J. B. Calvalader	Two	50,00
Charles Winkley	Four	100,00
M H Harrell	One	25,00
T. J. [redacted] Stone	Four	100,00
T. J. E. Galeron	Two.	50.00
Persons & Bailey	Four.	100.00.
A. H. Kirkland	One.	25.00
J. M. Donnell	Four	100.00.
John L. Carter	Four.	100.00.
J. L. Morris	Four.	100.00.
J. L. Power.	Ten.	250.00.
Robt J. Aleorn	Six	150.00.
P. W. Sink	Two.	50.00.
Harrison. Taylor.	Two.	50.00.
John Nelson	Four	100.00
Gen H. Sutherland	Four.	100.00
P. F. Bailey	Four	100.00
W. S. Leamern	Four	100.00.
G. D. Bustamento	Four	100.00.
S. B. Hull	One.	25.00
Robert. Kells.		100.00.
John Cleary for J. F Harrington		50.00
H. G. O. Parker		100.00.
James. R. Yerger	Fourteen -	350.00.
C. Richardson for J.L. Power	Forty.	1000.00.
A. Mizell.		100.00.
P. O. Leary for J. F. Harrington.		50.00.
T. J. Bird.		100.00.
C. W. Ellnes		100.00.
J. Farbell	Four.	100.00.
James M Wesson.	One.	25.00.
Dr. Will Johnson.	Two.	50.00
C. G. Beck.	One	25,00,
Nathan Hodge	One	25 00.
Commodore Parish		$1825 00
W. E. Ross.	Four.	100.00.
W. W. Wishart.	One.	25.00
C. W Loomis.		50 00
J. C. Carraway.		25,00.

State of Mississippi
Hinds County.

Personally appeared before me Noah Hodge Clerk of the Circuit Court, within and for the County aforesaid the parties, whose names are severally subscribed to the foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and who severally acknowledged, that they signed, sealed and delivered the same as their voluntary Act and Deed, on the day and year therein mentioned. —

Given under my hand & Seal this
8th day of August 1872
Nathan Hodge
Clerk.

L.S.

The Legality and Constitutionality of the above Charter are undoubted. —

J. Morris
Atty General
Jackson Aug 12/1872.

Jackson Miss Aug 12/1872.

Approved in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of April 30th 1872.

(S.) R. C. Powers.
Gov.

The Charter of Incorporation of Oakland Female Seminary in the Town of Oakland. Yalobusha County State of Mississippi

Article 1

The purpose for which this corporation is formed is to establish and carry into operation in the Town of Oakland, in Yalobusha County, State of Mississippi, a female Seminary, to have taught therein the various branches of learning usually taught in Schools and Colleges

Article 2

The following persons who have been duly elected Trustees of said Institution by a majority of the Stockholders thereof and Successors in office to be elected as hereinafter provided shall be the Corporators of said institution to wit: Henry W. Hunter President. William E Benson Secretary. Ervin M. Sayle Treasurer. William H. Fitzgerald. James Moore. John H. Dahne. John N Mc Eachern. Sampson Barbee and Alphonso J. Black. the last member having been duly elected by the said Stockholders, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Alfred S. Brown. who was originally elected one of said Trustees

Article 3

The Corporate name by which said Institution may be known and by which it may sue and be sued shall be Oakland Female Seminary

Article 4

The powers intended to be exercised by said corporation are as follows, to wit;
May purchase real & personal property for cash or on a credit;
May acquire and hold and use for the purposes of said Seminary Real and Personal property, by grant
gift ~~and~~ or devise: The whole property already purchased, to be ~~purchased~~ or
otherwise acquired, not to exceed in value Fifty Thousand Dollars; May sell,
lease, rent, or hire as they see proper any property belonging to said institution
May make any and all contracts necessary to repair, construct, and conduct
said Seminary; May appoint a Principal and all necessary professors,
teachers, and Assistants for said Seminary, and remove them or either of
them at pleasure; May make all such by-laws, rules and regulations as
they may deem necessary and proper for the government of said
Seminary and in fine may do all other acts incident to all such bodies
corporate and politic for the benefit of said Seminary, not inconsistent
with the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and Laws
of the State of Mississippi

Article 5

That said corporation shall have perpetual succession.

Article 6

That said Board of Trustee shall hold their office for the term of one year
from and after the 14th day of September A.D. 1871, and until their
successors are elected, and that an election for Trustee of said Institu-
tion may be held by a majority of the Stockholders on each
succeeding 14th day of September; except when that day shall fall on
Sunday, and in that case said election may take place on the next
succeeding Monday

Article 7

That the shares of Stock held in said Institution shall be Twenty-
five dollars each; that each share shall represent one vote, and that
each Stockholder shall have as many votes as he own shares in said
Institution

Article 8

That the subscription of Stock or the purchase of shares as aforesaid shall be
payable as follows, to wit; As to those who subscribed for shares before
the 1st day of November 1871, One Third on the 1st day of November 1871, and
balance in equal annual installments of one and two years from and
after that time, and as to those who have subscribed Stock since that time
One Third shall be due on day of subscription and balance in equal annual
installments of one and two years from and after the date of subscrip-
tion, respectively

Article 9

That those who subscribed for or purchased Stocks before the 1st day of
November 1871, and failed or refused on or before that day to pay the said first install-
ment as mentioned in Art. 8, may at any time afterwards and before the
same is paid, be sued and the sum so to be recovered in any Court
having jurisdiction of the amount, and so in like manner the several
installments may be recovered when due; whether subscribed before or after
the said 1st day of November 1871

Article 10

That said Stockholders shall vote by Ballot and that the Trustees so
elected, shall out of their own number elect a President and Treasurer
of said corporation

Article 11

That whenever a vacancy shall occur in said Board of Trustees from any cause a majority of the Stockholders shall by election fill such vacancy

Article 12

That the Treasurer of said corporation shall enter into a bond in an amount to be fixed by said Board of Trustees, and to be approved by the President of said Board, payable to Oakland Female Seminary conditioned for the faithful application of the funds of said corporation and the discharge of his duty as such, and that he shall pay out no money except upon the order of the Secretary under the seal of said corporation and Countersigned by the President

Article 13

That said corporation shall have a Seal with such device as said Board may choose

Article 14

That said Board may regulate their meetings and all other matters appertaining to their corporate business by by-Laws as provided in Art 4.

Article 15

That a majority of said Board of Trustees shall be a quorum to transact business

Article 16

That should said corporation be dissolved all the property belonging to the same, after paying the debts, shall be devided among the Stockholders in the proportion of the amount of stock held by them respectively

Given under our hands and Seals this the 8th day of June A.D. 1872

J. H. Dame (Seal)
J. N. McEachern (Seal)
A. J. Black (Seal)
W. H. FitzGerald (Seal)
S. Barbee (Seal)
H. W. Winter (Seal)
W. E. Benson (Seal)
E. M. Sayle (Seal)
James Moore (Seal)

The State of Mississippi
Yalobusha County

This day personally appeared before me G. W. S. Davidson Mayor in and for said County, the within and foregoing persons whose names appear to the within contract of incorporation, to wit; Henry W Winter, William E. Benson, Erwin M. Sayle, James Moore, John H. Dame John N. McEachern, Sampson Barbee and Alphonso J. Black, who each for himself, acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered said contract of incorporation of Oakland Female Seminary, on the day and year of its date, as his Act and deed

Given under my hand this the 8th day of June A.D. 1872

G. W. S. Davidson (Seal)
Mayor

The State of Mississippi
Tallahatchie County

This day personally appeared before me S. C. Barnes, Mayor of the Town of Charleston & Ex-Officio An Acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County, the within mentioned William H. FitzGerald, whose name appears to the within contract of Incorporation of Oakland Female Seminary, who acknowledged that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same, on the day and year of its date as his act and deed

Given under my hand this June 8th 1872

S. C. Barnes
Mayor &c

Approved Sept 5th 1872
J. S. Morris
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Sept 5th 1872

Approved, in accordance with an of the Legislature of April 30th 1872

R. C. Powers
Governor

James Lynch
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Summit Lodge No 93, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Summit Mississippi

First

That the Officers and Members of Summit Lodge No 93 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Summit Mississippi, in the County of Pike, and all who may hereafter become members thereof, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, by the name and Style of "Summit Lodge No 93 Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Summit Mississippi

Second

That said corporation shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all Courts of Law and Equity in this State.

Third

That said corporation may have and use a Common Seal, alter and change the same at pleasure, may receive by donation or purchase, and have, hold use, enjoy, lease, rent, loan and convey, real, personal or mixed estate to an amount not exceeding Fifteen thousand dollars and may do and perform all other acts, incident to bodies corporate of this nature and they shall have power to enact such by-laws for their government as shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution of this State or of the United States

Fourth

That this Charter of incorporation shall take effect and be in force from and after the day and date of the approval of the same by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

John H. McKenzie Seal
William Boyd Seal
Wm Cunningham Seal

The State of Mississippi
Pike County ss.

Personally appeared before me H. L. Bridges Mayor of the Town of Summit & Ex-Officio Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, John H. McKenzie Noble Grand, William Boyd Vice Grand and William Cunningham Past Grand of Summit Lodge No 93 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Summit Mississippi, who severally acknowledged that they signed and Sealed the foregoing Charter of Incorporation for said Lodge as their official act and deed.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the official Seal of my office at Summit this September 25th 1872

H. L. Bridges Seal
Mayor & Ex-officio Justice of the Peace

No Constitutional Objection
Atty Genl's Office Oct 14th 1872
J. S. Morris
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Miss Oct 14th 1872

Approved in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of April 30th 1872

R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest James Lynch
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the East Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical Association

1st

The object and purpose of this association shall be the improvement and advancement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Live Stock, General Domestic Economy and the Mechanic Arts

2nd

I. G. McArthur. Geo. S. Covert. Jamis. J. Shannon. C. H. Williams, Joseph Estes. E. J. Rev. R. L. Henderson, O. B. Wagner. L. D. Belk. J. R. Dial. S. S. Forse politic under the name of the East Mississippi Agricultural & Mechanical Association and as such shall have perpetual succession, shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, hold real estate necessary and proper for the purposes of said Association, not exceeding one Hundred Thousand Dollars, and shall have all the franchises, privileges rights and powers conferred on corporations by Articles 1 and 2 of Chapter 55 Revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1871

3rd

The name of this Corporation shall be the East Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical Association,- Its Business shall be transacted in or near the City of Meridian in Lauderdale County in the State of Mississippi and it shall be auxillary to the Planters. Manufacturers and Mechanics Association of the State of Mississippi

4th

The said Association shall be a company of Stockholders, in which every subscriber of Twenty five Dollars, who pays the same to the proper Officers of the Association shall be a Stockholder with one share of the Capital Stock of said Association, each share of said Stock shall be Twenty five dollars. The number of Shares shall not exceed Two Thousand (2000). Every Stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for every share of Stock he may hold, not exceeding ten shares, but shall have no vote for shares of Stock over ten Shares and every Stockholder shall be a corporator in this Association.

5th

The existance of said corporation is not limited.

6th

The officers of said Association shall be a Presidents, Two Vice Presidents, a Secretary and Assistant Secretary, and a Board of Twenty Directors. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors, The Officers of said Association shall be elected annually at such time and in such manner as the Constitution or By-Laws of the Association may prescribe. Seven Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board of Directors shall constitute a Board of Management and shall have the power to controll the affairs of the Association, make contracts, purchase property and do all other act that may be necessary to carry into effect the objects of said Association, subject to the control, approval and alteration of the Stockholders assembled at a general meeting. Said Board may adopt a Constitution, make By-Laws, declare dividends and do all other things necessary in carrying out the objects of said Association

7th

The Board of Directors may fill any vacancy that may occur in their body from among the Stockholders, or in any of the offices of the Association they shall keep a record of their proceedings which shall be recorded by the Secretary and subject to the examination and inspection of any Stockholder The Secretary of the Association shall be the Custodian of the records of the Board of Directors and of the Association

8th

A quorum of Stockholders shall not be less than twelve Stockholders in person, but Stockholders may be represented and may vote by written proxy filed with the Secretary.

9th

The Board of Directors may adopt a Common Seal for the use of said Association in such manner and with such devices as they may desire

10th

All accounts against the Association must be audited by the Board of Directors and approved. An entry thereof being made by the Secretary on the minutes, then said account shall be presented to the Secretary, who shall draw a Check for the same on the Treasurer. All accounts must be filed by the Secretary and preserved as vouchers and

the checks when paid must be preserved by the Treasurer as Vouchers for the amounts paid by him

11th

Certificates of Stock may be assigned, but shall not entitle the Holder to vote thereon or enjoy any of the privileges of a Stockholder until such assignment is registered on the Books of the Company

12th

This Charter may at anytime be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the Stockholders. Such amended Charter to be granted, Approved and recorded in the manner provided for original Charters in Article 1 Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of Mississippi

J. G. McArthur
Geo. S. Covert
James Shannon
C. H. Williams
Joseph Eotes
B. F. Bush
E. J. Rew
R. L. Henderson
O. B. Wagner
L. D. Belk
J. N. Diol
S. S. Forse
John W Young

State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County } Before the undersigned, Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County, this day personally appeared the above named, J. G. McArthur. Geo. S. Covert. James J. Shannon. C. H. Williams. Joseph Eotes. E. J. Rew. R. L. Henderson. O. B. Wagner. L. D. Belk J. N. Diol. S. S. Forse. John W. Young and B. F. Bush, who severally acknowledged that they signed the foregoing Charter of Incorporation on this the 14th day of October 1872 for the purposes therein mentioned as their act and deed

Given under my hand and Seal of Office affixed this 14th day of October 1872

M Rae Marby
By W. D. Cameron Depty

No Constitutional objections. Oct 21st 1872
J. F. Morris
Atty Genl

Approved Oct 21st 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest
James Lynch
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the East Louisiana and South Mississippi, Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association

State of Mississippi
County of Pike

Be it known that on this the Eighteenth day of October A.D. 1872, Before me W. C. Harrell, a Justice of the Peace, within, and for the said County of Pike at my Office in the Town of Osyka, personally came and appeared the parties hereinafter named and whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that availing themselves of the provisions of the Laws of the State of Mississippi, relative to the organization of Corporations in said State: They had agreed and contracted, and by these presents do contract, and agree and bind themselves to form and constitute a Corporation as defined and set forth by the following Articles

Article 1st

The object of this Association is hereby declared to be; the promotion of Agriculture and its cognate branches and the Mechanical Arts, To establish and sustain a System of Market Fairs, an experimental Farm, and an Horticultural College, embracing in it Curriculum Science, Literature, and Art, and the establishment of a Factory for the construction of Agricultural Implements,

Article 2nd

The following persons are named as corporators of this Association viz: W. W. L. Lewis, W. E. Pinkney, W. C. Carter, Michael Hart, Jno Rehorst, B. F. Eagle, I. Applewhite.

Article 3rd

This association shall be known and do business by the name of The East Louisiana and South Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association, and its Council Shall be at Osyka in the County of Pike and State of Mississippi

Article 4th

The powers to be exercised by this Association are declared to be—

1st To form and organize a Joint Stock Company with a Capital of Fifty Thousands Dollars, divided into Ten Thousand Shares of Five Dollars each;

2" To purchase hold and improve real Estate, as Fair Grounds, Experimental Farms and Stock Farms; 3rd The establishment of an Agricultural and Mechanical College,

Article 5th

There is no limit fixed to the existence of this Corporation

6th

This Association shall consist of the Members of Such Agricultural Clubs, of East Louisiana and South Mississippi as shall pay to said association an Annual Fee of Five Dollars and of Such floating members as shall pay an Annual fee of One Dollar and shall Subscribe to the Constitution and By-Laws of the said Association. The Officers of this association Shall be a President Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and

Librarian, who shall be Elected annually. The financial affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Seven Directors, to be Styled the Fiscal Board, to be composed of Stockholders of the Association, to be elected Annually, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business, and who shall elect their own presiding Officer, and Secretary, and fill all vacancies that may occur in said Board until the next ensueing election

An election shall be held annually by said Association at its domicil, for said Officers, and Fiscal Board, said election shall be by ballot, each member shall be entitled to one vote in person for the Officers of the Association; but only Stockholders shall be allowed to vote for the Fiscal Board and they shall be entitled to one vote in person or by proxy for each share held. That until a General Election shall be held the Officers of this Association shall be filled as follows viz: H. W. L. Lewis President W. E. Pinkney Vice President T. E. Tate Treasurer, J. A. C. H. Recording Secretary, J Applewhite Corresponding Secretary, and Jno Rehorst Librarian, and the Fiscal Board shall consist of said named corporators.

This Association shall have the power to adopt such a Constitution and By Laws for its government as may not be inconsistant with the Laws of the State or with this Acts of Incorporation

The time and place of the meetings of this Association shall be fixed by the Constitution. Ten Member shall Constitute a quorum to do business and the named corporators shall call a meeting of the Association within Thirty days after this Charter shall have become a Law for the purpose of organization under this Charter, and of adopting a Constitution and By-Laws.

Signed and Sealed the day and date aforesaid.

Michael Hart (Seal)
Jno Rehorst (Seal)
B. F. Ebzie (Seal)
W. E. Pinkney (Seal)
H. W. L. Lewis (Seal)
J. W. Cutrer (Seal)
Isaac Applewhite (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Pike County }

Personally appeared before me W. C. Harrell, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, the within named W. E. Pinkney, H. W. L. Lewis, J. W. Cutrer Jno Rehorst, B. F. Ebzie and Isaac Applewhite the Incorporators of East Louisiana and South Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association who severally acknowledged that they signed Sealed and delivered the within Charter of Incorporation for the purposes therein mentioned as their Act and Deed and on the day and year therein mentioned

Given under my hand and Seal this 18th day of October A.D. 1872
W. C. Harrell J. P.
Seal

Approved Nov 22nd 1872
J. S. Morris
Atty Genl

Approved Nov 23rd 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest
James Lynch
Secy of State

The incorporation of Franklin College in the city of Holly Springs. Mississippi

Section 1

Corporators

That W. Clark, M. B. Clark, H. C. Barton and R. Mc. Goodloe, by virtue of their proprietor ship be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of Franklin College, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of Law or Equity in this State; that they may have a Common Seal which they may alter at pleasure; and shall be capable of receiving, acquiring by purchase, donation or otherwise, any Estate, real or personal, not exceeding Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, and of holding the same in Fee Simple to and for the use and benefit of said College for the general purposes of a high order of Education, either of Males or Female or both as the above named corporators may elect; and to alien or encumber the same at pleasure; and to make all such necessary Bylaws & Regulations, as they may deem expedient, not repugnant to the Constitution & Laws of this State and of the United States.

Section 2

That the aforesaid Corporators shall have power and authority to appoint an Advisory Board of Trustees, who shall elect one of their numbers as President and another as Secretary; whose term of office shall continue One year or until their successors are appointed; Whose duty, in connection with the Faculty of Instruction, shall consist in conferring such Degrees, Diplomas and certificates as the President may recommend, and electing annually a Board of Visitors, who may from time to time examine the Conduct & proficiency of the Pupils, the general regime of the College, as such, and shall present a written report of the same to the aforesaid Board of Trustees, or Presidents of the College, on the day preceding the annual Commencement in June of each year. The Protestant Episcopal Bishop of this Diocese shall be visitor in perpetuo.

Section 3

That Whenever the Offices of any one or more of the aforesaid Corporators or their Successors becomes vacant by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, then their survivors for the time being shall have full power and authority to fill such vacancy by their election of a successor

Section 4th

That the Property known as Franklin College, together with all the Instruments of Music, Apparatus, Furniture, and other Appliances which are used in conducting the School, in all of its Departments, shall be and the same are hereby entitled to all the rights, privileges & immunities which are accorded to other Similar Educational Institutions in this State

Section 5

That this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after the Festival of St Andrew - or Nov 30th 1872

Witness our Hands and Seals this the — day of November 1872

W. Clark (Seal)
Mary B. Clark (Seal)
H.C. Barton (Seal)
Rosa. M. Goodloe (Seal)

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The State of Mississippi
Marshall County

Personally appeared before me B. H. Walthall Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County the above named Wm Clark and Mary B. Clark his wife, A. C. Barton and Rosa. M. Goodloe who acknowledged that they severally signed, Sealed and delivered the foregoing Instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as their Act and Deed; - the said Mary B Clark on a private examination, Seperate and apart from her said Husband acknowledging that she signed sealed and delivered said Instrument as her Voluntary act and deed, freely without any fear, threat, or compulsion of her husband

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court Hereby affixed at office this 29th day of November A.D. 1872

Seal

B. H. Walthall
Clerk

Approved Nov 30, 1872
D S Morris
Atty Genl of Miss

Approved Dec 13th 1872
R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest James Lynch
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Greenville Lodge No. Ninty Four 94 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Located at Greenville Washington County State of Mississippi

In accordance with Chapter 55 Article 1 Revised Code of Mississippi of 1871 Entitled an Act in Relation to Corporations and Societies; Know all Men by these presents; That Stuart White. Theo. Pohl. Nathan Goldstein. Chas R. Clark A. B. Carson. Trustees of Greenville Lodge Number 94 Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Greenville Washington County Mississippi; their successors in office together with the Officers and Members, and all who may hereafter become Members of said Lodge; be and they are hereby created a body Politic and Corporate by the Name and style of "Greenville Lodge No 94 Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Greenville Mississippi" And by such Name may have perpetual succesion. Shall sue and be sued plead and be impleaded defend and be defended in all Courts of law and Equity of this State; And may have and use a Common Seal; alter and change the same at pleasure; May receive by donation or purchase, and have hold use enjoy lease rent bargain and convey real personal or mixed Estate to an amount not to exceed Twenty five Thousand Dollars ($25.000.00) and may do and perform all other Acts incident to bodies Corporate of this Nature in this State; And they shall have power to enact such By Laws for their government

as shall not be inconsistant with the Constitution of this State or of the United States.
Witness the hand and seals of the Corporators above mentioned at Greenville Miss. January A.D. 1873.

Stuart White (Seal)
Theo. Pohl (Seal)
Nathan Goldstein (Seal)
Chas. W. Clark (Seal)
A. B. Carson (Seal)

State of Mississippi
Washington County

Personally appeared before the undersigned J. L. Griffin Justice of Peace in and for said County the above named Stuart White, Theo Pohl, Nathan Goldstien and Chas. W. Clark. A B. Carson and acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the above Charter of Incorporation on the day of the date thereof, as their Act and deed. Given under my hand and seal this 31st day of January

J. L. Griffin J.P. (Seal)

A.D. 1873
Atty Genl office Feb 5th 1873
There is no Constitutional objection to this Charter

J. S. Morris
Atty Genl of Miss.

Approved Feby 5th 1873
R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest.
H. R. Revels
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Tupelo Lodge No 92
Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Mississippi
Lee County and State of Mississippi

1st The purposes for which this Charter is granted is
to enable "Tupelo Lodge No 92 Independent Order
of Odd Fellows at Tupelo Mississippi" to exercise all
the rights and privileges of a Natural person so far
as may be consistent with the Constitution and Laws
of this State, and subject to the Constitution and
Laws of the Grand Lodge of Independent Order of
Odd Fellows under which it is herein

2nd The persons, by this Charter, intended to be incor=
porated are H. N. Hunter. S. M. Robertson. H. H. Smith
J. B. Vance. D. L. Leatherwood together with all the
Members of "Tupelo Lodge No 92 Independent Order of
Odd Fellows" in good Standing with said Lodge and
all those who may hereafter become Members of the same
according to the ancient rites and Ceremonies of
the Order

3rd This Corporation shall be Known and designated by
the name of "Tupelo Lodge No 92 Independent Order
of Odd Fellows"

4th This Corporation by its corporate Name may sue and be

Sued; plead and be impleaded; prosecute and be prosecuted to judgement and satisfaction; contract and be contracted with; within the limits of its Corporate powers as created by this Charter may buy hold and possess Real and Personal Property. Not to exceed in value Fifty Thousand Dollars: May sell and convey its real Estate under its Corporate Seal and the signature of its presiding officer at time of sale and may sell its personal property: May make all necessary by-laws not inconsistent with the laws of this State nor with the Constitution and instructions of the Grand Lodge under which it is holden And may have a Corporate Seal.

6-th There is no limit fixed when this Charter is to expire

H. N. Hunter N.G. {L.S.}
J. M. Robertson V.G. {L.S.}
J. L. Leatherwood Secty {L.S.}
H. H. Smith R.S. {L.S.}
J. B. Vance T. {L.S.}

State of Mississippi
Lee County

Personally Appeared before me D. W. Hankins Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for Lee County and State of Mississippi H. N. Hunter J. M. Robertson. H. H. Smith. J. B. Vance and J. L. Leatherwood who each severately for himself acknowledged that he signed. Sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of "Tupelo Lodge No 92 Independent order of Odd Fellows" on the day of the date thereof as their act and deed and for the purposes therein expressed and each of the foregoing named persons say that it is the unanimous wish of all of the Members of said Lodge that the same be incorporated.

Given under my hand and seal of office on this February the Eleventh in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Three

Saml W. Hankins
Clerk

No Constitutional Objections to
this Charter
Jackson Feby 17th 1873
J. L. Morris
Atty Genl

Approved Feby 17th 1873
R. C. Powers
Governor

Attest
H. R. Revels
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Polytechnic and Agricultural College located at Osyka.

The State of Mississippi
County Pike } Be it known that on this day of May A.D. 1893, before me H. B. Harrell, a Justice of the Peace within and for the said County of Pike, personally came and appeared the parties hereinafter named, and subscribed their names hereunto subscribed, who declared that availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of this State of Mississippi relative to the organization of Corporations in said State, they had entered into contracts and agreed, and by these presents do enter into contracts and agree, and bind themselves to form and constitute a Corporation as defined and set forth by the following articles viz:-

Article 1.

The object of this Corporation is hereby declared to be the establishment of an Institution of learning for the -ment of an Institution of Education including Agricultural science, and applied Chemistry.

Article 2.

The following persons are named as Corporators of said Institution viz:- D. W. Cutrer; Samuel Wolf; Dennis Corp; W. C. Harrell; Cyrus A. Simmons; Michael Stark and W. B. Tate, all citizens of the State and County aforesaid.

Article 3.

This Body shall be known and styled and do business under the name of "The Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Polytechnic and Agricultural College", and its domicile shall be at Osyka in said County and State, and by the said name may sue and be sued, purchase and convey, and have perpetual succes-sion.

Article 4.

The powers to be exercised by this Corporation are declared to be the following viz:-

1 To purchase and hold real and personal estate, to select and purchase lands for said College site, to sell and dispose of said estate real and personal, to form associations and connections with other corporate bodies, and generally to do and perform all acts whatsoever necessary to be done for the promotion of the interests of said Institution, for its good government, and for the advancement of learning, morality and religion among its people.

2 To erect upon said site College Buildings and appurtenances necessary and proper for the efficient conduct of said College in all its various departments, including philosophical apparatus, Chemical Laboratory, and an agricultural experimental farm.

3 To employ a president and faculty of said College, to fix and regulate their salaries, and in conjunction with said president and faculty, to establish by laws, for the government of said College, to prescribe the course of studies to be pursued therein.

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grant diplomas and confer degrees.

Article 5.

The is no limit fixed to the existence of this Corporation.

Article 6.

The Capital Stock of this Corporation is declared to be One hundred Thousand dollars, which may be issued in shares of Twenty five dollars each, for which certificates may be given by said Corporators their Associates and successors under such rules and regulations as they may see proper to adopt.

The said Corporators shall elect annually from their own Body or from such persons and Corporations with whom they may become associated, a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and may fill vacancies occasioned by death, resignation or removal.

The first meeting of said Board for said election shall be held at the Town Hall in Osyka within 30 days after this Act shall become a law, and at such time and place annually thereafter as may be fixed upon by said Board.

Special meetings may be called by said President or any two members of said Board upon two day notice specifying the
5 object of said call and the nature of the business to be transacted, said notice to be given by posting the same on some conspicuous place on said College premises.

Five of said Corporators shall constitute a quorum to do business, and they may adopt in all respect rules and regulations for the government of their proceedings

And it is further provided, that the Stockholders of said Institution may by a two thirds vote, for misconduct or malfeasance in office impeach and remove said Board or any member of the same. and to that end It is further provided, that any three of said Stockholders may call a meeting of the same at any time by notice for three weeks in some public Newspaper of said County of Pike, specifying therein the time, place and object of said meeting. That at such called meeting the Stockholders shall organize by the election of a chairman and Secretary may hear and investigate such charges as may be exhibited, giving the party accused a fair hearing in his defence, and in case of removal by impeachment, said meeting shall immediately proceed to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby, when a majority of the votes cast shall elect. In such election and impeachment each share shall entitle the holder to a vote which may be cast in person or by proxy.

And in case of removal by impeachment, and filling such vacancy by election, the proceedings shall be duly certified by the said Chairman and Secretary and duly recorded in the Clerks office of the Chancery Court of said County whereupon the said newly elected shall have, enjoy and exercise all the powers, privileges and immunities vested by virtue of this Act of Corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, We the said Corporators have hereunto set our hands

hands and affixed our Seals, the day and year first above written.

Acknowledged before me and duly signed this 3rd day of May A.D. 1873, as Witness my hand and Seal.

(sd) W. C. Harrell, J. P. (Seal.)

(sd) J. W. Culver, (Seal)
" S. Wolf, (Seal)
" O. Perry, (Seal)
" W. C. Harrell, (Seal)
" Michael Hart (Seal).

There is not, in my opinion any constitutional objection to this Charter. The recording of the "proceedings" as proposed in the latter part of the sixth article would be unnecessary, and that provision is therefore, unwritten. This, however, does not militate against the Charter.

Atty. Gen'ls Office, Jackson, Miss. May 9th 1873.

(sd) J. J. Morris
Actg. Gen'l. of Miss.

Approved, May 10th 1873
(sd) R. C. Powers,
Governor.

Attest. May 12th 1873

(sd) H. H. Hobbs
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Peabody School

Crystal Springs, Miss.

1st The purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to le-
-gally establish and maintain, in the town of Crystal Springs
Miss., a school for the education of boys and girls in such
branches of learning, and under such rules and regulations
as the Board of Trustees hereinafter mentioned may prescribe.

2nd The following persons are hereby incorporated, viz: H. H.
Stackhouse; O. Osburn; J. C. Smith, together with all other
persons who have contributed money and means towards pur-
-chasing land, building and furnishing the School House
in Crystal Springs, Miss., known as Crystal Springs Academy,
and others who may hereafter subscribe and pay to the cap-
-ital stock of this Corporation.

3rd The Corporate name by which this Association shall be
known and designated, shall be "The Peabody School of
Crystal Springs, Miss."

4th This corporation shall have the right to hold and pos-
sess property, real and personal, already acquired, and
such as may hereafter acquired, to the value of Ten thousand
dollars

dollars, and to rent, or sell and convey the same.

5th. This Corporation shall exist for the term of Twenty years unless sooner dissolved by due action of its Shareholders.

6th. The capital stock of this Corporation shall be Five Thousand Dollars, divided into Five hundred shares of Ten dollars each and any person or persons who have already paid or who may hereafter pay, as per second paragraph of this Charter, shall be a shareholder to the amount paid. Such shares shall be transferable by indorsement.

7th. So soon as this Charter has been duly approved and recorded, the incorporators named shall call a meeting of the shareholders who shall elect a Board of Trustees consisting of nine persons, who shall be shareholders, three of whom shall serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years, and till their successors are elected; and annually thereafter, a meeting of the Shareholders shall be held to elect three Trustees for three years to succeed those whose term expires.

8th. All meetings of the shareholders shall be published a reasonable time so as to give due notice to all parties interested; and a majority of the paid up shares shall be represented to constitute a quorum. Shareholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share paid up in full. And if not personally present may be represented by written proxy.

9th. The Board of Trustees shall, on being elected, organize by electing of their number a President and a Secretary & Treasurer, who shall be legal representatives of the Corporation and perform such duties as the Board of Trustees may require.

10th. The Board of Trustees shall have full control of all the affairs connected with the Corporation and shall have power to make such By-laws and regulations for their own guidance and for conducting the school as they may deem necessary, not inconsistent with this charter & the laws of the State.

Approved
May 29th 1893
Lyman R. Cleaveland
Governor

Signed and Sealed at Crystal Springs, Miss this 8th day of May 1893

signed C. Osburn Seal
" H. W. Stackhouse Seal
" J. O. Smith Seal

Atty Gen'l's Office
May 29th 1893

No Constitutional objection.
signed J. S. Morris
Atty. Gen'l.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Holly Springs Phoenix Fire Company.

By virtue of the Statute in such cases made and provided, the undersigned, Henry C. Myers; W. T. Wallace; John A. Martin; W. J. L. Martin; W. W. Ash; Kinloch Falconer; M. Schriver; Wm. Mally; W. D. McGowan; W. W. Searcy; and Wm. A. Jones, have organized ourselves into a Fire Company to be known as the "Holly Springs Phoenix Fire Company," located at Holly Springs, Marshall County, Mississippi.

1.— The purpose of said Incorporation is to afford protection to the said City of Holly Springs against fires.

2.— The parties herein named are the Incorporators of said Company, and as such are a Body Corporate, by the name of the "Holly Springs Phoenix Fire Company", and shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable of holding by donation or purchase, property, both real and personal, to the value of Twenty thousand Dollars, and may sue and be sued in any of the Courts of this State.

3.— Said Incorporation and their Successors shall have power to make and adopt all such rules and by-laws as they may deem proper for their government, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

4.— The proper and useful implements used by said Company for the extinguishment of fire, and the house and lot in which the same shall be kept, shall be exempted from taxation, and the members of said company shall be exempt from Militia Duty, except in time of insurrection or public danger.

5.— This charter shall be in force, and take effect, from and after the first day of May 1873.

Signed, Henry C. Myers Seal
W. T. Wallace Seal
Jno. A. Martin Seal
W. J. L. Holland Seal
W. W. Ash Seal
Kinloch Falconer Seal
Moses Schriver Seal
William Mally Seal
W. D. McCowan Seal
W. W. Searcy Seal
W. A. Jones Seal

Approved June 6th 1873.
R. C. Powers
(signed) Governor.
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State of Mississippi } Before me Howard Falconer a Jus-
Marshall County } tice of the Peace, in and for the County of Marshall, State of Mississippi, this day, personally appeared Henry C. Myers, W. T. Wallace

John A. Martin, W. J. L. Holland, W. W. Ashe, Kinloch Falconer, Wm. Wally, W. D. McCowan, W. W. Searcy, and Wm. A. Jones, who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed, and delivered the foregoing Instrument, as their act and deed, on the day of its date.

As Witness my hand this twenty third day of April 1873.

Approved April 26th 1873. (signed) Howard Falconer J.P.

(signed) J.S. Morris
Atty Genl.

The Charter of Incorporation of "The Methodist Ladies Coöperative Association of Port Gibson, Miss."

First. The purposes for which this Corporation is formed, are as follows, 1st To purchase & hold in the Corporate name, a suitable parsonage for the use of the Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church South at Port Gibson, Miss - to be used only by said Pastor or for his use and benefit - 2nd To aid, when necessary, in raising money for the support of said Pastor - 3rd To dispense charity to the poor of the Town of Port Gibson & especially the poor of said Church.

Second:- The names of the Corporators of this Association are - Joanna A Gordon; Ellen W. Drake; Araminta N. Kennard; Florence Kennan; Elizabeth Foote; Mary Beggs; Kate Bethea; Alice A. Wright; Jane Bobo; Rebecca J. Barrot; Mattie Smith; Ellen Smith; Lulu Jordan; Theresa Reid; Nannie Smith; Emily Briscoe.

Third / The Corporate name of this association shall be "The Methodist Ladies Coöperative Association of Port Gibson, Miss.

Fourth and Fifth. This Corporation shall have perpetual succession and shall have power to sue and be sued - plead & be impleaded by its Corporate name - and may in its Corporate name hold and convey real estate not to exceed in value $10.000. And may in its Corporate lend or borrow money, to advance the purposes of its organization and give security for the same by mortgage on the Corporate property or otherwise.

In Witness Whereof the said Corporators have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals on this 23rd day of May A.D. 1873.

signed	Ellen W. Drake	(Seal)	Theresa Hyde	(Seal)
"	Elizabeth Foote	(Seal)	Araminta Kennan	(Seal)
"	Rebecca J. Barrot	(Seal)	Mary A Beggs	(Seal)
"	Alice A. Wright	(Seal)	Joanna A Gordan	(Seal)
"	Jane Bobo	(Seal)	Minnie Smith	(Seal)
"	Ellen Smith	(Seal)	Lula Jordan	(Seal)
"	Mattie Smith	(Seal)	Florence Kennard	(Seal)

signed E. E. Briscoe (Seal).

Approved June 10th 1873. (signed) J.S. Morris, Atty Genl.

Approved June 11th 1873
(signed) B. C. Powers

State of Mississippi
Claiborne County } Personally appeared before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, the within named C. C. Briscoe who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as his act and deed.

Given under my hand and Seal, this 24th day of May 1873.

Seal

Signed H. H. Smith, Clerk

State of Mississippi
Claiborne County } Personally appeared before the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court in & for said County the within named Joanna J. Gordon; Ellen D. Drake; Elizabeth Foote; Rebecca J. Barrot; Alice A. Wright; Jane Bobo; Ellen Smith; Charlie Smith; Theresa Reid; Araminta Hennard; Mary A. Boggs; Mannie Smith; Lulu Jordan; Florence Hennard & who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed & delivered the foregoing charter of the Methodist Ladies Cooperative Association of Port Gibson Miss., upon the day of its date as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand & Seal of office this 23d day of May 1873.

Seal

Signed H. H. Smith, Clerk
By (Signed) C. W. Woods, D. C.

Recorded June 12th A.D. 1873.—
H. R. Revels Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Laboring Mans Association of the State of Mississippi.

First The objects and purposes of this Incorporation are 1st To elevate the condition of the Laborers of this State: 2nd To enable them to husband and invest the proceeds of their labor and industry to the best advantage, and 3rd To acquire cheap and comfortable homes.

Second The Rev. J. G. Johnson of Hinds County; The Hon Emanuel Handy of Copiah County; George Watson of Marroe County; B. W. Flournoy of Pontotoc County; J. J. Scoglock of Yalobusha County; C. Sims of Pike County; W. L. Jones; and the Rev. J. H. Boulden of Lowndes County, their Successors and assigns, and such other persons as may become members of said Association are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporate.

Third This Corporation shall be known by the name and style of "The Laboring Mans Association of the State of Mississippi."

Fourth This Incorporation shall be invested with the following powers;- towit: They may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings; the number of members that shall constitute a quorum; the number of shares which shall entitle a member to a vote, and the mode and manner of voting; they may prescribed the salaries of their officers and agents and fix and limit their tenure of office; they may have a common Seal; they may contract and be contracted with; sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded; answer and be answered Thir

prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the Courts of the State; they may make all necessary by-laws rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this State, and may impose upon the members of said Association all necessary fines, fees and duties. and they may do and perform all things whatsoever within the limits of Corporate power necessary to carry out the objects and designs of this Charter of Incorporation

Fifth This Corporation shall have perpetual succession.

Sixth The officers of the Corporation shall be Chosen from among the members of said Association, and shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and a Corresponding Secretary. The business of said Association shall be managed and controlled by a Board to be called "Central Board" to be composed of Eleven members of said Association; and the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and corresponding Secretary shall be ex officio members of said Board. In addition to the powers above conferred, the said Association shall exercise the following: 1st. They may sell and barter goods wares and merchandise, and may do a general trading business in any and all articles and commodities of trade; and may purchase, rent, sell, lease or convey lands, tenements or hereditaments or mortgage or otherwise dispose of the same, which shall not exceed in value the sum of fifty thousand dollars, under their corporate seal in the manner usually adopted by incorporated bodies. The said Association may, in like manner, dispose of its personal property. 2nd. They shall have power to operate in any and all parts of the State, but in no manner contrary to law or the provisions of this Charter. 3rd. The "Central Board" shall have power to locate the headquarters of the Association, and to establish branch business places, stores etc, at any point within this State; to operate the same in accordance with the rights, privileges and franchises by this Charter of Incorporation conferred, and do and perform all and whatsoever duties the by-laws, rules and regulations adopted by said Association, may impose. They shall have power to establish districts in which to carry on their business, and to appoint therein District Agents and such other servants as they may, in their discretion, deem necessary, whose duties shall be prescribed in the by-laws, rules and regulations adopted by the Association. 4th The acts and deeds of the officers of the Association, when in conformity with the provisions of this Charter, and the by-laws, rules and regulations of the Association, shall be binding and obligatory to all intents and purposes.

Seventh The Capital stock of said Association shall be fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into shares, and to be assessed and collected in such manner as may be determined upon at organization of the said Association.

Eighth The first meeting of the said Corporation may be called by a notice published in some [illegible] at least ten [illegible]

which notice shall be signed by one or more persons named in this Charter, and such meeting, when convened may proceed to organize said Corporation.

Ninth And, finally, Said Association may do and perform all other acts and things for the purposes and objects set forth in the first section of this Charter, and not herein expressed, incident to Corporations of a like nature: Provided the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State.

In Witness Whereof the Corporators above named have hereunto set their hands and Seals this 30th day of June A.D. 1873.

Signed Emanuel Handy by his Atty
" George Wolson " " "
" Marshall McNeese " " "
" R. W. Flournoy " " "
" C. Sims " " "
" J. J. Scurlock by his Atty
" J. H. Boulden " " "

J. G. Johnson (Seal)
W. H. Smallwood (Seal)
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W. L. Jones (Seal)
W. H. Smallwood (Seal)
W. H. Smallwood (Seal)

State of Mississippi } SS.
County of Hinds }

Personally appeared before me, Peyton Robinson, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, the above named J. G. Johnson and W. L. Jones and executed the foregoing instrument as their act and deed, and the above named Emanuel Handy, Geo. Wolson, M. McNeese, R. W. Flournoy, J. J. Scurlock, C. Sims and J. H. Boulden by their Attorney W. H. Smallwood, who is personally known to me, who execed the forgoing instrument as the act and deed of the last above named persons.

Witness my hand and Seal this 30th day of June A.D. 1873.

(Signed) Peyton Robinson, J.P. (Seal)

Approved July 2d. 1873.
Signed J. S. Morris
Atty Genl

Approved July 2nd. 1873
Signed R. C. Powers
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Joint Stock Mechanics Association of Columbus, Mississippi.

1st The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are, the manufacture of Agricultural implements of every kind, of machinery of all descriptions, and the transaction of a general hardware business in connection therewith.

2d The Corporators are John L. Moss, a practical mechanic and machinist of Columbus, Mississippi, his associates, successors and assigns.

3d The Corporate name of said Association is to be "The Mechanics Association of Columbus, Mississippi."

4th The powers intended to be exercised are, the purchase and erection of machinery and materials, and buildings necessary to manufacture agricultural implements and tools of every kinds the making and repairing of mill, plantation or other machinery or implements of all descriptions, and the transaction of a general hardware business for the necessary transaction of business in connection with said association.

5th The Association to continue for twenty years from the date of approval of this Charter by the Governor of the State, unless sooner dissolved by mutual consent of the Corporators to be associated herein.

6th The capital stock of said Association is to be forty thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of Two hundred ($200) dollars each; and in all meetings of the Corporators, or in the transaction of the business of the Association, each Stockholder shall have one (1) vote for each share of stock. The Stockholders are not to be liable for the debts of the Association in their individual capacity, but only to the amount of the Capital stock paid in. The Corporators are to have authority to elect a Board of Directors with such officers as they may deem proper; and also, to make all such by-laws, rules and regulations for the transaction of their business as they may deem necessary, Provided the same do not conflict with the Constitution of the State of Mississippi, or of the United States.

Signed and Sealed this 28th day of June A.D. 1873. } John L. Moss (Seal), For himself and Associates.

State of Mississippi, Lowndes County } S.S.

Before me, George W. Van Hook, Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County, this day personally appeared, John L. Moss, who acknowleged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation for the purpose therein expressed, in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi in good faith.

Given

office, at Columbus, this 28th day of June A.D. 1873.

Seal

Signed. Geo. W. Van Hoote
Clerk

Approved July 2d 1873.
(Signed) J. S. Morris
Atty Genl.

Approved July 3d 1873.
(Signed) R. C. Powers
Governor.

Recorded July 5th 1873.
H. R. Reeds
Secy of State.

Charter of Incorporation of the Sardis Benevolent Society No. 1.

Article 1st. This Society is established for the benefit of its members in case of sickness, necessity and death.

Article 2d. This Society shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to contract and be contracted with to hold, lease and convey real estate. To have a common Seal and alter the same at pleasure and to establish other and branch Societies in this State

Article 3d. This Society shall have power to purchase and hold grounds necessary for a cemetery, the same to be exempt from taxation and to be used exclusively for burial purposes.

Article 4th. This Society shall have power to make such By-laws, Rules and Regulations necessary for the benefit, management and government of the Society not contrary to or inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of this State.

Article 5th. That Henry Taylor, Henderson Thornton, S. Hc. Patton, A. Burke, Sandy Simmons, Joseph Whitlow, James Peyton, John W. Ross, Nelson Harris, W. S. J. Mathews, C. Carlton and their successors be and the same are hereby created Corporators of said Society.

Article 6th. This Society shall be known as the Sardis Benevolent Society No. 1.

Article 7th. This Society shall have perpetual succession.

Article 8th. This Society shall be governed by the following

Constitution, Regulations and By Laws.

Constitution

Art. 1st All meetings shall open with prayer and close with a benediction.

Art. 2nd The Offices of this Society shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Grand Marshall, Assistant Grand Marshall, a Chief Steward and a Board of Managers to consist of ten, who shall be elected annually.

Art. 3rd All male persons joining this Society shall pay an initiation fee of one and one half dollars and females one dollar, and also a monthly subdate of fifty cents from males and twenty five cents - females

Art. 4. No person shall become a member of this Society without first being recommended by at least two members.

Art. 5. No person shall become a member, who shall be legally rejected by three members.

Art. 6th There shall be ten Stewards appointed to superintend the sick members of the Society and they shall report thereof to the Chief Steward.

Art. 7 When a member deceases, the members (male) shall attend the funeral in a body and wear the usual badge of mourning.

Art. 8. All monies received shall be carefully taken account of at each meeting and a report of the same made quarterly by the Secretary and Treasurer for the information of the members.

Art. 9. Any member of this Society found intoxicated or rioting in the Streets or in any public place shall be reported to the Society and fined not less than one dollar.

Art. 10. There shall be two meetings of this Society each month first business - and second - for information.

Art. 11. No money of the Society shall be loaned out of the Treasury upon any pretense whatever.

Art. 12. All members shall minister unto the wants and necessities of the sick members of this Society.

Art. 13. There shall be no money drawn from the Treasury without an order from the Secretary and countersigned by the President.

Art. 14. No person shall became a member of this Society who is known to be living in adultery.

Art. 15. The Treasurer shall be required to give a bond of five hundred dollars, which may increased or diminished at pleasure.

Art. 16. The Constitution, Rules, Regulations and Members of this Society shall be open to the inspection of all good citizens and nothing in it shall be regarded as secret.

By-Laws, Rules and Regulations.

Rule 1st. When a member is addressing the President, no person shall interrupt him, and should a member so offend, upon attention being called to order, the President shall require him at pleasure.

Rule 2nd. The members shall attend the regular meetings punctually and no member shall leave a meeting while in session except by permission of the Presidents.

Rule 3rd. In the absence of the Presidents, the Vice Presidents shall perform the duties of said office.

Rule 4th. The Secretary shall write all orders, keep an account of all monies received and paid out, read the Constitution, Rules &c in time of meeting and keep the minutes of the Society.

Rule 5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to pay all accounts when the Treasury signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the Presidents.

Rule 6. The Grand Marshal shall notify the members to attend funeral occasions, Parades &c. He shall appoint all Deputies to serve on said occasions, and any failure of said Marshal shall be cause for a fine of five dollars, and on failure of the member he shall be fined one dollar, if duly notified.

Rule 7. The Chief Steward shall see after the sick members and appoint a suitable number of the members to sit up with and nurse the same, and when a member dies, to report to the Secretary immediately.

Regulation 1.

Members shall be fined one dollar for failure to perform duty when duly notified.

Regulation 2.

Members when able to work must maintain themselves and families without the aid of the Society

Regulation 3.

All members of this Society shall be, when dead, buried at the expense of the Society.

Regulation 4th

When a member loses his wife the Society shall pay twenty dollars towards the funeral expenses; when a child the sum of five dollars. And when the child arrives at the age of sixteen years (16) the member shall not receive any aid in case of the death

of such child.

Regulation 5.

When a member dies and leaves a widow, this Society shall see after her and his children just so long as she remains an honorable and respectable lady and obeys the Laws &c of this Society.

Regulation 6

A member known to be guilty of making any false or slanderous remarks against this Society or any of its members shall be reported to the Board.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
This 12th day of July 1893

Test. C.H. Gleason
Test. C.H. Gleason
Signed
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Signed.
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Test. C.H. Gleason
Signed

his
Henry × Taylor Seal
James × Peyton Seal
Silas Patton Seal
his
Joseph × Whitton Seal
D. S. J. Mathews Seal
his
Sandy × Simmons Seal
John W. Ross Seal
N. W. Harris Seal

State of Mississippi
Panola County

Before me C.H. Gleason, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County this day personally appeared the above named Henry Taylor, James Peyton, Silas Patton, Joseph Whitton, D. S. J. Mathews, Sandy Simmons John W. Ross, N. W. Harris who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day and year therein mentioned as their voluntary act and deed.

Seal

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at Office this the 12th day of July 1893

C.H. Gleason,
Clerk.

Approved July 14th 1893
(sgd) D. S. Adams, Atty Genl.

Approved July 15th 1893
(signed) R. C. Powers,
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation, of the Meridian Board of Trade.

Sec 1st Be it known, That under enactment of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, Code 1871, Chap. 55., Art. 1 page 529 Ira J. Carter, J. Elson, L. A. Duncan, W. A. Brown, W. H. Brown W. W. Shearer, D. Sturges, C. H. Williams, R. H. Coleman, J. A. Gully J. A. Lewis, J. G. Flournoy, H. A. Benton, A. G. Horn and W. E. Durham, and their associates be, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and incorporate with nine-ty nine years succession by the name of the "Meridian Board of Trade", and by this name may contract and be contracted with, may sue and be sued, in all Courts and places and in all matters whatever and have full powers to acquire, hold, possess and enjoy by gift, grant or otherwise and the same to sell and convey

all such real estate or other property as may be necessary or convenient for the support and transaction of business of said Board of Trade or which may be conveyed to the same for the security or payment of any debts which may become due and owing to said Association, and may make, have and use a common seal and the same break, alter and renew at pleasure, Provided that the property, funds and revenue of said Board of Trade shall not be used for any other than the purposes of the said association.

Sec 2nd That the real and personal estate, property and funds and revenues of said association, and the administration of its affairs shall be under the executive direction of the active members of said Board of Trade. That the parties named in the first section of this act, or any five of them may call the subscribers of said Association together, and proceed to organize the same by electing a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer who may hold their respective offices until the fourth Monday in September thereafter, or until their successors are elected. The regular election of the officers named shall be held on the fourth Monday of September in each year. The members of said Board of Trade shall fill all vacancies in the offices of President and Vice Presidents Secretary and Treasurer and shall have power to make by laws and regulations for the government of said corporation, and to do such other acts as appertain to the said Board of Trade, Provided no by laws, rules or regulations shall be in any wise contrary to the Constitution and Laws of this State or of the United States.

Signed

J. H. Cary	Seal
Jno J. Carter	Seal
J. Elson	Seal
L. A. Duncan	Seal
W. A. Brown	Seal
W. H. Brown	Seal
W. W. Shearer	Seal
T. Sturges	Seal
C. H. Williams	Seal
R. F. Coleman	Seal
Jas A. Scully	Seal
Jas A Lewis	Seal
E. V. Flournoy	Seal
T. A. Benton	Seal
A. G. Horn	Seal
D. C. Durham	Seal

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State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County

Personally appeared before me W. W. Henry a Justice of the Peace in and for said County J. H. Cary, Jno J Carter, J Elson, L. A. Duncan, W. A. Brown, W. H. Brown, W. W. Shearer, T. Sturges, C. H. Williams, R. F. Coleman, Jas A. Scully, Jas A. Lewis, E. V. Flournoy, T. A. Benton, A. G. Horn, D. C. Durham, who acknowledged that they signed, seal and deliver the

foregoing Instrument for the purpose of establishing the Meridian Board of Trade, as their act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of August 1893.

Signed, W. W. Henry (Seal)
Justice of the Peace.

Approved Aug 8th 1893.
Signed J. S. Morris
Atty Genl.

Approved Aug 8th 1893
Signed R. C. Powers
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Meridian Cotton Mills"

Sec, 1. Be it known, that C. N. Williams, C. C. Williams J. W. Williams, G. S. Covert and their associates, under an act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, Rev. Code of 1871 Chapter. 55. Article 1. Page 529. are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of the "Meridian Cotton Mills" and by that name may contract and be contracted with sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of Law and Equity, may have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure, may make any and all By-Laws Rules and Regulations for the management of its business property and effects and the transfer of its Stock as to them may seem best; Provided, the same are not contrary

Sec, 2. to the Laws of this State or of the United States. The Capital Stock of this Company shall be Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred dollars each, and may be increased to the sum of Two

Sec, 3. Hundred Thousand dollars at the pleasure of the Company. Whenever Twenty five Thousand dollars is actually subscribed to the capital stock of said Corporation, three or more of its stockholders may call a general meeting by giving five days notice in one or more newspapers published in the county where a majority of the stockholders reside, stating therein the time and place of said meeting. Each share of the capital stock shall entitle the holder to one vote if represented either in person or by proxy. If more than one half the capital stock is duly represented at any meeting of the stockholders, a quorum for business shall be thereby constituted. At the first meeting of said stockholders, there shall be elected five Directors a majority of whom shall be residents of the State of Mississippi, and they shall be elected from the actual stockholders. and the officers of the Company

shall be elected by the Directors, at such time and places as the Stockholders shall designate there shall be an annual election of Directors, Provided a majority of the stock shall be represented at the meeting, otherwise the said election shall be postponed to an adjourned meeting till such majority of stock is represented

Sec, 4. The said Company shall be authorized to manufacture any article from cotton, wool, or any other raw materials, by steam or other power, construct necessary buildings and do any other thing whatsoever in the regular line of manufacturing, or pertaining thereto, contracting for sales, borrowing funds and such other privileges

Sec, 5. The Directors shall have power to frame such By-laws as may be deemed necessary to execute properly the purposes of the incorporation, and in pursuance thereof shall annually elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer, at such time as may be prescribed thereon, who shall hold their offices for the term specified or until their successors are chosen

Sec, 6, The Stockholders shall not be liable under this incorporation for the debts or contracts of the company beyond the amount or value of the shares subscribed for by them, but the Directors shall have the power to bind the entire property and assets of the company for the legitimate business and uses thereof

Sec, 7. This corporation shall exist and continue in force for the term of Fifty years

Signed C.N. Williams Seal J.W. Williams Seal
" Geo. S. Covert " F. J. Sanford "
" C.C. Williams " by C.N. Williams atty

State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County

Personally appeared before me D. L. Morris, a Justice of the Peace in and for Lauderdale County the within named, C.N. Williams, C.C. Williams, J.W. Williams and Geo. S. Covert, who being duly sworn acknowledge that they signed the within instrument and the same is their own act and deed also F. J. Sanford, by his attorney C.N. Williams.

Given under my hand and seal in Meridian Miss. this the 8th day of September A.D. 1873.

signed D. L. Morris (seal)
Justice of the Peace

Approved under the statute
September 16th 1873
Signed J. S. Morris
Atty General

Approved September 19th 1873
Signed R. C. Powers
Governor

The Charter of Incorporation of the Austin Circulating Library.

Sec. 1. This Corporation is formed for the following purpose, towit; To establish a circulating library in the town of Austin, Mississippi.

Sec. 2. J. E. Deering, J. T. Hamblet, W. G. Jaquess, and Calvin Perkins, together with all other persons who may hereafter become stockholders, are declared to be the corporators.

Sec. 3. The Corporation shall be known by the name of the "Austin Circulating Library".

Sec. 4 The powers intended to be exercised by the Corporation, are all such as are necessary to forward the best interests of an association of its kind, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi, and of the United States.

Sec. 5. The existence of the Corporation is not to be limited in point of time.

Sec. 6 The capital stock of the Association shall not exceed Five thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of five dollars each.

Sec 7 In the organization of the Corporation, and in the management of its affairs after organization, each share shall entitle the holder to one vote.

Sec. 8 Parties subscribing to the Capital stock of the Corporation shall pay the amount of its face for each share of stock.

Sec. 9 Calvin Perkins is authorized to act as temporary Secretary and Treasurer of the Corporation, and is hereby empowered to open books and receive subscriptions to the Capital stock, and as soon as ten shares of the stock are subscribed, the said Secretary pro tem., shall call a meeting for the organization of the Association at Austin, Mississippi, after having given ten days previous notice of the time and place of meeting, by publishing the same in some newspaper edited in the town of Austin.

In Testimony Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals this the 6th day of September A.D. 1873.

Signed J. E. Deering, (Seal)
" J. T. Hamblet, (Seal)
" W. G. Jaquess, (Seal)
" Calvin Perkins (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Yunica County } ss. This day personally appeared before the undersigned, Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County the above named J. E. Deering, J. T. Hamblet, W. G. Jaquess and Calvin Perkins, to me personally known, each of whom acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument in writing for the purposes therein set forth.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court affixed this 7th day of October A.D. 1873.

(Seal)

Signed C. W. Hunnaway Clk
By J. E. Deering D.C.

Approved Oct 10th 1873 (signed) J. S. Morris atty Genl. Approved Oct 10th 1873. Lind C. C. Power, Governor

The Charter of Incorporation of the Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

For the purpose of better enabling said Prairie Lodge No 87 A.F. & A.M. to erect such building or buildings as may be necessary for lodge and charitable purposes, and for extending the usefulness of said lodge in the dispensation of its charities, and the inculcation and promulgation of the moral precepts which are peculiarly characteristic of the fraternity of Ancient Freemasonry; Anzi Babbill, W.W. Buchanan, A. Gruener, Oscar Pougnd, W.A. Bodenhamer, C.N. Simpson, and J.N. Knox, associated such Board of Trustees by order of said Lodge for the purpose aforenamed, at the instance and request of said Lodge, and their successors in office are hereby declared and constituted a body corporate and politic under the name and style of "The Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87 A.F. & A.M." and by that name and style shall have perpetual succession, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any court of law or equity in this state, may have and use a common seal, and shall have full power to make and enforce such rules and regulations as to the members shall seem meet and proper, not inconsistent with or repugnant to, the rights of said Prairie Lodge No 87; Provided the same are not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, or of the United States

The Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87 A.F. & A.M. shall have full power and authority to purchase, hold, possess, and enjoy for the use benefit and behoof of said Prairie Lodge No 87. free from taxation real, personal and mixed property, and to sell and convey the same as said Lodge may direct, to borrow money and secure the payment of the same to the same extent and in the same manner an individual may do; also to take, receive and apply all such bequests or donations as may be made to them for the use, benefit and behoof of said Lodge.

The Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87 A.F. & A.M. shall have full power and authority, at any time for the erection of a masonic temple in the town of Okolona, County of Chickasaw and State of Mississippi, to open books for the subscription of stock in and to the same and may issue certificates of stock, to such subscribers for such an amount as they may deem proper, Provided, that no such certificate of stock shall be for a less sum than fifty dollars, and each stock-holder shall be exempt from taxation on such investment for a period of seven years from and after the date of such certificate of stock; Provided that said Board of Trustees shall not issue such certificates in the aggregate to an amount greater than ten thousand dollars.

This Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of approval and the recording of the same as required by law, In testimony whereof the

members of said Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87. A.F. & A.M. have hereunto set their hands and seals on this the 18th day of October A.D. 1873

Signed Amzi Babbitt (Seal) Signed Oscar Pollard (Seal)
" W.W. Buchanan (Seal) " W A Bodenhamer (Seal)
" A. Gruener (Seal) " C.A. Simpson (Seal)
" J.H. Knox (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Chickasaw County } Before me. N.B. Lacey, clerk of the circuit court of said county. personally appeared the within named A. Babbitt. W.W. Buchanan, A. Gruener, Oscar Pollard, W.A. Bodenhamer C.W. Simpson and J.H. Knox who acknowledged that they signed, sealed, and delivered the foregoing charter incorporating the Board of Trustees of Prairie Lodge No 87 A.F. & A.M. on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Seal

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, affixed at my office in Okolona this 18th day of October 1873.

Signed N.B. Lacey. Clerk

Approved October 21st 1873

Signed

J.L. Morris — Atty. Genl

Approved October 22nd 1873

Signed

R.C. Powers — Governor

The Charter of "Union Light Association" of Pearlington, Miss.

1 This corporation is formed for the purpose of mutual assistance in sickness and distress and for general benevolence; for the tatting care of sick and the burying of deceased members; and for the support and care of the widows and orphans of deceased members.

2 Isaac Felder, Henry Williams, Jordan Robinson, Luke Richardson, George Johnson, Tony Keller, Alexander Peterson, David Dudley, George Thomas, Henry McCarthy, George Burton, and Jacob Holmes, and all others who may hereafter become associated with them, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name and style aforesaid, viz:-

3 The "Union Light Association" of Pearlington, Mississippi.

4 Under that name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, appear, answer and defend in all Court and places as a natural person, and shall be capable of acquiring by purchase or donation, estate, real, personal or mixed for their corporate purposes, and may hold the same in fee simple or by mortgage, for the benefit and use of said association to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars. They shall have the power to establish a rate of monthly dues

payable by the members of said association, and compel the payment of the same by process of law

5 This Association shall continue in existence for the period of Twenty five years.

6 This Association may elect such officers, and make such Constitution and bylaws as they may deem necessary for the management of said Association: they may alter the same at pleasure; may have and use a common Seal, and do all other acts incident to bodies corporate and Politic.

Signed (1) Isaac Felder; Signed (7) Alexander Paterson
" (2) Henry Williams; " (8) David Dudley.
" (3) Jordan Robinson; " (9) George Thomas
" (4) Luke Richardson; " (10) Henry McCarthy
" (5) George Johnson; " (11) Geo. Burton
" (6) Tony Kelker; " (12) Jacob Holmes.

The State of Mississippi
Hancock County } Personally appeared before me Riley Heill, member of the Board of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County the above named Isaac Felder, Henry Williams, Jordan Williams, Luke Richardson, George Johnson, Tony Kelser, Alexander Peterson, David Dudley, George Thomas, Henry McCarthy, Geo Burton, and Jacob Holmes, who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the above and foregoing instrument as their own act and deed, and for the purpose therein expressed.

Witness my hand and Seal of office this 13 day of November A.D. 1873.

Riley Heill
Supervisor, Hancock Co, Miss.

Seal

I have examined the foregoing charter and find that the provisions thereof are Constitutional.

Signed G. E. Harris
Attorney General

Approved
Signed Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Dramatic Association.

This Association is formed for the purpose of building and maintaining a joint Stock Theatre in the Town of Green-ville, Mississippi and the following named persons shall be the Corporators — to wit: — Jno. H. Nelson, Theodore Pohl, H. E. Weatherbee, L. B. Valliant, J. W. Ferguson and their Associates and Successors and shall be known as the Greenville Dramatic Association. The powers intended to be exercised by said Association shall be to purchase and hold sufficient real estate and to erect a building, or buildings thereon for the use and accomodation of the Association for the discharge of its business and to organize and maintain a

Company for the purpose of exhibiting theatrical and other entertainments, the proceeds ~~thereof~~ arising from which to be used according to the Bylaws of the Association and generally to exercise such powers as are incident to Corporations formed for the purposes aforesaid and the powers conferred by Art. 2. Chapter 55 of the Revised Code 1871. There shall be no limit for the Expiration of said Corporation. The number of shares in this Corporation shall not exceed (500) Five hundred and may be fixed by the By Laws of the Association and the par value of each share shall not exceed $20.00 and each share shall be payable in Monthly Instalments of $0.25 each.

Signed John H Nelson (Seal)
S. W. Ferguson (Seal)
H. E. Weatherbee (Seal)
Theodore Pohle (Seal)
Wm. G. Yerger (Seal)
L. B. Valliant (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
Washington County } Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said county the above named John H Nelson, S. W. Ferguson, H. E. Weatherbee Theodore Pohle, Wm. G. Yerger and L. B. Valliant, who each acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Dramatic Association for the purposes therein only on this the 23rd day of January 1874

John P. Harris, J.P.

I have examined the foregoing Charter and find that the provisions thereof are Constitutional. Jany 29/74

H. E. Harris
Atty Genl.

Approved Jany 29/74
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of incorporation of The Lee Fire Company of Tupelo Miss.

In order to form a more perfect union provide for the common defense and protect individual property from the casualties and ravages of fire Fred. D. Norton, J. J. Fitzpatrick Y.A. Bramlett R.D. Freeman W.M. McCanless, J.A. Hicks J.B. Crumpton, J.M. Robertson Y.E. Gardner W.M. Haigh W.R. Sims J.S. Hollifield George Murphy, W.B. Haigh Edwin Mitchell. J.T. Wiley Jno M Allen W.H. Ross W.B. Richardson Wm M Gillis J.R. Lethetter Frank M. Looker, J.W. Turner Fleetwood Elliot. J.W. Bowen J.R. Dickson Ivor A Iverson W.N. Frierson H. Featherwood Wm M. Chambers. W.B. Fulton W.H. Mabry, Thos Evans, J.W. Hankins have associated for the purpose of becoming a fire company

Section 1 –

Therefore the aforesaid parties and their successors are and they are hereby incorporated by the name and style of The Lee Fire Company of Tupelo Mississippi + by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and have perpetual succession and be a body politic and corporate, be capable in law to take receive purchase hold and enjoy real and personal estate to the amount of Twenty five thousand dollars, - alien and convey or otherwise dispose of the same

Section 2 –

They shall have power to make all needful regulations and bylaws they may deem necessary for their good government so that they may not be contrary to the Constitution and Laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi and generally to do all acts pertaining to a body corporate

Section 3.

They are constituted and declared a corporation and to have perpetual succession and as often as vacancies shall happen therein may fill the same by election additional members may be elected or admitted so that the whole number shall not exceed fifty five members at any one time nor shall the number be less than fifteen members at any one time

Section 4 –

That it is hereby declared as a condition of this Charter, that the said Company shall procure and keep in good order all the necessary apparatus and equipments appertaining to similar Companies for the extinguishment of fires and that they shall use their best endeavors to preserve the Town of Tupelo from the effects of fire and that they shall hold themselves in readiness at all times to attend to the same –

Witness our hands + seals this the 6th Day of March A.D. 1874.

Y. Y. Norton (L.S.)
J. J. Fitzpatrick (L.S.)
Y.A. Bramlett (L.S.)
R.D. Freeman (L.S.)

W. A. McCauless	Seal	B. H. Wiley	Seal
J. A. Hicks	Seal	Jno M Allen	Seal
J. B. Murphy	Seal	W. H. Ross	Seal
J. M. Robertson	Seal	W. B. Richardson	Seal
J. E. Gardner	Seal	J. R. Ledbetter	Seal
W. M. High	Seal	Frank M Coker	Seal
W. R. Sims	Seal	Wm M Gill	Seal
J. S. Holditch	Seal	G. W. Turner	Seal
Geo Murphy	Seal	Fleetwood Elliott	Seal
D. B. High	Seal	J. W. Bowen	Seal
Edwin Mitchell	Seal	J. R. Hickson	Seal
W. M. Chambers	Seal	Iver A Iverson	Seal
W. B. Fulton	Seal	W. V. Frierson	Seal
M. H. Mabry	Seal	S. L. Leatherwood	Seal
Thos Evans	Seal	S. W. Hankins	Seal

The State of Mississippi }
County of Lee } This day personally appeared before the Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County and State the parties whose names appear signed to the foregoing Charter of Incorporation and acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the same as their and each of them own act and deed and for the purposes therein contained

Given under my hand and seal of said Court this 6th day of March 1874.

Seal of Chancery Court Lee County Miss.

S. W. Hankins Clerk -
By H. Norbin Jones.
D. Clerk.

This Charter hereby approved.

March 9th 1874 -

(sig) Adelbert Ames.
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Alpha Kappi Phi Society of the University of Mississippi

Sec. 1. The members of the Alpha Kappi Phi Society be and are hereby created a body politic and corporate their object being the cultivation of social intercourse and the encouraging of all literary pursuits

Sec 2. The corporators are to wit — J. M. P. Pinto W. L. Linmelt L. McLarrin R. E. Rhodes J. E. Saunders J. A. Skipwith.

Sec 3. The corporate name of the body shall be "The Alpha Kappi Phi Society"

They shall have power to have, to purchase, use devise and convey all such real and personal estate not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10000) as may be necessary for their purpose and accommodation To sue and be sued to plead and be impleaded

To make use and have a common seal and to alter
the same to break or change
at their will and pleasure. To establish Chapters of
their order at any literary Institution, within the State
of Mississippi with power and privilege for their necessary
direction and regulation: To make such, laws as they
may see fit not inconsistant with the laws of the United
States or those of Mississippi or the Charter and laws of the
Institution to which the order is connected for their
own government.

Sec 4 This body shall have no limit as to their existence
exist with perpetual succession. To alter or to amend
this shall not bind with more votes, than a majority

Signed Jno A Stephenson
" J. M. Bayne
" D. E. Harris
" L. McLaurin
" H. H. Sennett
" J. E. Saunders

State of Mississippi
La Fayette County

Personally appeared before me D. H. Dulbridge clerk of the Circuit Court of said County the above named Jno A Stephenson J. M. Bayne D. E. Harris L. McLaurin H. H. Sennett & J. E. Saunders who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Given under my hand & seal of office
this 7th day of March A.D. 1874
D. H. Dulbridge
Clk.

Seal of Circuit Ct. Lafayette Co. Miss.

Attorney Genls Office Jackson Miss March 12. 1874.

I have examined within and foregoing Charter and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional & and I advise the approval of the same

Signed D. E. Harris
Attorney Genl

Approved Adelbert Ames
Governor
March 12. 1874

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The Charter of Incorporation of Crystal Springs Hook-Ladder Co-

1st. This Company is formed for the purpose of protecting houses and other property in the Town of Crystal Springs Miss from destruction by fire -

2d. The persons whose names are subscribed to this Charter are hereby incorporated together with such other persons as said incorporators and the company shall receive into membership from time to time in conformity with rules and regulations established as this Charter provides

3d. This company shall be known and designated by the Corporate Name of "Crystal Springs Hook and Ladder Company"

4th It shall have the right to hold and use sell and convey such property as it shall acquire by donation purchase or otherwise not exceeding the value of Ten thousand dollars and shall have all the power necessary to carry out the purpose for which it is organized + which may be lawfully exercised by a Fire Company

5th It shall exist until it is duly dissolved by vote of two thirds of its members or revocation of this Charter

6th So soon as this Charter has been duly approved and recorded the corporators shall organize by electing for one year a Board of Directors consisting of Five Members who shall be the Legislative Department of the Company and one Foreman and two Assistants Foremen who with a Secretary and Treasurer shall form the executive department of the Company

Annually thereafter an election shall be held by the members of this company for the officers named whose term expires with this election - The Board of Directors shall elect a Secretary who shall also be Treasurer and styled Secretary and Treasurer + shall require him to give bond in such sum as they shall deem necessary. He shall hold his office for one year and be subject to removal by the Board of Directors

7th The Board of Directors shall have authority to make such By Laws Rules and Regulations and establish and elect such other officers as may be necessary and such shall be strictly obeyed and enforced until revoked or amended by a vote of two thirds of the members - They shall also have the power to regulate the admission fee for all members admitted and the monthly or yearly dues to the Company by the members or make any assessment on the members that may be necessary to meet its obligations -

8th In case of fire in any part of the Town every

member shall attend promptly and shall strictly obey the orders and instructions of the Foreman in charge on penalty of being fined in a sum of not less than Ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars as the Board of Directors may determine such fine and the monthly or yearly dues or assessments unpaid shall be collected in due process of law before the Mayor of the town or a Justice of the peace in the County -

Signed and sealed at Bayside Springs Miss this day of March 1874-

	A Quitre	L.S.
sig	W N Wright	L.S.
"	A Y Wolfe	L.S.
"	A S Harvey	L.S.
"	J Hunter	L.S.
"	Geo A. Newton	L.S.
"	J B Hales	L.S.
"	W.W. South	L.S.
"	W.A. Jones	L.S.
"	J J Hughes	L.S.
"	W.A. Thompson	L.S.

State of Mississippi
Copiah County } Personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named parties who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation on the days and year therein mentioned as their act and deed

Given under my hand this 16th day of March 1874 (sig) H.J. Harris J.P. [Seal]

I have examined the provisions of the foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find it to be constitutional

March 19th 1874. (sig) G.B. Harris
Attorney General

Approved Adelbert Ames
Governor.

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The Charter

of Incorporation of of Manchester Manufactoring Company.

Sec 1 Be it Known That the purposes for which this Corporation is formed is that of carrying on at some suitable point or points in the State of Mississippi, Manufacture of Cotton and woolen yarnes Woolen and Cotton fabricks of every discription. Cotton Seed and Lard Oil Oil Cake Flour. Meal. Lumber Cotton and Iron Machinery Woodwork in all of its branches. Glass and Earthenwares. and Cane Mills. and for the erection of buildings and making and purchasing all Machinery necessary therefor. And may in addition have the privilege and prowers of purchasing buildings and grounds already erected and intended for the purpose of Manufacturing, and in addition may have the power and privilege of purchasing buildings and grounds whether erected for that purpose or not. provided the Board of Directors of said Corporation should decide that they were suitable for manufactoring purposes and the Corporation shall have to make and enforce any bylaws and regulations not contrary to the Constitution and laws of this State or the United States. which may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Charter and the purposes thereof.

Sec 2 Be it Known That I. G. Terry. R. P. Sawyers. G. F. Sawyers W. J. Hart. and I. D. Polk. and their successors be and the same are hereby created a body politic and Corporate. And may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of law and Equity. have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure And make all manner of contracts necessary for the purposes of this Organization. And shall be capable of purchasing and holding and alienating all kinds of property real and personal and mixed.

Sec 3 Be it Known That this Company shall be known by the name of the Manchester Manufacturing Company.

Sec 4. Be it Known That said Manchester Manufacturing Company shall have power to issue Ten year first and second Mortgage Bonds at a rate of Interest that may be agreed upon by the Board of Directors not to exceed the amount of Stock Subscribed to said Company. unless said Company should purchase grounds and buildings already erected for Manufactoring purposes. or grounds and buildings that might be suitable for man-

ufacturing purposes. Then in that case the Board of Directors shall have full power to issue first- and second Mortgage bonds of the Company in full payment - or part - payment for the same and the Board of Directors shall have full power to issue first and second mortgage bonds for the purpose of purchasing any kind of machinery, suitable for the wants of the Company and may pay for the same in full or partly with the said first and second Mortgage bonds.

Sec. 5. Be it Known That said Company shall have the power upon the vote of two thirds of the Directors to Mortgage the Buildings, Real Estate, Machinery and other property of the Company for any purpose said Board of Directors may deem to the best interest of said Company

Sec 6 Be it known that the Charter hereby granted shall be and remain in force fifty years from the date of its approval.

Sec 7. Be it known that the Capital Stock of said Company shall be one hundred ~~Hundred~~ Dollars and said Company at their ~~option~~ may increase the amount of ~~their~~ five hundred thousand dollars ~~to be~~ divided into shares of one hundred dollars each and said shares shall be transferable upon the ~~such~~ books and conditions by assignment as may be fixed by the By Laws of said Company. Said Company shall have the right to borrow money and elect officers ~~annually~~ but shall not proceed to make contracts or any other engagement outside of the ~~organization of said Com-~~ pany until ~~twenty~~ five thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and five per cent on the said ~~twenty~~ five thousand dollars shall have been paid in to the Company

Sec 8 Be it known that the Government and management of the affairs of said Company shall be vested into a Board of four directors President and a Board of four Directors who shall hold their office for two years from the date of the Approval of this Charter after which the Board of Directors shall consist of five Directors who shall be chosen by the State stockholders the Directors. Shall elect a President of their number, not but shall so elected shall be eligible to the office of Director of the President and Directors. shall hold their offices ~~for~~ until and until their succes-

copies are gradefuil a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum they shall have power to make all needfull By laws for the government subsisting and management of said Company they shall also appoint a Secretary and Treasurer and such other agents as shall be deemed by them necessary for the proper management of said Company from any and all of whom they may take such bonds and assurances to them such duties as they may deem sufficient for the faithful of which duties the President may appoint some suitable day, twenty five days for the election of President and Directors of said Company and shall give public notice of the same one or more times per week for thirty days preceding said election in each three of any hundred dollars shall entitle the holder to one vote to be given in person or by proxy as shall be provided for in the By Laws. The President and Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies in the Board which may occur between Intervals of Election. By death resignation or otherwise.

Sec 9 Be it Known That Five per cent of the Stock subscribed shall be paid at the time of subscription and the balance to be paid in in installments in the amount subscribed in such amounts and at such times as the Board of Directors may decide is to the most interest to the Company

Sec 10 Be it Known That the Stock holders not paying in their Installments as they become due that the amount paid by them on previous installments shall be considered forfeited to the Company unless on extension of the same may be considered to the interest of the Company and the Board of Directors shall have power to make By Laws to that effect

Sec (11) Be it Known that the Stock holders of said Company after the Effects and property of said Corporation are of debts and contracts of said company to the amount subscribed by them that is for each share of stock held shall be liable for the debts of

said company or corporation to carry
amount that it ought to pay said
company.

J C Terry {Seal}
R P Sanders {Seal}
C F Sanders {Seal}
Wm J Hunt {Seal}
J L Beck {Seal}

State of Mississippi
Alcorn County

This day personally appeared before me
R J Fleming Clerk of the Chancery
Court of said County the above named
C Terry R P Sanders C F Sanders Wm J
Hunt and J L Beck in whose names
are signed to the foregoing instrument
and each of them acknowledged that
they signed their names to the said
instrument under seal for the purposes
therein set forth on this day and year
the same bears date.
Given under my hand and seal of
said Court at office Corinth
Miss this the 7th. Day of October
1874

Seal

R J Fleming
Clerk.

Attorney Generals office Jackson Miss Oct
10. 1874

I have examined the foregoing charter of
incorporation of the Corinth
Manufacturing Company
and find the same to be constitutional

Geo E Harris
Attorney General

Approved
Axel Ball
Governor

The Charter

of Incorporation of the German Silk and Agricultural Association of Colonia Lauderdale County Mississippi. Granted by the Governor of said State under and by virtue of the powers confined upon him by Article 11 Section 2397 of the Revised Code of 1871.

1st "

The genral purposes and objects of this Corporation are hereby defined to be as follows: To enable a colony of Agricultural Germans, by means of united energy and small capital to engage in the culture of silk, manufacturing furniture, paper, sand stone, and other articles, cultivating wine and other agricultural products.

2nd "

That J. L. Hoffman, Julius Sauer, Ernest Lehmpuhl, Frank Schuhke and F. L. P. Koeller, and such other persons as may be hereafter associated with them and their successors be, and they are hereby created, and incorporated, a body corporate under the name and style of the "German Silk and Agricultural Association of Colonia, Lauderdale County Mississippi."

3rd "

And by that name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and by that name shall be known.

4th "

May have a common seal; change and alter the same at will; may take and hold real and personal property by purchase or gift, or otherwise, to an amount not exceeding Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; may execute notes, bonds and mortgages; make by laws, rules and regulations, in such manner as the members thereof may deem proper, and do all other acts, which a body corporate may do within the scope of their business, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the laws of the State of Mississippi

5th "

This Corporation to exist for a period of five years from the 1st of January A.D. 1874, subject during such period to such changes and alterations as may be made by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi upon application of the members thereof

6th "

Said act of Incorporation and others associated with them may elect a president, secretary, treasurer and such other officers as they or their associates may deem necessary; shall regulate and specify the duties of said officers; regulate their meetings; pass such laws and regulations in regard to membership of said Corporation as

they may deem proper, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi; may specify the duties and obligations of each member of the association, may regulate the manner of electing their officers, and conducting the business of the Association.

17th That this act of incorporation shall be favorably and liberally construed, so as to favor all the purposes and objects of the same and the operations of the provisions thereof.

That the same be in force from and after its approval.

Witness our signatures this 2d day of May 1874.

John G. Hoffman.
Julius Sauer.
Ernest Lehmpuhl.
Frank Schunke.
W. L. P. Muller.

State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County

Personally appeared before me Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of Lauderdale State aforesaid the within named J. G. Hoffman, Julius Sauer, Ernest Lehmpuhl Frank Schunke & W. L. Muller who each acknowledged that he signed the above charter of incorporation of the German Silk and Agricultural Association as their act and deed, and for the purposes therein mentioned, on the day and year therein stated.

Given under my hand and official seal this 2d day of May 1874.

R. L. Henderson
Clerk Circuit Court

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson May 7th 1874.

I have examined the provisions of the foregoing charter of incorporation and find the same to be constitutional.

G. E. Harpie
Attorney General

Approved 7th May 1874.

Adelbert Ames
Governor.

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Sec 1st. The Charter of Incorporation of the Brandon Hook and Ladder Fire Company, organized by the election of Officers A. J. Frantz, Henry Kennaghan, S. R. Martin, James T. Ferguson, B. E. Carnall and R. E. Cunningham, for the purposes of forming an organization or company for the better protection of the property of said Town of Brandon from distruction by Fire, and to lessen the rate of Fire Insurance in said Town.

Sec 2" By such name of the Brandon Hook and Ladder Fire Company, the said officers, or their Successors in office, may sue and be sued, plead and impleaded, and purchase and hold property either by purchase, gift or devise, either real or personal, and in addition shall have, all other rights belonging to other similar Corporations under the laws of this State.

Sec 3" That the entire management of the affairs of said Company shall be, and are hereby vested in said officers so elected and their successors in office, except as said Powers shall hereafter be modified and changed, by the by-laws of said Company.

Sec 4." That the filling of all offices whether by death, resignation or ~~forfeiture~~ removal, shall be made by the remaining officers in said Company until said offices shall be filled by election as provided in the Constitution & Bye laws of said Company, and the term for which said officers are elected, their powers &c shall be regulated by said Constitution & said By laws.

Sec 5" That the By-laws of said Company, may from time to time, be changed, by said Company, as it may determine, Provided, the said By-laws, are not inconsistent with the Constitution, or laws by duly constituted authorities of the State.

Sec 6" That there be no fixed limit for the dissolution of said ~~Company~~ Corporate Body, but the same with the rights and privileges herein granted, shall terminate when said organization shall cease to carry out the purposes for which organized, only or by a formal dissolution by action of said Company.

A. J. Frantz (Seal)
Henry Kennaghan (Seal)
S. R. Martin (Seal)
R. E. Cunningham (Seal)
B. E. Carnall (Seal)
J. T. Ferguson (Seal)

Incorporators.

The State of Mississippi } Personally appeared before
Rankin County } the undersigned Clerk
of the Chancery Court in and for said County
A. J. Frantz, Henry Kennaghan, S. R. Martin
R. E. Cunningham, B. E. Carnall and James T.

Fergusons, whose names are signed to the 25th.
foregoing instrument of writing and who acknowl-
edged, that they signed sealed and delivered the
same, as their act and deed for the uses and
purposes therein set-forth.

Given under my hand and the seal, of said
Count-at-Office in Brandon this June
2d A. D. 1874.

S. T. Parker Clerk.

Charter of
Brandon Brick
& Ladder Company.

I have examined the foregoing charter of incor-
poration and find the provisions thereof to
be constitutional June 3d 1874

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

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The Charter of incorporation of the Mississippi Educational Society

Article 1st

The purposes and objects of the incorporation shall be the best interest of education by establishing a Seminary of learning to be devoted to the education and Training of the young females of this State in order to qualify them as teachers

Article 2d

The following named persons are to be the corporators Merryman Howard. Thomas Richardson. Rev. A. F. Dixon. Caleb Collier. Abraham Ellis and John Holley. Jule Washington and their successors.

Article 3d

This association shall be known by the Corporate name of the Mississippi Educational Society

Article 4th

The powers intended to be exercised by this Corporation are to procure suitable buildings and grounds for the purposes of said Seminary of learning by purchase donation gift or otherwise to elect at their first meeting one of their numbers President, one Secretary, and one Treasurer, and any other officers they may deem necessary for the proper disposition of the business of the Corporation to appoint and fix the salary of teachers and all other powers necessary for the purpose of conducting a Seminary of learning for females to hold real and personal estate to an amount not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded make such rules and regulations and by laws for their meeting and government as they think proper not inconsistent with this Charter the laws of this State or the laws of the United States

Article 5th

There is no limit of time for which this corporation is to exist

Article 6th

This corporation shall have power to borrow money for the purposes of establishing and conducting said institution upon such terms as they may think proper to an amount not exceeding Twenty thousand Dollars and to make all Contracts necessary for the purpose of buying building or improving grounds necessary for the purposes of this Corporation

Article 7th

A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum to transact all business the president shall preside all meetings but in case of his absence the board may appoint a President "Pro Tem" the Treasurer shall give bond in such sums as the the board may direct for the faithful performance of his duty— no money shall be drawn from the Treasurer except by order of the board to be signed by the President— the president may call a meeting of the corporators when in his judgment the interest of the institution may require the same—

Article 8th

The President with the consent of the board— may appoint a Matron— whose duty shall be to attend to students— and see that their conduct shall at all times be becoming and orderly

Article 9th

The President with the consent of the board of corporators may appoint such principal and other teachers— and regulate their pay as they may think proper— and make all rules and regulations to establish the institution and conduct the same upon the highest moral and social principles— the President may appoint such persons as he may think proper to take care of and cultivate such grounds as the Corporators may procure for the institution— which shall be used exclusively for Seminary purposes.

Article 10th

The Corporators shall at the end of each year make a full report to the Governor of this State of all the proceedings of the board— the condition of the institution— amount of property purchased— or leased— number of students and all other matters pertaining to the interest of said institution— the great object being to qualify female teachers for the Public schools of this State— the board shall have powers to fix the opening and closing of the sessions of this institution— the Governor to be ex officio President by virtue of his office

Thomas Howard (Seal)
Thomas Richardson (Seal)
A. F. Dixon (Seal)
Abram Ellis (Seal)
Jule Washington (Seal)
John his X mark Wooley (Seal)
Caleb his X mark Collier (Seal)

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State of Mississippi
County of Jefferson }

Personally appeared before me the undersigned Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County the within named Murrayburn Howard, Thomas Richardson — Rev. A. W. Dixon Caleb Collier — Abraham Ellis and John Wooley — who each acknowledged, that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day and date thereof and for the purposes therein specified as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 21st day of May 1874.

D. le Keyser
Chancery Clerk
(Over)

The Chancellor of Incorporation of the Mississippi Educational Society.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss June 1st 1874.

I have examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of incorporation and find the same to be Constitutional

L. Q. C. Lamar
Attorney General

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Southern and Atlantic Telegraphic Company.

The undersigned, corporators proposing to incorporate themselves under the general laws of the State of Mississippi, a body to be known and by the corporate name "The Southern and Atlantic Telegraph Company"

First- The purposes for which the corporation is formed, are to furnish at a cheap rate Telegraphic communication between through the State of Mississippi by routes hereinafter shown.

Second- The names of the corporators are Henry Kenty, Charles H. Blossom, Francis Morris, Meyer Lehman and Frederic Bergen, and their successors Capital Stock Ten Thousand Dollars, all paid in,

Third- Corporate name given above.

Fourth- To construct and operate Telegraphic lines-

1st- On the line of the New Orleans, Mobile & Texas Rail Road entering the State of Mississippi from the State of Alabama, and following said Rail Road to the point where it enters the State of Louisiana; 2nd From the point where the Rail Road extending from York Station in Alabama to Meridian enters the State of Mississippi by way of Jackson to Vicksburg; 3rd From the point where the Rail Road leading from New Orleans to Jackson, Mississippi, enters the State of Mississippi, and following said line of Rail Road by way of Jackson, in the direction of Jackson, Tennessee, to the point where said Rail Road enters the State of Tennessee; 4th and 4th from the point where the Mobile and Ohio Rail Road leaves the State of Alabama, to the point where it enters the State of Tennessee. Fifth along the line the line of the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad from Grenada to the State line in direction of Memphis.

Fifth- No limit is fixed to the duration of said corporation.

Sixth- The Corporation proposes, by competition, to greatly facilitate Telegraphic communication in the State of Mississippi and agrees to observe and keep the requirements and duties of Section 2434 of the Revised Code of Mississippi and all other duties required of them by law. It is proposed to conduct the affairs of the com-

corporation at Jackson in the State of Mississippi.

Seventh- Said Company shall be considered as duly organized with Henry Hentz as President. Charles W. Blossom Vice President. and Henry Hentz. Charles W. Blossom Francis Morris, Mayer Lehman and Fredrick Zerega Board of Directors who shall hold office until, in conformity with the by laws of said Company their Successors shall be elected and qualified. and said Company may commence the construction of its lines of Telegraph as soon as this Charter shall be recorded as required by laws.

Witness our hands and Seals at the City of New York, this 16th day of September A. D. 1874.

Henry Hentz
Charles W. Blossom
F. Morris
Mayer Lehman
Fredrick Zerega

State of Newyork
City and County of Newyork SS.

Personally appeared before me, Edwin F. Coney Jr. a Commissioner residing in said State, appointed by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, to take acknowledgements or proof of deeds or other conveyances, the within named Henry Hentz, Charles W. Blossom, Francis Morris, Mayer Lehman, and Fredrick Zerega, who are known to me, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing agreement, and Charter, on the day and year therein mentioned, as their act and deed.

Given under my hand, and official seal, this sixteenth day of September, A. D. 1874, at my office in City of Newyork and State of Newyork.

Seal

Edwin F. Coney Jun
Commissioner for the State of Mississippi in Newyork.

Attorney Generals Office Jackson Miss Sep 22. 1874.
I have examined the foregoing Charter & find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional

G C Harris
Attorney General.

The within Charter of incorporation
is hereby
Approved.

In Testimony whereof I have caused
the Greate Seal of the State to be affixed,
this 23d day of September A D 1874

Seal

Given under my hand at the
City of Jackson this 23" day
of September A. D. 1874

A. K. Davis
Lieut Gov Acting Gov.

By the Lieut
Gov Acting Governor
James Hill
Secretary of State.

The Charter of incorporation of the Wilkinson County Agricultural and Immigration aid Society.

1 The purposes of this Society shall be to develope the agricultural resources of the County — improve the soil the improvement of the condition of the planter — the former — and the labor- also the introduction of immigrants, and through these means to add to the wealth and prosperity of the citizens of Wilkinson County.

2 The names of the Corporators are as follows Viz L. K. Barber J. B. McLeod C. G. Stuart W. F. Woodruff Geo. T. McGehee Chas L. McGehee H. L. Davis T. J. Henderson. H. S. Van Eaton.

3 The Corporate name by which this association shall be known is
The Wilkinson County Agricultural and Immigration aid Society.

4 This Society shall have power to purchase and hold Lands or other property, receive donations of Either, or both — Sell and Lease lands to Immigrants, as may be provided by the rules or by Laws of the Society, Expend money & other means of the Society in furtherance of the objects of the association. Employ Agents — distribute circulars, maps & general information so as to encourage the settlement in the County of reliable and industrious Immigrants —

They shall have full power & authority to make, have & use a common seal with such Device & inscription as they may see proper, and the same to break alter & renew at their pleasure, and by the name style & title aforesaid shall be able & capable in law or in Equity to sue & be sued — plead & be impleaded in any of the Courts of this State, and to make & alter rules, bye laws and ordinances, and to do Every thing needful for the good government and support of the officers of said Corporation subject to the provisions of this Charter the Constitution & Laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi.

And the incorporators, The Directors who may be Elected under the provisions of this Chapter and their successors, shall be able & capable in Law to take & receive hold & enjoy all & all manner of land & tenements, franchises and hereditaments, and any sum or sums of money & any manner & portion of goods and other chattles or property bequeathed to them, the same to be employed and disposed of according to the objects articles and conditions hereafter according to the articles & by laws of this Society.

Provided allways that said property & money shall never at any one time Except the aggregate the sum of fifty thousand Dollars.

5 This Charter shall expire by limitation in ten years from the Day the same may be approved as provided by law.

6 The business of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of nine Directors who shall Elect the other officers from their own body Except as hereinafter provided The said corporators or those of them organizing said company shall constitute the first Board of Directors and shall hold their office until the first Tuesday in February A.D. 1875, when the Board of Directors shall be chosen or Elected by the stockholders to hold office for one year from the date of their Election, all Elections of Directors shall be by ballot, by & from the stockholders of said company at the annual meeting of the stockholders to be held on said 15th Tuesday in Feb ruary in each & Every year, and if from any cause said annual Election should not be held on said Date The Board of Directors holding over for the time being shall call a meeting of the Stockholders for the purpose of Electing Directors & shall cause a notice to be published in at least two issues of some weekly newspaper published in Woodville Mississippi In case of a vacancy by death, resignation or otherwise in said Board of Directors The remaining Directors may fill such vacancy by appointment until the next annual meeting The officers of the company shall consist of a President Vice President Secretary and Treasurer both of which last may be held by the same person

at the will of the Directors) and such other officers as may be provided by the by laws, or rules of the company. Any officers of the Company herein or hereafter provided for, except the President & Vice President, may be chosen from the Stockholders whether they are at the time Directors or not. All Elections of officers shall take place annually as near as may be at the time herein provided for the annual Election of Directors and the Directors shall have power to remove any officer & to fill the vacancy at any time they may deem necessary for the best interest of the company. A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum & a majority of those present at any meeting when there is a quorum shall be sufficient to adopt or reject any measure proposed: The President only to vote in case of a tie when he shall give the casting vote

7 That at any time within one year from the Date of approval of this charter & not after the said corporators or such of them as may act, may provide to organize the company & open books for subscription to the capital Stock at such times & places and in such manner as they may deem proper.

8 That the Capital Stock of the Company shall be acquired by the issue & sale (by the Corporators or board of Directors) of certificates of shares therein in sums of Twenty five Dollars per share & may be increased to the amount of Fifty thousand Dollars. Subscription of land may be subscribed for stock & shares may be sold for land at the rate of one Dollar per acre. Each share of stock shall entitle the holder to one vote, which vote may be cast by such holder in person or by proxy; on all questions voted upon by stockholders and on the annual meetings of the stockholders for the election of Directors a majority in value of the Capital stock shall be represented at such meeting to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business

9 That no stockholder shall be individually or personally liable for any debt of

or demand a gainst the Company but only
his stock shall be so liable & nuther the stock
stock owned by any person shall be taken
or applied- the person or persons owning
such stock shall not be further liable

10 The lands money or other property of the
Company shall be used exclusively for the
purposes & objects of the incorporation- that is
for the improvement of the lands of this County
and generally as hereinbefore set forth- the
encouragement of Emigration & in making pro-
visions for the comfort- convenience and
weelfare of the Emigrants and to this end
the Directors may donate sell or Lease to immi-
grants, on such terms & in such quantities as
they may deem proper- the Lands of the com
pany & in their Discretion use the money or other
of the company for the same purpose & in im
furtherance of the general objects of the same-
Provided said Lands shall not be sold to set-
tlers for a grater price then one Dollar & a
quarter per acre.

11 The deeds mortgages or Leases executed by the
Corporation, shall be signed by the President
or Vice President attested by the Secretary &
sealed with the seal of the corporation, or
in case the corporation should have no seal
by the privately seal or scroll of said Pres-
ident or Vice President- the same to be ackn-
owledged as required by the Statute Laws of
this State, in reference to the Due execution
of Deeds &c

12 If at the Dissolution of the corporation by
Limitation or other wise, the said corporat-
ion shall be owners of any lands or
other property not disposed of as herein
contemplated the same shall revert to the
original owner or owners subscribers
or donors-

13 The chief office of the Company shall
be in Woodville- Wilkinson County Mississi-
pi- at such place in said Town as the
Board of Directors may from time to time
select-

14 All the necessary expenses of carrying this
charter into effect & of working the company
under the same shall be paid out- out of the
9 proceeds & property of the company by a vote

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Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor

of the Directors upon vouchers duly presented to & approved by them
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed, Done at the City of Jackson, this 21" day of October 1874.

Seal.

H. S. Van Eaton
L. K. Bonner

G. T. McGehee

R. C. Stuart.

J. B. McGehee
Thomas J. Henderson
Hugh L. Davis
W. H. Woodruff

Seal

G. G. McGehee

State of Mississippi }
Wilkinson County } Personally appeared before the undersigned Clerk of the Chancery Court in and
10 for said County and State the within named W. H. Woodruff, Thomas J. Henderson H. S. Van Eaton, H. L. Davis, G. T. McGehee, L. K. Bonner, R. C. Stuart, J. B. McGehee & G. G. McGehee who severally acknowledged that they signed the foregoing Instrument of writing on the day & date therein written and for the purposes therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Witness my hand and official seal this 17th day of October A. D 1874.

Seal

W. C. Miller
Clerk C.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss Oct. 17" 1874.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and find the provisions thereof, to be Constitutional.

G. Ed. Harris
Attorney General.

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County } S.S.

The Charter of The Farmers Protection Association of Hinds County.

1. The object of this Association is to elevate the condition of Laborers of this County and to enable them to profit by the proceeds of their Labor.

2. The Rev. James Lewis, Geo Smith, Alex McRae and John Ellis their successors and associates and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them are hereby declared to be a body politic and Corporate.

3 This Corporation shall be known by the name and style of "The Farmers Protection Association" of Hinds County.

4 This Corporation shall possess the following powers, namely — They may determine the mode of calling and conducting meetings, the number of Members requisite to form a Quorum, the number of shares which shall entitle a member to vote, and the mode and manner of voting, they may prescribe the salaries of their officers and agents, and fix and limit their terms of office, they may have a Common Seal, they may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State, they may make all necessary by laws rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of this State, and may enforce and collect the amounts due said Association shall become and do and perform all things whatsoever, within the limits of their Corporate powers, necessary to carry out the objects and designs of this Charter of Incorporation, consistent with the Constitution and laws of the State.

5 This Corporation shall have perpetual succession.

6 The officers of this Corporation shall be Chosen from among the members of the Society and shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer & a Corresponding Secretary. Said Officers shall be Ex officio members of said Board. In addition to the powers above conferred, the said Association shall exercise the following:

First — They may sell and barter Goods, wares, and merchandize, and may do a General business in all articles and Commodities of trade, and may purchase, rent, sell, lease or convey lands, tenements or hereditaments, or mortgage or otherwise dispose of the same (which shall not Exceed in value the sum of Fifty thousand dollars) under their Corporate seal, in the manner usually adopted by incorporated bodies. The said Association may in like manner dispose

(over)

of the personal property.

Second:— They shall have power to operate in all parts of the said County, but in no way Contrary to the provisions of this Charter.

Third:— The Central Board (hereinafter provided for) shall have power to locate the Headquarters of the Association, and to Establish Branch Business Offices, Stores &c., at any point within this County. They shall have power to appoint Agents, and such other Servants as they may deem necessary, whose duties shall be prescribed in the by-laws of the Association.

Fourth:— The Acts and Deeds of the Officers of the Association, when in Conformity with the provisions of this Charter, and the by-laws and Consistent with the Constitution and Laws of this State, and regulations of the Association shall be valid and binding to all intents and purposes.

5. The Capital Stock of said Association shall be Fifty Thousand ($50,000.00) dollars, to be divided into shares, and to be assessed and Collected in such manner as may be determined upon, at the organization of the said Association.

8. The first meeting of the said Corporation may be Called by a notice published in some Convenient newspaper, for at least ten days before the time appointed therefor, which notice shall be signed by one or more persons named in this Charter &, and such meeting, when Convened may proceed to organize said Corporation

9. Finally said Association may do and perform all other acts, and things, for the purpose set forth in the first section of this Charter, and not herein Expressed, in addition to Corporations of like nature, Provided, The same be not ~~of said Association~~ to be inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State.

10. The business of said Association shall be managed and Controlled by a Board, to be called the "Central Board" to be Composed of Eleven members of said Corporation.

In Witness Whereof the Corporators above named, have hereunto Set their hands and affixed their Seals this 24th day of October A.D. 1874

James Lewis (Seal)
Jabez Ells (Seal)
Jno Ells (Seal)
Geo Smith. (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Yazoo County } S.S.

Personally appeared me A.L. Scott a Justice of the Peace in and for said County

& Jno Ellis, the Corporators named in the foregoing Charter, who acknowledged that they Signed, Sealed, and Executed the same as their own act and deed.

Given under my hand and Seal of this 24th day of October A.D. 1874

(Signed) A.L. Scott. J.P.

Seal

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the City of Jackson this 19th day of Nov 1874.

By the Governor

Approved

Adelbert Ames

James Hill.

Secretary of State.

Attorney Generals Office

Jackson Miss.

Nov. 18th 1874.

I have Examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and find them to be Constitutional.

(Signed) A.E. Harris

Attorney General.

Charter of Incorporation
United Sons of Ham.

1st. We the members of this Association being impressed with the necessity of establishing a means whereby we may secure for each other exemption from neglect in the exigencies of sickness, want or death, do form ourselves into an organization for the purpose of furthering and carrying out the great principles of benevolence.

2nd. The following named persons shall be known, and shall constitute, the Charter members of this Association, to wit: John Curtis, Green Crenshaw, Robert Brown, George Coleman, Walker Brantly, William Ross, Alexander Davis, Richard Braceford, Jerre Evans, Amos Kimble, Daniel Peugh, Lewis Napoleon Jacob Perry, Peter Fitz Gerald, and Andrew Davis.

3rd. This Incorporation shall be known and Styled the United Sons of Ham (Society No 1. of Grenada)

4th. The powers intended to be exercised are none other, than those necessary for the Government of Associations of charitable and benevolent character.

5th. This Incorporation shall be perpetual in its existence, or shall continue until dissolved by mutual consent of the parties in interest.

6th. This Corporation shall have all the rights and powers under the statute of this State, of a body politic and liable to sue and be sued [illegible] and be impleaded before all or any of the Courts

of Law or Equity in this State.

7th: That shall have power to make such a Constitution and adopt such by Laws as shall seem to them necessary, for their Government, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi.

John Curtis (Seal)
Green Crenshaw (Seal)
Robert T Brown (Seal)
George Coleman (Seal)
Walker T Brantly (Seal)
William Ross (Seal)
Alexander Dawes (Seal)
Daniel Pugh (Seal)

Jerry Evans (Seal)
Richard Bradford (Seal)
Lewis Napoleon (Seal)
Jacob Perry (Seal)
Peter Fitz Gerald (Seal)
Adrien Davis (Seal)

State of Mississippi
Grenada County } S.S.

Personally appeared before me Charles D. Lincoln Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for the County and State aforesaid the following named persons Viz:

John Curtis
Robert T Brown
George Coleman
Green Crenshaw
Walker T Brantly
William Ross
Alexander Dawes

Richard Bradford
Jerry Evans
Lewis Napoleon
Jacob Perry
Peter Fitz Gerald
Andrew Dawes

who acknowledged that they Each Signed, Sealed, and delivered the foregoing articles of Incorporation as their free act, and deed and for the purposes therein Expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at Grenada this 2nd day of January A.D. 1875.

(Seal)

C. D. Lincoln
Clerk.

Approved January 21st 1875
Adelbert Ames
Governor

I have examined the provisions of the foregoing Charter and find them to be Constitutional.

L. E. Harris
Atty Genl

January 21st 1875.

Charter of Incorporation
"The Mississippi St. Andrews Society"

Be it Ordained and established by the Legislature of said State by and with the advice of the Attorney General that the Mississippi St Andrews Society shall be, and the same is hereby created declared a Corporate to be regarded as the Corporate name and style thereof with the following powers and privileges as follows: to wit:

Section 1. The members of the St Andrews Society now composing the Talent, constituted Residents of the State of Mississippi do Ordain as the specific object of Organizing and the Incorporation of Skilled Mechanics and Artizans in the State of Mississippi, and such Societys as the Constitution of the Society of Scotch Irishmen and the Society of the Sons of Erin

Section 2. That W. Mimms, A. Stuart, R. R. Shiers and other present members of the Mississippi St Andrews Society their successors, associates, and assigns, be, and they are declared the incorporators of said Society.

Section 3. That said Society shall have the Corporate name of the Mississippi St Andrews Society, and shall have Corporate Existence and vitality for the term of twenty five (25) years from date of approval of this Charter.

Section 4. That said Society shall have power to sue & be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute & defend in every manner & action in the Courts open to Corporations in Equity, in all the Courts of Common Law & Chancery, and in all matters and places where legal or Equitable proceedings are had, and if necessary to sign Execute, and deliver by the President and Secretary of said Society for the time being and under the Seal thereof, all bonds and other bonds in obtaining the legal protection and in advancing the interests of said Society, right and in such name to acquire, purchase, receive and by such name to assume, purchase, hold, grant, bargain, sell, and convey any property real or personal, or mixed whether said property may be [illegible] directly or as a beneficiary of some instrument of indenture, and further to loan the money and funds of said Society and take promissory notes therefor, or bonds or mortgages as may be accepted by said Society, and further to have and have a common seal and to alter the same at pleasure, and

further, to make, and from time to time, alter, as the said Society may deem advisable, a Constitution and by laws for said Society, declaring the purposes and designing the respective powers of the officers, and management of said Society, by which said Constitution and by laws and the alterations thereof the said Society is made and hereby declared the sole judge thereof as to expediency and public benefit— provided that said Constitution and by laws or the alterations and amendments thereof shall in no wise conflict with the Constitution of the United States, or the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi— which said Constitution and by-laws of said Society when duly recorded in the records of said Society, shall be in full force, and the production or proof of such records, shall be received as evidence of the facts therein stated in all Courts of Justice of this State

Section 5. That said Society shall not at any one time hold personal property to a greater amount than fifty thousand dollars, nor real property to a greater amount than twenty thousand dollars, and the personal property of said Society shall not be appropriated otherwise than for the use and for the advancement of its own interest as a Society, and for the furtherance of the ends of the Society.

Wm. M. Munroe
A. Stewart
R. R. Spence

State of Mississippi }
Lowndes County }

Before me, George W. VanHook, Clerk of the Chancery Court, in and for said County, this day personally came the within named Wm. M. Munroe, A. Stewart, & R. R. Spence, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed, & delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned, as their act and deed, for the purposes therein expressed.

Given under my hand and official seal at Columbus, this the 25th day of January A.D. 1870.

G. W. VanHook
C. C.
By Joseph H. Stevens
D. C.

Atty Generals Office
Jackson, Miss.
February 1st 1870.

I have examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Chapter of Incorporation and find them to be in accordance with the Constitution.

L. S. Harris,
Atty Genl.

Approved.

Adelbert Ames.
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Society of Sisters of Good Samaritans at Yazoo City Mississippi.

1st. The Objects of this Corporation are to dispense Christian Charity, wholesome, Religious & literary instructions and to strive for the moral and social Elevation and improvement of its members and all others who are worthy and are within the reach of its influence.

2nd. Malinda Chapman, Mattie J. Foote, Priscilla Scott, Nancy Banks, Jane Banks and Madora Wright and such other persons as they may from time to time associate with them are hereby Constituted are created a body Corporate and politic, under the name and style of "Sisters of Good Samaritans" of Yazoo City and by that name shall and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Courts of law or Equity in this State; and may have a Corporate seal and may alter or change the same at pleasure; and this shall be capable of receiving and acquiring and holding personal and mixed Estate by purchase, gift, devise or bequest to any amount not Exceeding twenty thousand dollars, and may make all by-laws and regulations necessary for the good Government of said Society not inconsistant with the Constitution and Laws of the United States and of this State.

3rd. The Existence of this Corporation is unlimited in point of time.

(Signed) Malinda Chapman (Seal)
" Mattie J. Foote (Seal)
" Priscilla Scott (Seal)
" Nancy Banks (Seal)
" Jane Banks (Seal)
" Madora Wright (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
Yazoo County }

Personally appeared before me, W.H. Foote, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for the said County, the above named Malinda Chapman - Mattie J. Foote. Priscilla Scott, Nancy. [illegible] and Madora Wright who acknowledged

that they signed, sealed, and delivered the above Instrument of Writing on the day and Year therein mentioned, as their Act and Deed.

Given under my hand and Official Seal, this 15th day of February Eighteen hundred and seventy five.

W. H. Hoole.
Clerk.

Atty Generals office
Jackson, Feby 22. 1875.

I have Examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the same to be Constitutional

L. E. Harris
Atty. General

Approved
Adelbert Ames Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Good Samaritan Daughters of the City of Natchez"

First. The Purpose for which this Corporation is formed is to help and assist the helpless poor of the Corporation and to Encourage Christian virtues by precept and example.

Second The following persons whose names are undersigned to wit: Maria Richardson - Jane Carter - Esther Peak - Minerva Jackson - Mary Ann Jackson, Louisa Isle, Emily Stevens, Margaret West, Anne Moore and Rainah Pollard & their successors, shall be and hereby Constituted a Corporation & Body politic by the name and title of "The Good Samaritan Daughters of the City of Natchez" and by that name shall be and are hereby made Capable in law to have purchase, receive & possess and enjoy to them & their successors lands, tenements hereditaments, goods, Chattels & effects of Every Kind and Quality whatsoever and the same to sell Grant and alien & to sue and be sued, to plead & be impleaded defend and be defended in all Courts of this State & Elsewhere and also to have and use a Common Seal and the same to break and renew or they may use Small for that purpose Provided also to Ordain and put in execution such by Laws as shall be necessary and convenient for the well ordering and governing of said Corporation not being Contrary to this Charter nor the Constitution and laws of the United States or State of Mississippi.

Provided further said Corporation shall not at any time hold Real Estate to exceed five Thousand Dollars in value nor personal Estate to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars in value.

Third. The above named Corporators shall be Trustees of said Corporation until their successors are duly Qualified as soon as can be conveniently done after the adoption and legal ratification of this Charter they shall open a book for the Registry of the names of all persons who wish to join the Same but before any Registry of such name such person shall pay the initiation fee to be prescribed by the said Trustees provided those Members of the Voluntary association now working under a Society now called "The Good Samaritan Daughters" who have already paid their initiation fee for the year to said last named Society shall not be required to pay the initiation fee for the first Year to this Corporation in order to become

Fourthen Sec. of
Either Sec. of which upon the adoption of this Charter
& date from & after upon which the Governor of the
State of Mississippi & from the passage the said Trustees
by their President & Secretary shall at some Convenient
place have an election for Ten (10) Trustees to
be elected by the majority of the votes of the duly
registered Members which shall be ades as said
Election said Elected Trustees shall their
office until the next annual Election or until
the same shall vacancies are filled.
After this first Election an annual Election
shall be held for the election of Ten (10) Trustees
under the rules above provided but the
failure to hold an Election at the time
shall not cause a forfeiture of this Charter
but a special election may be held on
the call of the President & Secretary or vice
President & Secretary

Fourth The Trustees shall elect from their own
body a President - Vice-President - a Secre-
tary & a Treasurer when duties may
they shall have power to fill vacancies
that may occur in their own body du-
ring any one year when such vacan-
cies occur from death resignation
Seven (7) shall constitute a Quorum for
the transaction of business - and a ma-
jority of the votes cast shall be neces-
sary to elect any Trust or adopt any
measure.

Fifth The funds of said Corporation shall be
deposited on some Banking House or
Bank in the City of Natchez in the name
of the Corporation and shall only be drawn
out upon the order of the President & Secretary
or Treasurer or Vice President & the Secre-
& President should happen the vacancy
the main officer for which said funds are
to be appropriated & the duty of the Trustees
& their families & the burial of the dead there
by & Security to be given by the Treasurer & the
Trustees for the faithful performance of his duties
for as such.

Sixth All the funds assets & property now belonging
to the voluntary Society - now working under the
name of the Good Samaritan Daughters shall be
transferred to this Corporation & Daughters
hereto thereupon & this Corporation shall - succeeding

Seventh The Corporation shall Continue no Church Longer
fixed limit in point of time.
We, the above named Corporators in witness of our
assent to the terms of said Incorporation do here
sign our names and affix our seals this
28th day of April A.D. 1875

Witness
Jer. D. Thweatt.

Married Richardson (Seal)
Jane Carter (Seal)
Esther Peck (Seal)
Minerva Jackson (Seal)
Louisa Lisle (Seal)
Emily Stevens (Seal)
Margaret West (Seal)
Maggie A. Jackson (Seal)
Anne Moore (Seal)
Randus Pollard (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
Adams County } S. S.

Personally appeared before me Allison H. Foster, Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County the foregoing named Married Richardson, Jane Carter, Esther Peck, Minerva Jackson, Louisa Lisle, Emily Stevens, Margaret West, Maggie A. Jackson, Anne Moore, and Randus Pollard who severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on this day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed for the said Jane Carter, Esther Peck, Minerva Jackson, Louisa Lisle, Emily Stevens, Margaret West and Anne Moore, on a private Examination separate and apart from their husbands, severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the same freely and voluntarily without any fear, threat or compulsion of their husbands.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 28th day of April A.D. 1875.
Allison H. Foster Clerk.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss
May 6th 75

I have Examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the same to be Constitutional.
Ly E. Harris
Atty. General.

Approved.
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

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The Charter of incorporation of the "Bethlehem Charitable Association"

First- The purpose for which this corporation is organized is for aiding, and assisting the members of this association when in distress provided they be found worthy, and in case of sickness, or death the more effectually to provide for the families of sick or deceased members. In connection with its general working its design is also to promote the growth of sound morals among its members.

Second The names of the incorporators are E. W. Engell, Reverdy Watts, P. Williams, R. Keyptowner, M. Hamilton, R. McCachan, R. Myers, E. Duncan, H. Gander, H. Loy

Third The corporate name of this corporation shall be "The Bethlehem Charitable association"

Fourth This corporation shall through its legally constituted officers exercise all and such powers as may be necessary in its government and administration. This corporation shall have power to sue & be sued, to plead and be impleaded, and in its corporate name to buy or sell real or personal property, or to lease the same for a term of years, or for any period that may by the members there of be deemed most advisable.

Fifth This corporation shall continue and exist for the period of four years from the date of its incorporation.

Sixth The incorporators of this corporation shall immediately upon the approval, and receipt of this charter pass laws, & regulations for the control & government of said corporation, & providing for the number character & election of officers- their tenure of office and for the admission of of members: Provided that no law rule, or regulation shall be passed by said incorporators, or members of this corporation inconsistent with or subversive of the Constitu-

State of Mississippi, and the laws passed thereunder.
Witness our hands & seals this the 11th day of June A.D. 1870.

J.W. Ezell (Seal)
Rawley Watts (Seal)
his
P. X Williams (Seal)
mark
R. X Heyhlower (Seal)
W.N. Hamilton (Seal)
R. X McAshan (Seal)
R. X Myers (Seal)
J. X Duncan (Seal)
H. X Grader (Seal)
H. X Lacy (Seal)

The State of Mississippi
Chickasaw County

Before me H.B. Lacy Clerk of the Circuit Court of Chickasaw County personally appeared J.W. Ezell, Rawley Watts, P. Williams, R. Heyhlower, W. Hamilton, R. McAshan, R. Myers, J. Duncan, H. Gradney & H. Lacy composing of the above stated & styled corporation who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation on the day and year therein mentioned as their act, and deed and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Witness my hand, and the Seal of the Circuit Court of the County of Chickasaw at Okolona on this the 11th day of June A.D. 1870.

Henry B. Lacy
Clerk &c.

Attorney Generals Office, Jackson Miss, July 4. 1870.

I have examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the same to be constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved A. K. Davis
Asst Asso Atty Gen.

Charter of The Hibernian Benevolent Association of Natchez.

It is hereby agreed on this Fourteenth day of March A.D. 1872 by and between the persons hereinafter named to form under the Statutes of the State of Mississippi a corporation to be known as and called The Hibernian Benevolent Association of Natchez under the following Charter that is to say.

1 This association shall be for Charitable and Benevolent purposes for the benefit of persons of Irish birth or lineage under such By-laws rules and regulations as may hereafter, or shall hereafter be adopted by the Association not in violation of the laws or policy of the State or the United States.

2 The corporators of this association shall be Peter Walsh, George T. Payne, A Todd William Lowry Robert McKee W. Burke Lawrence Harron, James O'Neil. W. F. Erwin Patrick Byrne Henry Higgins Wm S. Walsh. Joseph B O'Brien James O'Donaugh, and their associates and successors.

3 The association shall be known as the Hibernian Benevolent Association of Natchez

4 It shall have the power to have and keep a corporate seal; to make By-Laws Rules, and Regulations for its own proceeding; and to carry out all its purposes of Charity and Benevolence not inconsistent with the laws of the land; to acquire own and dispose of real and personal property to the value of Twenty five Thousand Dollars; to sue and be sued, and to perform all needful and proper acts of a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State and the United States.

5. It shall have perpetual existence and succession.

6 It shall Keep its domicile at Natchez

places as it may by its own action lawfully disturbing and in all respects conforming to the laws of the land. Given under our hands and seals the day and year first above written,

Peter Walsh. Martin Burke W. F. Higgins
Alex Tuttle. L. Marmon Wm S. Walsh
G. T. Payne. Jas O'Neil J. B. O'Brien
Wm Lowery W. A. Irwin James O'Shaunaugh
Robert McKee Patrick Burns.

State of Mississippi
County of Adams } This day before the undersigned Clerk of the District Court of Adams County of the State of Mississippi personally came Peter Walsh, George T. Payne, A. Tuttle, William Lowery, Robt. McKee, M. Burke, Laurence Marmon, James O'Neil, W. A. Irwin, Patrick Burns, Henry Higgins, Wm S. Walsh, Joseph B. O'Brien and James O'Shaunaugh, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation for the Hibernian Benevolent Association of Natchez as their voluntary act and deed for the purposes and consideration therein named. Given under my hand and seal this Ninth day of June A. D. 1875;

M. A. C. Hussey
Lieut Lieut. Gov.

Seal

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. July 26. 1875;

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of incorporation, and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional;

L. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved July 27th 1875;
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of The Satartia Benevolent Association.

1st We The undersigned members of this association being duly impressed with the necessity of establishing a means whereby we may secure for each other exemptions from neglect in the exigencies of sickness, want or death, do form ourselves into an organization for the purpose of furthering and carrying out the true principles of benevolence,

2. The following named persons shall be known and constitute the Charter members of this association.

Andrew Jackson	John Redding
William Chaston	David Williams
John Levi	William Leighton
Miles H. Steward	Fielding Ford
James Wakefield Jr	Lewis Wakefield

3 This association shall be known as The Satartia Benevolent association.

4 The powers intended to be exercised by this association are, the relief of the poor and destitute, the care of the sick and afflicted, the burial of the dead, and all things necessary for the government of associations of a charitable and benevolent character.

5-th The Charter of this association shall be perpetual or until dissolved by mutual consent of the parties in interest.

6 This association shall have all the rights and powers & privileges under the Statutes of the State of a body politic, and liable to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in all courts of law or equity. They shall elect such officers as the association may determine, make all By-laws for the good government of the same not inconsistant with the laws of the State and of the United States

and collect such fees and prices as two thirds of the members of the association present may determine, consistent with the law.
Given under Our hands & seals this 13th day of March 1875.

Andrew Jackson (Seal)
William Chastien (Seal)
John H. his + mark Levi (Seal)
Miles W. his + mark Stewart (Seal)
James his + mark Wakefield (Seal)
John his + mark Redding (Seal)
David his + mark Williams (Seal)
William his + mark Clifton (Seal)
Fielding his + mark Ford (Seal)
Lewis his + mark Wakefield (Seal)

Witnesses
Wm Richards M A Harris

The State of Mississippi } S.S.
Yazoo County }

Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State the above named Andrew Jackson, John Redding Wm Chastion, David Williams, John Levi, William Clifton, M W Stewart, Fielding Ford, Jas Wakefield & Lewis Wakefield who severally acknowledged that the signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation as their own proper act and deed for the purposes therein set forth.
Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of March 1875.

M. A. Harris
J P Seal

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. March 29, 1875.

I have examined the provisions of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find them to be constitutional.

L. C. Harris
Attorney General

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of Terry Grange No. 31 of the order of Patrons of Husbandry of the town of Terry county of Hinds and State of Mississippi.

The purposes and objects of the association are the Education and intellectual improvement of those engaged in Agricultural pursuits belonging to the order within its jurisdiction, 10 miles being its jurisdiction, the town of Terry Hinds county being the center of said jurisdiction, to stimulate a desire and pride, in its membership to improve the productions of the evil, the improvement of lands, stock and labor saving implinments."

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"Its Powers."

May receive members within its jurisdiction. May arraign try and expell its members for violation of its Laws; May transact any and all business pertaining to an Agricultural association not contrary to the constitution and laws of the order of Patrons of Husbandry May sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; in any court of law or equity in this State; May hold property by bequest inheritance or otherwise not to exceed $50.000; May sell or dispose of same at will; May make and enact such by-laws as they may from time to time deem necessary for the good government of said association not in conflict with the constitution and laws of the United State and of the state of Mississippi.

Its Rights

The right to purchase own and sell property not to exceed $50.000; the right to receive and expell members within its jurisdiction.

Duties

To relieve want, or distress among its members to inculcate economy, integrity and purity in its members; to develop a better and higher manhood and womanhood in its members; to enhance the comforts of home; and strengthen attachment to agricultural pursuits."

To this End Daniel Nicholson W. R. Hudson and others and their successors be, and they are hereby made a body politic under the name and style of Terry Grange No. 31. Patrons of Husbandry and shall have

have a common seal. Daniel Nicholson (Seal)
W. R. Hudson (Seal)

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor

State of Mississippi }
County of Hinds } S.S.

Personally appeared before me James. M. Chiles. Mayor of Terry and ex officio Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Hinds Daniel Nicholson and W. R. Hudson. whose signatures appear to the above and foregoing Charter who each acknowledged that they signed seal and delivered the same, as their act and deed and for the purposes therein named, for presentation to his Excellency the Governor for his approval.

Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of September A. D. 1875.

J. M. Chiles (Seal)
Mayor of Terry. Ex O. J. P. &c.

Attorney General Office
Jackson Miss Sept 29th 1875.

I have examined the within and foregoing charter of incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional.

G. E. Harris.
Attorney General &c

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Southern Educational Association" located at Holly City.

Section 1. The purposes of this Association shall be to establish and conduct institutions of learning, primary academic and Collegiate. The Incorporators of said Association shall shall be A.M. West H. W. Francis and S.S. Kelyea.

The Corporate name of the Association shall be the "Southern Educational Association" located at Holly City, in the county of Pike, State of Mississippi.

Section 2 This Association shall have all the privileges, franchises, and immunities by law incident to a corporation: may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, complain and defend in all courts of law and Equity, and may purchase, receive, hold and enjoy to them, & their successors, and assignees all such lands, tenements, lease-hold Estate and hereditaments, goods and chattles, securities and Estates, real, personal and mixed of what Kind and quality soever, not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars: and may sell and convey the same at pleasure, except as herein after provided. and also make and have a common seal, and the same to alter and renew at pleasure: and ordain, establish and put in execution such by laws ordinances, rules and regulations as may be necessary or convenient for the government of the said Association not being contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State or the United States and generally may do all and singular the matters and things which to them shall appertain to do for the well being of the said Association, and the management and ordering of the affairs and business of the same: Provided that said Association shall not employ its capital money or things in any other way than in the pursuit of its legitimate business: provided further that no Executive Board, officer or officers, agent or agents shall contract any debt exceeding five hundred dollars, unless there is money in the Treasury to pay the same, or mortgage any of the property of this Association, though

of the Board of Directors: provided further, that the Board of Directors shall not mortgage the buildings and grounds actually used and occupied for the Educational purposes of this Association; provided, however, that this shall not be construed to prevent the sale or mortgage of any real property donated, acquired or purchased as an endowment of this Association — This Association shall have perpetual succession.

Section 3. When this corporate act has been approved and recorded as required by law, and when this original charter shall have been returned to the corporators named in section 1. then said corporators shall have power to open books for the subscription of stock and adopt such other measures as may be by them deemed advisable in securing subscriptions of stock or bequest or donations and said corporators be and are hereby authorized to receive subscription to the Capital stock of this Association in money, in real and personal property or both, and in rents, also in labor on its buildings or grounds or in service rendered as teachers in its school or otherwise; and as soon as the sum of fifteen thousand dollars is subscribed to said capital stock and paid or secured to be paid as said corporators may require they said corporators shall call a meeting of the stockholders at Mclombcity. written notice of which shall be sent to each stockholder at least ten days before the time designated for such meeting. The Capital stock of this Association shall be divided into shares of twenty five dollars each, and the stockholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share by them held or represented. Stockholders may vote by proxy. provided that such authority is given to said proxy in writing. At the meetings of the Stockholders of this Association any member of stockholders authorized to cast a majority of the votes of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of any votes cast at any meeting shall be sufficient to make an election, and to transact business, and shall be held the will of the Association for all purposes provided that a smaller number than a majority may adjourn from time to time, or until the next annual meeting.

Section 4 The Stockholders of this Association shall at their first meeting, and annually thereafter; or at such other time as the Board of Directors or the Executive Board may designate, due notice of which shall be published in one Baptish and in one other public newspaper, to be designated by the Board of Directors or by the Executive Board at least four weeks next before the time designated. Elect fifteen Di-

rectors, who shall be stockholders; and eight of them at least shall be members in good standing when elected in some regular Baptish Church. the other seven directors shall be acceptable to the "Mississippi Valley Company". To said Directors shall be confided the managemunt of the affairs of this Association as herein after provided. and said Directors shall hold their offices for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified

Section 5 The said fifteen Directors or a majority of them shall at their first meeting elect one of their number as President another as Secretary and another as Treasurer and three others as managers. The President Secretary and the three managers shall constitute an Executive Board for the transaction of business when the Board of Directors is not in session.

The President Secretary and Treasurer shall perform the duties usually assigned to their offices, respectively, in the Board of directors and also in the Executive Board. A majority of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Board respectively, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; provided that the Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies that may occur in their own body or in the Executive Board by death or otherwise.

Section 6 The Executive Board shall make a full report of its doings to the Board directors as the Board of Directors may require; and the President shall through the Secretary make to the annual meeting of the stockholders a full report of the condition of the Association with a detailed account of the receipts and disbursements of the fiscal year.

Section 7 All contracts made by the Board of directors or the Executive Board shall be binding on the Association, but no stockholder shall be individually liable over and above the amount unpaid on the stock by him or her owned.

Section 8 The Board of Directors, and when they are not in session, then the Executive Board, shall have control of all the property of the Association, and hold and use the same for the use, benefit and purposes of said Association, and shall have power to appoint an agent or agents to represent the Association in any capacity not inconsistent with the laws of the State, or the provisions of this act of incorporation; and to collect and disburse the funds of the Association; provi

in use for the purposes of the Association shall be sold or leased by the Executive Board for a longer time than one year without the consent of the Board of Directors expressed by a vote at some regular or properly called meeting; and provided further that no real property in use for the purposes of the Association shall be sold or leased by the Board of Directors for a longer time than five years without the consent of the Association expressed by a vote of the stockholder at an annual meeting

Section 9 The Association shall be authorized to purchase lands in the town of McComb City in the County of Pike State of Mississippi and erect suitable buildings thereon or to receive such land and buildings or the use thereof in payment of stock for the use of students and Faculty, and to establish a Baptist Male and Female Collegiate Institute either separately or conjointly, and to employ learned persons as teachers therein; the President or Presidents of which shall be members in good standing in some regular Baptist Church; said Teachers shall constitute a Faculty or Faculties of said Institute or Institutes, and who in connection with the Board of Directors shall have power to confer degrees and to grant diplomas as other colleges. The whole management of the Institute or Institutes shall be under the control of the Board of Directors or the Executive Board who shall have power to employ or discharge any member of the Faculty, subject to such restrictions as they may make, and to make rules and regulations for the government of the Faculty or Faculties and of the Institute or Institutes not inconsistent with rules and regulations of the Association.

Section 10 All the real Estate purchased by the Association shall be conveyed to the Association by its corporate name and all conveyances made by said Association shall be made by the President and signed and acknowledged by him attested by the Secretary with the seal of the Association affixed thereto; and all deeds so signed sealed and delivered shall be valid and binding in law.

Section 11 The Association may receive donations of lands and property and may receive lands and property in payment of dues on stock subscribed and upon such terms and conditions as may be stipulated in the deed of conveyance; and all lands donated or otherwise conveyed for a specific purpose and so designated in the conveyance shall be sacredly used for that purpose, and when no

longer used for that purpose, shall be restored to the donor or the party or parties making the conveyance

Section 12. The Incorporators of this Association previous to the first meeting of the stockholders, and after that time the Board of Directors, shall have power, and they are hereby authorized to receive subscriptions for Scholarships in said Institute or Institutes, and also money or other property in payment of the same, on such terms and conditions as may be, by them deemed advisable.

Section 13. The Board of Directors or the Executive Board may require any of the officers or agents of said Association to give such bond as they may prescribe, which bond shall be made payable to the Association its officers and successors, and may be a proper subject of record in the Courts of the County.

S. S. Relyea (Seal)
A. M. West (Seal)
W. W. Francis (Seal)

The State of Mississippi, Pike county } S.S.
Personally appeared before me, the Undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said county the within named S. S. Relyea, A. M. West and W. W. Francis who severally acknowledged, that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing deed on this day as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal this 27 day of September A. D. 1875.

M. B. Hillyard J.P. (Seal)

Attorney Generals office
Jackson Miss. Oct. 5. 1875.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General &c

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

Hope Fire Co of Canton.

The Charter of Incorporation of Hope Fire Company No. 2 of Canton Mississippi.

1st. This company is formed for the purpose of protecting houses and other property in the town of Canton Mississippi from destruction by fire.

2d. The persons whose names are subscribed to this charter are hereby incorporated together with such other persons as said incorporations and the company shall receive into membership from time to time in conformity with rules and regulations established as this Charter provides.

3d. This company shall be known and designated by the corporate name of "Hope No 2 of Canton Mississippi."

4th. It shall have the right to hold and use, sell and convey such property as it shall acquire by donation, purchase or otherwise not exceeding the value of Ten thousand dollars and shall have all the power necessary to carry out the purpose for which it is organized and which may be lawfully exercised by a fire company and shall share equally all the benefits enjoyed and exercised by similar organizations in the City of Canton Mississippi.

5th. It shall exist until it is duly dissolved by vote of two thirds of its members or revocation of this Charter.

6th. So soon as this Charter has been duly approved and recorded the corporators shall organize by electing for one year a Board of Directors consisting of Five (5) members who shall be the Legislative Department of the company and one Foreman and two assistant Foremen who with a Secretary and Treasurer shall form the executive department of the company. Annually thereafter an election shall be held by the members of this company for the officers named whose term expires with this election— The Board of Directors shall elect a secretary and and Treasurer and require them to give bond in such sum as they shall deem necessary They shall hold office for one year and be subject to removal by the Board of Directors.

7th. The Board of Directors shall have authority to make such By-laws — Rules

and regulations and establish and elect such other officers as may be necessary and such shall be strictly obeyed and enforced until revoked or amended by a vote of two thirds of the members. They shall also have the power to regulate the admission fee for all members admitted and the monthly or yearly dues to the company by the members or make any assessment on the members that may be necessary to meet its obligations.

8th " In case of fine for any grant of the town every member shall attend promply and shall strictly obey the orders and instructions of the Foreman in charge on penalty of being fined in a sum of not less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars as the Board of Directors may determine such fine and the monthly or yearly dues or assessments unpaid shall be collected in due process of law before the Mayor of the town or Justice of the Peace in the County.

Signed and sealed at Canton Miss on the 24th day of Nov 1875.

R. Wm Garrison,
John W. Garnett,
G. J. Jackson,
V. Brown,
Paul Marshall,
Robert Tyler,
James Rivers,
Wiley Mitchell,
R. J. Byrd,
Oliver L. Garnett,
Andrew his X Lawson.
mark

The State of Mississippi }
Madison County } Personally appeared before me Singleton Garnett as acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County the within named R Wm Garrison John W Garnett G. J. Jackson, V. Brown Paul Marshall Robert Tyler James Rivers, Wiley Mitchell R. J. Byrd Oliver L. Garnett and Andrew Lawson who severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the within and foregoing charter of Incorporation as their own act and deed, on the day it bears date and for the purposes therein specified.

Given under my hand and seal this 24th day of November 1875.

Singleton Garnett J.P. (Seal)

Attorney Generals Office. Jackson Miss Nov. 25, 1875.
I have examined the provisions of the within and foregoing charter of Incorporation and find the same to be constitutional.

Approved
A. Q. Davis
Asst Gen. Atty Genl

The Charter

Of Incorporation of The Zion's Friends Society of the City of Jackson, County of Hinds, State of Mississippi

Organized May 3rd — 1874.

1 The Society is organized for the following purposes: namely:- The union of our people in bonds of benevolence for the relief and alleviation of the sufferings and destitute whether their condition arises from sickness or other causes: And for the social, moral intellectual and religious advancement of our people generally.

2 The following persons are hereby constituted and and declared to be the Corporators of said Society: viz Charles Rollins; Joseph Greer; William Harris; George Robinson; Benjamin Jones; Thomas Ware; Jacob Wanders; William Monaghan; Turner Patterson; James Mason; Allen Temples; Jessie Wright and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors.

3 This Society shall be known by the name of the "Zions Friends Society."

4 This Society shall have the power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and Equity in this State; and shall also have the power to contract and be contracted with; they may hold real estate not exceeding in value the sum of Five thousand dollars and may sell and carry the same; they may have a common seal and may break or alter the same at pleasure; they may make all necessary bylaws and adopt such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this State as they may deem necessary for their government and the carrying out of the objects of this incorporation and may do all acts incident to incorporations of like nature.

5 This Society shall have perpetual succession

6 The Officers of said Society shall consist of a President, and Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer and an Executive Committee composed of Ten (10) members to be elected and appointed in the manner prescribed in the constitution of said Society: Whereof we the above named corporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals this 6th day of December AD 1875.

Charles Rollins (Seal) Joseph Greer (Seal) Wm Harris (Seal)

Geo Robinson (Seal) Benj Jones (Seal) Thos Ware (Seal)

Jacob Wonders Seal William Monaghan Seal
Turner Patterson Seal James Mason Seal Allen Temples Seal
Jesse Wright Seal

The State of Mississippi }
Hinds County } S.S.

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the State aforesaid, the named Charles Rollins; Joseph Greer; William Harris; George Robinson; Benjamin Jones; Thomas Ware; Jacob-Wanders; William Monahan; Turner Patterson James Mason; Allen Temples; & Jesse Wright; Who each of them acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing charter as their several act and deed.

Witness my hand and official seal this 6th day of December A.D. 1875.

Peyton Robinson J.P.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss Dec 9th 75.

I have examined the within and foregoing charter of incorporation, and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney Genl

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor

The Charter of Incorporation of the Stevedors Benevolent Association of Pascagoula, State of Mississippi.

First. The said Corporation is hereby formed for the purpose of procuring Employment for the recognized Members thereof, when in Health; and for providing Funds and other Means for the Sustenance and Support of said Members, when unable to labor, on account of injuries, Sickness or any other Cause; providing also, that during the Sickness of such Members they shall be properly Cared for by this Association, and in Case of the death of any such Member to provide suitable and decent burial for the Same, at the Expense of this Association.

Second. That this Corporation shall Consist of John Downs, Richard Smith, John Powers, William Rasberry, G.W. Ladnier, Peter Tulbert, Saml Lawrence, George Smith and W. J. Watson their Successors and Associates, who shall become Members of the Same.

Third. That this Corporation shall be known by the Name of the Stevedors Benevolent Association of Pascagoula, State of Mississippi.

Fourth. That said Corporation shall have full power to pass such rules, regulations and by-laws for the rule and government thereof and of the Members of the Same, as said Association may deem necessary and proper, not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of the United States, and of the State of Mississippi.

Fifth. That this Corporation being a Charitable Association shall exist and Continue without limitation of time.

Sixth. That the relation rights and duties of the Corporators of this Incorporation, shall be such as from time to time shall be fixed by the by-laws of the Same, said by-laws to be obligatory and binding from the time of their adoption by a Majority of the Corporators.

John Downs.
Richard Smith.
John Powers.
William Rasberry.
G.W. Ladnier.
Peter Tulbert.
Saml. Lawrence.
George Smith.
Wm J. Watson.
Robert R. Eastrix.

The State of Mississippi }
Jackson County } S.S.

Personally appeared before the Undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Jackson, John Downs. Richard Smith. John

Powers, William Rasberry, G. W. Sadler, Peter Sulbert, Sam. Lawrence, George Smith & Wm. D. Watson who acknowledged that they Signed Sealed & delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Travelers Benevolent Association of Pascagoula State of Mississippi for the uses & purposes therein expressed & set forth.

Witness my hand & Seal at Pascagoula State of Mississippi this Fifteenth day of December A. D. 1875.

A. C. Blount (Seal)
Justice of the Peace.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss Janry. 7. 1876.

I have examined the within & foregoing Charter of Incorporation & find the provisions of the same to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved.
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of Deborah Lodge number 161 of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith in Greenville Mississippi

1. The Deborah Lodge number 161, a branch of the Independent Order B'nai B'rith is formed for the purpose of carrying out the object of said order to wit: To unite the Sons of Israel in the Sacred work of promoting the higher interests of humanity especially to alleviate the wants of the poor and needy: to visit and attend the sick, to protect and assist the widow and the orphan, on the broadest principles of brotherly love: furthermore to develope and elevate the mental and moral character of the Israelites by a liberal support of science and art, and the inculcation of the highest holiest and purest principles of philanthroply honor and patriotism: and to promulgate the sublime and eternal doctrines of Judaism among its professors, and to defend preserve and diffuse the faith of their fathers in society at large as the very Embodiment of all those dictates of humanity,

2. The following are the names of the officers and members who are to be the incorporators: Isaac

Isenburg President, Julius London, Vice President, H.S. Katzenberg Secretary, Theodore Pohl, Nathan Goldstein, Jacob Alexander, J Hirsch, William Marshall and their associates, members and the successors of said officers and members

3 The Corporate name by which the association is to be known is Deborah Lodge number 161 of the Independent Order B'nai Brith in Greenville Mississippi

4 The following are the powers intended to be exercised: It shall have perpetual succession; it may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings; the number of members that shall constitute a quorum; and the mode of voting by proxy. said corporation may elect all necessary officers and prescribe the tenures of officers; It may sue and be sued prosecute and be prosecuted in its said corporate name to judgement and satisfaction before any court of Justice in the State; it may contract and be contracted with, within the limits of its corporate powers it may have a corporate seal; it may purchase hold and enjoy real estate necessary and proper for its purposes to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars; also personal property to an amount not exceeding Ten thousand dollars; the legal and equitable title to all real and personal property heretofore held in trust for said lodge shall vest in said corporation; It may sell and convey its real Estate under the corporate seal and the signature of the president, and also sell its personal estate said corporation may make all necessary by-laws not inconsistent with the laws of this State and impose all necessary duties

5 No limit fixed for the existence of said corporation

In testimony whereof the said corporators have hereunto set their hands and fixed their seals at Greenville Washington County Mississippi this the 21st day of January 1876.

D Isenberg (Seal) Lewis Clau, (Seal) Henry S Katzenberg (Seal)
Theor Pohl (Seal) Nathan Goldstein (Seal) Jacob Alexander (Seal)
Jacob Hirsch (Seal) Wm Marshall (Seal)

State of Mississippi } Personally appeared before me
Washington County } L.T. Rucks a Justice of the Peace of Washington County the within named Isaac Isenberg Julius London H.S. Katzenberg, Theodore Pohl Nathan Goldstein Jacob Alexander J Hirsch and William Marshall officers and members of De-

borah Lodge number 161 I.O.B.B. in Greenville, Mississippi who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered, the foregoing Charter of incorporation as their act and deed

Given under my hand this 21st day of January AD 1876

L. T. Rueck J.P. Seal

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional.

George E Harris
Atty Genl

Approved
Adelbert Ames
Governor

The Charter of Incorporation of The Salartia Leather Company

1 The purposes and object of this Incorporation are declared to be as follows, viz. To employ tanners, bookmakers & harness makers, to purchase hides leather and all other articles and Machinery of every kind, and also such real estate as may be necessary to carry on the business of Tanning and the manufacturing of the various articles made from leather to acquire and hold such real and personal estates rights franchises and privledges, as will contribute to secure the accomplishment of the object and purposes of this corporation, and to sell transfer or pledge its manufactories by wholesale or retail in any markets foreign or domestic

2 The names of the incorporators are:- Wm Richards T & White S. H. Childress W. W. Wiles J A Thrasher Joe Lee W. T. Williams W^m H Wiles.

3 The corporate name is The Salartia Leather Company.

4 The powers intended to be exercised are: the purchase of lands Material & Machinery, the erection of buildings and all things necessary to carry on successfully the business set forth in the first clause of this Charter.

5 The limit fixed to the incorporation is ninety years

6 The capital stock of this incorporation shall be Five thousand dollars which may be increased to twenty thousand dollars to be divided into shares of Ten dollars each, each stockholder shall be liable for the debts of this incorporation to the amount of his or her subscription to stock and no more.

The stockholders shall in the election of officers be entitled to one vote in person or by proxy for every share of stock held by such stock holder a majority of votes shall decide the election they shall have authority to elect a Board of Directors consisting of seven stockholders of the company a majority of whome shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the decisions of a majority of which shall constitute a valid and binding act of the Incorporation.

They shall elect one of their names President, they shall also elect a Secretary who may or may not be a stockholder also a Treasurer who shall be a stockholder of the Incorporation, they shall make such by-laws and regulations for the government and transaction of said business as they may deem necessary not inconsistant with the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

No certificate of stock shall be issued until the same is paid in full, Transfer

of stock shall be made on the books of the Company only on demand of the legal holder thereof, and the surrender of the certificate.

A statement of the affairs of the incorporation shall be made semi-annually on such days as the Board of Directors may elect, said statement to be kept for the inspection of stockholders, and any profits shown to have accrued may be divided among the stockholders pro rata by vote of the Board of Directors.

All persons who may subscribe to the capital stock of this incorporation shall pay ten P cent thereof at the time of subscription and the ballance of the amount at such time as the Board of Directors may determine, the non-payment when called for by the Board of Directors after ten days notice thereof shall forfit the entire stock of the company: Provided however said Board of Directors may extend the time of said payments subsequent to the first if they deem it proper and provided further that not more than twenty P cent of the amount subscribed shall be called for at any one time.

The first election of Directors of this Incorporation shall be held as soon as practicable after (after) two thousand dollars of stock has been subscribed.

In witness whereof the said Incorporators have hereunto set their hands and seal this 27th day of December A.D. 1875.

Wm. Richards Seal
J. A. Foster Seal
T. A. White Seal
Joe Lee Seal
T. A. Childers Jr Seal
W. T. Williams Seal
Wm. W. Wiles Seal
} Incorporators

The State of Mississippi }
Yazoo County. } Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, Wm. Richards J. A. Foster T. A. White Joe Lee, A. A. Childers, W. T. Williams Wm. W. Wiles the foregoing named Incorporators who severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of incorporation as their proper act and deed for the purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and seal this 1st day of January 1876.

J. E. Bell J.P. Seal

Attorney Genral Office
Jackson Miss Jany 27th 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional

Approved Jany 27th 1876.
Adelbert Ames.
Governor.

George E. Harris.
Attorney Genral

The Charter of incorporation of le. T. Bond Lodge No. 239. Ancient Free and Accepted Masons in the town of Hickory Flat Benton County. State of Mississippi.

Section 1st

This Corporation is for the purpose of enabling said Lodge to Carry out More efficiently the benevolent purposes of the Order in the Amelioration of the Condition of Suffering Humanity and the Elevation of the Moral tone of Society

Sec. 2nd The following named persons and their Successors in Office ever after shall Constitute the Corporators of said Corporation Viz. le. S. Aston. W. M. J. B. Butler Secy and E. McKay.

Sec. 3d The Corporation shall be known as le. T. Bond Lodge No 239. Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

Sec. 4th Said Lodge may own personal or real or Mixed Estate to an Amount Not exceeding Twenty five hundred dollars, May have and use a Common Seal, Sue and be sued, plead be impleaded, and exercise such other powers as are Compatible with the provisions Contained in this Section.

Sec. 5th This Corporation Shall not be limited in time, but shall be perpetual with the Existence of said Lodge as a body in tact.

le. S. Aston. W. Master.
J. B. Butler. Secy.
E. McKay. Treas.

The State Mississippi }
County of Benton }

Before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County, personally appeared le. S. Aston, W.M. J. B. Butler Secretary and E. McKay Treasurer. who acknowledge that they signed, Sealed and delivered the Within and foregoing article of Incorporation on the day and date therein as their Voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand seal. February 19th 1876.

T. J. Wilson (Seal)
Justice of the Peace.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss. Feby 25. 1876.

I have examined the provisions of the Within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and find the same to be Constitutional.

G. Ed. Harris,
Attorney General.

Approved Feby 25, 1876.
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the West Jackson No. 1 Fire-Company.

By Virtue of Statute in such Cases made and provided the undersigned, A. J. Addkisson, Geo. Lemon, S. French, L. Kavanaugh, Wm Stuart, L.H. Bennett, F. B. Hall, J. W. Clingan, John J. Cullen, J. C. Julienne, David Ewing and John T. Hall have organized ourselves into a Fire Company to be known as,

The "West Jackson No. 1"

located at Jackson, Hinds County, State of Mississippi.

1st The object of said Incorporation is to afford protection to the said City of Jackson against fires.

2d The parties herein named and the Incorporators of said Company, and as such are a body Corporate by the name of the "West Jackson No. 1" and shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable of holding by donation or purchase, property both real and personal to the value of twenty thousand Dollars and may sue and be sued in any of the Courts of this State,

3d Said Incorporation and their Successors shall have power to make and adopt all such rules and by-laws as they may deem proper for their government not inconsistent with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

5th This Charter shall be in force and take effect from and after the 31st day of January 1876.

(Signed)

A. J. Addkison	Seal	Geo. Lemon	Seal
Samuel French	Seal	L. Kavanaugh	Seal
Wm Stuart	Seal	L.H. Bennett	Seal
F. B. Hall	Seal	J.W. Clingan	Seal
J. J. Cullen	Seal	J. C. Julienne	Seal
David Ewing	Seal	John T. Hall	Seal

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County }

Personally appeared before me John McGill Mayor of the City of Jackson and Ex Officio Justice of the Peace, the foregoing A. J. Addkisson, Geo. Lemon, Saml French, L. Kavanaugh, Wm Stuart, L.H. Bennett, F. B. Hall, J. W. Clingan, J. J. Cullen, J. C. Julienne, David Ewing and John T. Hall. Who acknowledged that they Signed Sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of the "West Jackson No. 1" this 31st day of January 1876.

John McGill, Mayor and J.P. Seal.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. Janry 31st 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the West Jackson Fire Company No. 1 and find (the) the provisions of the same to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris.
Attorney General.

Approved

Adelbert Ames.
Governor

Ex. Off. Jackson Miss Janry. 31, 1876.
Respectfully referred to Atty Genl. Geo. E. Harris for information by direction of His Excellency the Governor.

Francis Rhodes. Private Secty.

Charter of Incorporation of The Vicksburg & Delta Telegraph Company.

First. The purpose of this Charter is the construction of a telegraph line for the transmission of Messages & Communications by wire between Vicksburg Warren County Mississippi & any place along the line of said Telegraph. The said line is to begin at Vicksburg Mississippi on the South end and run thence in a Northerly direction towards the Yazoo River, thence across said River at or near the Mouth of Steeles Bayou; thence along the West bank of said Bayou to a place near the Southern boundary line of Issaquena County Mississippi; thence Northwest to the Mississippi River near Chotards Landing in Issaquena County thence North along upon and near the East bank of the Mississippi River to Meyersville where the first Office of said line North of Vicksburg is to be established; thence Northward along upon and near the said Mississippi River to Greenville in Washington County Mississippi — where the second Office of said line is to be established; thence Northward along upon and near the East bank of said Mississippi River to Glencoe in Bolivar County Mississippi where the most Northern termini is to be situated. Other and further Offices are to be established at any point upon said line at any time that business may require as well as to and Connecting wires to the westward to Communicate with any point in Louisiana on the Mississippi River and to the Eastward as far as Deer Creek and to any point upon said Creek.

Second: The following named persons are to be the Incorporators, John S. Pinney, J. M. Andrews, and William H. Andrews of Vicksburg, Mississippi, and their Successors.

Third: The name by which this Company or Association is to be known is: The Vicksburg and Greenville Telegraph Company.

Fourth: The powers to be exercised are the transmission of Messages, Letters and any other Communications that may be offered for and onward by the said incorporators to be fixed and changed at pleasure.

Fifth: The period for which this Corporation is to exist is unlimited dissolution

Sixth: The Capital Stock of said Company is to be Twenty thousand dollars ($20.000.00) and in shares of such amounts as the Company may designate and when the sum of Five (5000) thousand dollars is subscribed and paid up the said Company may Commence business. The incorporators shall have power to pass By-laws and Rules for the organization of the mode in which stocks may be subscribed, and the payment of such subscriptions enforced, for the Election of one of their members, or other persons as Managers of said Company and such other officers as they may choose, to fix their Compensation and prescribe their duties and generally pass any By-laws necessary to carry the object of this Charter into effect. And the said incorporators and their Successors and the persons who may subscribe to and become members of this Corporate Company shall never be liable in any suit in Law or Equity for any sum exceeding the amount of the stock they subscribe.

Seventh: The said Vicksburg and Greenville Telegraph Company shall be liable to the Amount of the Stock Subscribed for any debt that said Company in its Official Capacity may Contract, or obligation or liability the said Company may incur and shall be liable in any suit for damages to the person or persons injured for failure to transmit messages letters and any other Communications with promptness that may be offered to said Company at its fixed or usual rates and liable for injuries for Communicating or disseminating any messages or messages delivered to said Company for transmission over its line and for all other Common Law, or Statutory liability arising from the business, but only to the Extent of the Stock Subscribed.

Jno. W. Tinney (Seal.)
W.H. Andrews. (Seal.)
F. M. Andrews. (Seal.)

State of Mississippi }
Warren County }

Personally appeared before me Simeon L. George a justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named John W. Tinney, William H. Andrews, and F. M. Andrews who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument as their act and deed on the 24th day of February A. D. 1876.

Seal

Witness my hand and official Seal on the day and date above written.
Simeon L. George J.P. (Seal)
Justice of the Peace.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss, Febry 26. 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional.

S. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved: Febry 28, 1876.
Adelbert Ames
Governor.

Charter of the Congregation Beni Israel of Canton Mississippi.

Art. I.

The Corporate name of this Association shall be the "Congregation Beni Israel of Canton Mississippi." The Corporators are: J. Kohlman, E. Lerf, M.A. Mayer, Wm. M. Ballin, C.S. Gross, Jacob Lorb, Wm. Hiller, M. B. Hessdorfer, M. Stadeker and their Associates and Successors.

Art II.

The object and design of the said Congregation is for the purpose of Worshipping God according to the dictates of the jewish faith and religion, for the erection of a house of Worship, if they so think proper, to receive donations and legacies &c. and said Corporation shall have power through their Officers to make and enforced any by-laws not Contrary to the Constitution and laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi, which may be necessary to Carry into effect the purposes of this act herein before set forth.

Art. III.

This Congregation may own and hold in its Corporate name, real and personal property, and change the locations of its land and improvements, as its interest may demand.

It may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any Court of Law and Equity. Contract and be Contracted with. Shall have a Common Seal and Shall break and alter the Same at pleasure.

Art. IV.

This Charter Shall be perpetual.

Jacob Kohlman. {Seal}
Emanuel Lerf. {Seal}
Wm. M. Ballin. {Seal}
Charles S. Gross. {Seal}
M. A. Mayer. {Seal}
Wm. Hiller. {Seal}
M. Stadeker. {Seal}

State of Mississippi. } S.S.
Madison County.

Personally appeared before me the Chancery Court in and for said County and State the above and within named Jacob Kohlman, E. S. Jeffrey clerk &
Wm. Hiller, Wm. M. Ballin, Charles S. Gross, M.A. Mayer, M. Stadeker, E. Lerf, who acknowledged that they signed and sealed the above Charter for the purposes therein set forth.

Given under my Hand and Seal of Office at Canton

Seal.

this the 14th day of March A.D. 1876.

E. S. Jeffrey Clerk.
By E. H. Luckwiler D.C.

Attorney General's Office
Jackson. Miss. March 25th 1876.

I have examined the above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the provisions Contained therein to be Constitutional

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved March 25th 1876.

Adelbert Ames
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the General Baptist Missionary Association of the State of Mississippi.

Preamble Whereas the great End and Object of the General Baptist Missionary Association of the State of Mississippi is to promote the interests of religion and Educational advantages among all Classes under its jurisdiction and within its reach, but more Especially among the Ministers of the Gospel therefore it is agreed to wit—

Sec. 1st That the Object and End of this Association or body Corporate, shall be the more perfect dissemination of religion to all persons within its borders, and to effect a more perfect system of religious Education to all desirous thereof, more particularly to Ministers of the Gospel or those preparing for that Office of the Church.

Sec. 2nd That P. Draper, Marion Dunbar, Daniel Webster, R. Ramsey, J. F. Boulden, and they are hereby declared the incorporators of this Association.

Sec. 3rd That the name of this Association shall be the The General Baptist Missionary Association of the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 4th That the beforenamed Dunbar, Webster, Boulden et al, and their associates and Successors in Office of the Association be and they are hereby declared a body Corporate with full powers to carry out and make perfect the aims of this Association— that by the name and style hereinbefore mentioned they, the said incorporators, with their associates and Successors in Office may by the name aforesaid continue in perpetuity, with full and ample power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded to acquire, hold and convey property, both real and personal to an amount not exceeding Two Hundred Thousand Dollars in Value ($200 000.00) and to have a Common Seal and to alter and renew the same at pleasure that the said Corporate body shall have power to Establish a School or schools at any point or points in this State, that they may select as best Calculated to Carry out the Objects Set Forth in this Act and Shall hold their meetings at such times, intervals and places as said Corporate Body and the Members thereof may deem best— that said Corporate Body shall have power to adopt and Establish such rules, regulations and By Laws as the Members thereof may think best for the promotion of the interest of the Association, provided that such rules, regulations and By Laws be not inconsistent with the laws of this State or of the United States. That the Officers, Executive Board and Treasurer of the Educational Fund shall be a Board of Trustees for any and all Educational Institutions that may be established under this Act of incorporation, and as such they shall have power to Elect a Competent Corps of teachers and professors for the purpose of imparting liberal Education and to remove the Same whenever necessity requires it. to Confer degrees and honors on those whom they may deem worthy without limitation or restriction Such as are Common to Colleges and universities, whenever those departments are organized, they shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in their body during the time of its Existence, and do such other acts and Enjoy such other privileges as are usual to be Enjoyed by the Trustees of such Corpora-

ate bodies. That this body Corporate may separate the Educational interest from the General Baptist Missionary Association by a two thirds vote at any regular meeting of the General Body; provided twelve months notice shall have been given of said Contemplated Separation.

That this body Corporate shall have power under this incorporation, to Create a Ministers and Widows Fund for the purpose of aiding its superannuated and worn out Ministers and also to relieve the Wants of the Widows of the deceased Ministers, who at the time of their death, were in full fellowship of this Association said Widows only to be Eligible to said fund during their Widowhood.

Sec. 5th That this Association shall have the powers of Succession, with no limit to its Continuance in point of time.

Sec. 6th That Five members of the said Board shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and said Board may Call Special meetings of the Association, in Cases of necessity when the interest of said Association would suffer by delay until the next regular meeting.

Sec. 7th That the provisions of this Charter shall be liberally Construed in the interest of benevolence, Religion and Education.

Sec. 8th That this incorporation shall have effect and be in force from and after its approval by the proper authorities.

P. Dunpree {Seal}
J. A. Boulden {Seal}
R. Ramsey. {Seal.}
H. Webster. {Seal.}
Marion Dunbar. {Seal.}

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County 1st District }

Personally appeared before the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court for the 1st District of Hinds County State of Mississippi Marion Dunbar who acknowledged that he signed Sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day of its date for the purposes stated therein as his act and deed.

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court at Office at Jackson this 10th April A. D. 1876.

B. A. Edwards Clerk
By S. Livingston
D. C.

State of Mississippi. }
Noxubee County } Before me T. J. White Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County, this day personally appeared the within-named J. A. Boulden and Perry Dunpree, who acknowledged that signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter as their act and deed, and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal of Office this the 5th day of April A. D. 1876.

Seal.

T. J. White
Clerk.

The State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County }

Personally appeared this day before me W. L. Cameron Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County, the above named Daniel Webster and R. Ramsey, personally known to me who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day and year therein mention as their act and deed for the purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and seal of Office the 8th day of April A.D. 1876.

W. L. Cameron
Clerk.

Seal

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. April 11. 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional.

S. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved, April 11. 1876.

J. M. Stone
Governor.

The Charter for the Incorporation of The Vicksburg Firemens Association.

State of Mississippi }
Warren County }
City of Vicksburg }

Whereas the Members of the Vicksburg Firemens Association, availing themselves of the provisions of the Statute of the State of Mississippi (See Secs 2397 to 2405 Page 528 Revised Code of 1871.) do by these presents Covenant and agree and bind themselves and those whom they represent to form themselves into and Constitute a Corporation for the objects and under the Stipulations, regulations and Obligations as follows, to Wit:

Sect. 1st The object and purposes of this Association is to Enter into a Contract with the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg, to maintain and govern a Fire Department for the Extinguishment of fires within the Corporate limits of said City and to do and perform all duties generally Connected with a Fire Department

Sect. 2nd That J. C. Fitzpatrick William Groome, John Groome, John C. Keaney, and W. H. Nosley, representing the Constitution Fire Co. No. 1. and

John Aiken, N. Denis, Chas. A. Garcin, S. P. Mushane and P. L. Guscis, representing the Phoenix Fire Co. No. 2. and

Wm French, E. Platt, F. R. Turley, N. J. Bowbridge and E. W. Walling Jr. Representing the Washington Fire Co. No. 3. being the several Fire Cos. now incorporated, organized and in operation in the Vicksburg Firemens Association do by these Articles Covenant and agree and form themselves and those whom they represent Viz: All of the present active and Exempt Members of said Companies and those who may hereafter become active or Exempt Members of said Companies and this Association into a Corporation with the Name for the objects and under the Stipulations, regulations, and Obligations Herein Set Forth.

Sect. 3. The Corporate Name and title of this Association shall be known and designated as the "Vicksburg Firemens Association" and its place of business and legal domicil, shall be in the City of Vicksburg and as such Association shall have a Common Seal.

Sect. 4th This Association shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, possess all powers and privileges of a body Corporate, and to do all such acts as pertain to a body incorporate

Sec. 5. Each Company in this Association shall Elect annually, in the Month of March or April, five Delegates, who shall take their seats and Enter upon their duties as delegates to this Association on the Second Wednesday in April.

Sec. 6. The Board of Delegates shall exercise all Corporate powers of this Association Shall make Rules and regulations for the government of the Association, and Shall Elect annually, for

among the delegates a President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer, and such other Officers as they may from time to time determine according to the Constitution and By Laws of the Association.

Sect. 7th No dissolution of this Association shall take place so long as two organized and incorporated companies remain Members there of. Regularly organized and incorporated Fire Companies located in the City of Vicksburg may be admitted into this Association on application to the Board of Delegates by a vote of four fifths of the said Delegates voting.

Sect. 8th That said Association be and Continue as such under its title and be subject to the ordinances of the City of Vicksburg regulating the Fire Department, provided that said ordinances do not come in Contact nor Conflict with the provisions of this Charter and Whenever said Association shall Cease to Exist, their Houses, lots, Horses, Apparatus and all property of said Association used for fire purposes shall belong to the said City of Vicksburg for the use and benefit of said Fire Department and be appropriated by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of said City, or their Successors in Office, in such Manner as they may deem necessary for the protection of property in said City.

For Constitution Fire Co. No. 1.
Jno. L. Kearney.
Wm Grooms.
John Groome.
J. L. Fitzpatrick.
W. H. Hossley.

For Phoenix Fire Co. No. 2.
John Aiken.
Neiman Dennis.
Chas. A. Garcia.
S. P. Hushaus.
F. L. Grassia.

For Washington Fire Co. No. 3.
William Brinah,
Eugene Platt.
Edward W. Wallis Jr.
N. J. Bowbridge.
F. R. Burley.

State of Mississippi
Warren County } Personally appeared before me N. Klein Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County aforesaid, John L. Kearney Wm Groome, John Groome, J. L. Fitzpatrick, W. H. Hossley, John Aiken, N. Klein, Chas. A. Garcia, S. P. Hushaus, F. L. Grassia, Wm Brinah, Eugene Platt, E. W. Wallis Jr. N. J. Bowbridge and F. R. Burley, whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument of writing who- acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the same on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court this 17th day of April A. D. 1876.

N. Klein
Clerk.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss. April 19. 1876.

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation "the Vicksburg Foremans Association" and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.
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Approved April 19, 1876.
J. M. Stone.
Governor.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Hook and Ladder Company Number One.

1st. The objects of this Charter is the Mentainance of a well organized Hook and Ladder or Fire Company and a Band of Cornet Musicians in the City of Meridian, Miss. for the purpose of putting out and preventing the Spread of Fires in the Corporate limits of said City

2nd The Names of the Officers of the Company are;

T. W. Chaffin	Foreman.
J. M. T. Hamilton	1st Asst Foreman.
H. L. Rosenbaum.	2nd " " "
E. A. Early.	Secretary.
J. E. Holt	Treasurer.
R. M. Ross.	President of Band and their Successors in Office.

The Members are such persons as are now or may hereafter be associated herewith, The Names of the Incorporators are

3d H. L. Rosenbaum, J. E. Holt, E. A. Early, R. M. Ross.

The Corporate name of this company by which it is known is.— The Meridian Hook and Ladder Company Number One

4th This Company Shall have power to Exercise all powers given to Fire Companies by the Charter of Meridian Miss; and to pull down runnows or destroy to prevent the Spread of fire in said City any fence out house or sheds and with the Concurrence of the Mayor of the City when he is on the ground any building or buildings;

Do time Of fire to make use of any personal property of Citizens in putting out or stopping the Spread of such fire;

Do the absence of the Chief of the fire department or his Assistant, the Foreman or Officers in charge to call upon any Citizens present at the time of fire, to assist the firemen in Carrying Water Raising or lowering of Ladders— pulling down buildings pulling out fire or Saving or protecting personal property, and any Citizen refusing or neglecting to obey such Call or order, upon conviction thereof before the Mayors Court of said City shall be fined in accordance with the laws of said City the same as though he had neglected to obey said Call;—

To hold such land as they may need for Cemetery purposes or on which to erect such truck house hall or stable as they may need;

To hold such truck Engines Waggons Horses fire apparatus and Equipments Musical instruments Books Uniforms Mementoes and decorations as they may need or acquire which property real and personal shall be free from Seizure on Execution on debts of Members of the Company or other persons or Corporation nor any debts Except such as shall be regularly Contracted by the Company in accordance with its Constitution in pursuance of its

legitimate Workings as a Hook and Ladder or Fire Company and in Accordance with this Charter; To assess such dues and fines upon its Members as are provided by its Constitution and by-laws and to Collect the Same by Stress or otherwise in accordance with the Laws of the State of Mississippi. Members of this Company while they shall remain residents of the City of Meridian or of the County of Lauderdale, in this State and in the discharge of their duties as Members hereof shall be Exempted from all road or Street Service and jury duty in any of the Courts of the State.

5th It And period for which this Corporation shall Exist is Seventy Five Years.

In witness hereof the Company has Caused these presents to be signed for it by its Second Assistant Foreman and its Secretary its Treasurer and the President of its Band.

A. L. Rosenbaum Seal
E. A. Early Seal
J. E. Holt Seal
R. M. Ross Seal

Meridian Mississippi }
July 11th 1876. }

The State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County }

Personally appeared before me McRay Mosby Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County A. L. Rosenbaum, E. A. Early, J. E. Holt, R. M. Ross Officers of the Meridian Hook and Ladder Company Number one who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument as their act and deed for said Company.

Seal.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Chancery Court at Office in the City of Meridian the 11th day of July, A.D. 1876.

McRay Mosby D.C.
Clerk.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss. July 14. 1876.

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Hook and Ladder Company Number one and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris —
Attorney General &c.

Approved July 17. 1876.
J. M. Stone
Governor.

Charter of Incorporation of the Hinds County Grange Manufacturing Co.

Sec. 1. Be it hereby authorized by the Governor of the State of Mississippi - That J. R. Howe, J. W. Ennis, N. H. Bradley, S. W. Garraway, W. J. Brister and G. M. Lewis and their Associates, Successors and Assigns be and they are hereby Created a Body Corporate and Politic by the name of "The Hinds County Grange Manufacturing Company" And that by this Name they may Sue and be Sued and may Contract and be Contracted with; They may buy, hold and sell all kinds of property Real Personal and Mixed for the purposes of and Necessary to the Carrying on in the County of Hinds in said State the objects and business of their Incorporation, not to Exceed in Value $250.000; And said Company is Hereby Authorized and Empowered to Establish a Tannery and to Carry on the Manufacture of Leather, Saddles, Harness, boots and Shoes and any and all Kinds of Articles made of Leather; and also all Kinds of farming tools and utensils and Woolen and Hollow ware, Brooms &c and for the Manufacture of all kinds of Cotton and Woolen Clothes and Cotton yarns which may be deemed advisable and profitable by the Board of Directors of said Company. The period for which said corporation is to Exist is not limited in point of time.

Sec. 2. Said Company shall have power to make and Enforce all rules and by-laws for the government of the Company and the business there of not Contrary to the Laws of the United State and the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 3. That the Capital Stock of said Company shall be $50.000. And may by said Corporation be raised to $200.000, and divided into Shares of Ten dollars Each, and Certificates of Stock shall be issued to the Stockholders representing the Shares owned by Each of them and said Certificates shall be signed by the President and Countersigned by the Secretary and duly registered and transferable only on the books of the Company and for Each Share of Stock the holder will be Entitled to one Vote at the Meetings of the Stockholders Either in Person or by Proxy.

Sec. 4. That the board of directors Shall Consist of Thirteen of the Shareholders of said Corporation Elected by the Stockholders and said board shall Elect one of their Number President; That it Shall be the duty of the Stockholders to Elect said Board of Directors as Soon as practicable after the Subscription of the Sum of $30.000 and they Shall annually thereafter be Elected and Shall Hold their Offices until their Successors Shall be Elected and qualified.

Given under our Hands and Seals this 29th day of June 1876.

J. R. Howe (Seal)
J. W. Ennis (Seal)
N. H. Bradley (Seal)
S. W. Garraway (Seal)
W. J. Brister (Seal)
G. M. Lewis (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County. }

Personally appeared before the undersigned Mayor and Ex Officio Justice of the Peace in and for said County J. R. Norris who is known to me to appear to the foregoing instrument of writing and acknowledged that he signed and sealed said instrument on the day of the date thereof as his act and deed and for the use and purposes therein named.

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of June 1876.

D. W. Rice
Justice of the Peace.

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County }

Personally appeared before me a member of the board of Supervisors of said County J. W. Ennis, N. H. Bradley, L. W. Carraway, W. J. Grisler and G. W. Lewis whose names appear to the foregoing instrument of writing and acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the same as their act on the day of the date thereof and for the use and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of June 1876.

J. R. Norris (Seal)
Mem. Board Supervisors

Attorney Generals Office—
Jackson Miss. Augst 5, 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing "Charter of incorporation of Hinds County Granger Manufacturing Company" and find the provisions of the same to be Constitutional.

S. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved, August 5th, 1876.

J. M. Stone
Governor.

The Charter of incorporation of the United Sons of Ham No. 2.

First. The purpose of this incorporation is to legally Establish within the State of Mississippi an organization for charitable and benevolent purposes. Its aims shall be to Establish unity and peace promote good will toward all Mankind better. Enable its members to support themselves and families and Contribute to the relief of all worthy and distressed members, who may suffer from neglect in the Exigencies of sickness, or from want or death.

Second. The names of the Corporators are the following persons residing at Hernando Mississippi; to wit:

Henry Taylor.
Pleasant Garrett.
George Walker.
Henry Sanders
Amos Wallace
William T. Alston
Macon Westbrooks
Richard Sanders.
Lee. Avera
Henry McRae
Allen Sanders
Burk Grimes.
Flemming Baccus
Dee. McIntyre.

Third. The Corporate name by which this Association is to be known shall be "The United Sons of Ham. No. 2."

Fourth. The said Henry Taylor. Pleasant Garrett, Henry Sanders and others, their Successors and such persons as may join with them, under and according to the Constitution & by-laws herein Authorized, are hereby Clothed with all the powers, privileges and franchises of a Corporation and necessary to accomplish the purpose of this Association. They shall have power to adopt a Constitution and by laws, not inconsistant with this Charter nor the laws of the State, for their government. And may alter or amend the same in such manner as they desire to do. They may prescribe the qualifications for membership and the mode and manner of admission thereto— They may provide for the number and title of Officers— the manner and time of Election or appointment— the manner of their installation and prescribe the duration of the terms of office. They may make provisions for taking care of the sick and unfortunate members and their families and for this and the general purposes of the organization may prescribe initiation fee and other charges upon members to be paid monthly or otherwise as they may see proper. They may in such manner as they may think proper, make rules and regulations for the promotion of personal honor and worth among themselves and in like manner make provisions for the improvement of their mental and moral condition and that of their

families. They shall have power to purchase and hold and lease Release and sublease Real Estate in their Corporate Name and sell and convey the same. They may purchase and hold personal property and when needful sell the same. The Amount of Realty and personalty not to exceed five thousand dollars. They shall have a Common Seal, but Contracts for the use of Lands for a less period than one week shall not be required to be made under Seal but may be made by the Officers of the Association under the rules thereof.

They may Contract and be Contracted with sue and be sued in any of the Courts of the Land. All of said rights and privileges to be used in a manner not in Conflict nor Inconsistent with the laws of the Land.

This Corporation shall Continue for the period of fifty years.

W. T. Alston
Henry + Taylor his mark
Allen + Sanders his mark
Amos Wallace
Robert Walker
Henry McRay
Macey Westbrook
R. R. + Sanders his mark
George + Walker his mark
Leander + Avera his mark
Flemming + Bochus his mark
Pleasant + Garrett his mark

The State of Mississippi
DeSoto County

Before me R. R. West Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County Personally came the above named W. T. Alston, Henry Taylor, Allen Sanders, Amos Wallace, Robert Walker, Henry McRay, Macon Westbrook, R. R. Sanders, Leander Avera, George Walker, Flemming Bachus, and Pleasant Garrett, who severally acknowledged that they signed the foregoing Charter of the United Sons of Hams, as their own act and deed.

Seal.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at Office in Hernando this 30th day of August A. D. 1876.

R. R. West Clerk.

Clerks Fee $3,00. Donated to the Corporation

August 31. 1876.

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the United Sons of Hams No. 2. and find the provisions therein Contained to be Constitutional.

L. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved August 31st 1876.

J. M. Stone
Governor of Mississippi.

The Charter of Incorporation of The Independent Pole Bearers No. 2 of Austin Tunica County, State of Mississippi.

Section 1. This Corporation is formed for the following purposes and none others, to wit: First, For the Education of its Members; Second, for the purpose of instilling into the bosoms of its Members, the principles of Morality and Virtue, and thereby these means to benefit Ennoble and Elevate the Community in which it Exists; Third—For the purpose of providing that in time of Sickness and want its Members shall not suffer for want of attention, and for such necessaries as their Condition may demand; Fourth, To provide proper Sepulcher for its Members upon their decease.

Section 2. The following are the names of the Corporators of this Corporation, to wit:
William H Prince, Green Lynk, Joseph Joiner, John Drater, Hezekiah Walker, Elijah Baker, John Bowser, Mayor Drumm, Eguen Prince, Robert Duff, Isaac Neal, Columbus Cooke, George Coleman, Yancy Bratcher, Albert Cooke, Shaun Alston, and Joshua S. Gallogher.

Section 3. The Corporate Name by which this Association shall be known shall be The Independent Pole Bearers No. 2 of Austin Mississippi.

Section 4. The said Corporation shall have power to sue and be sued to prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and Satisfaction before any Court of Justice in the State of Mississippi; may keep a Corporate Seal; may Contract and be Contracted with, within the limits of the Corporate powers enumerated in this Charter; may make all necessary by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State, of Mississippi, and of the United States, and may impose all necessary duties; May acquire by purchase or by donation, by deed or by will, both real and personal estate, and may sell and Convey the same under its Corporate Seal, and the Signatures of its Presiding Officer; May, in its by-laws, determine the manner of Calling and Conducting Meetings, and the number of members that shall Constitute a quorum; The power of said Corporation to hold real and personal Estate is limited, so that it shall not at any one time, hold more than ten thousand dollars worth of property.

Section 5. No limit is fixed as to the period of time for which this Corporation shall Exist.

Section 6. The said Corporation shall have perpetual Succession; shall have the power to admit new members, and to Expell those who are members, in accordance with the by-laws of the Corporation; It shall be the right of Each member of the Corporation, to have an Equal Voice in all the proceedings of the Corporation; It shall be the duty of Each Member to abide by the Charter and to obey the by-laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and Constitution of the Corporation.

Conclusion In Witness Whereof, the foregoing named Corporators whose names are set out in full in Section No. 2. have hereunto

set their hands, and affixed their Seals.—
Done at Austin, in the County of Yazoo,
in the State of Mississippi, on this 9th day of August
A.D. 1876.

Joseph Joiner. Seal.
John Bucker. Seal.
John Bowser. Seal.
William H his mark Brice Seal.
Hezekiah his mark Walker Seal.
Byrum his mark Lynk Seal.
Columbus his mark Burke Seal.
Albert his mark Burke Seal.

George his mark Coleman Seal.
Yancy his mark Brotcher Seal.
Robert his mark Duff Seal.
Mason his mark Brimwood Seal.
Esquin his mark Brice Seal.
Isaac his mark Neal. Seal.
Elijah his mark Baker. Seal.
J. G. Gallagher. Seal.
Isham Alston. Seal.

The State of Mississippi }
Yazoo County. }

I, Edward Carter, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County and State do hereby Certify, that on the 10th day of August, A.D. 1876. there personally appeared before me, the following named parties whose genuine Signatures appear to the foregoing Charter of Incorporation, to wit; Joseph Joiner, John Bucker, John Bowser, William H Brice, Hezekiah Walker, Byrum Lynk, Columbus Burke, Albert Burke, George Coleman, Yancy Brotcher, Robert Duff, Mason Brimwood, Esquin Brice, Isaac Neal, J. G. Gallagher and Isham Alston, Who severally acknowledged each one for himself that he signed, sealed and delivered said Charter of Incorporation, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, freely and Voluntarily, as his Voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and Official Seal this 26th day of August 1876.
E. Carter. Clerk.
By J. E. Deering D.C.

August 30. 1876.

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Independent Pole Burners No. 2. of Austin Mississippi and find the Provisions therein Contained, to be Constitutional.

S. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Approved August 31st, 1876

J. M. Stone
Governor of Mississippi.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Hazlehurst Benevolent Association.

Article 1. Be it Known; That N. C. Pounds George Bruin, Dave Hill, William Hunter, Jim Sinclair, N. Huff, Frank Lowe & W. H. Furniss & their Associates & Successors of Hazlehurst, Copiah County, Miss, their Associates & Successors are hereby Created a body politic & Corporate under the name & style of the "Hazlehurst Benevolent Association" & shall have perpetual Succession.

Article 2. This Association has for its Object the binding together of the people in a Common union for Social, Moral & Intellectual & religious Culture, with a fundamental Object of relieving suffering in our midst from destitution arising from sickness or other Causes.

Article 3. This Association shall have power to Sue & be sued, to hold real Estate not to exceed five thousand dollars in Value, & the same to alienate at pleasure; to Contract & by Contracts with & to make & adopt such Constitution & by Laws as they may deem necessary for the government of the Association — provided the same are not inconsistent with the laws of the State — & to Exact from the Officers of the Association Such bond as may be by them deemed necessary for the faithful performance of the duties devolving upon them.

Article 4. This Charter Shall be of full effect & force from & after its approval.

N. C. Pounds {Seal}
George his mark Bruin {Seal}
Dave his mark Hill. {Seal}
Wm. H. his mark Hunter. {Seal}
Jim his mark Sinclair {Seal}
N. Huff. {Seal}
Frank Lowe. {Seal}
W. H. Furniss. {Seal}

State of Mississippi } Personally Came before the Undersigned a
Copiah County } acting Justice of the Peace in & for said County
N. C. Pounds, George Bruin, Dave Hill, Wm. Hunter, Jim Sinclair,
N. Huff, Frank Lowe, W. H. Furniss who each acknowledged
that they signed Sealed & delivered the foregoing instrument
of writing as their own act & deed & for the purposes
therein Specified.

Given under my hand & Seal this
29th day of September A.D. 1876
J. R. Groves J.P. {Seal}

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson, Miss, Oct 2. 1876.

I have examined the within & foregoing

Charter of Incorporation of the "Hazlehurst Benevolent Association" and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General &c.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Hazlehurst Benevolent Association is approved.

Seal.

As Witness my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, at Executive Office, in Jackson, October 4th 1876.

By the Governor

D. M. Stone.

James Hill
Secretary of State.

The Charter of incorporation of the Mechanics and Laborers Association No. 1.

First. The purpose of this incorporation, is to legally Establish within the State of Mississippi an Organization for Charitable and benevolent purposes; Its aim shall be to Establish Unity and peace, promote good will toward all mankind, bitter Enable its members to support themselves and families and Contribute to the relief of all worthy and distressed Members, who may suffer from neglect in the Exigencies of Sickness or from Want or death—

Second. The names of the Corporators are the following persons residing at Nemando Mississippi to wit:

William T. Alston.
John Bennett
Henry Briggett
Daniel Rice
Joseph Green.
John Hawkins
Wallace Gibbs
Willie Dogg.
Allen Gordon.
Moses McLemore

Third The corporate name by which this Association is to be known shall be, "The Mechanics and Laborers Association No. 1."

Fourth. The said William T. Alston, John Bennett, Henry Briggett, Daniel Rice and others - their Successors and such persons as may join with them under and according to the Constitution and By-Laws herein Authorized, are hereby Clothed with all the powers, privileges and franchises of a Corporation and necessary to accomplish the purpose of this Association.

They shall have power to adopt a Constitution and by-laws not inconsistent with this Charter nor the Constitution and Laws of this State or the United States, for their government, And may alter or amend the Same in such manner as they desire to do—

They may prescribe the qualifications of membership and the mode and manner of admission thereto..

They may provide for the number and title of Officers the manner and time of Election or appointment the manner of their installation and prescribe the duration of the terms of office. They may make provisions for taking Care of the poor and unfortunate members and their families and for the and general purposes of the organization may prescribe initiation fees and other Charges upon members to be paid monthly or otherwise as they may see proper.

They may in such manner as they may think proper make rules and regulations for the promotion of personal Honor and Worth among themselves and in like manner make provisions for the improvement of their mental and Moral Condition and that of their families. They shall have power to purchase and hold* Real and personal property and when needful sell the same. The amount of Realty personalty not to exceed five thousand dollars. They shall have a Common Seal - but Contracts for the use of lands

*and sell and convey the same.

*(and) Lease, release and sublease Lands

for a less period than one week shall not be required to be made under Seal, but may be made by the Officers of the Association, under the rules thereof. They may Contract and be Contracted with sue and be sued in any of the Courts of the Land. All of said rights and privileges to be used in a manner not in Conflict nor inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the Land.

Fifth. This Corporation shal Continue for the period of Fifty Years.

Given under our Hands and Seals this 4. day of A.D. 1876.

Seal. W. T. Alston Seal.
Seal. Allen Gordon Seal.
Seal. Dan. Rice Seal.
Seal.
Seal.

This State of Mississippi
DeSoto County.

Personally appeared before me R. R. West Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County, the within named W. T. Alston and Allen Gordon and Dan. Rice, who severally acknowledged that they signed, Sealed and delivered the above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, as their own act and deed, on the day it bears date, and for the purposes therein Specified.

Seal.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office this 5th day of September. A.D. 1876.

R. R. West. Clerk.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. Sept. 9. 1876.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mechanics and Laborers Association No. 1. and find the provisions therein to Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Mechanics and Laborers Association No. 1" is Approved.

As witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, at Executive Office in Jackson, Sept. 9th, 1876.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.
James Hill.
Secretary of State.

The School. Charter of Incorporation of Magnolia High

We whose names are hereto subscribed do hereby agree to organize a Corporation pursuant to Article 1. Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of the State of Mississippi under the name of Magnolia High School.

Article 1.

This Corporation is formed for purposes of school education and training of children of both sexes who shall be admitted to said School upon such terms as may be declared by the by-laws hereafter to be adopted

Article 2.

The following named persons are the Corporators of this institution, to-wit: William M. Conerly, Henry Gottig, Evander McNair, J. Quincy Travis, John S. Lamkin, James H. Stevens and Luke W. Conerly all residents of Pike County Mississippi.

Article 3.

This association is to be known by the corporate name of Magnolia High School.

Article 4.

It is hereby intended that this association shall have and exercise the power of receiving by purchase, gift or otherwise, real and personal estate for the uses of the school to be organized, to an amount not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.). to contract debts for the purposes of said school, to sue and be sued in any of the courts of this State; to have and use a corporate Seal; to adopt all needful by laws rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this State and to do any and all other acts usually deemed necessary and proper in the organization, conduct and management of an educational institution

Article 5.

The time for which this corporation is to exist is unlimited.

Article 6.

The school contemplated by this charter is to be located within or near the corporate limits of the town of Magnolia Pike County, upon such site as may be selected for the purpose. All persons contributing money or other valuable thing to the establishment or carrying on of this institution may under such restrictions as shall be established by the by-laws for the government of the same become stockholders herein, provided that shares of stock shall be Ten dollars ($10.) each and all votes for the elections of Officers shall be by shares of stock and such votes may be cast by stockholders in person or by proxy; and regulations shall be made by the corporators herein named for the election of Officers and defining their powers and duties.

In testimony whereof the said corporators have hereunto set their hands and seals, this 17th day of February A. D. 1877.

W. M. Conerly (Seal)
John S. Lamkin (Seal)
J. H. Stevens (Seal)
H. Gotting (Seal)
L. W. Conerly (Seal)
J. L. Travis (Seal)
E. McNair. (Seal)

Personally appeared before me A. P Sparkman Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, W. M. Conerly. John S. Lamkin. J. H. Stevens. Henry Gotting. Luke W. Conerly. J. L. Travis. Evander McNair. The above named persons who severally acknowledged that they, signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing charter of incorporation on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Seal

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court This the 17th day of February A. D. 1877.

A. P. Sparkman
Clerk

Attorney-Generals Office
Jackson Mississippi Feby 28. 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing charter of incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be constitutional.

G. E. Harris.
Attorney General.

Executive Office. Jackson Miss.
February 28. 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the Magnolia High School is approved.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State Feb. 28. 1877.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
James Hill
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Beneficial Benevolent Society of the City of Jackson in the County of Hinds and State of Mississippi.

1 This Society is organized for the following purposes— namely:— The dissemination of the principles of the Christian Religion; the relief of afflicted and destitute members thereof whether their condition arise from sickness or other cause; and for the moral intellectual and religious elevation and advancement of the members and of our people generally.

2 The following persons are hereby constituted and declared to be the Corporators of said Society namely,— Charles Morgan. Senior; Arthur Presbery; Virgil Ruffin; Betsy Chrismas; Adam Austin; Thomas McAfee; Thomas Anderson and their Associates and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them and their Successors.

3 This Society shall be known by the name and style of the "Jackson Beneficial Benevolent Society."

4 This Society shall have the power to sue and be sued; to plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State; and shall also have the power to contract and be contracted with; they may hold real estate not exceeding in value the sum of Five thousand dollars and may sell and convey the same; they may have a common seal and may break and alter the at pleasure; they may make all necessary by-laws and adopt such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the State of Mississippi, as they may deem necessary for their government and the accomplishment of the objects of this Incorporation, and may do all acts incident to incorporations of like nature.

5 This Society shall have perpetual succession.

6 The Officers of said Society shall consist of a President; a Vice President; a Secretary; a Treasurer; a Chaplain and a Marshal, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary.

In testimony whereof, We, the above named Corporators have hereunto set our hands and seals this 27th day of Feb. A.D. 1877.

Charles Morgan. (Seal)
Arthur Presberry (Seal)
Virgil Ruffin (Seal)
Betsy her + mark Chrisman (Seal)
Adam Austin (Seal)
Thomas his + mark McAfee (Seal)
Thomas Anderson (Seal)

The State of Mississippi } S.S.
Hinds County }

This day personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County: Charles Morgan Senior; Arthur Presbury, Virgil Ruffin; Betsy Chrisman. Adam Austin; Thomas McAfee and Thomas Anderson who respectively acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing

Charter of Incorporation as their several act and deed
Witness my hand and official seal
this 27th day of February A. D. 1877.
John McGill.
Mayor of Jackson & ex-officio J. P. Seal

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Mississippi Feby 28th 1877.
I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find the provisions thereof to be Constitutional
G. E. Harris.
Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss Feb. 28. 1877.
The foregoing Charter of "The Jackson Beneficial Benevolent Society" is approved.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the State this February 28. 1877.
J. M. Stone.

By the Governor
James Hill.
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Pearl Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

1 The object of this corporation is to afford protection to the City of Jackson against fire

2 The parties herein named are the incorporators - Viz. S. W. Langley. E. L. Reber. W. E. Cage. W. S. Bell. A. Virden Jr. and their associates are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of "Pearl Hook and Ladder Company No. 1." and shall have perpetual succession.

3 The name of said Corporation shall be "Pearl Hook and Ladder Company No. 1."

4 Said Corporation shall have the power to acquire and hold property real and personal by gift, grant or purchase not to exceed in value the sum of Twenty thousand dollars and shall have the power and capacity of suing and being sued in any of the Courts of this State. Said Corporation shall succeed to all the present rights and privileges of the association known as "Pearl Hook and Ladder Company No. 1." and shall be governed by the present Constitution and by-laws of said association, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States; and may alter and amend said Constitution and by-laws in the mode or manner therein provided, not

United States.

5 And said Corporation shall continue in existence until dissolved by a unanimous vote of all the members of said Company or until this Charter shall be revoked or amended by competent legal authority.

Witness our hands and seals this the 28th day of Feby A.D. 1877.

Jas W. Langley (Seal) Wm. E. Cage (Seal) Walter S. Bell (Seal) A. Virden Jr. (Seal) A. Ware (Seal) W. S. Holland (Seal)
Thomas Ford (Seal) Luca Cusmanie (Seal) E. Fisher Jones (Seal) W. Shelton (Seal) E. H. Reber (Seal)
A. H. Müller (Seal) W. Langley (Seal) D. Shelton Jr. (Seal) Theo. Sorge (Seal) A Bouge (Seal) Jami. Astor (Seal)
Ben Cameron (Seal) C. P. Cabines (Seal) M. Smith (Seal) A. Lejulienne (Seal) A. H. Smythe (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Hinds County }

Personally appeared before me A. H. Boyd Justice of the Peace 5th District Hinds County Miss. the above named parties who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and executed the foregoing charter of incorporation voluntarily as their own act on the day therein named and for the purposes therein set forth.

A. H. Boyd J. P. (Seal)

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss Feby 28. 1877.

I have examined the above and foregoing charter of incorporation and find the provisions therein contained to be constitutional

G. E. Harris.
Attorney General

Executive Office.
Jackson Miss. February 28. 1877.

The foregoing Charter of "Pearl Hook and Ladder Company No 1" is approved.

As Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State this 28th day of February A. D. 1877.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
James Hill.
Secretary of State

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The Charter of the City Stables.

For the purpose of establishing a first Class Sale and Livery Stable in the City of Okolona in the County of Chickasaw State of Mississippi so that satisfactory accommodations in that line of business at reasonable rates may thereby be given to the citizens of said City and the patrons of the trade of the same. And in order to erect such building or buildings and to purchase and own the necessary real estate, Stock, Vehicles &c &c. as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of said Corporation: F. J. Buchanan, Sr. J. S. Cain, G. F. Hightower, Angi Babbit, Gates Dibrell, Worden McCarley, John McCarley and J. R. McCulloch and their successors be and they are hereby Constituted and appointed a body Corporate and politic under the name and style of the "City Stables." And by that name and style may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any Court of Law or Equity in this State. May have and use a Common Seal and shall have full power to make and enforce such by-laws, rules and regulations as to them may seem meet and proper, not inconsistent with or repugnant to the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi or the United States. The said Corporation shall have perpetual succession. It shall be the duty of the incorporators or a majority thereof from name to open books of subscription to the Capital Stock of the said "City Stables" and issue Certificates of Stock to the Subscribers thereof upon payment of the same to such an amount, as they may deem proper. Provided that no such Certificate of Stock shall be issued in a less sum than fifty dollars. Provided further. Certificates of Stock in the aggregate shall not be issued in a less quantity than Five Thousand dollars nor in a greater quantity than Twenty five thousand dollars. And whenever as much as five thousand dollars shall have been subscribed for the Capital Stock of said "City Stables" it shall be the duty of the incorporators themselves name or a majority of them to call a meeting at some convenient time and place in the said City of Okolona to be agreed upon by them. of the Stockholders at which meeting a board of Trustees consisting of Five Stockholders shall be Elected to serve for a period of one year with full power and authority to make and establish by-laws, rules and regulations for the management and control of said Corporation. And shall also elect one of their number General Manager and such other Officers from time as may be deemed necessary by the said Board of Trustees whose term of office shall continue one year and until their successors are duly Elected and the said Board of Trustees shall fix the Salary for said Officers. The said "City Stables" shall have full power and authority to purchase hold possess and enjoy for their use benefit and behoof real personal and mixed property and to sell and Convey the same to borrow money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise and to take receive and apply all such bequests and or donations as may be made to it and make any and all Contracts and Conveyances as an individual may subject only to the rules

The said Corporation is hereby furthermore authorized if deemed advisable by the Stockholders thereof to erect in connection with said Stables a Hotel or Restaurant and Barber Shops

At all meetings of said Stockholders each Stockholder shall be entitled to cast one vote either in person or by proxy for each and every Share held by him or her.

Thos. J. Buchanan. (Seal.)
D. McCarley. (Seal.)
J. S. Cain (Seal.)
G. F. Hightower (Seal.)
Gales Dibrell (Seal.)
A. Babbitt (Seal.)
J. R. McIntosh. (Seal.)
John McCarley (Seal.)

The State of Mississippi } Be it day personally appeared
Chickasaw County } before the undersigned Mayor of the
City of Okolona and Ex-Officio J.P. in and for the County
and State aforesaid. T. J. Buchanan Sr. J. S. Cain, Henry
Babbitt, Worden McCarley, John McCarley and J. R. McIn-
tosh - Each of whom acknowledged that they signed, sealed
and delivered the foregoing Charter for the purposes and
considerations therein Expressed on the day of its date, as
their act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal on
this the 8th day of March 1877.
W. H. Bordenhamer (Seal)
Mayor &c

Attorney Generals Office Jackson Miss.
March 9th. 1877.

I have Examined the provisions of the within and fore-
going Charter of incorporation and find the same to be Constitutional.
G. E. Harris
Attorney General &c

State of Mississippi. Executive Department
Jackson. March 9th, 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the "City Stables" located at
Okolona, in the County of Chickasaw, is approved.

As witness my hand and the Great Seal
of the State, this 9th. day of March A.D.
1877. J. M. Stone.

By the Governor: James Hill
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Central Co-operative Association, Patrons of Husbandry, of Mississippi. No. 1.

1st The purposes for which this Corporation is formed are, and shall be, to Establish and Maintain in the City of Jackson Hinds County, Mississippi, a Co-operative Store to purchase and sell all kinds of produce and Merchandise, and to transact a Mercantile business, for the Mutual benefit of the Customers and Shareholders.

2d. The Names of the persons who are Corporators under this Charter are N. O. Dixon, Thomas Atkinson W. D. Lee, J. B. Berry, T. N. Norrell, L. F. Montgomery, and J. B. Yellowley.

3d. The Corporate Name of this Association hereby incorporated shall be the Central Co-operative Association of Patrons of Husbandry of Mississippi. No. 1.

4th The persons above mentioned are hereby Constituted a body Politic Corporate and by the Name aforesaid shall have perpetual succession and by that Name shall be Capable in Law of Contracting and being Contracted with, suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded answering and being answered unto as to all Matters Whatsoever in any Court of Law or Equity and may purchase and hold Real personal and Mixed Property and dispose of the same for the benefit of said Association and may raise Money in any Manner agreed upon in the Constitution of said Association and may have and use a Common Seal. and change break and renew the same at pleasure and shall have Power to appoint all Necessary Officials of said Corporation and to make all such by-laws and Regulations as shall be requisite and Expedient for the proper Management of the affairs thereof not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

5th The Corporation hereby Created is without limitation of time and is to be perpetual.

N. O. Dixon.
Thos. Atkinson.
W. D. Lee.
J. B. Berry.
Thos. N. Norrell.
J. B. Yellowley.
L. F. Montgomery.

State of Mississippi. }
Hinds County. } Before me, Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County and State, this day personally appeared, N. O. Dixon, Thos. Atkinson, W. D. Lee, J. B. Berry, Thos. N. Norrell and J. B. Yellowley, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day of the date thereof, and for the purposes therein specified, as their act and deed.

Witness my Hand and official Seal [illegible]

of February 1877. W. P. Ratliff Clerk
By A. G. Munn D.C. Clerk.

State of Mississippi } Before me R. E. Andrews a Justice of the
Madison County. } Peace in and for said County and State, this day personally
appeared L. F. Montgomery who acknowledged that he signed
sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day of the
date thereof, and for the purposes therein specified as
his act and deed.

Witness my Hand and seal this 5th day of
April 1877.

R. E. Andrews (Seal.)
Justice of the Peace.

Attorney Generals Office
April 10th 1877.

I have Examined the within and
foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Central
Co-operative Association, Patrons of Husbandry
of Mississippi, No. 1." and find the provisions
therein Contained to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss. April 10th 1877.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Central
Co-operative Association of Patrons of Husbandry of
Mississippi, No. 1." is approved.

As witness my Hand, and the Great Seal.
of the State, at Jackson, this 10th day
of April, A.D. 1877.

J. M. Stone.

(Seal.)

By the Governor: James Hill
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bolton Cemetery Association.

1st It This Corporation is formed for the purpose of providing a Cemetery for the use of the White Citizens of the Town of Bolton and Vicinity

2d It shall be Composed of the following Named persons as Incorporators, Seven in Number— to wit:
W. O. Bonnie, W. H. Graham, C. S. Robinson, H. H. Jones, Wm Klingman, J. E. Davis and E. E. Baldwin. And such others as they from time to time may associate with them, when as hereinafter provided to fill Vacancies— in their Number, Caused by death, removal or withdrawal from the Company.

3d The Corporation shall be known as the Bolton— Cemetery Association and by such Name shall Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded.

4th It shall have the power to purchase or accept donations of land, and hold the same for its use and purposes as a Cemetery, to improve and keep the same in order, to sell lots therein for burial purposes, to loan out any unemployed funds it may have on hand, at any time, and to Collect the same with the interest thereon and generally to do all things necessary to be done for the purposes aforesaid of Establishing and Maintaining a Cemetery.

5th This Charter shall be perpetual and without limit.

6th The said incorporators shall have the right— whenever a Member dies, resigns or removes from the Town of Bolton which (shall be taken as a resignation) to Elect a Member in his place, the intention being that the original Number of incorporators— seven, shall be kept up and perpetuated.

It shall Elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer annually, who shall together— Constitute an Executive Committee.

A majority of the incorporators and who have not removed nor resigned shall Constitute a quorum for all business. It shall have a Common Seal.

All the funds belonging to the Company which are not needed for the purchase or improvement of the grounds, may be loaned out, the income arising therefrom— used in Keeping the grounds in repair. No Salary shall be paid to any Officer of the Company. Nor any— Compensation whatever for his services. Nor shall any dividend be made of any funds among the— incorporators.

Nor shall any profit in any way accrue to any thereof from any of— the funds of the Association.

E. E. Baldwin. (Seal.)
W. O. Bonnie. (Seal.)
Wm Klingman (Seal.)

C. H. Jones Seal.
W. W. Graham Seal.
C. L. Robinson Seal.
Dora E. Davis Seal.

State of Mississippi
Hinds County

This day personally appeared before the undersigned an acting justice of the peace in and for the said County and State, C. L. Robinson, W. W. Graham, C. H. Jones D. E. Davis W. Bucklingman, E. E. Baldwin and W. O'Bannie and acknowledged that they signed and sealed the above Charter as their own act and deed and for all the purposes therein expressed on this 14th day of April 1877.

Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of April 1877.

J. W. Black J.P. Seal

Attorney Generals Office,
Jackson Miss. April 24" 1877

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of incorporation and find the provisions therof to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris.
Attorney General.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.
April 24" 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the "Bolton Cemetery Association" is approved. As Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi at Jackson, this 24th day of April, A.D. 1877.

Seal.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor:
James Hill
Secretary of State.

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Charter of the Summit Leather Manufacturing Company.

Article 1st. The purpose for which this incorporated Company is formed, is to Engage in the Tanning, dressing and finishing of the Skins and Hides of animals of Every Kind, into Leather of Every Kind dressed and undressed, with or without the Hair, Wool or Fur remaining thereon, and out of such Tanned Leather and prepared Skins and Hides to manufacture one or more or all or none of the following Articles to wit— Harness, Saddles, Gears, Boots, Shoes, gloves, and such Articles of whatever Kind or name, into the Manufactory of which Leather or prepared Skins, Enters in whole or in part as a Constituent of such Manufactured Articles— Made and prepared by said Company, through and their Officers or Agents, in any markets for the same, with the intent to render the Capital of the Stockholders invested therein profitable with a view to an Annual,— Semi-Annual, Quarterly longer or shorter period of— divisions of said profits in the Shape of dividends among the Stockholders in said Company.

Article 2d. The said Company is Composed of the following Stockholders, to wit J. N. Mills & Co, L. E. Dennisson, W. J. Johns, W. T. White, J. C. Corrington, T. R. Stockdale, Wm Salusbury, Jno. J. White, N. N. Mims and H. Cassidy— and such others as may hereafter become associated with them,— are hereby Constituted a body Corporate, under the name and Style of the Summit Leather Manufacturing Company, having its domicil hereby established in the Town of Summit in the County of— Pike State of Mississippi.

Article 3d. That said Company shall have power and is have Corporate Existance, and to Enjoy Succession in its Corporate name for and during the period of Twenty years from the date of the Execution of these presents, unless Sooner dissolved in the manner— hereinafter provided for. And shall Commence business as soon— as Two Thousand Dollars of its Capital Stock Shall have been subscribed and all requisites of the law shall have been— Complied with.

Article 4. It shall have power and authority— to sue and be sued in its Corporate name, and to that End the President of said Company is hereby designated as the proper Officer upon whom Citation or other Legal Notices shall be Served, in any legal process brought against said Company.

Article 5. It shall have power and authority to make use and have a Corporate Seal or dispense with same as the By-Laws may determine.

Article 6. It shall have power and authority to Elect by its Stockholders one President and four directors who may appoint such Managers, and Officers as its interests may require, and it shall have power and authority to make and establish such rules and by-laws for— the proper Management and regulations of its Corporate affairs as may be proper and necessary, and it shall possess generally all such powers and privileges as are incident by law to Corporations, and not inconsistent with the This

Article 8. The Capital Stock of the said Company is hereby fixed at Ten Thousand Dollars divided into Four Hundred Shares of Twenty Five Dollars Each, to be increased to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars if— Hereafter so desired by the said Company.

Article 9. Payment of the Capital Stocks of the said Company shall be made as follows, To wit: Ten per cent of the Subscribed Stock shall be paid in Cash, for the remainder due upon Each individual Subscription the Subscribers shall furnish their promissory notes payable upon demand to the Treasurer of the said Company, Subject however, to Call payments thereon to be made, whenever in the opinion of the board of Directors the necessities of the Company may require it. Such calls when made shall be payable within Five days after written or printed notice shall have been given to that Effect. Subscribers may however at any time pay up in full the whole amount of their Subscription.

Article 10. Upon the failure of any Stockholder to Comply with the Calls made upon him, as above provided for, the Stock owned by such Stockholder together with all dividends thereon due or increase thereto accrued shall be liable to forfeiture to the Company, by a vote of the board of Directors to that effect; or the Company at its option Enforce, either the payment of the Stock in full or the Calls when made.

Article 11. All transfers of Stock, to be valid, shall be made on the books of the Company, but no Stockholder shall have the right to transfer his or her Stock, or to cause it to be transfered, until all of his matured obligations to the said Company shall have been fully discharged. Should any Stockholder, however, desire to transfer his or her Stock, previous to its having been paid up in full he shall be permitted so to do by Substituting the obligation of the purchaser in lieu and place of his own, provided, however, that the Substituted obligation be satisfactory to the Board of Directors of the Company.

Article 12. It shall have power and authority to own hold purchase, receive, sell and otherwise convey all kinds of property real personal or mixed.

Article 13. All Corporate powers of the Company shall be exercised by a President and board of directors and by such Officers and Agents as the said board shall appoint.

Article 14 The board of Directors of said Company shall consist of four persons two of whom with the president or in his absence three directors (one of whom shall be president pro-tem) shall constitute a quorum provided however, that no person shall be Eligible as President or as a member of the Board of Directors who does not at the time of his Election, and during his continuance in Office, own or the time of which at least Five Shares of the Capital

Article 15. The Election of our President and four directors shall be by ballot, and shall take place (after the first Election for organization) on the first Monday in January of Each and Every Year, at the Office of the Company or such other place as might be selected Authority of the board of Directors in Office at the time except in the Election to Organize the Company in the next Article provided. In the Event of no Election taking place on the day above prescribed another Election shall be held five days thereafter, and shall be repeated Consecutively at intervals of five days, until an Election shall Election Election shall have been Effected.

Article 16. The board of Directors shall appoint three of the Stockholders of the said Company Inspectors, to preside at and Conduct such Elections; and if any such inspectors shall decline or fail to act or attend at such Elections, then and in that Event, the President of the board shall appoint instanter, others to fill such Vacancies at all Elections. Each Stockholder shall be Entitled, Either in person or by proxy (authorized in writing to act) to one vote on Each Share of the Capital Stock of said Company, which he or she may own. Those persons receiving a plurality of votes at the Election shall be considered duly Elected.

Article 17. The board of Directors, thus Elected, shall take their seats on the first Monday following such Election, and shall hold the same one year thereafter, or until others are Elected and qualified in their stead.

Article 18. The said board of Directors shall have all administrative, and through its proper Officers and Agents, all Executive powers necessary for Conducting and Carrying on the business of the Company. It shall have full power and authority to enact all requisite rules and regulations for its own government to adopt such by-laws for the Government of the Corporation, for the transaction of its business, and for the regulation of its affairs, and to amend and alter the same; Provided that all such rules, regulations, and by-laws be not Contrary to the provisions of this Charter, to the Laws of the United States or to the Various Acts of the Legislature of this State.

Article 19. That Jno. H. Wells, Wm. Mann and L. E. Dennison are hereby Constituted Commissioners Vested with the authority of acting as inspectors to hold the first Election under this Charter for the Election of the president and Directors of this Company whom are hereby vested with all the powers, and directed to discharge all the duties, so far as the same are applicable, vested in and required of the inspectors of the Annual Elections provided for herein by Article XX hereof.

That within a Convenient time not longer than ten days after the reception of said Charter, authenticated according to Law, then by any of said incorporators, the said inspectors or either of them, shall give notice to Each of said Stockholders in writing of the time and place for holding the first Election under this Charter, at which time and place the said inspectors or any one or more of them present at said time and place shall proceed

to hold an Election for president and four members to
constitute the board of directors for said Company, in the
same way and manner as the annual Elections of said
Officers are provided for herein, and upon failure of
said Election for any Cause, that said Inspectors,
shall proceed after notice within five days thereafter
to hold another Election, upon the failure thereof,
and this shall be repeated, until an Election is
effected and said Company duly organized.

Article 20. The President shall hold his Office for the period of
one year from the time he is Elected and qualified. He shall
be the Executive Officer of the Company, and shall conduct
manage, and transact all of its business under the supervision
and direction of the board of directors. He shall sign
all Contracts, preside at all meetings of the board of di-
rectors and Stockholders, cause all Special Notices of
Meetings, Elections &c &c to be promulgated, and generally
do and perform all Executive acts required for the
transaction of the business of the Company—in the
Event of the absence of the President they shall
should be three of the directors present, they shall
designate one of their numbers to act as President
pro-tempore, who shall, until the return of the
President, shall Exercise all powers and functions,
and said Board thus Constituted shall be a quorum to
transact business.

Article 21. During the first year after the Commencement of business
by this Company no dividends shall be declared
but the profits shall be employed to Extend the
operations of the Company under the direction of the
board of directors.

Article 22. That by the Consent of two thirds of the Stockholders, after
notice given for an Election for that purpose as herein
provided for other Elections, the said Company may deter-
mine to dissolve and surrender its Charter, and thereupon
the property real and personal shall be sold by the proper
Officers of said Company, and the debts thereof paid, and
the debts due the same shall be collected and the residue
of said Stock and the same be paid to the holder thereof, and
upon the Consummation of this settlement the said Corpora-
tion shall thenceforward be dissolved and its Corporate
powers cease and determine notwithstanding the period of
twenty years shall not have then Expired.

In testimony of
our Consent to this Charter we the under-
signed Stockholders Pursuant Subscribe our names
this the 17 day of April A.D. 1877.

Jno. H. Mills & Co.

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L. E. Dennisson.
W. F. Johns.
W. F. White.
J. L. Covington.
J. J. White.
W. W. Moore
N. Cassidy
Wm Salusbury.
J. R. Stockdale.

The State of Mississippi
County of Pike.

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State the above named Jno. N. Mills and Co. (Composed of Jno. N. Mills and W. J. Bradshaw) L. E. Dennisson W. F. Johns, W. F. White, J. L. Covington, J. R. Stockdale, Wm Salusbury, W. W. Moore, N. Cassidy and Jno. J. White, who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of April A.D. 1877.

Charles N. Syster J. P. (Seal.)
Justice of the Peace.

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss, April 24th 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Summit Leather Manufacturing Company" and find the provisions Contained therein to be Constitutional

J. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.
April 24. 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the "Summit Leather Manufacturing Company" is approved.

(Seal.)

As witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, this 24th day of April, A.D. 1877.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.

James Hill
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Hebrew Young Men's Literary and Dramatic Association

Section 1. The Hebrew Young Men's Literary and Dramatic Association is incorporated and by this instrument Chartered for the purposes of Mutual improvement in the arts and sciences.

Sec. 2. The Corporators under this Charter shall be the following named parties or such other persons as by the rules or regulations hereinafter provided for may be admitted to membership and become associated with them to wit: D. Stern. N. Ullmann, E. M. Metzger. L. Rothenberg. L. N. Metzger, S. Plumfort. D. Schwab. J. Baum Dr. M. Feller, S. Plumfort. D. Schwab. J. Baum Dr. M. Feller, G. C. Langsfeld. M. Kahn. L. Stern. Geo. Barnett. M. Rothenberg.

Sec. 3. This Corporation shall be known and designated as the Hebrew Young Men's Literary and Dramatic Association.

Sec. 4. It shall be lawful for this Association under its Corporate Name to buy or own property Either Real or personal and to sell and dispose of the same at will and to have a Common Seal. and to use the same whenever it becomes necessary to Contract debts and take obligations to sue and be sued as other Corporations to plead and be impleaded to make such Constitution and by-laws for their regulation and Government as they deem and which shall promote the Objects for which they are Chartered not inconsistent with the Laws of the State of Illinois or of the United States of America.

Sec. 5. There shall be no limit in point of time to this Charter but it shall be in full force and effect as long as the Hebrew Young Men's Literary and Dramatic Association shall Exist as an organization under and by the provisions hereof.

Section 6. The Officers of the Hebrew Young Men's Literary and Dramatic Association shall Consist of a President Vice President Secretary and Treasurer whose Election and term of Office may be provided for in the Constitution of the Association and such other Officers as from time to time in the wisdom of the Members is deemed necessary for the promotion of the Cause for which they are incorporated.

Sec. 7. This Association shall have power to impose and collect Fines in manner of imposing and the amount of the fine to be regulated by the Constitution or by-laws and any fine thereby imposed shall be a legal liability and may be collected as

other debts.

Signed &c.

H. W. Hirschfeld
L. Rothenberg
L. N. Meetzger.
Isaac Klein.
M. Kahn
D Schwab.

George Barnett.
E. N. Metzgar
M. Rothenberg.
S. & Langfeld.
S. Hirschfeld
L. Solomon.
Max Filler.
Jos. Bamm Jr.

State of Mississippi
Lauderdale County } This day personally came before me McRae Mosby Chancery Clerk in and for said County the above named D. Klein. H. W. Hirschfeld E. N. Metzger. L. Rothenberg, L. N. Metzger S. Hirschfeld D. Schwab. J. Bamm Jr. M. Filler. S. & Langfeld. M. Solomon L. Solomon. George Barnett, M. Rothenberg who acknowledged that they signed and sealed the foregoing charter for the purposes therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Seal.

Given under my hand and seal of Office, this the day of Febry. 1877.
McRae Mosby Clk
By H. C. Moon D.C.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss. July 21, 1877.

I have Examined the within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the "Hebrew Young Mens Literary and Dramatic Association" and find the provisions therein Contained to be Constitutional.

G. E. Harris
Attorney General.

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Executive Office, Jackson, Miss. July 23d 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the "Hebrew Young Mens Literary and Dramatic Association" is approved.

Seal.

As Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State affixed at Jackson this 23d day of July. 1877.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor:

James Hill.
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Phoenix Co-operative Association" of the County of Jefferson.

Section 1. Whereas and by Virtue of the laws of the State of Mississippi, the following Citizens of said County of Jefferson to wit— B. K. Montgomery, T. L. Darden, J. K. Whitley, J. R. Armistead, J. J. Whitney, W. S. Briscoe, James McClelan, J. B. McCormick and Levi Whitney, their Associates, Successors and Assigns are hereby made and Constituted a body Corporate under the Name and Style of the "Phoenix Co-operative Association" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and by that name may have a Common Seal. And such Association may have and possess all powers and privileges usually pertaining to bodies Corporate.

Sec. 2. The Object of this Association is to Establish and Maintain at the town of Fayette in said County of Jefferson, a Co-operative Store or Mercantile Establishment, upon the general plan of Co-operative Associations recommended by the National Grange of the order of Patrons of Husbandry in the United States, for purposes of general trade and merchandise of every description for the Mutual benefit of the Shareholders and Customers of said Association.

Sec 3. Said Corporation may have a Capital Stock of Twenty five thousand dollars with the privilege of increasing the same from time to time when in the opinion of the Stockholders owning a majority of the Stock the interest of said Corporation may so thereby demand to any amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. Said Capital Stock to be divided into shares of five dollars each, to be taken only by members of the order of Patrons of Husbandry and in all Elections no Stockholder to have more than one vote no matter how many shares of Stock he may own. Said shares to be transferable as said Corporation may by law direct.

Sec. 4 Said Corporation shall not be limited in point of time as to the period of its existence shall have full power to elect all Officers deemed necessary for its government and to require of any of such Officers such bonds as it may deem proper to enact such Constitution and by laws, rules and regulations as may be deemed proper and Expedient shall have full power to receive and acquire by donation or purchase Estate both real and personal, and hold the same in fee, Mortgage or trust for the benefit or use of said Association to sell, Exchange, transfer, assign and make good title to the same, and generally to have, Enjoy and Exercise all the rights privileges and powers usually incident to bodies Corporate and to do all acts necessary to the complete fulfillment of the purposes of said Association, not Contrary to the Laws of the State.

In testimony thereof

said Incorporators have hereunto affixed their hands and seals this the 20th day of June A.D. 1877.—

J. R. Amistead	Seal.	James McClure	Seal.
P. K. Montgomery	Seal.	W. S. Briscoe	Seal
J. J. Whitney.	Seal.	C. H. Whitney	Seal.
T. L. Warren.	Seal.	P. K. Whitney	Seal.
		J. B. McClennick	Seal.

State of Mississippi }
Jefferson County } Personally appeared before the undersigned Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County and State the above named J. R. Amistead, P. K. Montgomery, J. J. Whitney, T. L. Warren, James McClure, W. S. Briscoe, C. H. Whitney, P. K. Whitney and J. B. McClennick, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day & the date therein and for the purposes therein specified as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and official seal. this 20th day of July A.D. 1877.

D. C. Kearns Clk.
By O. H. McGinty. D.C.

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss July 23rd 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of the "Phoenix Co-operative Association" of the County of Jefferson and find the provisions therein Contained to be Constitutional.

T. E. Harris
Attorney General.

Executive Office.
Jackson, Mississippi.
July 25th 1877.

The foregoing Charter of the "Phoenix Co-operative Association" is hereby approved.

Seal.

As witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State affixed, at Jackson this 25th day of July. 1877.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor:
James Hill
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Sea Female College".

The following named persons to wit — J.R. Sample J.L. Everett, W.T. White, Dewitt C. Lea, W.E. Tynes, of the County of Pike, Rev. C.H. Rolls, James E. Lea, H.M. Lea, W.J. Lea R.S. McClain of Amite County, John D. Leggett, B.A. Crawford, John A. Holmes D.C. Walker and J.R. Parish also of Pike County, be and they and their successors, are hereby constituted a body Corporate under the Name and Style of the Sea Female College, with full powers to have perpetual succession, to accept donations of Money or property real and personal for the establishment of an Institution of learning, for the exclusive teaching of Females in the Town of Summit in the County of Pike to be known as Sea Female College and in that Name to be sued, to contract and be contracted with, to own and hold property of every kind real acquire, buy, sell, transfer and personal to the Value of two hundred thousand dollars to employ the same in buying suitable grounds for the Erection and to Erect suitable buildings on which to Erect and for the accommodation of Female pupils, teach and as residence for the President and Professors of said College with suitable conveniences for the Comfort and Study of the pupils therein, to provide suitable apparatus of Every Kind usual in such Institutions of Learning, to facilitate the studies therein, and to do and perform all necessary and proper acts to form and Continue a first Class institution of learning, devoted to the Education of Females. The persons herein named shall Constitute a Board of Trustees for said College. Said Trustees shall have power to pass, amend and repeal By-Laws for said Institution not in violation of the Constitution or Laws of the United States or of this State.

2nd. Said Trustees are hereby authorized and empowered to organize by Electing from their own number the following Officers, to wit: one President, three Secretary and one Treasurer, and by By-Laws to define the powers and duties of Each, and fix the time and mode of electing and duration of the term of Office. The said Officers shall continue in Office for such time as may be specified in the said By-Laws, and until their Successors as Officers are elected and Enter upon the discharge of their duties.

3rd. The Successors of the said Trustees of said Sea Female College shall be appointed in the following manner. The Baptist Church of Summit in the County of Pike, shall annually on the First Sunday of September select from their Church membership one Male member as Trustee for said Sea Female College; the Mississippi Association of the Baptist Church shall at the Annual meeting thereof Select one male member of said Association; and the Bogue Chitto Association, at the Annual meeting thereof shall select one male Member as Trustee for said Sea Female College, a Certificate of the Pastor in charge of the Summit

Baptist Church shall be the Credentials of the Trustees selected by said Church and a like Certificate of the Moderator of each of said Associations shall Constitute the Credentials of the Trustees — Appointed by Each of said Associations respectively — Eight of said Trustees shall Constitute a quorum to transact business.

4th The Trustees herein named upon their first organization shall divide themselves into five Classes of three Each to be numbered 1. 2. 3. 4. and 5. and by lot it shall be determined which Class shall hold for one year, which for two years, which for three years, which Class for four years and which Class for the period of five years, said term Commencing from such determination, and as the said terms of Office of the Trustee or Trustees of Each Class expires, the said bodies herein before mentioned who are vested with the power of selecting said Trustees, shall Each appoint annually a successor to the trustee selected by their body — whose term of Office [illegible] Trustee shall expire and thereafter the term of Office for Each Trustee so selected shall be for the term of five years, and until his Successor is Chosen and acts in said Capacity.

In default of either of said bodies charged with the duty of selecting a Trustee for said Female College, to make such appointment then the Trustees present and acting as said Board of Trustees at the first meeting after said failure, shall have power to supply the vacancy, and Members so appointed shall fill said place until it may be filled by the Church or Association authorized to make the appointment or until the term of Office so filled shall expire, and their Successor be appointed and enter upon the discharge of his duties. All Vacancies by death resignation or otherwise in the place of any member of said Board of Trustees, shall be filled in one or the other mode herein before pointed out as the case may be. But to prevent a disorganization of the Corporation, the President of the Board of Trustees or in his absence, the Secretary, or in the absence of both, the Treasurer, Each with the approval of the President of said Sea Female College and in the absence of all three — then the President and Faculty of said Sea Female College are in the order herein named authorized and hereby empowered to appoint a Board of Trustees for said Institution.

5th The said Trustees herein named at their first meeting under this Charter, and their Successors annually thereafter shall elect an Executive Committee for said Female College, from their own number, Composed of five persons, three of whom shall be members of the Summit Baptist Church, and one from the Trustees of the Mississippi Association, and one from the Trustees of the Bogue Chitto Association, three of the members of said Executive Committee shall Constitute a quorum to transact business.

6th The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be held during the Commencement week of the College and they may meet at such other time as the Executive Committee may request giving them notice of the time and place for such meeting.

7th ¶ The duties of the Executive Committee may be defined and regulated by the By-Laws and they may be called together at any time by a notice in writing by the President of the College.

8th ¶ The Board of Trustees shall have power to elect the President of said Lea Female College, but the first President shall be Rev. Chas. H. Otken who shall hold said Office so long as he may continue able to discharge its duties, and he to have the College buildings free of rent.

9th ¶ The President of said College shall select and employ the faculty and teachers therein, but their salaries shall be regulated by the Board of Trustees subject to the approval of the President of the College.

10th That the President of Lea Female College by and with the Consent of the Faculty thereof is hereby empowered to confer such honorary degrees as are customary in other like institutions of learning and to grant diplomas to graduates in accordance with law

11th After these Articles are approved in accordance herein, one or more issued as a Charter to the incorporators herein, one of their number shall fix a time and appoint a place for the meeting of the Trustees herein named and notify each one of them thereof in writing when and where they shall meet and organize under this Charter as a Board of Trustees, and proceed to carry out the same by the Election of Officers, and such other acts as will put in operation said Lea Female College as speedily as possible. or some department thereof

W. H. Bolls Seal
James E. Lea. Seal.
H. M. Lea. Seal.
R. S. McCain. Seal.
W. E. Lea. Seal.
John. Holmes. Seal.
David E. Walker. Seal.
F. L. Everett.

W. F. Lea. Seal.
W. E. Sykes. Seal.
J. R. Parish. Seal.
W. T. White. Seal.
J. R. Samples. Seal.
John G. Leggett. Seal.
B. A. Crawford. Seal.

The State of Mississippi } Personally appeared before me R. M.
Amite County } Nelson a Justice of the Peace of the said County of Amite,
the within named, Rev. W. H. Bolls, James E. Lea, H. M. Lea,
W. F. Lea and R. S. McCain, who acknowledged each that he
signed, sealed, and delivered the foregoing act of incorporation
of Lea Female College on the day and year therein mentioned.
as the act and deed of each for the purposes therein mentioned.
Given under my hand this 25th
day of August A. D. 1877.
R. M. Nelson, J. P. Seal.

State of Mississippi } ss. Personally appeared before me
Pike County. } S. A. Matthews, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County

and State, W. E. Hynes, J. R. Parish, N. J. White, D. C. Lea, J. R. Sample, John Holmes, John D. Leggett, David C. Walker, B. A. Crawford and Z. L. Everett who acknowledged each that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing act of incorporation of Lea Female College on the day and year therein mentioned as the act and deed of each for the purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal this 25th day of September 1877.

S. A. Matthews. J. P. (Seal.)

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss. October 13. 1877.

I have examined the Contents of the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Lea Female College" and find the provisions therein Contained, to be Constitutional.

H. E. Harris
Attorney General &c.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Mississippi,
October 15, 1877.

The foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Lea Female College" is approved.

(Seal.)

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi affixed, at Office, this 15th day of October A.D. 1877.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor:
James Hill
Secretary of State.

Charter of Incorporation "Independent Order of Temperance"

1st ~ This Charter of Incorporation is asked and granted for the purpose of promoting the Cause of Temperance and Charity both in sentiment and action.

2nd ~ The following names Constitute the Corporators thereof. Frank A. Young. John M. Smythe. N. V. Barr. C. E. Marty and John Estelle.

3rd ~ This Corporation shall be known as the "Independent Order of Temperance."

4th ~ This Corporation shall exist without limit of time, and shall have power to appoint Successors to its present Corporators in Manner to be designated by By Laws — in Perpetuo, which By Laws shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution, and Statutes of the United States and the State of Mississippi.

5th ~ This Corporation shall have power to sue and be sued in its Corporate Name, and shall have power to own property, real-personal and Mixed, necessary and proper to Carry out its Objects not to exceed in Value Twenty Thousand Dollars.

6th ~ This Corporation shall have power to establish Branches of the Order with like powers and privileges as herein granted in Every town or County within the State of Mississippi.

Frank A. Young (Seal.)
John M. Smythe (Seal.)
N. V. Barr (Seal.)
C. E. Marty (Seal.)
John Estelle (Seal.)

State of Mississippi }
Hinds County }

Personally appeared before me "John McGill" Mayor of the City of Jackson and Ex. officio Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Frank A. Young — John M. Smythe. N. V. Barr C. E. Marty and John Estelle, who acknowledge that they signed, sealed and delivered the the above writing, as their act and deed on the day and year therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of October A.D. 1877.

John McGill Mayor of Jackson and Ex Officio a J.P. (Seal.)

Attorney General's Office, Jackson Miss, Oct. 17, 1877.

I have examined the above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Independent order of Temperance and find no Constitutional Objection to the provisions therein Contained.

G. E Harris. Attorney General

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi October 18th 1877.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Independent Order of Temperance" is approved.

As witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi affixed, at Jackson this 18th day of October, A.D. 1877.

J. M. Stone.

(Seal.)

By the Governor: James Hill Secretary of State.

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Charter of Incorporation of the Magnolia Benevolent Society

Article 1st. This Society is established for the benefit of its member in case of sickness, necessity and death.

Article 2d. This Society shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to contract and be contracted with to hold, lease and convey real estate, to have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure and to establish other and branch societies in this State

Article 3d. This Society shall have power to purchase and hold grounds necessary for a Cemetary

Article 4th. This Society shall have power to make such by laws Rules and Regulations necessary for the benefit management and government of the Society not contrary to nor inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and the Constitution and laws of this State.

Article 5th That Joseph Singletary, Thomas Jefferson, Peter Simmons Silas Young, Richard Montgomery, Green Young, John Bradley David Moore, Jumins Ponton and Cephas Brown and their successors be and they are hereby created Corporators of said Society

Article 6th This Society shall be known as the Magnolia Benevolent Society

Article 7th This Society shall have perpetual succession

Signed, Sealed and delivered this 27th day of October A.D. 1877.

Joseph his mark Singletary (Seal)
Thomas his mark Jefferson (Seal)
Peter his mark Simmons (Seal)
Silas his mark Young. (Seal)
Richard his mark Montgomery (Seal)
Green his mark Young (Seal)
John his mark Bradley (Seal)
David his mark Moore. (Seal)
Jumins his mark Ponton (Seal)
Cephas his mark Brown (Seal)

The State of Mississippi }
Pike County }

Before me William M. Conerly Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County this day personally appeared the within named Joseph Singletary Thomas Jefferson Peter Simmons Silas Young Richard Montgomery Green Young John Bradley David Moore Jumins Ponton, Cephas Brown who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the

foregoing Charter on the day and year therein mentioned as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at Magnolia this 27th day of October.

W. M. Conerly Clerk

Seal

Attorney Generals Office.
Jackson Miss Nov 9. 1877.

I have carefully examined the within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation and find no Constitutional objections to the provisions therein contained

L. C. Harris
Attorney General pro.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi
November 9th 1877.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Magnolia Benevolent Society is approved.

As Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereto affixed at Jackson this 9th day of November A.D. 1877.

J. M. Stone

Seal.

By the Governor
James Hill
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Lyceum Hall Association of Yazoo City

1 This corporation is formed for the purpose of building and furnishing for public use, under such rules and by-laws, as may, from time to time, be adopted, a public hall in Yazoo City, Yazoo County, State of Mississippi.

2 Fountain Barksdale, Garnett Andrews, Theodore Schmitt, Jonas P. Moore John Woolerstein, William S. Epperson, Emil Schaefer, Franklin Payne, and Robert E. Hudson, and their successors in office are appointed a Board of Directors of the association, to serve until their successors in office are duly elected, and qualified.

3 The association hereby incorporated shall be known as The Lyceum Hall association of Yazoo City.

4 This association, in and by its corporate name and through its Board of Directors shall have power to acquire by purchase lease or otherwise, real, personal and mixed property, in said City and County, to an amount not to exceed in value at the time of acquisition, twenty five thousand dollars, and in and by its corporate name may receive title to any property, real, personal or mixed and may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the same; may contract and be contracted with; sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any of the Courts in this State;

5 The legal existence of this corporation is not limited in point of time.

6 The by-laws of this association shall be proposed by one, or more of its Board of Directors, and adopted by a majority vote of the whole number thereof, and shall fix the term of office, and the time, and manner of election of all of the officers of this association, and shall prescribe the duties and powers of the officers, and Board of Directors, with reference to the acquisition, improvement, management and control of the property and franchises of this Association the issue sale and transfer of stock of association and all other matters properly belonging or appertaining thereto.

7 The Officers of this Corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and a Board of Directors, consisting of five, all to be chosen from the stock holders of this association, each share of stock representing one vote. The officers of this association shall be, ex officio, members of the Board

of Directors.

8 The stock in this association, for building and improvement purposes is limited to twenty five thousand dollars, each share of stock to be twenty five dollars; and no stock holder herein shall be bound by the Judgment, or decree of any court in this state, against this corporation, for any amount greater than the amount of stock owned by him therein at the time of the rendition of such judgment or decree.

9 The Board of Directors is authorized to receive subscriptions of stock in this association, and to issue and sell certificate of stock therein, on such terms and under such regulations, as may be prescribed in the by-laws of this association, and not contrary to the provisions of this Charter.

In witness whereof the above named Corporations hereto sign their names and affix their seals on this the 19th day of November 1877,

F. Barksdale. Seal
Garnett Andrews. Seal
Theo: Schmitt. Seal
J. P. Moore Seal
J. Stolerstein. Seal
W. S. Ellerson. Seal
Emile Schaefer. Seal
Franklin Payne, Seal
R. G. Hudson Seal

~~Attorney Generals Office~~ Jackson Miss Nov 22, 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Lyceum Hall association of Yazoo City." and that the provisions therein contained are constitutional.

G. E. Harris Attorney General, &c.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Mississippi
November 22, 1877,

The foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Lyceum Hall association of Yazoo City" is approved,

As Witness my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, at Jackson, this 22d day of November A.D. 1877,

By the Governor J. M. Stone
James Lee
Secretary of State,

The State of Mississippi
Yazoo County

Personally appeared before me Geo. M. Powell Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County and State the within named F. Barksdale Garnett Andrews Theo Schmitt J. P. Moor J. Holerstein H. S. Epperson. Emile Schaefer Franklin Payne and R. G. Hudson who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned, as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and Seal of office this 19th day of November A. D. 1877.

Geo M. Powell
Clerk-

Seal

Attorney Generals Office
Jackson Miss. Nov 22, 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Lyceum Hall association of Yazoo City" and that the provisions therein contained are Constitutional. S. E. Harris
Attorney General, &c.

"Executive Office,
Jackson Mississippi
November 22, 1877.

The foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Lyceum Hall Association of Yazoo City" is approved.

In Witness my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, at Jackson, this 22 day of November A. D. 1877

Seal

By the Governor J. M. Stone
James Reed
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Calhoun Institute at Macon
in the County of Noxubee and State of Mississippi

J. F. Kolburgh and all other persons who may now and hereafter
be associated with him for the same purpose are hereby incorporated
under the Name of The Calhoun Institute, domiciled at Macon
And by that Name may sue, and be sued, plead and be impleaded
in all the Courts of law and equity in this State, And said
Corporation shall have perpetual succession, and the right to
acquire property real and personal by gift, purchase or otherwise,
and to hold and possess real and personal estate to the amount
of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and dispose of the same at their
will and pleasure. Said Corporation shall have
power to confer any and all scholastic degrees and issue
Diplomas therefor which are customary in institutions of
learning in this country, and shall have a common Seal
thereto

This corporation is formed for the sole purpose of
educating the Youth, both male and female, in all the
departments of literature science and arts that are
usually taught in institutions of similar character,
That said corporation as an institution of learning,
shall possess all the rights, immunities, powers
and privileges, common to institutions of this
Character not inconsistent with the laws and
Constitutions of this State, and the Constitution of
the United States

J. F. Kolburg.

The State of Mississippi } Before me Robert C. Patty, Clerk of
Noxubee County } the Chancery Court in and for said
County personally appeared the within named J. F. Kolburg,
who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered
the foregoing Charter of Incorporation as his act and deed,
and for the purposes therein mentioned,
Given under my hand and seal of office
this the 23rd day of November 1877
Robert C. Patty, Clerk.

Seal

Attorney Generals Office Jackson Miss Nov 26, 1877.

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of
Incorporation of the Calhoun Institute at Macon in
the County of Noxubee, and find no Constitutional
Objections to the provisions therein contained,
G. E. Harris
Attorney General, &c.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss,
November 26th 1877

The foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Calhoun
Institute" at Macon, in the county of Noxubee, and
State of Mississippi is approved. In Witness my

hand, and the Great-Seal of State affixed
at Jackson, this 26th day of November 1877
J. M. Stone

By the Governor
James Hill
Secretary of State.

The charter of incorporation of the Trustees of Union Academy, a literary institution of the city of Columbus.

I The purposes for which this corporation is formed are to hold in trust and receive a sum of money amounting to one thousand dollars, heretofore contributed by the citizens of Columbus for procuring a suitable building to be used as a school house for the education of poor children of the city of Columbus, and placed in the hands of the undersigned corporators, as trustees, for the purposes named, and hereafter invested by them in a certain building in the City of Columbus, known as Union Academy, also to obtain and secure a valid title to said building and property; to raise further sums of money, by contributions, or otherwise, to repair and enlarge the building; to furnish the same and to keep in repair the furniture and apparatus of such school; to maintain the educational facilities and interest of such school and to hold the property in trust, as a literary institution, for the education of the colored youth of Columbus Mississippi and surrounding Country.

II The names of the persons who are to be corporators are, Robert Flood Thaddeus H. Jayne, Jayne Moore, Jefferson Nick, and D. D. Mitchell, and their successors in office who may be hereafter elected in accordance with the by-laws and rules of said corporation.

III The corporate name by which the association is to be known is, The Trustees of Union Academy of the City of Columbus Mississippi

IV The powers invested to be exercised on ax follows: to make secure the sums of money mentioned in the first article of this charter in the building known as Union Academy in the City of Columbus. to obtain and secure a valid, legal title to said building and property by conveying thereto by deed or by negotiation, with any person or persons holding, claiming any interest therein to raise other sums of money by gifts and further sums of money by gifts and contributions or otherwise, to repair and enlarge the school building, to improve the property, to purchase books and school to solicit aid and assist

ance from the proper authorities of the Public Schools of the State of Mississippi, County of Lowndes, and City of Columbus, and the Public School Fund thereof and to obtain an equitable share of the same for the purpose of conducting such institution of said Public Schools in said City to afford to educational instruction and facility for a Free School, either, as a high grade institution or a free school so as to advance the intellectual and social status of the Colored race in the City of Columbus and surrounding Country; and to hold such money now invested or that may by hereafter (invested in said property) or as such as may be hereafter (obtained) or acquired, in trust for the use and benefit of the Colored youth and race of People, as herein set forth

V

The corporation is to have perpetual succession for the purposes herein stated, and no limit in point of time is fixed.

VI

The Corporation shall have power to sue or Call if a majority of those named herein, and to organize the Corporation: and generally to have and exercise such powers as are authorized by Chapter fifty five (55) and the several articles thereof of the Revised Code of 1871, and such other and further powers as may be required, or necessary to carry into effect the objects of said Corporation as herein stated, Provided the same do not conflict with the Constitution of the State of Mississippi, or of the United States the said Corporation, and their successors or trustees, shall have power to acquire own, hold and possess for the purposes herein named, real estate personal property money or all, to an amount not exceeding Ten Thousand ($10.000) Dollars

Witness our hands & Seals this 24 day of October 1877

Robert Flood (Seal)
D. D. Mitchell (Seal)
Jeff his mark Kirk (Seal)
Thadeus S. his mark James (Seal)
James mark Moore (Seal)

The State of Mississippi Lowndes County
Personally appeared before me W.C. Bishop, Clerk of the Chancery Court for said County the within named Robert Flood, D. D. Mitchell Jeff Kirk, T. S. James, & James Moore

who acknowledgid that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing amended Instrument of writing as act of Incorporation on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.
Given under my hand and seal of office at Columbus this the 2nd day of October A.D. 1877
W.L. Bishop Clerk.

Seal

Attorney Generals Office Jackson Mississippi
December 4th 1877

I have examined the within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the trustees of Union Academy of the City of Columbus Mississippi and find no constitutional objection to the Provisions therein contained.

G.E. Harris
Attorney General

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi
December 4th 1877

The foregoing Charter of incorporation of the trustees of Union Academy of the City of Columbus Mississippi is approved as a copy of the Law and the Great Seal of the State affixed at Jackson this 4th December 1877

By the Governor

J.M. Stone

James Hill
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Young Men's Benvolent Society No. 3. of Moss Point, Jackson County, Mississippi.

1st, The purpose of this corporation shall be for the aiding and maintaining of the disabled, Sick or otherwise distressed members of said Society, and to aid and help the Sick and poor colored people of the town of Moss Point, and vicinity, in Jackson County, Mississippi.

2nd, The names of said Corporators shall be Daniel Anderson, J. J. Purtum and Allen Dantzler, and their associates.

3d, It shall be Known as the Young Men's Benevolent Society, No. 3, of Moss Point, Jackson County, Mississippi.

4th, Said Corporators, with their associates or successors, and assigns be, and they are hereby, created a body politic and corporate, by the name and Style above mentioned, and by such name and style, may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded, in any Court of this State, and may purchase, use, hold and enjoy real and personal estate, not to exceed in value more than Ten Thousand Dollars; also to elect officers, and to make rules and regulations for the government of said Society, not inconsistent with the act and the Constitution and laws of this State — also to have and use a common Seal, and to alter, break, or renew the same at pleasure.

5th, There shall be no time limited for the existence of said Corporation.

6th, Said Corporators shall organize within Sixty days from the date of the approval of this Act by the Governor, by electing a President, Secretary and Treasurer, whose terms of office shall be regulated by the members of said Society, unless removed from office, in which case a two-thirds vote of the members present, shall be requisite for the removal of any officer. Shall in no wise be done, unless charges of incapacity, dishonesty, or want of attention to the duties of their respective office shall be preferred against any officers by at least five members of said Society and the officers whose charges are preferred shall have at least five days notice of the time and place of the trial of the charges so brought against him or them. The duties of the President of said Society shall be to preside at all meetings of the members of said incorporation, to sign all accounts that are ordered to be paid out by the Society. To negotiate for the loan of any moneys that may be in the treasury of the same. No loan of the funds of said Society shall be made unless a majority of the members present at any regular meeting or called meeting in which case a majority of the members of said Corporation shall have notice.

The Secretary shall keep a record of all the transactions of said Society. Do all the corresponding that may be necessary; draw a warrant for the payment of any moneys issued by order of said Society.

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys that may come into his hands, and shall give a bond if a majority of the members shall so require in any amount they may deem necessary — said bond may be made with one or more security. He shall pay all moneys out, by order of the Society on warrants drawn by the Secretary and Signed by the President. He shall make quarterly reports of the finances of said Society and oftener if required by the Society and do all things necessary with the duties of his office Said Society shall elect a member of said Corporation to preside when the

President is absent or incapacitated to preside

Daniel Anderson.
J. Yatum
Allen X his Dantzler
mark

Seal
Seal
Seal

The State of Mississippi,)
Jackson County,) Before me, C. Randall, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, and State, personally appeared Daniel Anderson, J. D. Yatum and Allen Dantzler, who Severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed and acknowledged the foregoing instrument of writing for the uses and purposes therein mentioned

Witness my hand and seal, this, the 27th day of March A. D., 1878.

C. Randall
Justice of the Peace.

Seal

I see no constitutional objections to any of the provisions of the foregoing Charter.

T. C. Catchings
Attorney-General

March 30th, 1878.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss,
March 30th, 1878.

The foregoing "charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Benevolent Society No. 3. of Moss Point, Jackson County, Mississippi" is approved,

As witness my hand, and the Great Seal of the State hereto affixed, at Jackson, this 30th day of March, 1878.

J. M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor
Enoch Jaconer,
Secy of State

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Charter and Constitution of Independent Pole Bearers, of Australia, Bolivar County, Mississippi.

We, the members of this Association, being impressed with the necessity of establishing a means whereby we may secure for each other Exemption from neglect in the exigencies of sickness, want and death, do form ourselves into an organization, for the purpose of furthering and carrying out the great principles of benevolence.

Article 1st.- This Society shall be known as the Independent Pole Bearers.

Article 2nd.- The Officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Chaplain, Moderator, Marshal, and an Executive Board of eight members, who shall be selected by the President; these shall select one of their number as Chairman, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year

Article 3.- It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association, to preserve order, and to hear and determine such questions as may come within his province, and to give the casting vote in case of a tie. He shall take the Chair and open the meeting, so soon as a sufficient number of members shall be present to constitute a quorum. He may veto any action of the Association that he may consider prejudicial to its interest.

Article 4.- The President shall have power to veto any action of the Association that he may deem proper, provided it does not receive three-fourths of the votes present.

Article 5.- It shall be the duty of the Vice President, in the absence or inability of the President, to perform all the duties pertaining to his office, and in case of failure on the part of the President to discharge these duties, the Chairman of the Executive Committee shall Act in his stead.

Article 6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all meetings of the Association, to keep a correct record of the proceedings, enter the names of all persons becoming members, with the date of their admission, and write orders in favor of sick members, when authorized by the Committee to do so.

Article 7. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to safely keep all moneys of the Association, coming into his hands, and to make a report of the receipts and disbursements at the end of each quarter

Article 8. It shall be the duty of the Chaplain to open the meetings of the Association with prayer; and to close them with a benediction, and to deliver an eulogy to the Society in commemoration of the dead at the end of each quarter

Article 9. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preserve order at the meetings of the Association, and to report to the President the names of such members as disobey its regulations.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Marshal to give due notice to its members when they are required to serve for any particular occasion, and to take charge of funerals on other occasions.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to visit all sick

members, inquire into and provide for their wants, to make arrangements for the deceased members, and transact all other business for the Society.

Article 12. When it is deemed necessary for the selection of an extra Committee, it shall be the duty of the President to make such selection, who, thereafter shall be confirmed by the Board.

Article 13. No person shall be entitled to hold an office in this association until he has pledged himself in the following words; "I do hereby pledge myself in the presence of God and these witnesses, that I will discharge the duties of the office to which I have been elected to the best of my ability, and without fear or favor, So help me God."

Article 14. No person shall be elected to hold an office in this organization except eligible, to read the Constitution and sign his name.

Article 15. If members be taken sick, they shall endeavor to send word to the officers as soon as possible, in order that they may receive proper attention from the Executive Committee

Article 16. Any person refusing to visit a sick member when instructed to do so, without a valid excuse, shall be subject to fine of two dollars and fifty cents

Article 17. Any member refusing to attend the funeral of a deceased member, without a valid excuse, shall be fined five dollars. At each funeral pall bearers shall wear a twig of evergreen in the collar of his coat.

Article 18. No vulgar or profane language shall be used by any member during the meeting of the Association, and members are expected to treat Each other with due respect and Courtesy.

Article 19. No person shall become a member of this organization against whom any objections on the ground of immoral or dishonorable conduct shall be substantiated. If any ill feeling shall exist between a member and a candidate for admission, they must become reconciled before the candidate can be admitted.

Article 20. In case of the death of any member of this Association, their funeral expenses shall be paid from the funds of the Society. Should any member lose their companion by death, fifteen dollars shall be contributed for her funeral expenses. In case of the death of a minor child of a member, ten dollars shall be contributed

Article 21. Should a member of this Association die leaving a wife, she shall be entitled to assistance as long as her necessities require it.

Article 22. On the occasion of a funeral of a deceased member, this Association shall have a hearse and one hack to attend the remains to the place of burial

Article 23. On the occasion of a funeral or other turnout, each member

stricktions are subject to be tried by the Executive Committee, and fined in such sums as it may determine. It is the duty of the President to see that the Marshal issues orders to members when occasion requires.

Article 24. An initiation fee of four dollars and fifty cents is required of each person on becoming a member of this Association, and the payment of one dollar thereafter from each local member as monthly dues. And the Executive Committee shall pay fifty cents per month. The President and Secretary are exempt from paying monthly dues.

Article 25. No person shall be admitted as a member of this Association who shall have been expelled from any other Society of a similar character for any offence.

Article 26. Any member of this Society who shall appear at any of the meetings of the Society in a state of intoxication, shall be fined the sum of three dollars. Any member appearing on the streets in an intoxicated condition, shall be tried by the Committee and fined according to their decision.

Article 27. The officers of this Association shall be installed the first day of January of every year, and hold their offices until their successors are installed.

Article 28. This Charter and Constitution shall be perpetual.

W. A. Stewart. President.
A. Bowles, Vice "
J. L. Jones, Secretary
C. Miller, Treasurer
L. Scruggs, Chaplain,
B. M. Briggs, Moderator
M. Metz, Marshal.
J. Mahone, Assist. Marshal.

Members.

J. T. Fields, A. Collier, C. Sweeney, C. Johnson,
W. Stanton, W. Ransom, J. Smith, J. Braxton,
J. Motes, A. Day, P. Lowe, A. Dukes,
He. Bridges, He. M. Anderson, He. Brown, W. R. Buggs,
C. Gore, Jhs. Ford, R. Granville, C. Gales,
He. Jeffers, C. Lewis.

State of Mississippi,
Bolivar County. Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State aforesaid, the above named officers and members of the "Independent Pole Bearers" who severally and jointly acknowledged the above constitution as their act and deed, and that they as officers and members signed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

York Smith. (J.P.)

State of Mississippi,
Bolivar County. I, H. J. Flowers, Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for the County [illegible] certify that

York Smith, whose genuine signature appears to the above and foregoing certificate is, and was at the time he signed the same, a duly elected and qualified Justice of the Peace, duly commissioned and Sworn, and that his official Acts are entitled to full faith and credit. In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and official Seal, this 25th day of March, A.D. 1878.

H. J. Florey, Clerk,
By John L. Gill, D.C.

Seal

I See no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter,
J. C. Catching's,
Atty. General.

April 9th, 1878.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.,

The foregoing Charter of the "Independent Pole Bearers," of Australia, Bolivar County, Mississippi, is hereby Approved.

In witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 9th day of April, 1878.

J. M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor,
Kinloch Falconer,
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of The Union Forever Society, No. 3, of Askabutla, Miss.

Article 1st, We, The honorable order of Union-Forever No. 3. - a body whose motto is "Friendship, Love and Truth," whose aim is to establish unity and peace among themselves, and good will toward all mankind; and being impressed with the necessity of establishing some means by which we will be better enabled to support ourselves and families, and contribute to the relief of our worthy and distressed members, who may suffer from neglect in the exigencies of Sickness, want or death, do form ourselves into an organization for the purpose of furthering and carrying out the great principles of benevolence.

Article 2nd, This Union Forever Society No 3 is composed of the following corporators: D. L. Robertson, A. H. Hooks, Edward May, Henry May, Thomas Farrow, George Renfroe, Phillip Renfroe, and Such other persons as they may hereafter associate with them, and their Successors in office, to be elected in Such manner as the Society may determine.

Article 3d, This Corporation Shall be Known as Union-Forever Society No. 3, of Askabutla, Miss.

Article 4th, This corporation is organized Solely and exclusively as a benevolent Society, and includes within the powers which its purposes to exercise, the burying of the dead, the education and maintenance of the orphan, the relief of the widow, the aged, the Sick and the helpless, and the general dispensation of that gracious charity inculcated by the Holy Scriptures and made obligatory on us.

Article 5th, This Corporation proposes to exercise the duties herein before prescribed for the period of fifty (50) years.

Article 6th, The power of adopting and enforcing a Constitution and By. Laws for the government of this Society, is vested in the corporators herein mentioned, Subject to Such alterations as they or their Successors may from time to time adopt, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States and the State of Mississippi

Seal Seal Seal Seal Seal Seal Seal Seal

Avery Hooks
H. May
D. L. Robertson
Edward May
P. H. Renfroe
G. M. Renfroe
T. L. Farrow

State of Mississippi,
County of Yate

This day, personally appeared before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for the State and County aforesaid, D. L. Robertson, A. H. Hooks, Edward May, Henry May, Thomas Farrow, George Renfroe, and Phillip Renfroe, who acknowledge that they signed, sealed and delivered the within and foregoing instrument embracing the four pages of writing preceding this, as their Act and deed, and for the purposes therein [illegible]

Witness my hand and seal, this the 15th day of April, 1878.

E. N. Cotton, Jr. P. [Seal]

I see no Constitutional objection to the foregoing charter

J. L. Calhoun,
Atty. General.

Jackson, April 17th, 1878.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss., April 17th 1878

The within Charter of the Order, "Union Forever, No. 3," located at Ark-
ansutla, Tate County, Miss., is hereby approved.

In faith whereof, I have set my hand
and caused the great Seal of the State
to be affixed, at the City of Jackson,
this 17th day of April, 1878.

J. M. Stone.

Seal.

By the Governor
Kinloch Falconer
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of "The Natchez Good Samaritans, Number One."

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Section One.

The objects of this Incorporation shall be to encourage good feeling and charity among its members, to relieve the needy, visit the sick, bury the dead, and succor the widow and orphan.

Section Two.

The Incorporators shall consist of the following-named persons, residents of Adams County, State of Mississippi, and such other persons as may now be in good standing in said Good Samaritans, and as may hereafter be admitted to membership under the Constitution and Bye-Laws to be adopted by said Corporation, to-wit: Moses Odom, Louis Doyle, Ben Dixon, Samuel Hemings, Wm. Henderson, Bynum Johnson, James Green, Stephen Clawson.

Section Three.

This Incorporation shall be known by the name and style of "The Natchez Good Samaritans, Number One," and by this name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and hold, by purchase or donation, personal and real estate, to the extent and amount now limited by law.

Section Four.

This Corporation shall have power to carry into effect the purposes and objects named in Section Number One; - and to enable it so to do, may adopt a common seal, and alter or change it at pleasure, and may contract, for the purposes of its organization, in like manner with other corporations. Its officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other assistant officers as the members may determine to be elected or appointed, as may be provided by such Constitution and By-Laws as may be adopted by the members; - and they are empowered to adopt a Constitution and By-Laws that will be obligatory upon all members; - provided, the same shall not be in violation of Constitution of the United States, or of the State of Mississippi, or of the National or State Statutes. So soon as this Charter shall be approved and recorded as the law directs, a majority of the persons named in Section Number Two, with such other members of the said Society as may now be in good standing therein, may meet and organize by the election of Officers, which shall be done by ballot, and a majority of the votes cast shall be required to elect.

Section Five.

This Corporation shall continue in existence so long as twenty-five members in good standing shall continue to meet and maintain the organization and its work as hereinbefore set forth.

Section Six.

The members of this Incorporation may become subordinate to, and work in conjunction with, a similar Grand Body, laboring for the same purposes, now organized as "Good Samaritans," in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Section Seven.

The members may provide in the Constitution and By-Laws, to be adopted by them, what qualifications shall be required for membership, and for the suspension or expulsion of refractory, disobedient or unworthy members, and make such other rules and regulations as may be fit and proper for an effective organization, within the limits of the Constitution and Laws of the United States, and the State of Mississippi.

In Testimony Whereof, the persons in Section Number Two have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, this 1st day of May Anno Domini, Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-Eight.

Mosab his X Odam, Seal.
Louis mark Doyle, Seal.
Ben his X Dixon, Seal.
Samuel his X Flemings, Seal.
Wm. his X Handanson. Seal.
Bynum mark Johnson. Seal.
James Gmeon, Seal.
Stephen his X Clawson. Seal.
mark.

N. B. As in original.

State of Mississippi, County of Adams. } Personally appeared before me, Louis J. Winston, Circuit Clerk in and for said County, the above-named Incorporators of the "Natchez Good Samaritans, Number One," to-wit: Mosab Odam, Louis Doyle, Ben. Dixon, Samuel Flemings, Wm. Handanson, Bynum Johnson, James Gmeon, Stephen Clawson, who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation, as their several act and deed, on the day therein named, and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 4th day of May, A. D., 1878.

(Seal.)

Louis J. Winston,
Circuit Clerk.

Jackson, Miss., May 9th, 1878.

I see no constitutional objections to any of the provisions of the within Charter.

J. C. Catchings,
Atty. Genl.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss., May 9th, 1878.

The foregoing Charter of the "Natchez Good Samaritans, Number One," at Natchez, Miss., is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 9th day of May, 1878.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor:
Kinloch Falconer,
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of Lee County Masonic Temple.

Section One.

The purposes of the Lee County Masonic Temple shall be to erect, own and hold a Masonic Temple in the Town of Tupelo, Lee County, Mississippi, together with Store-rooms, offices and halls. The halls being for the use of Masonic Bodies, Knights of Pythias, &c., and the Store-rooms and offices for rent, and to be used and owned by the Corporation for the purpose of more effectually dispensing charities.

Section Two.

The names of the corporators are, J. M. Gore, J. L. Finley, J. W. Bowen, W. L. Clayton, C. B. Reed, G. P. Herndon, W. W. Stone, H. C. Medford.

Section Three.

The Corporation Shall be Known as the Masonic Temple Company of Tupelo, and may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded by said corporate name, and property Shall be conveyed to said Company in the corporate name.

Section Four.

This Corporation shall have power to buy, own and hold, by deed of gift, or by purchase, real estate, not to exceed in value Fifty Thousand Dollars; to build and contract for building a home or houses, Suitable for the purposes and objects of the Corporation, to open books for Subscription for Stock in said Corporation, to Sue for and collect all moneys due from any person in the Corporate name, whether due by Subscription to the Stock of said Company, or otherwise; to contract with any person for renting any of the property of said Corporation, and collect the rent as any other person has by law authority to collect rent, including the right of distress; to borrow money and execute deeds of trust, or mortgage to Secure the Same; to make any contract for the erection, preservation and protection of the property and buildings of the Company, and Shall have power to exercise any right in relation to the property of the Company now pertaining to natural persons in regard to their property.

Section Five.

Said Corporation Shall have perpetual Succession, and Shall be organized on the first Thursday of June, 1878, by the election of a Board of Five Directors, and no person shall be eligible to the office of director, unless he be a Stockholder. The Board of Directors shall organize by electing one of their number President, and one Secretary. The said Board of Directors Shall also appoint one of their members Treasurer of Said Company, who shall give bond and good Security in the Sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars payable to said Company, and conditioned to pay over and account for all moneys of said Company which may come into his hands, according to the directions of said Corporation, and to be approved by said Board. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person at the option of Said Board.

Siction Six.

The Stock of said Company shall be divided into Shares of Twenty five Dollars each, and each Share Shall entitle the holder to one vote in the election of the Board of Directors. Certificates of Stock shall be given to each

person on the payment to the Treasurer of the amount of the Stock Subscribed by him, Signed by the Secretary and President of the Company, and Each Stockholder shall be entitled to demand and receive a certificate of Stock for each Share when paid, and the Stock of the Company may be assigned in writing by the Stockholder, and on the transfer of any Stock, the assignee thereof shall Surrender the certificate of Such Stock to the Company, and receive in lieu thereof a certificate to himself, which Shall entitle him to all the rights and privileges of the original holder

Section Seven.

The right to encumber the property of the Company shall be determined by the Stockholders at a regular or called meeting, and Such determinations, when entered in the minutes of the meeting, and the actual encumbering of said property, by mortgage or deed of trust, shall be in the usual form, in the Coporate name of the Company, and the instrument shall be Signed and Sealed by the President and Secretary, and acknowledged by them as other deeds are required to be acknowledged, and when So executed and acknowledged, and delivered, shall be as good and effectual in law and equity as deeds executed by individuals; and if it Should be deemed necessary or expedient to sell the said property of the Company, the conveyance Shall be made in the Same manner.

Section Eight.

The Directors shall make Such by-laws, rules and regulations for the goverainment of the Company, not inconsistent with this Charter, nor the laws and Constitution of the State and United States; as they may deem necessary and expedient

Section Nine.

There shall be an election held in each year for a Board of Directors, on the first Thursday of June, or Such other time as the Company, by by-laws, or otherwise, may appoint.

J. M. Goar,
W. L. Clayton
C. B. Hood,
J. M. Bowen,
Jas. L. Finley,
H. C. Medford,
Geo. P. Herndon,
N. N. Stone.

State of Mississippi, County of Lee } Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County, the within named J. M. Goar, J. L. Finley, J. M. Bowen, W. L. Clayton, C. B. Hood, G. P. Herndon, H. C. Medford, N. N. Stone, who severally acknowledged that they signed, Sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation on the day and date thereof, and for the purpose therein Specified.

Given under my hand and Seal of office, this, the 11th day of May, 1878,

Seal.

N. N. Stone, Clerk,

Jackson, May 13, 1878.

I See no Constitutional objections to the foregoing Charter,

T. C. Catchings, Atty. General.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss., May 13th, 1878.

The foregoing Charter of the "Lee County Masonic Temple" at Tupelo, Miss. is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th day of May, 1878.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor,
Kinloch Falconer,
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of a Religious Society. Known as The First Baptist Church of Yazoo City, in Yazoo County, State of Mississippi.

1.

This Corporation is formed for the purpose of teaching the Christian Religion according to the belief and faith of the Missionary Baptist Church, of the Southern States of the United States of America.

2.

Thomas Ellis, Thomas Smith and Robert Harris, and their Successors in office, are hereby constituted and appointed Corporators and Trustees of said Society; and said Corporators and Trustees shall act as such until their successors in office are duly appointed by said Society at a stated or called meeting of the members thereof; and a majority of all the members present shall be necessary to the choice of a Corporator and Trustee.

3.

The corporate name of this Society shall be The First Baptist Church of Yazoo City.

4.

It shall be the duty of said Corporators and Trustees, and of their successors in office, by and with the advice and consent of a majority of the members of said Society present at a stated or called meeting thereof, to take and exercise full power and control over the property of said Society, and all other temporal business and concerns thereof, and over all property of every kind which may hereafter be acquired by said Society by purchase, gift, devise or bequest by or to said Society, or for its benefit.

5.

The existence of this Corporation shall be unlimited in point of time of its duration.

In testimony whereof the above named Corporators and Trustees hereto Sign their names and affix their Seals on this, the 15th day of May, A.D. 1878.

Thomas Smith (Seal)
Robt. Harris, (Seal)
Thos. Ellis, (Seal)

The State of Mississippi,
Yazoo County.

Personally appeared before me, Geo. M. Powell, Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County and State, the within named Thomas Smith, Robt. Harris and Thos. Ellis, who acknowledged that they Signed, Sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed

Seal.

Given under my hand and Seal of office this 15th day of May, A.D., 1878,

Geo. M Powell, Clerk,

May 18th, 1878.

I see no constitutional objections to the within Charter.

T. C. Catchings, Attorney-General.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss., May. 20th 1878.

The within and foregoing Charter of "The First Baptist Church," at Yazoo City, Mississippi, is hereby Approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 20th day of May, A.D., 1878,

J. M. Stone

Seal.

By the Governor,
Kinloch Falconer,
Sec. of State.

Charter of Incorporation of the Rose Hill Benevolent Society.

Article 1st.

This Society is established for the benefit of its members in case of Sickness, necessity and death.

Article 2nd.

This Society shall have power to Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded, to contract and be contracted with; to hold, lease and convey real estate, to have a common seal, and alter the Same at pleasure, and to establish other branch Societies in this State.

Article 3d. This

This Society shall have power to purchase and hold grounds necessary for a cemetery, (the same to be exempt from taxation) and to be used exclusively for burial purposes.

Article 4th.

This Society shall have power to make Such by-laws, rules and regulations necessary for the benefit, management and government of the Society, not contrary to or inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the State.

Article 5th.

That Allen Ford, Henry Conerly, Baily Conerly, James Lane, Wilson Berkley and their Successors be, and they are hereby created corporation of Said Society.

Article 6th.

This Society shall be Known as the Rose Hill Benevolent Society.

Article 7th.

This Society shall have perpetual Succession.

Signed, Sealed and delivered this 23d day of May, A.D. 1878

Allen Ford, Seal.
W. B. Buckley, Seal.
Henry Conerly Seal.
Baily Conerly Seal.
James Lane. Seal.

The State of Mississippi, Pike County } Before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County, personally appeared the above named Allen Ford, W. B. Buckley, Henry Conerly, Baily Conerly, and James Lane, who acknowledged that they Signed, Sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter, on the day and year therein mentioned, as their act and deed.

Seal.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Magnolia, this 23d day of May, A.D. 1878

W. M. Conerly, Clerk.

June 1. 1878

The foregoing Charter is free from Constitutional objection.

T. C. Catchings, Atty. Genl.

Executive Office,
Jackson, June 3d, 1878

The foregoing Charter of "Rose Hill Benovolent Society", in Pike County, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed this day and date above mentioned.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor
Kinloch Falconer
Secretary of State.

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Charter of Incorporation of the "Morning Star Benevolent Society" of Crystal Springs, Copiah County Mississippi.

Article 1st.
This Society is organized purely for charitable and benevolent purposes.

Article 2nd,
The incorporators of this Society are Henry Hudson, E. N. Jackson, Albert Dansby, and such other persons, as members, who may hereafter become associated with them.

Article 3d,
The name of this corporation is the Crystal Springs Morning Star Benevolent Society. It is located at Crystal Springs, Copiah County, Mississippi.

Article 4th.
This Corporation shall be fully vested with the power to acquire by purchase or donation real and personal property, to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10.000); and to hold, enjoy, or dispose of the same at pleasure; to make such rules and by-laws for the good order and government of said Society, as, from time to time they may deem necessary; also to do and perform any and all acts incident to Religious or Charitable Associations, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States

Article 5th,
The Incorporators of this Society and their Successors in office as hereinafter named, together with the members of the Association, shall constitute a body corporate and politic, and as such, shall be capable of suing and being sued, implead and be impleaded, in all of the Courts of law and equity in this State; and as such body corporate shall have perpetual Succession.

Article 6th,
There shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, of the Association elected at an annual meeting of said Society, held for that purpose, and the officers so chosen shall hold their respective offices for the period of one year, or, until their Successors are elected and qualified; Provided, however, that each may at any time be removed for sufficient cause.

In testimony Whereof, we, this, June 28th, A.D., 1878.

Henry Hudson, Seal
E. N. Jackson, Seal
Albert Dansby, Seal

The State of Mississippi, Copiah County } Personaley appeared before me, the undersigned, Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Henry Hudson, E. N. Jackson and Albert Dansby, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Crystal Springs Morning Star Benevolent Society, as their voluntary

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Act and deed, on the day and year therein written.
Given under my hand and Seal, this 28th day
of June, A.D., 1878.

A. J. Sturgis, J.P. Seal

Jackson, July 1st, 1878.

The foregoing charter is free from Constitutional objections.

T. C. Catchings,
Attorney General

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss., July 1st, 1878.

The foregoing Charter of "Morning Star Benevolent Society" at Crystal Springs, Copiah County, is hereby Approved.

Seal

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed this, 1st day of July, 1878.

J. M. Stone,

Kinloch Falconer,
Sec. of State

The Charter of Incorporation of "The Jackson Male and Female College and High School."

This Corporation is a Literary Institution formed and organized under and by virtue of "An Act in relation to corporations and Societies," approved January, 1871, and incorporated into the Revised Code of Mississippi of 1871, p. — ch. 55; and also under another Act of the Legislature of said State, approved March 5th, 1878, entitled "An Act to encourage the establishment of High Schools and Colleges in this State."

The purpose of this Corporation is to establish a College and High Schools with separate departments for Males and Females, in which a preparatory or full collegiate course of education can be given to both Sexes, as parents or guardians may desire; and diplomas granted either partial or entire according to the progress made by the graduating students.

The names of these corporators are as follows:—
Miss Josephine Freeman, Principal.
" Emma Freeman } assistants.
" Ida Freeman }
Mrs. Ida Morgan,
John D. R. Freeman, Superintendent and Agent.

The Corporate name of this Institution is the same as set forth in the caption

The powers intended to be exercised in the Male department are the same as those exercised by the Faculty of the University of Mississippi, and the curriculum the same

For the Female Department the same powers modified appropriately for the purposes of female education in all its numerous branches.

It is the further purpose of this corporation to reap the pecuniary rewards of the said Statute to "encourage the establishment of High Schools and Colleges" of March 5th, 1878, whereby each student of this School will be permitted to draw from the School fund of his or her County the same pro rata per diem to which such students would have been entitled had he or she attended a first-class public School in his or her own County, and in compliance with the requirements of said Statute said Corporators, being the Sole owners and in possession of Suitable School buildings with five acres of pleasure and garden grounds, and all necessary appurtenances thereto attached, together with a library of 200 bound volumes of well selected miscellaneous literature therein; situate on the west side of the Northern extension of West Street between the five acre lots of G. D. Sidney on the north and Mrs. Jane Brown on the South, near the boundary north of the city of Jackson, — hereby sell, assign and convey said School buildings, Lands and Library to said Corporation so long as the same shall be used for said School purposes, — and in consideration of said Conveyance said Corporators hereby undertake and agree to establish a branch or branches of said College and

Schools at some convenient points near the centres of School patronage in the said City of Jackson when the same facilities for education, male and female will be offered as in said parent college and Schools.

The said Corporators shall have power to admit other members as in joint Stock corporations — to purchase, hold and alien real and personal estate; to employ and discharge teachers and professors in all the departments of learning; to make and establish appropriate rules and by-laws to enforce discipline in the Schools, and to carry out all the purposes of this Incorporation.

In consideration of the granting of these several powers the undersigned have made the conveyance of real and personal estate hereinbefore set forth and undertake to comply with the Special Statutes of said State in such cases made and provided. Charter unlimited as to time.

In testimony whereof, we, the said Corporators have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals, this, the first day of August A.D., 1878.

Josephine Freeman (Seal)
Emma A. Freeman (Seal)
Ida A. Freeman (Seal)

State of Mississippi,
Hinds County,

Personally appeared before the undersigned, Mayor of the City of Jackson, and ex officio Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State the above named Misses Josephine Freeman, Emma Freeman and Ida Freeman, who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered to the Secretary of State and the Chancery Clerk of said County and State for record the foregoing articles of Incorporation as their act and deed; and I hereby further certify that I have read the foregoing charter, compared the same with the statutes referred to therein and find the provisions of said charter to correspond with the requirements of said statutes. I have also personally examined the School buildings, grounds and library contained in said School buildings, and find the same to be properly described and set forth in said articles of incorporation. I am also personally acquainted with the Corporators and Faculty named in said charter, and have known them by reputation and personally for many years as ladies of superior education education and accomplishments, and as public teachers of the highest grade in morals and learning.

Witness my hand and seal, this, the first day of August, A.D., 1878.

John McLeod, (Seal)
Mayor of Jackson, and ex officio a J.P.

Office of the Attorney General,
Jackson, Miss., August 3d, 1878.

I find no Constitutional objections to the within charter.
T. C. Catchings, Attorney-General.

Executive Office, Jackson,
August 5th, 1878.

The foregoing Charter of "The Jackson Male and Female

The Charter of Incorporation of "the Vicksburg Bright Morning Star Association," of the City of Vicksburg, County of Warren, State of Mississippi.

This Corporation is formed for the mutual benefit of its members, and for charitable purposes.

The following are the names of its corporators: Benjamin Williams, Hector Lannington, Wm. Allen, Emanuel Churchill, Henry Carter, William Mason, Edward Jarman, Alexander Holster, Lewis Johnson, Alexander Mitchell, Ben. Miles, Alexander Gibson, Washington Young, and Benjamin Tate.

The Charter of Incorporation of "the Vicksburg Bright Morning Star Association," of the City of Vicksburg, County of Warren, State of Mississippi.

This Corporation is formed for the mutual benefit of its members, and for charitable purposes.

The following are the names of its corporators: Benjamin Williams, Hector Carrington, Wm. Allen, Emanuel Churchill, Henry Carter, William Mason, Edward Jamman, Alexander Holster, Lewis Johnson, Alexander Mitchell, Ben. Miles, Alexander Gibson, Washington Young, and Benjamin Tate.

The Corporation shall be known as "the Vicksburg Bright Morning Star Association," and the above-named incorporators, their successors and assigns, shall have succession for fifty years under said corporate name; and as a corporation shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; shall have a corporate seal, and change the same at pleasure; may contract and be contracted with, purchase and hold real estate to the value of fifty thousand dollars, and sell the same as an individual. The officers of said corporation shall consist of one president, three vice-presidents, one secretary and one treasurer, the same to be elected as the members of said corporation may determine by their by-laws.

The said Corporation shall have full power to make all by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of said Corporation; they may increase the number of corporators, under such rules as they may prescribe. Finally, said Corporation shall have all the powers, and exercise the same, that are now conferred on corporations in Chapter Fifty-five, of the Revised Code of the State of Mississippi, of 1871.

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Benjamin x Williams.
mark.

Norman H. Hunt.

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William x Ottason.
mark.

his
Ben. x Tate.
mark.

Ben. Miles.

his
Alexander x Gibson,
mark.

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Wm. x Allen,
mark.

his
Heaton x Carrington.
mark.

Wm. W. Young.

his
Henry x Carter,
mark.

his
Alexander x Mitchell.
mark.

his
Alexander x Holston,
mark.

his
Edward x Farrar.
mark.

his
Emanuel x Shurchitt,
mark.

Signed and acknowledged before me, at Vicksburg, Warren County, Miss., August 25, 1878.

Seal.

Jay. Lindsay,
Justice of the Peace.

August 5, 1878.

I find no constitutional objections to the within Charter.

S. S. Catchings,
Attorney-General.

Executive Office,
August 5th, 1878.

The foregoing Charter of "The Vicksburg Bright Morning Star Association," at Vicksburg, Miss., is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, the day and date above written.

J. M. Stone,
Governor.

By the Governor:
Kirkoch Falconer
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Zion Hill Benevolent Society of Yalobusha County State of Mississippi.

This Society is formed for the purpose of aiding the Sick and indigent, and for the Moral and Social elevation of the Colored Race.

The Society is composed of Members of the Colored Missionery Baptist Church, and will consist of the following Officers and Members, to-wit;

President ..... Anderson E. Lytle.
Treasurer ..... Richard J. Hardaway
Secretary ..... Charles Johnson

Members Bob Eggleston, Jim Jones, John Douglas, Jack Porter, James Slack, March Richardson and Lawrence Washington.

The Society is known as the Zion Hill Benevolent Society, and the Society by a vote of the Majority of its members present; Shall have the power to levy a contribution or Assessment, to be paid by each Member; the money so contributed, to be used for the aid of the Sick, for Burial Expenses, and for other and wayes benevolent purposes, also shall have power to sell and convey the said land and farm, the same, and all profits accruing from said land, to be paid to the Treasurer, for the benefit of the Society.

And that this corporation be not limited in point of time, but that the Corporation be perpetual.

And further that this Corporation shall have the power of electing from among their members a President, Treasurer and Secretary, the Officers so elected, to hold their respective Offices for the period of twelve months.

Bob his mark Eggleston
Jim his mark Jones
Lawrence his mark Washington
James Slack
John his mark Douglas

Anderson E. Lytle President
Richard his mark Hardaway Treasurer
C. W. Johnson Secretary
Jack his mark Porter

State of Mississippi
Yalobusha County

Before me Walter Jones an acting Justice of the Peace, in and for said County, personally appeared Anderson E. Lytle, Richard Hardaway C. W. Johnson Jack Porter Bob Eggleston Jim Jones, Lawrence Washington, James Slack & John Douglas who acknowledged each for himself that they signed sealed and delivered the fore-going instrument of writing, on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed, for the purposes therein mentioned.

In Witness where of I have hereto set my hand and and seal; at Farners Station Miss, this 20th day of December A. D. 1878

Walter Jones J.P. Seal

Jackson Dec 21st 1878

I find no constitutional objections to the above charter

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

Executive Office, Jackson Miss

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "Zion Hill Benevolent Society" of Yalobusha County is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great seal of the State to be affixed, this 30th day of December 1878.

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers J. M. Stone
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Art Benevolent Association of Summit Pike County Mississippi

Be it remembered that the subscribers hereto having heretofore formed themselves into a charitable society to be known as the "Art Benevolent Association" of the town of Summit, Pike County Mississippi do hereby declare the following objects and purposes of said Association

The practical exercise of the cardinal virtues of charity, benevolence and friendship, and the inculcation and promotion of good morals among the colored race.

That Flowers Gatlin, Jacob Robinsine, Ephraim Griffin, I. P. Robinson and Van Anderson are hereby made the Corporators of this Association.

That this Association shall be known as the Art Benevolent Association of Summit Pike County State of Mississippi.

That said Association is empowered to acquire property, real and personal, to the value of five thousand dollars and may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded in the Courts of this State

Benevolent Association of the town of Summit, Pike Co. Miss.
That said Association is to exist indefinitely, no limit having been fixed for its duration.
That said Association may pass and enact all needful bylaws, rules and regulations for its good government and for carrying out its objects, not not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

In testimony whereof we have hereto subscribed our names Dec 15th 1878.

Flowers Gattin (Seal)
Jacob Robinzine (Seal)
Ephraime Griffin (Seal)
D. P. Robertson (Seal)
Van Anderson (Seal)

The State of Mississippi.
County of Pike

Before me S. A. Matthews a Justice of the Peace in and for said county and State this day personally came and appeared the above named Ephraime Griffin D. P. Robinson + Van Anderson Flowers Gattin and Jacob Robinzine who severally acknowledged that they signed & seated the within name charter on the day and year and for the purpose therein written as their respective act and deed. Given under my hand and seal at Summit this the 16th day of December A.D. 1878.

S. A. Matthews J.P. (Seal)

Jackson Dec 19th 1878

I find no constitutional objections to the foregoing charter.

J. C Caldwingle
Atty Genl.

Executive Office Jackson Miss.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Art Benevolent Association of Summit, Pike County Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed, this 30th day of December 1878

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

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Articles of Agreement

Of the Bluff City Street Railway Company of Natchez

Know all men by these presents that we the undersigned Corporators of the Bluff City Railway Company of Natchez Mississippi having this day met and organized by the Election of Stephen E. Rumble as President, Joseph N. Carpenter as Vice President, Will T. Martin as Treasurer and Theodore V. Wensel as Secretary acting by virtue of the Act of Incorporation of the Legislature of said State, approved Febuary 27th A.D. 1878, do now agree to build and Equip a Street Railway under said Charter of at least one half a mile before the 1st day of January A. D. 1881, either by ourselves, or by our lessees, subject to the requirements of said Charter

January 13th A.D. 1879

Stephen E. Rumble
President
Joseph N. Carpenter Vice Pres.
Will T. Martin
Treasurer
Theodore V. Wensel Secy.

The Charter of Incorporation Of The "European Hotel"

The State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County }

The Charter of Incorporation of The European Hotel" in the City of Meridian Miss. Be it known that Felix Weidman /p/ writer and his associates under and by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, Revised Code 1871 Chapter 33 Article One (1) page 529 are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the "European Hotel" in the City of Meridian and by that name may contract and be contracted with, to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity; may have a common Seal and alter the same at pleasure, may make any and all By-Laws and Regulations for the management of the said Hotel business, the property and effects thereof, and may transfer his property, rights and interests therein, as to him may seem best, Provided the same are not contrary to the Laws of the State or of the United States.

Sec 2. This corporation shall exist and continue for the term of thirty years.

Signed and Sealed this the 3rd day of March A. D. 1879

Felix Weidman Seal

The State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County }

Personally appeared before me W C Rae Mosby Chancery Clerk in said for said County the within named Felix Weidman who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument as his act and deed. Given under my hand and seal this 3rd day of March 1879.

W C Rae Mosby Clk

(L. S.)

Jackson Mch 4th 1879

I find no objection to the foregoing Charter-

T. C. Catchings atty Gen

Executive Office, Jackson Miss. March 4th 1879

The foregoing Charter of the European Hotel," located in the City of Meridian Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 4th day of March 1879

J. M. Stone

(L. S.)

By the Governor

Henry D. Myers Sec. of State

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The Charter of Incorporation Of The Howard Association of Vicksburg.

First: The purpose for which this corporation is formed is the relief of destitute and sick persons, especially in periods of epidemics, and to effect the organization and acquire the means adequate to that end.

Second: The following named persons are to be the original Corporators:—

Geo. W. Hutchyson
T. R. Roach
Alexander Kuhn
Thos. Rigby
Theo. Tonella
C. C. Moore
R. S. Buck
Edward S. Butts
C. E. Webb
A. M. Payton
G. H. Gemrald
J. J. Govan
C. J. Edwards
W. G. Payton
S. M. Fulkerson

and the whole number of corporators shall not at any time exceed twenty five, except that honorary members may be elected at pleasure and shall not be considered in constituting this number

Third: The corporate name of this association shall be the "Howard Association of Vicksburg" and by that name it may sue and be sued, and may have a common seal of such device as the Board of Directors may adopt.

Fourth: The corporation shall have power to contract and be contracted with and to acquire, hold, possess and enjoy by gift, grant, bequest, devise or otherwise, and the same to transfer, sell, convey and invest at pleasure all such property, real personal or mixed, as shall be necessary for or may contribute to the benefit, purposes or business of said corporation, or which may be conveyed to it for the security or payment of any debt or debts which may become due to it, and also to make and to take, use and negotiate bills of exchange, promissory notes and other commercial securities as may be necessary or convenient in the course of its business-
-ation shall never be used for any other than the purposes herein expressed as those for which said corporation is organized, and in case of its dissolution, the same shall inure to and invest in the municipal authorities of the City of Vicksburg as a Trust fund for the relief of the sick and destitute of said City to be applied to that purpose at their discretion: and provided further: That the amount of real and personal estate which the said corporation may hold shall be limited as prescribed in section two thousand four hundred and seven of the Revised Code of Mississippi

Fifth: The corporation shall have perpetual succession and shall not be dissolved by the death or removal of

Officers, but may be dissolved by the affirmative vote of four fifths of all the members, other than honorary members.

Sixth. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors to be composed of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors, who shall be elected annually on the First Monday of July, beginning with the year 1880, and shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. Only regular members of the corporation shall be eligible to be officers or directors and five of the directors shall be requisite to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, of whom one, at least, shall be an elective Officer.

Seventh. The first Board of Directors shall consist of W. G. Paxton as President, Geo. W. Hutcheson, as Vice President L. C. Moore as Secretary, T. R. Roach as Treasurer, and Edward S. Butts, Jas. J. Conner, Alexander Kerlin, Theo Tonella and C. E. Webb as Directors, who shall hold their Offices until the First Monday of July 1880 and until their successors are elected and qualified, and any vacancy occuring in said Board before the first regular election as herein provided for, shall be filled by election, by said Board, two thirds of the whole number being requisite to a choice

Eighth. The first meeting of the corporation shall be held on the First Monday of May 1879 for the adoption of by-laws and the conveyance of business; for which purpose nine in number shall be a quorum.

Ninth. All elections for Officers and members shall be by ballot, and in elections for members two negative votes shall be sufficient to reject. Other regulations as to the time and manner of elections may be prescribed by the by laws.

Tenth. Honorary members shall neither be eligible to Office nor have the right of voting.

The said corporation is organized in pursuance of the provisions Chapter 39 of the Revised Code of Mississippi, Entitled An Act in Relation to Corporations and Societies" and shall have all the powers and privileges provided for in said Act, and in testimony of their agreement to form the same and that the same shall be created according to the provisions of said Chapter and the foregoing Charter agreement, the said persons above named as corporators hereunto set their hands and Seals this the Third day of April A. D. Eighteen Hundred and Seventy Nine.

Edward S. Butts (Seal)
Geo. W. Hutcheson (Seal)
T. R. Roach (Seal)
L. C. Moore (Seal)
Alexander Kerlin (Seal)
Theo. Tonella (Seal)
J. J. Conner (Seal)

R. S. Buck (Seal)
C. E. Webb (Seal)
G. M. Paxton (Seal)
G. H. Simrall (Seal)
W. J. Edwards (Seal)
W. J. Paxton. (Seal)
S. M. Tulkerson (Seal)

The State of Mississippi
Warren County

Before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State this day personally appeared the above named Edward S. Butts, Geo. W. Mutcheson, J. R. Roach, Alexander Kuhn, Thos Rigby, Theo Lonelly, L. C. Moore, R. S. Buck, C. E. Webb, G. M. Paxton, G. H. Simrall, J. J. Creary, C. J. Edwards, W. J. Paxton and S. M. Tulkerson each of whom acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing as his act and deed and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal this the Third day of April A. D. 1879

(L. S.)

L. M. Loewenberg
Justice of the Peace

Jackson Miss. Apl 28th 1879

I see no Constitutional objection to the provisions of the foregoing Charter

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

Executive Office Jackson Miss.
April 28th 1879

The foregoing Charter of the Incorporation of the Howard Association, at Vicksburg, Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 28th day of April 1879.

(L. S.)

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of "The Vicksburg Hebrew Benevolent Association."

First. This Corporation is formed for the purpose of affording relief to poor and indigent Hebrews or Jews in the City of Vicksburg and State of Mississippi, and for mutual assistance and relief in times of epidemics or other sickness.

Second. The present Officers of said Association are as follows, viz: L. M. Loewenberg, President; Charles Lehman and J. A. Rothschild, Vice Presidents; S. Wachenheim, Treasurer, Isaac Hirsch, Secretary; and M. Sokolosky, H. Kiensky and Solomon Rothschild, the relief Committee.

The Corporators are L. M. Loewenberg, Charles Lehman, J. A. Rothschild, S. Wachenheim, Isaac Hirsch, M. Sokolosky, H. Kiensky, Solomon Rothschild and such others as may desire to become members.

Third. The Corporate name by which the Association is to be known is "The Vicksburg Hebrew Benevolent Association."

Fourth. The powers intended to be exercised are as follows: To acquire by purchase or gift, and to hold, own, and dispose of, in their discretion, such funds and real and personal estate, as may be necessary or suitable to carry out the objects of the Association; To sue and be sued; To grant aid to afford relief, and distribute funds to such persons as the Relief Committee, or such other Officers or members of the Association who may be designated by by-laws, may consider to be proper recipients thereof.

Fifth. The Corporation shall have perpetual succession and may adapt for their government a Constitution and By-Laws not inconsistent with the Laws and Constitution of this State and the United States, and such as may be necessary or suitable to carry out the objects of the Association, and shall have the powers and perform the duties prescribed by Chapter 35 of the Revised Code of 1871 of the State of Mississippi.

In witness whereof, the said Corporators have hereunto set their hands and seals, this 22nd day of July A. D. 1879.

L. M. Loewenberg, Prest.	Seal	Jacob Loewenberg	Seal
L. M. Rothschild V. Prest.	Seal	H. Mayer	Seal
Charles Lehman V. Prest.	Seal	A. Kozy	Seal
Isaac Hirsch	Seal	M. Heiman	Seal
S. Wachenheim. Treasurer	Seal	M. Lowenthal	Seal
S. Lubinsky	Seal	M. H. Salomon	Seal
Isedor Solomon	Seal	Mark Lowenthal	Seal
P. Sokolesky	Seal	L. Baer	Seal
A. Levy	Seal	L. M. Fleiss	Seal
J. Cahn	Seal	Louis Bloom	Seal
Joseph Cahn	Seal	S. Bodenheim	Seal
M. Sokolosky	Seal	Emil Schantz	Seal
Adolph Danziger	Seal	Isaac Blumenstal	Seal
Mark Loewenberg	Seal		

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Joseph Bellitz Seal | Gus Asher Seal

State of Mississippi }
Warren County }

Personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, the above named, L. M. Loewenberg, Charles Lehmann, J. A. Rothschild, S. Wachenheimer, Isaac Hirsch, M. Soskolosky, N. Kiersky, Solomon Rothschild, S. Lubinsky, Joseph Aaron, A. Danziger, M. Loewenberg, Jacob Loewenberg, H. Meyer, A. Kopp, M. Heeman, M. Loewenthal, M. H. Solomon, Marks Lichenthal, L. Baer, M. F. Levy, Louis Bloom, S. Bodenheim and Schwartz, Isaac Bloomenthal, Joseph Bellitz, Gus Asher, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned, as their act and deed, for the purposed therein mentioned

L. S.

Given under my hand and Seal, this 22nd day of July, A. D. 1879

Wm French Seal
Justice of the Peace

I find nothing unconstitutional in the foregoing Charter

L. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Aug 18, 1879

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.
August 23rd, 1879

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Vicksburg Hebrew Benevolent Association", located at Vicksburg Miss, is hereby approved

L. S.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, the date above written.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor

Henry C. Meyer
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Exposition Association at Aberdeen.

Art. I

The object and purpose of the association is the exhibition of the result of Manufactures, Specimens of Mechanical Arts, Agricultural products, Fine Stock and such other things, as in the opinion of the Stockholders will be of interest and calculated to enhance the prosperity of the County by disseminating knowledge and elevating the tone of society.

Art. II

The following persons and such others as may hereafter associate themselves with them, and their successors all of whom shall be Stockholders in the association, to wit: A. J. Sykes, A. Ha. French, H. C. Morris Gattman, C. O. Eckford. J. B. Lann, J. W. Howard, R. O. Reynolds, J. C. Benson, G. W. Bashaw

Art. III

This association shall be designated and known as the "Mississippi Exposition Association" located at Aberdeen in said State

Art. IV

It shall be invested with all such powers as are conferred upon corporations under Art. III Chap 53rd Revised Code of Mississippi, which went into effect from and after Oct. 1st 1871, with the following additions to wit:

1st " Stockholders shall be liable for no indebtedness created beyond the amount of the Stock they respectively subscribed, and such liability shall continue for one year after the sale or transfer of the stock.

2nd " It shall have perpetual succession and shall be permitted to buy and sell and hold estate, both real and personal to such an amount as may be necessary and proper to subserve the purpose of its formation - not to exceed the limitation fixed by §2407 of the aforesaid Code for similar associations.

3rd " It shall have the power to borrow money for such purposes as may be thought necessary by a majority of the Stockholders and to secure its payment by mortgage of its property both real and personal.

4th " The Exposition grounds and other property connected therewith, may, at other times than during exposition be utilized for other purposes not inconsistent with the purposes heretofore indicated, or in conflict with the Constitution and Laws of this State, under such rules and regulations and restrictions as the Directors may adopt and at such compensation as may be agreed on between the association and the parties employing the same.

5th " The Stock in said Association shall be transferable, provided the same shall not be transferred to one not a member of this or the Stockholders association, until the members of the association shall first have had the refusal of the same at the same price, and provided further that the said transfer shall be made upon the books of the Company by the vendor or his lawful attorney.

6th " There shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and Five Directors of said association, the duties of such of whom shall be such as usually devolve on such officers

in similar associations, subject to additions or modifications fixed by By Laws made by the association from time to time.

A. J. Sykes
H. H. French
R. O. Reynolds
J. W. Howard
C. O. Eckford
J. P. Benson
G. W. Bashaw
Morris Gattman
H. J. B. Lann

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State of Mississippi }
Monroe County }

Personally appeared before me H. S. Gilleylen, Chancery Clerk in and for said County, the within named A. J. Sykes, H. H. French, R. O. Reynolds, J. W. Howard, C. O. Eckford, J. P. Benson, G. W. Bashaw, Morris Gattman and H. J. B. Lann, Stockholders in the Mississippi Exposition Company, located at Aberdeen said State, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter Incorporating the same on the day and year therein mentioned as their acts and deeds.

Given under my hand and Official Seal August A. D. 1879. H. S. Gilleylen
Clerk

I see no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.

Aug. 18. 1879

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Miss.
August 23rd 1879

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Exposition Association, located at Aberdeen Miss, and embraced on the pages numbered from One to Four, inclusive, is hereby Approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, the day and date above written.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

State of Mississippi }
Hancock County }

The Charter of Incorporation of the Promote Benevolent Association

Art 1.

The purposes for which said corporation is formed are to promote a spirit of benevolence good will, charity & social intercourse among its members and in the community. to visit, nurse and comfort the sick and to bury the dead

Art II

The said corporation shall consist of the following named persons: George Bracey, Oscar Barabino, St John Barabino, Charles Labatte, C.W. Peters, Green Peters, L.J. Pitmas, Orde Rochon, George Rochon, Lucien Ray, Eugene Ray, and such other persons as may become associated with those abovenamed, and become members of said incorporation in accordance with its bylaws.

Art III.

The corporate name of said corporation shall be the Promote Benevolent Association

Art IV

The powers intended to be exercised by said corporation are to have and use a corporate seal to make contracts, to sue and be sued to have and to hold such property, real & personal as they may become lawfully possessed of, and to transfer, assign and convey the same.

Art V.

The said corporation shall exist for the period of twenty five years, and the domicil of said corporation shall be in the city of Bay St. Louis in the County of Hancock, and State of Mississippi: George Bracey, Charles W. Peters, Eugene Ray, Louis L. Pitmas. St John Barabino. Charles Labat. Lucien Ray. Orde Rochon. George Rochon. Oscar Barabino. Green Peters

State of Mississippi }
Hancock County }

Personally appeared before me, Ben Lane Posey a Justice of the Peace for said County, the above named George Bracey, Charles W. Peters, Eugene Ray, Louis L. Pitmes, St. John Barabino, Charles Labat, Lucien Ray. Orde Rochon, George Rochon, Oscar Barabino, and Green Peters who severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Promote Benevolent Association as their act and deed. Given under my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of August A.D. 1879.

Ben Lane Posey [L.S.]
Justice of the Peace
Hancock County

I see no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Sept 5th 1879

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Promote Benevolent Association located at Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed this 6th day of September A.D. 1879

J. M. Stone

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Pomona Co-operative Association "No. 113, of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry "within the jurisdiction of Flower Hill Grange No. 113" located in Claiborne County, State of Mississippi.

We, T. J. Aby. W. D. Bean. Jas G. Spencer. R. W. Magruder, and their associates, together with those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, hereby constitute ourselves associates, successors, and assigns, with the approval of the Governor of said State, a body corporate under the name above given, without limit as to the time of its existence, with all the powers, duties, and obligations conferred and imposed by chapter 55 of the Code of 1871 and the Act of February 1st 1878, chapter 23 amendatory thereof, under the Rules recommended by the National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry as herein amended and such other rules, regulations, and Bylaws as the corporation may from time to time legally adopt; which said Rules recommended as aforesaid are as follows to-wit:

1 This Association shall be called the Pomona Co-operative Association No. 113, of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry in the State of Mississippi.

2 The object of this association is to establish and maintain general trade in merchandize; farm, garden, orchard vineyard and dairy products; home manufactures; and domestic & agricultural implements, for the mutual benefit of the Shareholders & customers.

3. The office and place of business of this association shall be in Port Gibson, in the County of Claiborne, State of Mississippi until otherwise ordered.

4 any member of the order of Patrons of Husbandry in good standing may become a member of this association by subscribing and paying for at least one share therein, and by signing his name and place of residence to these rules. But no Patron shall continue a member (unless he purchase goods from this association) to the amount of twenty dollars per year.

5 A correct list of each members name, place of residence post-office address, and name of Grange to which he belongs shall be kept at the office of this association, signed by the Secretary and open to the inspection of any member; and no Patron shall be deemed a member, for the purpose of receiving any interest on his shares, or any dividend of profit, or of voting, until his name appears on such list.

6 The capital of this association shall not be more than Fifty Thousand Dollars, and shall be raised in shares of five dollars each, cash paid in, which shall not be transferable, except to members of this association. When a member assigns a share, the assignment shall be endorsed on the back of the certificate, and the same shall be surrendered to the Directors before a new certificate can be issued to the assignee.

7 No member shall hold more than one hundred shares in the capital of this association.

8 Should the Directors have more money on hand than they can profitably invest in the business of the association they shall have power to reduce the number of shares by purchasing such number of shares as may be necessary, at the rate of five dollars per share, together with interest thereon at the established rate since the last dividend of interest, the members having the greatest number of shares being the first required to sell.

9 Members may withdraw any sum, not above twenty five dollars, on demand, with the consent of the Directors, but shall not have the right to withdraw more than five shares at any one time, unless ninety days notice has been given, and a second notice shall not be given until the first has expired.

10 Any member may withdraw from this association and any member shall be excluded, who ceases to be a member of the order of Patrons of Husbandry.

11 Upon the withdrawal or exclusion of any member, he shall receive payment of the capital advanced by him with all arrears of interest and profits, if any, within six months after such withdrawal or exclusion.

12 Any member being in distress, may withdraw any sum he may have in the funds of this association above five dollars, at the discretion of the Directors.

13 Upon the decease of any member, the Directors may repay to the legal representative of such deceased member, all the capital owned by such member at the time of his decease, (all arrears of interest and dividends of profits, within) together with six months after his decease.

14 The fixed stock shall be reduced as follows viz:- Ten per cent per annum on fixtures, two and one half per cent on storehouses, shall be deducted quarterly from their value, as shown in the books of the association.

15:- The net profits of all business carried on by this association, after paying the expenses of management taxes license, rent, salaries, wages, insurance &c; making the proper reduction in value of fixed stock; and paying the interest on the capital thereof, as aforesaid; shall from time to time be applied, by vote of the Association, at the quarterly meeting of the association, either to increase the capital of business of the association, or for any educational or provident purposes authorized by the association, and the remainder shall be divided among those who have purchased goods from this association during the preceding quarter (to non-members one half the proportion of members) one-half the proportion to the amount of purchases during the quarter.

16. At the end of each quarter, each member shall receive out of the surplus profits of the association, after providing for the expenses thereof, as enumerated above, interest not exceeding eight per cent per annum upon the capital stock standing to his credit in the books of the association, as declared

at the quarterly meetings of the Association).

17. The officers of this association shall consist of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, four Directors, and four Auditors. The Chairman and Secretary shall be Directors Ex officio.

18. The Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, one half of the Directors, and one half of the Auditors shall be elected at the quarterly meeting in January, or at the next regular meeting thereafter, and the remainder at the quarterly meeting in July, or at the next regular meeting thereafter, and shall hold their several offices for the term of one year, and until others are elected.

19. No member shall be eligible for the office of Director (except at the first and second elections after the organization) who has not been a member six months; and no member shall be eligible for the office of Chairman (after the first Election) who has not been a director in this association.

20. All elections shall be by ballot.

21. All vacancies shall be filled temporarily by the Directors until the next regular meeting, when such vacancies shall be filled by the Association.

22. The Directors shall have the general management and supervision of the business of the association; shall appoint the salesmen and other employees; and shall assign to them such duties and compensation as the Directors may think fit.

23. The Directors shall meet on the second Saturday of every month at the regular place of business. A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum. The Directors shall in all things act for, and in the name of, the association, and the acts and orders of the Directors, under the powers delegated to them, shall have like force and effect as if they were the acts and orders of a majority of the members of the association at a regular meeting thereof. All questions at such Directors meeting shall be decided by a majority of votes.

Any two of the Directors may call a special meeting thereof by giving three day's notice in writing to the Secretary; but no business shall be transacted at such special meeting but that specified in the notice. The Directors shall convene the meetings of the association as is herein mentioned, and shall cause the accounts of all business carried on on behalf of the Association to be regularly entered in proper books, for and shall cause a statement of the accounts of the association, with all necessary vouchers up to the last day of the previous quarter, or ten days before the quarterly meeting, to be made out and laid before the auditors) not less than ten days before the quarterly meetings of the association.

All committees shall be subject to the Directors.

24. All money received on account of shares, contributions, or otherwise, shall be paid to the Treasurer, unless otherwise

ordered by the association, and shall be withdrawn only on the written order of the Chairman, countersigned by the Secretary, by a vote of the Directors.

The business of the association shall be conducted for cash. all persons trading with this association shall be furnished with checks representing the amount of their purchases.

25. The Association may invest such portion of its surplus funds in any wholesale Co-operative association that the association may determine, notice of the same having been given in writing at a previous regular meeting; and such investment shall be made under the supervision of the Directors.

26. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the association and of the Directors, and in his absence a chairman shall be elected protem. from the Directors. The Chairman shall sign officially all contracts, also the records of the proceedings of all meetings of the association and of the Directors.

27 The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the association and of the Directors, (shall summon all special meetings of the directors) shall keep a correct record of the proceedings thereof; shall sign the same officially; shall countersign all contracts; and shall on all occasions, in the execution of his office, act under the directions and control of the Directors.

An assistant Secretary may at any time be appointed by the Directors.

28. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all money paid to him on account of the association. He shall balance his cash account weekly, and furnish the Secretary with a duplicate thereof, and shall if required, attend any meeting of the association or of the Directors.

29. The Treasurer and Salesman, before entering upon the duties of their office, shall each give such security as may be deemed sufficient by the Directors.

30. At any quarterly meeting of the association, the majority of the members present may assign to any officer of the association such remuneration or salary as may be deemed proper.

31. Any director shall vacate his office if he holds any other office or place of profit under the association except such as may be assigned to him by Rule 30, or if he is interested or participates in the profits of any contract with this association. But no Director shall vacate his office on account of being a member of any company or association which has entered into contracts with, or done any work for, the association of which he is Director, provided that such Director shall not vote in respect to such contract or work.

No salesman or employee of this association shall serve as a Director or Auditor, or be allowed to vote for any officer of the association.

32. The Auditors shall keep all accounts of the association

and see that they are correctly kept; and shall present, at each quarterly meeting, a balance-sheet of all the receipts and disbursements, and also of the assets and liabilities of the association, signed by them, together with a statement of the affairs of the association since the last quarterly meeting, and of its then Condition. They shall have authority to call for and examine all records, vouchers papers and documents belonging to the association.

33 Regular meetings of the association shall be held on the second Saturdays of January, April, July, and October of each year, and at such other times as the association may determine, and said meetings shall be held at the regular place of business of the association. The first regular meetings in January, April, July, and October shall be called quarterly meetings.

34. Special meetings may be called by the Directors or by a majority of the members, by posting a notice, specifying the time, place, and objects of the meeting, at the meeting room and at the usual place of business of the association and by depositing in the post office a prepaid letter or postal card containing a copy of such notice for each member, with his name and post office addressed thereon, as recorded in the books of the Association, at least ten days before the time of meeting; and no business shall be transacted at such special meeting, except such as is specified in the notice of such meeting. ~~and no business shall be transacted at such special meeting, except as is specified in the notice of such meeting.~~

35. All regular meetings shall be held at the place specified above, except that, in case of unforseen emergency they may be held at such place as the Directors may designate.

36 One fourth of the members shall constitute a quorum.

37. This association may appropriate two and one half per cent of the net profits of the business for educational purposes.

38. All complaints shall be made to the Directors in writing, signed by some member of the association; and the Directors shall make such investigations and decision thereon as they shall deem proper, subject to an appeal to the next regular meeting of the association, whose decision shall be final; and all complaints and decisions shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose.

39. This association shall have a seal with the name, number, &c. of the association inscribed on the margin thereof.

40. The order of business at the meetings shall be as follows: 1st Calling the meeting to order: 2nd Reading and approving the records of the previous meeting; 3rd Reports of the officers; 4th Reports of Committees; 5th Unfinished business 6th New business; 7th Closing.

41 At all meetings of the association or of the Directors, each member shall have one vote only -
42 These rules may be amended at any regular meeting notice thereof having been given in writing, signed by some member, at a previous regular meeting -

Board of Directors { T. J. Aby
W. D. Dean
Jas. G. Spencer
R. W. Magruder

State of Mississippi
Claiborne County

Personally appeared before me Clerk of the Chancery Court in and for said County the above named T. J. Aby, W. D. Dean, J. J. Spencer and R. W. Magruder, and severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the above indenture of writing as their act and deed -
~~& xxx Etcetera~~ Given under my and seal of said Chancery Court at office in Port Gibson this 8th Sept A.D. 1879

Seal

A. M. Jones Clerk

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter

Sept 11th 1879

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office Jackson Miss
September 12th 1879.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Pomona Co-operative Association No 113 of the order of Patrons of Husbandry located in Claiborne County, is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof I have here unto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, the day & date above.

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secty of State

J. M. Stone,

The Charter of "The Congregation of B'Nai Israel of Columbus."

Purpose. Names of Corporators

Be it known That for the purpose of establishing in the City of Columbus in the State of Mississippi a Church for the worship of Almighty God according to the rites and creed of the Hebrew Sect, We. Julius Nathan Samuel Hesslein Solomon Lichtenstadter E. Gusfield Sammel Selig Jacob Bluhm Lewis Weilman Simon Loeb and Samuel Wolff do by these presents associate ourselves together and do make it known that we desire and intend that we and such others as may be or become associated with us and our successors shall be a body corporate to be known and designated by the name of

Corporate Name "The Congregation B'Nai Israel of Columbus"

Powers to be Exercised

Be it further known That the powers desired and intended to be exercised by said Congregation B'Nai Israel are as follows:

First To contract and be contracted with by said corporate name as far as may be necessary or convenient for the promotion of the object and furtherance of the purposes of this congregation.

Second By said corporate name to Sue and be sued plead and be impleaded answer and be answered unto in all manner of suits and actions in any Court of this State.

Third To elect or appoint in such manner as they may see proper all such officers trustees or other agents as they may deem proper. To form and adopt such constitution by laws rules and regulations for the government of said congregation and for the direction of its officers as they may deem proper not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the State of Mississippi. To prescribe the mode in which new members may be admitted and in which the successors of their Officers trustees and agents shall be chosen and to fill vacancies.

Fourth To acquire and hold and to sell convey and dispose of any and all such property real and personal and mixed as religious societies or congregations are by the laws of the State of Mississippi entitled to acquire hold sell convey ~~or~~ dispose of and no more.

Fifth To do and perform every act and thing which Religious Corporations formed by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1871, and the amendments thereto may lawfully do and perform and no others.

Duration

Be it further known That the time of the existence of said Congregation is not limited but that said corporation their associates and successors shall have perpetual succession.

When to take effect

Be it further known That this agreement or charter shall take effect and said corporation be considered as established so soon as this charter shall be approved by His Excellency the Governor of Mississippi and properly recorded as provided by Chapter 55 of the Revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1871 and the amendments thereto.

Signed with our names and Sealed with our Seals this the 27th day of September A.D. 1879

Julius Nathan
Saml. Hesslein
Solomon Lichtenstadter
Elias Gusfield
Samuel Selig
Jacob Bluhm
Lewis Weilman
Simon Loeb
Samuel Wolff

The State of Mississippi }
County of Lowndes }

Before me Joseph H. Stevens, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County and State, this day personally came the above named Julius Nathan, Samuel Kesslein, Salmon Lichtenstadter, Elias Ginsfield, Samuel Selig, Jakub Bluhm, Louis Weilman, Simon Laeb and Samuel Wolff, who each and severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the above instrument of writing, on the day the same bears date, as their act and deed & for the purposes therein expressed

Seal

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court at Columbus, this the 29th day of September 1879

J. H. Stevens
Circuit Clerk

Jackson Miss Oct 3. 1879

I find no constitutional objection to the within act of incorporation

T. C. Catchings
Attorney General

Executive Office Jackson Miss.
October 3rd 1879

The congregation of B'nai Israel, located at Columbus Miss is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed the day and date above written

J. M. Stone

The foregoing Charter of

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Meyers
Secretary of State

This corporation dissolved and its charter surrendered to the State of Mississippi by a decree of the chancery of Adams County, Mississippi, dated 8-10-1949. Certified Copy of said decree filed in this office, this August 12, 1949. Heber Lodrin, Secy. of State

The Charter and Incorporation of Societa Italiana di Mutua Beneficenza In Natchez Mississippi

Section 1st The purposes for which this corporation is formed are the issistance and succor of its members and the relief of those in extreme need; as well as the cultivation of those friendly and fraternal relations between Italian residents that tend to make one family.

Section 2d The corporators under this Charter are Joseph Reale, Ferdinand Manocci, Louis Botto, Paul A. Botto, Antonio Druetta, Philip Sanguineti, John Conti and N. S[illegible] as

they may associate with them.

Section 3rd The corporate name by which this association is to be known is "Societa Stiliana di Mutua Beneficenza" the Natchez Mississippi" by which name it may sue and be impleaded, receive bequests and donations, hold plead and be impleaded, receive bequests and donations, lend and borrow money on mortgages or other security, buy, sell and hold real and personal estate in order to accomplish the objects of this association.

Section 4th There is no limit fixed to the period for which this corporation is to exist, but the said corporation and their heirs may have perpetual succession.

Section 5 Said Corporation and their associates shall have power to adopt such By-Laws Rules and Regulations for the society, the election of their officers, the government of their qualifications of its members and the carrying into effect of this Charter as they may deem necessary or expedient, Provided, such By Laws, Rules or Regulations, shall not conflict with this Charter or the Constitution of this State.

Joseph Reale Seal
Ferdinand Mamoci Seal
Louis Bollo Seal
Paul A. Bollo Seal
Antonio Druella Seal
Philip his x Sanguineti Seal
John mark Conti Seal
N. Salvo Seal

State of Mississippi
County of Adams

Before me, Allison N. Fowler Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County and State this day personally appeared Joseph Reale, Ferdinand Mamoci, Louis Bollo, Paul A. Bollo, Antonio Druella, Philip Sanguineti, John Conti and N. Salvo being the Corporators named in the foregoing Charter of Incorporation and severally acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on this the 14th day of Oct A.D. 1879

Given under my hand and the seal of my office this 14th day of Oct 1879 A.D.

Seal

Allison N. Fowler Clerk
By Walter McCrea D.C.

I see no constitutional objection to the foregoing charter

J. Q. Catchings
Atty Genl

Jackson Oct. 23, 1879

Executive Office Jackson Miss.
October 23d 1879

The foregoing Charter of the "Societa Italiana di Mutua Beneficenza" located at Natchez Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed this day and date above written.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry L. Myers Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Macon Female Seminary

Articles of Incorporation of The Macon Female Seminary.

That Jesse H. Buck and all other persons who may hereafter be associated with him for the same purpose beyond they are hereby incorporated under the name of the Macon Female Seminary, domiciled at Macon, in the County of Noxubee, and State of Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of law and Equity in this State, and said Corporation shall have perpetual succession, and the right to acquire property Real and Personal by gift, purchase or otherwise, and to hold and possess real and personal estate to the amount of Fifty Thousand dollars and dispose of the same at his or their will and pleasure. Said Corporation shall have power to confer any and all Scholastic degrees and issue Diplomas therefor which are customary in institutions of learning in this Country and put its common Seal thereto.

This Corporation is formed for the sole purpose of educating the female Youth in all the Departments of Literature, Science and Arts that are usually taught in institutions of similar character. That said Corporation, as ad institution of learning, shall possess the rights, immunities, powers and privileges common to institutions of this character, not inconsistant with the laws and constitutions of this State and the Constitution of the United States.

J. H. Buck

The State of Mississippi }
Noxubee County } Before me Robert C. Patty, Clerk of the Chancery Court, in and for said County, this day personally appeared the within named J. H. Buck, who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, as his act and deed, and for the purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office at Macon this the 21st day of November A. D. 1879.

Seal

Robert C. Patty Clerk
By T. T. Patty - D. C.

I see no constitutional objections to the foregoing Charter
Jackson Nov. 29. 1879. T. C. Catchings
Attorney General

Executive Office Jackson Miss. Dec 4th 1879.

The foregoing Charter of the Macon Female Seminary, located at the City of Macon, in the County of Noxubee in this State, is hereby Approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the City of Jackson, this 4th day of December, A.D. 1879

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J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Meyers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of incorporation of The Rosey Ridge Benevolent Society of Hinds County Mississippi

Preamble

Whereas the highest aim in life is to secure our own happiness and the happiness of others, it is incumbent on all Christian people, and under existing circumstances, especially so upon our people, to use all means in their power, in laboring to secure those ends, and in maintainence of this we solemnly pledge our means and honor, in organizeing, and conducting a benevolent society, and invoking Gods aid in its support and his blessing upon it. We Geo White, Geo Brown, Willis Johnson Samuel Floyd, Gabriel Johnson, Jno Grime & such other persons as may become members of a charitable and benevolent Association, agree henceforth to be governed by the following Constetution.

I

This Society has for its object and purpose, the banding together of the people, in a common union for social, moral, intellectual and religious culture, with a fundamental object of relieving suffering in our midst from destetution arising from sickness or other causes

II

Geo White Geo Brown Willis Johnson Samuel Floyd Gabriel Johnson and Jno Grime, their successors and assegnies and such other persons as may become members of this Society are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate

III

This Society shall be known by the title of the Rosey Ridge Benevolent Society, of Hinds County Miss. Byrams P.O. and this shall be the corporate name and style by which the Society is to be known

IV

This Society shall be invested with, and exercise all powers necessary to carry into effect the provisions of the Constitution herewith

V

This Society as a corporation shall have perpetual succession

VI

Article I Officers:

Section 1 The officers of this Society shall consist of a President vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Grand Marshall Chaplain Steward and Chairman of Sick committee, together with an executive committee appointed by the President, consisting of Eleven (11) members; the committee electing their own Chairman.

Terms of Office—

tion 2 The officers shall be elected for a term of twelve months, and shall hold office for that time unless removed for unbecoming conduct, or lack of ability to discharge required duty.

Article II

Duty of Officers - President

tion 1 It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all the meetings of the society, see that order is preserved in all proceedings, place all questions for vote before the society, see that the business is properly executed, appoint all committees not herein provided for. Select and appoint two individuals to deliver addresses at each regular business meeting, and a committee of three male, and three females (the chairman being elected) as a committee to wait upon and administer to the wants of the sick This committee to serve one month. a committee of seven on buildings, and one on finance.

Vice President

tion 2 The vice President shall preside during the absence of the President, and perform the same duties devolving upon him, and in case of the absence of both, the chairman of the executive committee shall preside. The vice President shall be chairman of the finance committee.

Secretary

tion 3 It shall be the duty of the secretary to record the proceedings of each meeting, keep the roll in a proper manner, keep a strict account of monies drawn, and paid from the treasury read all communications, and attend to all business of record. He shall sign all the warrants on the treasury for money or other property, notify all members when there months in arrears, to appear and pay the same at the next regular monthly meeting, shall act as secretary for all standing committees, shall take the Treasurers receipt for all moneys or other property collected or turned over to him the said treasurer, and shall in consideration of the foregoing services be paid the amount of Twenty five Dollars per annum.

Treasurer

tion 4 It shall be the duty of the treasurer to take charge and keep all moneys and property of the society, having the same properly secured by his guarantee, attend to the payment of all orders issued by the President, and signed by the Secretary, and chairman of the executive committee. He No money to be paid without a written order from the above named officers. His books and orders shall always be open to inspection, and shall report the condition of the Treasury every second meeting of the months of February may agust and November in each year.

Grand Marshall

tion 5 It shall be the duty of the Grand Marshall to act as Sergeant at arms at the meetings of the society report any member or members who may be guilty of violating the Constitution By laws or rules and regulations, may appoint two or more deputies, and shall be held accountable for their action. He shall be at the meetings of the society and see that the

hall is opened at the proper time, and in proper order, and shall notify all members of the Society, in case of a death, in proper time to enable them to attend the funeral. All processions of the Society shall be under his command, subject to the supervision of the President. He shall be in command while the procession is moving, and shall make every effort to make it orderly. He shall conduct himself in a courteous manner towards each and every member.

Chaplain

Section 6 It shall be the duty of the Chaplain to open the meeting of the Society with singing and prayer, and shall close the meeting by invoking the Divine favor of Almighty God. He shall visit the sick members of the Society and giving them such religious instructions as may be necessary.

Steward

Section 7 The Steward shall have the care and keeping of the hall, shall open and close it for all regular and call meetings, see that it is properly lighted, cleaned and ventilated, and have charge of and attend to the lamps, arrangement of seats, &c. And these duties shall be performed in like manner for all committee entertainments and other meetings for which the hall shall be used. and such other duties as may be required of the Steward shall hereafter be fixed by necessary rules for the purpose, adopted by the vote of the majority present. For the duties herein named the Steward shall receive the sum of Five Dollars per month.

Executive Committee

Section 8 It shall be the duty of the executive Committee to meet at the call of the chairman, and the business of the Society will be considered and decided by it, that no unnecessary delay may occur in coming to a decision, after which the chairmans report will be adopted or rejected, as the members by a popular vote decide. The majority in all cases deciding the question at issue. Shall have cognizance of all cases of misdemeanor, or violation of the Constitution and by laws. The chairman shall with the Secretary countersign all orders on the Treasurer for money or property which may be drawn by the President; and shall be a member of the Finance Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix the penalty of the treasurer bond from time to time whenever deemed necessary, and approve the same meeting a report of their actions thereon to the Society.

Finance Committee

Section 9 It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to examine the Secretary and Treasurers books, and report the condition of them, to the Society every second meeting of February, May August and November in Each year.

Sick Committee

Section 10 The duty of the Sick Committee shall be, to visit the sick members of the Society and wants before the Cabinet of the Society consisting of the President, Secretary, Vice President & Treasurer report their condition and at regular meetings of the Society; furnish them the necessaries of life by funds from the Treasury, and shall see that the

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Building Committee

Section 11 It shall be the duty of the building committee to take charge of the building and surroundings thereof, look after the building &c, See that every thing is in perfect order; Shall have any repairing, or other improvements done they think best, The Chairman shall approve all accounts that may be presented for repairs &c

Article III

Liable to Impeachment

Section 1 Any officer of this Society shall be liable to impeachment and removal from office, and dismissed from membership for any of the following offences punishable there under; High Crimes and misdemeanors in office, immoral Conduct and crimes against decencies

Article IV

How Contracts are binding

Section 1 No Contract shall be binding upon this Society, unless the same shall have been first submitted to the Society for approval, and ratified by them by a majority vote, at a regular meeting of the members thereof

Article V

Quorum

Section 1 Twenty (20) members shall constitute a Quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VI

Vacancies, how filled

Section 1 In the event of any office in this Society becoming vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the President to fill such vacancy by appointment, said appointment to be ratified by the vote of the Society.

Article VII

Result of members resigning from Society

Section 1 If any member shall leave the Society, he or she shall not receive anything from the Society for all that they have given must go for the benefit of the poor, and the good of the Society.

Ex Members to pay back-dues

Section 2 No person being once a member of this Society and failing to pay the amount due, the Society at the time of the expiration of their membership, together with initiation fee shall be elected a member

Initiation fee $1.00

Sec 3 There shall be an initiation fee of One Dollar, to be paid by each member on becoming a member of the Society, and Twenty five cents per month to be paid promptly to the treasurer at the first regular meeting of the month

Members failing to pay fees shall be Dropped

Section 4 Any member refusing or neglecting to pay the fees, Spoken of in the preceding Section, within three months, shall be notified by the Secretary, to pay the same on the next monthly meeting and for failing to comply with the same, their name shall be dropped from the role of the Society

Officers who fail to discharge their duty

Section 5 Any Officers failing to discharge their duties, in an honest and upright manner as provided for shall not be retained in office

Death of a Member

Section 6 Upon the death of any member of the Society, they are to be properly interred with the honor of the Society, Each member wearing the badge of mourning on the funeral occasion and each member of the Society shall be assessed Ten cents to defray the expenses incurred, the same to be changed as occasion said expenses not to Exceed Thirty Eight Dollars and fifty cents.

Death of a Child under Five Years Old

Section 7 It shall be the duty of this Society upon the death of a child of Five years old or under if his or her parents are members of the Society to inter it.

Anniversary

Section 8 The Anniversary of this Society shall be on the Six teenth day of October in each and every year, and shall be celebrated in such manner and by such ceremonies as the Society shall agree upon

Called Meetings

Section 9 The President on consulting with other officers may have called meetings whenever deemed necessary, which members are enjoined to response promptly

Article VIII

Life Honorary Members

Section 1 No person shall become a Life honorary member of this Society unless they pay to the Secretary for the use of the Society the Sum of Fifteen Dollars

Article IX

Election of Officers, when to take Place

Sec. Section 1 There shall be Elected on the night of October Six teenth in each year a President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer Marshall, Chaplain, Steward and Chairman of the Sick Committee, who shall take their seats on the Parish Saturday night in November next Succeeding Said Election, and which shall hold their offices for the term of Twelve months from that time, unless disqualified, or until their Successors are Elected, and Signify their readiness to Enter upon the discharge of the duties of their offices

Article X

Officers to be Elected by ballot

Section 1 In all cases of Election of the officers of this Society the vote shall be taken by ballot, and a majority of the votes of the members of the Society present, shall be required to elect any person to office- the executive officers to be appointed shall be appointed by the President

Validity of Elections

Section 2 All questions arising as to the Status, or validity of the Election of the officers of the Society, shall be immediately referred without

Section 3 Application for Membership, How made

All applications for membership shall be made in writing Signed by two or more members in good standing, the initiation fee to accompany the application, Said Application, Said application to be referred to the Executive Committee for action thereon, and they shall report the same to the next monthly meeting of the Society.

Section 4 Applications- how rejected

Any applicant who shall receive Five (5) votes against his or her admission shall be adjudged rejected, and the fee received with application returned

Article XI

Section 1 Presidents Veto

No resolution passed by the Society shall have any force or Effect until Signed by the President, Should he refuse to sign any resolution of the Society, he shall first give his objection in writing, Such resolutions cannot have any force or effect unless repassed, not withstanding the Presidents objections by at least two thirds of the members present, at the following meeting of the Society, when so passed shall become a law without the Presidents signature

Section 2 Obligation

All persons on becoming members of this Society shall take upon themselves such obligations as are set forth in the Constitution and By laws of the Society, and must be of good moral character and charitably disposed and believing in the Supreme Being

Section 3 Dissolution

This Society shall not be dissolved as long as Eight members are willing to continue it, and five out of that number conform to the requirements of the Constitution

Section 4 Certificate

This Constitution when recorded and signed, will serve as a certificate of membership

Section 5 Constitution How altered or Amended

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended unless by a two third vote of the members present at any meeting Provided however that Thirty days notice in writing shall be given of the proposed alteration or amendment

Section 6 Regular meetings

The regular meetings of this Society shall be held on the first and third Saturday night in each and every month, and shall be called to order at Eight Oclock P.M. from the first of November until the first of May, when half past Eight Oclock shall be the hour of meeting

Article XII

Section 1 And finally this Society may do and perform all other acts and things for the purposes and objects set forth in this charter and constitution and not herein expressed incident to Corporations of a like nature, Provided the same be not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the state of Mississippi

In testimony thereof. The Corporators above named have hereunto set their hands and seals this 22nd day of January A.D. 1880

George White (Seal)
George his + mk Brown (Seal)
Willis his + mk Johnson (Seal)
Lemuel his + mk Floyd (Seal)
Gabriel his + mk Johnson (Seal)
John his + mk Green (Seal)

State of Mississippi
County of Hinds } S.S.

This day personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace for said County George White, George Brown, Willis Johnson, Lemuel Floyd Gabriel Johnson and John Green, who each and severally acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and date therein, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, as in for his voluntary act and deed, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd day of January A.D. 1880

J.H. Hemenway J.P. (Seal)

I find no constitutional objection to the within act of incorporation

J.L. Catchings
Atty General

Jany 22. 1880

Executive Office, Jackson, January 22nd 1880

The foregoing Charter of Rose Ridge Benevolent Society of Hinds County is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 22nd day of January A.D. 1880

J. M. Stone

L.S.

By the Governor
Henry C Myers
Secretary of State

Received at Executive Office
Jany 19th 1880

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Charter of Incorporation of The Trustees of The Columbia High School

For the purpose of Establishing and Conducting a permanent Institution of Learning of a High Grade in the town of Columbia in the County of Marion in the State of Mississippi. We, Leonidas Pittman Theodore B. Ford Manson L. Banks Richard Lloyd, Jno W Holleman, John Apple White, G B Lewis Benjamin B. Lewis and S H Ford, Franklin Fortenbury, Do associate ourselves together as the Corporators of the Trustees of the Columbia High School, and as such Corporators and Trustees of the Columbia High School, by virtue of the Statute in such cases made and provided, and with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, appended and affixed to this our charter do hereby incorporate ourselves under the corporate name of the Trustees of the Columbia High School, which said Corporation shall hold, Exercise and enjoy, the following powers to wit:

1st The said Corporators and their Successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of The Trustees of the Columbia High School, with perpetual succession, and in that name to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded, to take and hold real and personal Estate, by purchase, gift, devise or bequest and to have and exercise all the privileges pertaining to Corporate bodies, and necessary to accomplish the objects of this incorporation

2nd Said Trustees or their successors shall have power to elect annually from their Number a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Trustees, or a majority of them; they shall have power to fill vacancies in said offices of President Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, caused by death resignation or otherwise, and their meetings shall be upon call of the President, or any two of the Trustees, and shall be held at least as often as once a year, and at such meetings, said Trustees, or a majority of them shall have authority to manage all the business of said Corporation, and to do and perform all acts usual for Corporations of similar character under the laws of this State

3rd The said Corporation shall have power to hold property, real and personal, not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars in value, and shall have perpetual succession

4th The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall consist of shares of five dollars, and each holder of a share in said Stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share so held in the election of Trustees of said School.

5th Trustees of said school the successors in office of the present Trustees hereby incorporated shall be Two in Number, there being at least one from each Supervisors District of said Marion County, and shall be elected by the holders of said Capital Stock or a majority thereof, at the meeting at a meeting of the shareholders in the town of Columbia on the first Monday of January A.D. 1881, and annually thereafter

6th Said Trustees at their first meeting after the approval of this Charter by the Governor shall have power to enact such By Laws and regulations for their Government and the transaction of business as shall be adopted by said Trustees or a majority of them not inconsistent with this charter or with the Constitution and laws of this state

7th The office and place of business of said Corporation shall be in the town of Columbia in Marion County State of Mississippi

Signed by us, and sealed with our seals this 31st day of December A.D. 1879

W L Banks	Seal	G B Lewis	Seal
J B Ford	Seal	Leonidas Pittman	Seal
J W Hollemon	Seal	Richd L Lloyd	Seal
Jno Applewhite	Seal	S. H. Ford	Seal
Franklin A. Dortenbury	Seal	B. B. Lewis	Seal

State of Mississippi
Marion County

Before me A. G. Webb Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County in the State of Mississippi personally came and appeared this day W L Banks R L Lloyd, J.B. Ford, L Pittman, J W Hollemon, Jno Applewhite and G B Lewis, who severally acknowledged, each for himself that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing agreement and charter on the day and year therein mentioned as his own act and deed

(Seal)

Given under my hand, and the seal of said Court hereunto affixed this 31st day of December A.D. 1879
A. G. Webb
Clerk

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing act of incorporation
J. C. Catchings
Atty Gen'l

Jany 22/1880

State of Mississippi
Marion County.

Before me A.G. Webb Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County in the State of Mississippi personally this day came and appeared

Frank A Dorteubury, Benj B Lewis, A H Ford
who acknowledges severally, each for himself that he
signed sealed and delivered the foregoing agreement
and charter on the day and year therein mentioned
as his own act and deed

(Seal)

Given under my hand and seal
of office this 5th day of January
A D 1880

A G Webb
Clerk

Execution Office
Jackson Miss
Jany 22/1880

The foregoing Charter of the
Trustees of the Columbia High School, located in
the town of Columbia Marion County is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand & caused the Great Seal
of the State, to be affixed the day & date
above

(L S)

By the Governor J M Stone

Henry C Myers
Secretary of State

Received at Execution Office
Jany 22/1880

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bethlehem Baptist Church of Christ:

First — The purpose for which this corporation is organized for is to teach the doctrines of the Old and New Testament according to the Baptist faith, in connection with its general work- ings its design is to promote the growth of sound morals a- mong its members

Second — The names of the incorporators are J.W. Ezell, M. Hamilton S. Davis, R Myers and H. Ivey

Third — The corporate name of this corporation shall be the Beth- lehem Baptist Church

Fourth — This corporation shall through its legally constituted officers exercise all such powers as may be necessary in its government and administration this corporation shall have power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded and in its corporated name to buy or sell real or personal property, or to lease the for a term of years or for any period of time that may by the members there of be deemed advisable

Fifth — This corporation shall continue and exist Ten years from the date of its incorporation

Sixth — The incorporation of this corporation shall immediately upon the approval and receipt of this charter pass laws and regulations for the controll and government of said corpora- tion, and providing for the members character & Election of officers their terms of office and against disorderly persons coming in their meeting Ground on days of Servis, Provided that no law, rule or regulation shall be passed by said in- corporation or members of this corporation inconsistent or subversive of the constitution of the United States and the State of Mississippi, and the laws passed thereunder

Witness our hands and Seal this the 16th day of January 1880

J W Ezell (Seal)
M Hamilton (Seal)
S Davis (Seal)
R Myers (Seal)
H Ivey (Seal)

The State of Mississippi
Chickasaw County

Before me D.F. Johnson, member of the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County personally appeared J.W. Ezell, M Hamilton, S. Davis, R Myers, & H Ivey, who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the above and foregoing instru- ment of writing, on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed, and for the purpose therein mentioned

Witness my hand and Seal this the 16th day of January A.D 1880

D.F. Johnson (Seal)
Supervisor of Chickasaw
County Mississippi

I find nothing in the foregoing act of incorporation repugnant to the constitution

J. C. Catalanger
Atty Genl

Jackson
Jany 29/1880

Executive Office Jackson Miss.
January 29th 1880

The foregoing Charter of incorporation of the "Bethlehem Baptist Church of Christ" located in Chickasaw County is hereby Approved.

In faith whereof I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed, this day and date above written

Seal

By the Governor

J. M. Stone

Henry C Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Aberdeen Hotel Company.

This Incorporation is formed for the purpose of erecting Hotel Buildings and Store Houses in the City of Aberdeen, leasing the same and in doing all things necessary to make the said Hotel Buildings and Store Houses profitable to the Company and promote its success.

That A Kraus, Samuel Haas, Charles Roy, Morris Gattman, James D Shell, R. B. Burdine, J. W Eckford, W. G. Sykes, Louis Roy, T. G. Elliott, Geo W Bashaw, T. G. Hampton and such others as may be hereafter associated with them are to be the members of said Incorporation

That the corporate name shall be the Aberdeen Hotel Company

That the Aberdeen Hotel Company shall have perpetual succession: May determine the manner of calling and conducting the meeting of Stockholders— a majority of the shares of stock shall constitute a quorum and each share of twenty five dollars shall entitle a member of the Company to one vote, which may be cast by himself or proxy appointed in writing: may elect all necessary officers and prescribe the salaries and terms of the same and the mode of filling vacancies; may sue and be sued and prosecute and be prosecuted to final judgement and satisfaction before any Court of Law or equity; may have a corporate seal or contract under the hand and private seal of the President of the Board of Directors; may contract or be contracted with; may give notes or bonds and secure the same by mortgage or Deed of Trust upon any or all of their property and sell, ~~xxx~~ transfer or hypothecate the same; may lend or borrow money and secure the same by mortgage or deed of trust upon their property or by a pledge of their bonds: may buy, sell, lease, exchange or mortgage their property real or personal; any sale, lease, exchange or mortgage of their property to be executed under their corporate seal, and the signature of the President of the Board of Directors, but if they have no corporate seal under the hand and private seal of such President executing the same in his Official Character; may sue any subscriber for any call or instalment due for stock or may sell such Stock for such calls or instalments in the manner prescribed by the By Laws and sue for any deficiency after such sale, and may make all necessary by Laws and impose all necessary duties not inconsistent with the Laws of this State, and have such other powers as are conferred upon corporations formed under Chapter 55 of Code 1871

That the Stock of said Company shall not be less than Fifteen Thousand Dollars nor more than Fifty Thousand Dollars and twenty five dollars shall constitute a share of Stock and entitle the holder to one vote for each share, That the Stockholders shall be individually liable for the debts of the corporation, contracted during his ownership of Stock, for the amount or balance that may remain due or unpaid for the Stock so subscribed by him and for no more and may be sued by any creditor of the corporation, and such liability

shall continue for one year after the sale or transfer of Stock, and any assignee shall be liable to the same extent as the original Stockholder and in like manner. The Stock shall be transferable by endorsement and delivery of Stock certificate and the registry of such transfer on the books of the Company.

That when the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars shall be subscribed to the Capital Stock of said Company, the corporators named in this Charter or any five of them are hereby authorized to convene a meeting of the Stockholders, to be held at such time and place in the City of Aberdeen as may be designated, after three days notice of time and place of meeting and may proceed to organize and adopt By Laws and elect officers.

There shall be elected at the first meeting of Stockholders by a majority of the Stock voting at such election — a majority of all the Stock shall constitute a quorum — five directors who shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are duly elected, the first directors elected shall remain in office until the 1st Monday in May 1881 and until their successors are qualified.

That the Directors shall be Stockholders and shall select one of their number to be President, who shall be styled President of Aberdeen Hotel Company. That in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, or any of the Directors occurring from any cause, the other directors may fill such vacancy for the unexpired term.

That the Stockholders shall meet on the 1st Monday in May 1881 and annually thereafter and at other times on five days notice from the President or from any five of the Stockholders.

That no Sale, conveyance, mortgage, Deed of Trust or exchange of any of the property of the Company shall be valid and binding unless approved by a resolution adopted by a majority of the shares of Stock at any regular or called meeting of the Stockholders, nor shall any bonds be issued except by a like authority.

That the Stock subscribed shall be payable on demand of the Directors.

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto affixed our hands and seals this the 1st day of April A.D. 1880

A. Kraus (Seal)
Sam Haas (Seal)
Charles Roy (Seal)
James Roy (Seal)
Morris Galtman (Seal)
Myer Galtman (Seal)
James D. Shell (Seal)
R. B. Burdine (Seal)
J. W. Eckford (Seal)
W. G. Sykes (Seal)
Louis Roy (Seal)
J. G. Elliott (Seal)
G. W. Bashaw (Seal)
J. S. Hampton (Seal)

State of Mississippi }
Monroe County } Personally appeared before me B. C. Sims a Justice of the Peace of Monroe County — A Kraus Sam Haas Charles Roy James Roy Morris Galtman Myer Galtman James D. Shell R. B. Burdine J. W. Eckford W. G. Sykes Louis Roy J. G. Elliott G. W. Bashaw & J. S. Hampton, who each acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the within Instrument of writing on the day and

year therein mentioned as his own free act and deed
Given under my hand and Seal
this April 1st 1880

B. C. Sims
Justice of the Peace
Monroe County

L.S.

I find no Constitutional objections to the foregoing charter.

J. C. Catchings Atty Genl.

Jackson Apl. 2, 1880.

Executive Office
April 2nd 1880

The foregoing Charter of the Aberdeen Hotel Company, located at Aberdeen, Miss is hereby Approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the City of Jackson, this 2d day of April 1880

J. M. Stone

L.S.

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of China Grove Benevolent Society.

State of Mississippi }
Madison County }

Know all men by these presents that we Samual Bennett, W. D. Harris, M. J. Gray, Robert Bennett, Austin C. Moore, and James Alexander, having for our object the banding together of the people in a common union for social, moral, intellectual, and religious inter course and for the relief of suffering in our midst from destitution arising from sickness or other causes, do establish by this charter and agreement ourselves and all those whose names are now enrolled on the books of the China Grove Benevolent Society, and all those who shall afterwards join into a body corporate and politic under the name of the China Grove Benevolent Society, located at China Grove, Madison county Mississippi, with full powers in our corporate capacity to sue and be sued plead and be impleaded, to purchase and hold real and personal estate stock and incorporeal hereditaments, to use a common seal and change the same at pleasure, and establish from time to time such by-laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances, as may be requisite for the good government thereof not insistent with the constitution and laws of the state of Mississippi, and that this corporation shall not be limited in point of time, but shall have perpetual succession.

In witness whereof we have hereby set our hands and seals this the 17th day of March 1880.

Sam × his Bennett Seal
James × his mark Alexander Seal
Robert × his mark Bennett Seal
M. J. Gray Seal
A. C. × his mark Moore Seal
W. B. Harris Seal

State of Mississippi
Madison County

Personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the peace for said County the within named parties who acknowledge that they signed Sealed and delivered this instrument of writing for the purpose therein mentioned as their own free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of March 1880.

A. Johns J.P. Seal

I find no constitutional objection to the within charter

J. C. Catchings
atty Genl

April 3rd 1880.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss
April 3rd 1880.

The foregoing Charter of "China Grove Benevolent Society" located at China Grove, Madison County, is hereby approved.

L. S.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 3rd day of April 3rd 1880

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mechanics Aid Building and Loan Association of the City of Meridian, in the County of Lauderdale, State of Mississippi.

The purpose for which this incorporation is formed, is the accumulation of a fund which may be loaned on good real estate security to the members thereof, and thereby enable mechanics and others to procure homes and to make such other investments as may be provided for in this Charter.

Section I

This corporation shall be composed of the following named persons, to wit: Julius Elsas, Abe Klein, L. A. Diencay, J. C. Lloyd, J. J. Shannon, J. C. Powell, S. H. Lesser, W. W. Turner, Louis J. C. Elsas, H. B. Wagner, L. H. Chiles and such others as shall associate with them for the purposes herein named; who shall by this Charter be incorporated under the name of the Mechanics Aid Building and Loan Association of the City of Meridian.

Section II

The stock of this Association shall be limited to two thousand shares of Two Hundred Dollars each.

Section III

Upon the death of a stockholder, the legal representatives may continue to enjoy the rights and privileges that belonged to the deceased, and fulfilling the obligations that would have devolved upon the deceased; or they may receive back the dues actually paid by the deceased and deceased's proportion of any profits that may have been realized, less any interest, fines, penalties, etc, that may be due from said deceased:— Provided, If said stock is pledged to the Association, the same shall be first redeemed by said personal representative.

Section IV.

All certificates of stock must be signed by the President and attested by the Secretary with the seal of the Association attached and must be duly numbered and recorded.

Section V

Married women may hold stock in this Association free from the debts of their husbands. Parents or guardians may hold stock for minors.

Section VI

No one person or firm, as a firm, shall hold more than twenty-five shares in this Association.

Section VII

On each share there shall be paid a monthly installment of one dollar in advance.

Persons wishing to take stock after the organization, must pay up

This corporation suspended by order of Board of Savings & Loan Association this the 8th day of Oct. 1927.
Heber Ladner, Secretary of State

all installments which may have become due, with such premium as the Board of Directors may require, to make the cash payment on new stock equal to the cash value of old stock.

Section VIII

Each and every stockholder or trustee who shall neglect or refuse to pay his monthly dues or interest as often as the same shall become due and payable, shall forfeit and and pay the additional sum of ten cents monthly on each and every dollar due by him, dues of each month taken separately.

Section IX.

All claims for dues, interest fines and penalties shall be held as a lien against the stock of delinquent members or their assignee, and when such claims shall amount to a sum equal to the amount of dues actually paid by such delinquent, the same shall be sold to the highest bidder, after five days notice, and the proceeds of such sale applied to said delinquency.

Section X.

All fines, interest penalties, etc, shall be payable with regular dues, as per Sec. VIII.

Section XI.

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of seven (7) Directors, who shall be elected annually, at such time and place in the City of Meridian as the Board of Directors for the time being shall appoint, and shall hold their office for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. Said election shall be by ballot, by majority of stockholders voting, allowing one vote to every share. Stockholders not personally present may vote by proxy made in writing to the persons representing them at such election.

Section XII

The Board of Directors shall, as soon as may be after the first election, and thereafter annually, at the first regular meeting of the Board succeeding each election, choose out of their number one person to act as President, and one as Vice President. They shall also appoint a Secretary, Treasurer, and Attorney or Attorneys, and such other officers and assistants as to them may seem necessary, prescribe their duties, fix their compensation, and take from them such security as they may deem necessary for the faithful performance of such duties.

Section XIII

It shall be the duty of the President and in his absence the Vice President, to preside at all meetings of the Association and Board of Directors, to preserve order therein, to administer the laws of the Association, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed in this Charter, or the By-Laws made in pursuance thereof.

Section XIV

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep accurate minutes of the proceedings of the Association and Board of Directors. He shall keep a strict and correct account with the members, receive all moneys paid to the Association, pay the same over to the Treasurer within three days after the receipt thereof, taking his receipt as a voucher therefor; he shall hold himself responsible for the correctness of the accounts, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Directors. To secure the faithful performance of his duties, he shall enter into a bond, with two securities, in a sum of not less than two thousand dollars, and shall receive for his services such compensation as the Board of Directors may allow.

Section XV

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys paid to the Association from the Secretary, giving him a receipt for the same. He shall pay all debts ordered by the Board of Directors, attested by the President and Secretary, and countersigned by a majority of the Finance Committee. He shall keep a correct account of all moneys received and paid out, and his books and accounts shall be subjected at all times to the inspection of the Directors, or any member. He shall, when requested, make a report of the financial affairs of the Association. To secure the faithful performance of his duties, he shall enter into a bond, with two or more sureties, in a sum not less than ~~five thousand dollars~~. He shall deliver over to his successor in office all moneys, books, papers and property of every kind belonging to the Association, within two weeks after the election of his successor; and for the faithful performance of his duties he may receive such compensation as the Directors may allow.

Section XVI

The Attorney or attorneys shall examine all title papers, and procure the necessary searches for property offered to this Corporation as security for money loaned or otherwise, and certify the result of the same in writing. He shall prepare all bonds, mortgages, agreements and other writings of a legal nature, to be given or taken by this Corporation; and shall be entitled to receive from the party liable for the same, not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, except in cases of extra

extra labor and research, when more may be allowed, at the discretion of the Finance Committee. All disputes as to the amount of such charges shall be settled by the Board of Directors.

Section XVIII

The President shall, annually, at the first regular meeting of the Board of Directors, appoint from their number a Finance Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to act in conjunction with the President, to examine and audit all claims against the Association, countersign all drafts and checks, and generally to attend to all financial business of the Association. They shall report in writing, at the last monthly meeting of each Corporate year, giving a full statement of the financial condition of the Association, to the Board of Directors, and a majority of the Finance Committee shall be competent to act.

Section XVIIII

The President shall also, at the same time and in the same manner, appoint a Valuation Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to examine and determine the value of all securities offered to this Association, and shall report their conclusions to the President and the Finance Committee for action by them. A majority of this committee shall be competent to act.

Section XIX

The above committees may adopt such rules for their government as they may see fit, provided the same are not contrary to this charter and the By-Laws.

Section XX

At the stated monthly meetings of the Association, the funds on hand, if to the amount of one share or more, shall be offered for loan, and the stockholder who shall bid the highest premium for the preference or priority of loan, shall be entitled to receive a loan of two hundred dollars for each share of stock held by such stockholder, and good and ample security on real estate shall be given by the borrower to secure the re-payment of the loan. In case the borrower shall neglect to offer security, or shall offer security that is not approved of by the Board of Directors, by such time as the Charter may prescribe, he or she shall be charged with one months interest, together with any expenses incurred, and the money shall be resold at the next stated meeting. In case of non payment of installments or interest by borrowing stockholders, for the space of four months, payments of principal and interest, without deducting the premium paid, or interest thereon, may be enforced by proceeding on their securities according to the terms of the contract under which the loan is made.

Section XXI

Interest on all loans shall be at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the time of making said loans, and shall be paid in monthly installments in advance, and at the same time that the regular dues are paid; and such loans shall be for the purpose of enabling the borrower thereof to secure a home for himself and family, or for the purchase of other real estate, or for the improvement of the same, or for paying off encumbrances on real estate already owned by him, and for no other purpose whatever.

Section XXII

The successful bidders for any loan shall at the time of such bidding in, deposit with the Secretary the sum of five dollars per share for every share bid in by them, as security for the payment of interest, expenses, etc, incurred as per Section XVI, XX and XXVI, which said deposit shall be returned when said interest, expenses etc, shall have been satisfied.

Section XXIII

No member shall be entitled to bid on, or receive a loan, or to vote on any question whatever, who is in arrears for monthly installments, interests, fines or penalties.

Section XXIV

All real estate or improvements offered as security, as per Section XX, must be situated within two miles of the corporate limits of the City of Meridian, and must be free from all incumbrance and worth, at a cash valuation, such an amount over and above the amount asked as a loan on it, as the Valuation Committee shall deem a sufficient margin to amply secure this Association from loss. All improvements must be kept fully insured, or to the extent of the loan made, for the benefit of this Association, in some good insurance Company, and the policy approved by the Finance Committee and deposited with the Secretary. The annual premium receipts on such policy, and the annual tax receipts of all kinds for which the property is liable, shall be exhibited to the Secretary annually while the loan exists, and filed with the papers.

Section XXV

The Valuation Committee shall have the right to require any borrower to increase his security, if at any time they find the value of the same depreciated below the margin required in Section XXIV; and in thirty days after such notice, or unless the borrower shall repay so much of the loan as will re-establish the above margin, the Board of Directors shall have the right to proceed against such borrower and his security, as per terms of contract, for the purpose of protecting the Association from loss.

Section XXVII

No member shall be allowed to take more than ten shares at any one bidding, nor shall any member be allowed to transfer his bid, or any part of it, to any other member.

Section XXVIII

Security must be offered in five days after bidding in the loan, and interest on the loan must be paid from the expiration of the five days after bidding in the loan.

Section XXVIIII

All fees for examination of titles for loans and preparing and recording papers shall be paid by the borrower

Section XXIX

If at any time there should be a surplus fund on hands and not desired by any member as a loan, the Board of Directors may invest the same in the purchase of real estate, and erection of buildings thereon, in the name and as the property of this Association, and they may rent, sell or dispose of the same in their discretion for the benefit of this Association; but no money or property shall be disposed of under this section, except by a three fourths vote of all the members of the Board.

Section XXX

By a three fourths vote of all the Directors, funds not wanted for any other purpose may be loaned temporarily for the benefit of the Association, on the deposits of feist-class real estate security

Section XXXI

The liability of any stockholder of this Association shall be limited to the amount of the unpaid stock of such stock holder

Section XXXII

The Directors shall have power to make and adapt such By Laws Rules and Regulations as they may deem expedient, not repugnant to this Charter.

Section XXXIIII

When the assets of this Association shall reach the par value of all shares of stock in force, then its affairs shall be placed in liquidation, and each and every member shall receive the full par value of all shares held by him or her, either in cash to the ammount of two hundred dollars per share, or other securities to that amount and all liens of record shall be satisfied: Provided, however, That no stockholder shall be entitled to have

their securities released, collaterals returned, or liens of record against him satisfied, until he or she have fully paid all dues, fines, interest and all other charges that they may owe to the Association.

Section XXXIV

After the liquidation, as provided for in Section XXXIII, should there be a surplus still remaining, the same shall be divided pro-rata to their respective interests among all the members of the Association.

Section XXXV

The Association incorporated by this Charter shall continue to exist without limit as to time, unless liquidated as herein provided.

Julius Elson — L. A. Duncan — Louis C. Elson
Abe Klein — C. Lloyd — A. B. Wagner
J. J. Shannon — G. H. Lesser — S. H. Chiles
J. C. Powell — W. W. Turner

The State of Mississippi }
Lauderdale County }

Personally came before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County the within named Julius Elson, Abe Klein, L. A. Duncan, J. C. Lloyd, J. J. Shannon, J. C. Powell, G. H. Lesser, W. W. Turner, Louis C. Elson, A. B. Wagner and S. H. Chiles who severally acknowledged that they signed the foregoing document of instrument of writing as their act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this the 22d day of April A. D. 1880.

G. Henderson & Seal
Justice of the Peace
Lauderdale County Miss.

I find no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter
April 23. 1880

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Miss.
April 23rd 1880.

The foregoing Charter of the Mechanics Aid Building and Loan Association of the City of Meridian, County of Lauderdale, State of Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23rd day of April A. D. 1880.

(L S)

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Independent Pole Bearer's Association, of Benton County, and State of Mississippi.

The purpose for which this Incorporation is formed, is, practically to promote Friendship, Love, and Truth; and by organization and Continued effort to accomplish the ends and objects of its institution. Duly impressed with the necessity of establishing Means and Agencies whereby, in the exigencies of sickness and misfortune, so frequently occurring in human life, they may be provided for, and human distress and suffering relieved and mitigated: The Incorporators of the Independent Pole Bearers, of Benton County Mississippi, declare the object and purpose of their Order, Benevolent and Philanthropic. The names of the persons who are to be Incorporators, are, O. Stark, A. J. Terry, H. Brown, A. H. Hodges, M. J. Terry, Allen Robinson, T. S. Elmore, George Howery, and Henry Jackson.

The only powers they desire, or propose to exercise, are such only as are necessary to the Organization of a Benevolent Institution, and to render it practically efficient and useful. The Corporate name by which the Association will be known and recognized, is the "Independent Pole Bearers Association, of Benton County, Mississippi".

There is no limit fixed as to the time that the Incorporation is to continue.

The Order of Independent Pole Bearers, propose to enforce the duties and obligations of its Membership by such Bye laws and Regulations as will not at all Conflict with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, nor with the Constitution and laws of the United States, nor with their duties as good Citizens.

May 1st. 1880.

(Signed) O. Stark. A. H. Hodges T. S. Elmore
A. J. Terry. M. J. Terry. George Howery
H. Brown Allen Robinson. Henry Jackson.

The State of Mississippi }
Benton County. }

Personally appeared before me, R. H. Parham, Mayor of Michigan City, and Ex officio Justice of the Peace for said County, O. Stark, A. J. Terry, H. Brown, A. H. Hodges, M. J. Terry, Allen Robinson T. S. Elmore, George Howery, and Henry Jackson, the Incorporators of the Independent Pole Bearers Association of Benton County, Mississippi, who severally Signed and acknowledged the above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, as their act and deed, on this 1st day of May, 1880

Witness my hand and seal, this 1st day of May, 1880.

R. H. Parham. Mayor. Seal
Ex officio. Justices of the Peace

I find No Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.
May 4th. 1880.

T. C. Catchings, A. G. Genl.

Executive Office, Jackson Miss. May 4th. 1880.

The foregoing Charter of the "Independent Pole Bearers Association of Benton County, is hereby Approved".

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be here affixed, the day and date above Written.

Seal

By the Governor.

J. M. Stone.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

Charter of Incorporation of the Mathews Magdalene Charitable Society of Little Mount, Hinds County, Mississippi.

Article II

This Society is organized purely for charitable and benevolent purposes.

Article III

The Incorporators of this Society are, Reese Liddell, A. Terry, Robin Dixon, and such other persons, as members, who may hereafter become associated with them.

Article IIII

The name of this Corporation is "Little Mount Mathews Magdaline Charitable Society." It is located at Little Mount, Hinds County Mississippi.

Article IV

This Corporation shall be vested with the power and right to acquire by purchase or donation real or personal property to the amount of ten thousand dollars ($10.000); and to hold, enjoy, or dispose of the same at pleasure; To make such Rules and By-Laws for the good order and government of said Society, as from time to time they may deem necessary; also to do and perform any and all such acts incident to Religious or Charitable Associations, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State, or of the United States.

Article V

The Incorporators of this Society and their successors in office as hereinafter named, together with the members of the Association, shall constitute a body corporate and politic, and as such shall be capable of suing and being sued, implead and be impleaded, in all the Courts both of Law and Equity in this State, and as such body corporate shall have perpetual succession.

Article VI

There shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary an assistant Secretary, corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain and Sergeant-at-Arms of the Association, elected semi-annually at the last stated meetings in June and December of each year, and the Officers so elected shall hold their offices for the period of six months, or until their successors are elected and qualified: Provided however that any officer, may at any time be removed for sufficient cause.

In testimony whereof we have set our hands and seals this the (1st) first day of May A. D. 1880-

Reese X Liddell (Seal)
Anderson X Terry (Seal)
Robin Dixon (Seal)

EL

State of Mississippi
County of Hinds

This day personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above named Reese Liddell, A. Terry and Robin Dixon, who acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the date thereof as their own act and deed, and for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of May A.D. 1880.

J. E. Johnston Jr. P. [L.S.]

The foregoing Charter contains nothing violative of the Constitution.

May 13. 1880

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Miss. May 13th 1880

The foregoing Charter of the Mother of Magdalene Charitable Society of Little Mount, Hinds County, is hereby Approved

[L.S.]

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this date above written.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Ocean Springs Steam Boat Wharf Company.

1st The said Company shall have the sole and exclu=sive right and privilege to erect and maintain a public Steam Boat Wharf in front of the town of Ocean Springs in Jackson County Mississippi, for a term of ten years with the power of charging and recieving such fees for freight and use of said Wharf as the Board of Supervisors of said Jackson County may allow.

2nd The incorporators names are W. B. Schmidt, A. A. Maginnis, H. H. Minor, Chas C. Schmidt and their associates.

3rd The Association shall be known as the "Ocean Springs Steam Boat Wharf Company."

4th The power intended to be exercised is that said corporation shall have the sole and exclusive right and privilege to erect and maintain a public Steam Boat Wharf with power to charge such fees for freight and use of the Wharf as the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County may allow.

5th The Charter to be for a space of ten years from the date of its approval.

6th The officers of said corporation shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer to be elected by the Stock holders of said corporation at a meeting wherein twenty days notice is given by posting in three public places in said town of Ocean Springs- And shall hold their office for the year from the election until their successors shall assume and accept the offices.

That William B. Schmidt shall be President H. H. Minor Secretary and Charles C. Schmidt Treasurer of said Corporation from its approval until the 1st Monday in September 1880. When their successors shall be chosen the term of office shall be for one year from September 1880 and annually thereafter from the 1st Monday in said month- If the Stock holders shall fail to elect said officers on the 1st Monday in September of any year they shall be elected at any Special or regular meeting on giving the notice required. Said officers shall have power to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary-

The Capital Stock of said corporation shall be $1500 be represented by three hundred (300) shares of

5.00 per share

Witness our hands and seals this 4th day of June A.D. 1880.

H. H. Minor (Seal)
W. B. Schmidt (Seal)
A. A. Maginnis (Seal)
Chas E. Schmidt (Seal)

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter

J. O. Catchings
atty Genl

June 19th 1880.

The State of Mississippi
Jackson County

Before me Albert G. Delmas, Clerk of the Chancery Court of said County, personally appeared the within named H. H. Minor, who acknowledged that he signed sealed, and delivered the within and foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as his act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 4th day of June A. D. 1880.

A. G. Delmas, clk.

The State of Mississippi
Jackson County

Before me H. H. Minor a Justice of the Peace personally appeared W. B. Schmidt, A. A. Maginnis and Chas E. Schmidt and acknowledged that they signed, sealed & delivered the within instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as their lawful act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 5th day of June A.D. 1880.

H. H. Minor
Justice Peace.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Ocean Spring Steam Boat & Wharf Company" located in the town of Ocean Springs in Jackson County, and signed by H. H. Minor W. B. Schmidt, A. A. Maginnis and Chas E. Schmidt as Incorporators, is hereby approved.

In faith whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the city of Jackson this 19th day of June A.D. 1880 and of the Independence of the U.S. the 104th

By the Governor:
H. C. Myers
Secty State

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the "Supreme Lodge of the Knights of the Cross"

This corporation is formed for the follow=ing purposes — towit:— The promotion of benevolence, morality, science and industry; the fraternal union of men of every profession, business, and occupation for the purpose of rendering moral and material aid to the members thereof, and their dependents; the establishment of a widows and orphans fund; and to provide for the relief of sick and distressed members, and generally, for the amelio=ration of mankind.

The following named persons, their associates and successors are hereby created and declared to be the incorporators of said Organization: namely James Rivers, Madison Wilson, Cornelius Gantt, Joseph A. Conway, William Davis, Milton Brooks, Stokes Green, John W. Garrett, Horace Thompson, and Andrew Savannah.

This Incorporation shall be known by the name and style of the "Supreme Lodge of the Knights of the Cross," and,

By that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and equity in this State; they shall have and use a common seal, and may break or alter the same at pleasure; they may adopt and promulgate such by-laws, rules and regulations for the govern=ment of the same, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this State or of the United States, as will best effect the objects of this incorporation, and generally exercise all the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities incident to and exercised by incorporations of like nature under the laws of this State.

This incorporation shall have perpetual succession; and shall have the right to have, hold, possess and enjoy real and personal property not exceeding in value the sum of One Hundred thousand dollars.

In testimony whereof the above named incorporators have hereunto set their hands, and affixed their seals this 13th day of June A. D. 1880.

James Rivers
Will Wilson
Cornelius Gantt
Joseph A Conway
Williams Davis
Milton Brooks

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Stokes Greey
Horrace Thompson
Andrew Savannah
John. W. Garett

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The State of Mississippi
Madison County } S. S.

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned, mayor of Canton, and ex officio, a Justice of the Peace for said County and State, James Rivers, William Wilson, Cornelius Garett, Joseph H. Conway, William Davis, Milton Brooks Stokes Green, John W. Garett, Horace Thompson, and Andrew Savannah, the incorporators named in the foregoing Charter, who severally acknowledged that they signed, sealed, and delivered the same as their several act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of Office the day and year above written

G. W. Thomas - Mayor ex. of. J.P.

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

June 26-1880.

Executive Office.
Jackson Miss.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Supreme Lodge of the Knights of the Cross" signed by James. Rivers, William Wilson, Cornelius Garett, and seven others, their associates, is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 5th day of July A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor.
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville and Memphis Telegraph Company.

Article I

This Company is founded for the purpose of constructing and keeping in operation a telegraph line between the town of Greenville on the Mississippi River in the County of Washington to Memphis Tennessee.

Article II

That E. A. Dennett, Jno. W. Shields, Joshua Skinner, Charles Scott and F. A. Montgomery with all others who may be hereafter associated with them are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Greenville and Memphis Telegraph Company and by that name shall have perpetual succession may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law or Equity; may have a common seal, and the same to alter at pleasure

Article III

The said Company are hereby authorized to construct the said Telegraph line and to set up and erect their posts and fixtures along and across any of the public highways streets or bridges of this State and along and across all Turnpikes, Rail Roads and canals and also through any of the public belonging to this State, and they shall have the power to acquire and hold, in their corporate name, rights of way over and through any private lands conveyed to them by the owners thereof.

Article IV

That the Capital Stock of said Company shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each with the privileges of increasing the capital Stock to Twenty Thousand Dollars, at the option of the Board of Directors and as soon as the sum of One Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed the said Company shall commence the construction of said line.

Article V

That the management of the business of said Company shall be confined to five Directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum who shall be selected by the Stock Holders annually, and who shall hold their office until their successors are elected and qualified and the said Directors shall have power and authority to make all needful rules and by-laws, and regulations, for the management and control of the business and affairs of the said

Company, its property and the mode and manner of transferring its Stock and any and all questions which in their judgment will best promote the interest and prosperity thereof, and elect such officers as they may think proper.

Article VI

That said Board of Directors may appoint all necessary officers and agents and fix their compensation and take Bond and Security for the faithful performance of their duties and fill vacancies and remove the same whenever they shall see proper.

E. A. Dennett Seal
Joshua Skinner Seal
John W. Shields Seal
F. A. Montgomery Seal
Chas. Scott Seal
John W. Shields Seal

State of Mississippi
Washington County } Personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace the above signed E. A. Dennett, Joshua Skinner, Jno. W. Shields, who each acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Articles as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal this the 10th day of June A. D. 1880
Gilbert Morton J. P.

State of Mississippi
Bolivar county } Personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace in & for oayd County the above signed F. A. Montgomery and Chas Scott who each acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Articles as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of June A. D. 1880.
Wm. A. Yerger J. P.

I find ~~no unconstitutional~~ nothing in the foregoing act of incorporation in conflict with the Constitution
J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

June 26th 1880.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville and Memphis Telegraph Company" signed by E. A. Dennett, John Skinner and four others, their associates is hereby Approved. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at the city of Jackson, this 5th day of July A. D. 1880.
By the Governor Hiram C. Myers Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Washington County Agricultural and Fair Ground Association."

1. Said Association is formed to promote improvement of the race of all useful and domestic animals, improvement in all the various departments of Agriculture including not only the great staples of industry and trade, but also fruits vegetables, ornamental gardening, and the general advancement of rural and household manufactures.

2. E. Bourges, Lee Hexter, W. A. Percy, I. Isenberg, C. W. Lewis, H. Wilezinsky and William G. Yerger are to be the corporators of said Association.

3. The corporate name by which said Association is to be known is the "Washington County Agricultural and Fair Ground Association."

4. The powers intended to be exercised by said Association are as follows, to wit: the election of a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary a Superintendent of the grounds, a board of fifteen Directors, an Executive Committee of five from said board of Directors; the adaption of a Constitution and By Laws; the issuance of stock to any amount not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars in shares of $25.00 each; the purchase and holding of real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars; the disposition by sale of said property from time to time as the Officers of said Association may deem best for the interest thereof the conveyances to be made in the name of said Association first authorized by a resolution of the board of Directors of said Association and to be executed by the President and Secretary of said Association with the ~~said~~ seal of said Association attached to their signature; and the conduct and management of a Race course and Fair Ground in Washington County, Mississippi.

5. That said Association is not limited in the time which it shall exist.

6. That the corporators hereinbefore named are to have the right to associate with themselves any and all persons who have already or may hereafter subscribe to the capital stock of said Association not exceeding the limit of stock hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof the persons hereinbefore named as corporators have hereunto set their hands and seals this 10th day of August A. D. 1880

E. Bourges (Seal)
L. Hexter (Seal)
H. Wilezinske (Seal)
I. Isenberg (Seal)
C. W. Lewis (Seal)
W. A. Percy (Seal)
Wm G. Yerger (Seal)

over

State of Mississippi }
Washington County }

Personally appeared before me C. M. Johnson, Clerk of the Chancery Court of the County aforesaid E. Bourges, L. Hester, M. A. Perey, I. Isenberg, C. W. Lewis, N. Wilczinsko and William G. Yerger, who each acknowledged that they signed sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Washington County Agricultural and Fair Ground Association" for the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

(Seal)

Given under my hand and official seal this 14th day of August A.D. 1880.

C. M. Johnson Clerk

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing act of Incorporation.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive Office September 1880

The above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Washington County Agricultural and Fair Ground Association" is hereby approved.

(L. S.)

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed this 8th day of September A.D. 1880

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Meyer
Secretary of State

Charter of incorporation of the Yazoo Rivers Merchants and Planters Transportation Company.

1st. This corporation is formed for the purpose of investing in a steam boat or steam boats to navigate the Yazoo River and its tributaries and the Mississippi River as far as Vicksburg as common carriers for transporting freight & passengers, and of investing in ware houses, wharfs yards and such other property as may be needed in the navigation of said steamers.

2nd. I. J. Fouche, J. N. Gilreath, G. W. Brantley, P. L. Hudson, L. Wise, N. H. Luse, Geo. H. Duckworth, W. R. Wyatt, J. Wolenstein, and H. C. Phipps, and the incorporators & I. J. Fouche, D. N. Gilreath, L. Wise N. H. Luse & H. C Phipps are appointed a Board of Directors of the incorporation to serve until their successors in office are duly elected & qualified.

3rd. The Company hereby incorporated shall be known as the Yazoo River Merchants & Planters Transportation Company.

4th. This company in & by its corporate name & through its Board of Directors shall have power to acquire by purchase, lease, or otherwise, real, personal and mixed property on said streams, or elsewhere to an amount not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and in and by its corporate name may receive title to any property real, personal or mixed, and may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of the same; may contract and be contracted with, Sue & be sued; plead & be impleaded in any of the Courts of this State.

5th. The legal existence of this corporation is not limited in point of time, but may be terminated by a majority vote in amount of its stockholders.

6th. The By-laws of this Company shall be proposed by some one of the Board of Directors & adopted by a majority vote of said Board and shall fix the term of office & the time & manner of the election of all officers of this company and shall prescribe the duties and powers of the officers & Board of Directors, with reference to the acquisition, improvement, arrangement and control of the property, franchises, the issues, sale & transfer of stock and all other matters properly appertaining thereto or concerning said Company.

The Board of Directors may create or abolish any office or offices that may be deemed necessary at any time.

7th. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, Superintendent & a Board of Directors consisting of five stockholders, all offices except the Superintendent must be a stockholder, but he may be elected outside of Stockholders each share of stock shall represent one vote.

The officers of this Company shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors.

8th. The stock in this company shall be limited in amount to one hundred thousand dollars and each share of stock to fifty dollars and no stockholder shall be bound by any

judgment or decree of any court against this company or corporation for any greater sum than the amount of stock paid in by him at the time of the rendition of such judgment or decree.

9th The Board of Directors is authorized to receive subscriptions of stock in this Company and to issue and sell certificates of stock therein on such terms and under such regulations as may be prescribed in the by-laws of this Company and not contrary to the provisions of this Charter—

In testimony whereof the above named corporators hereto sign their names & affix their seals this the 11th day of August 1880.

I. I. Fourche (Seal)
I. N. Gilreath (Seal)
G. W. Brantley (Seal)
P. G. Hudson (Seal)
Louis Wise (Seal)
N. H. Rose (Seal)
Geo. H. Buckmeyer (Seal)
W. R. Hyatt (Seal)
H. C. Shipps (Seal)
J. Wolfenstein (Seal)

The State of Mississippi
County of Yazoo.

Personally appeared before me Clerk of the Chancery Court for said County & state, the within named I. J. Fourche, I. N. Gilreath, G. W. Brantley P. G. Hudson, Louis Wise, N. H. Rose, Geo. H. Buckmeyer, W. R. Hyatt, H. C. Shipps & J. Wolfenstein, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed & delivered the foregoing Instrument of writing on the day and year of its date, as their act and deed and for the purposes therein specified.

Given under my hand & official seal this 12th day of Aug 1880.

(Seal)

Jas. H. Barksdale, Clerk

I find no constitutional objections to the foregoing charter.

J. C. Catchings
Atty. Genl.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Yazoo River Mechanics and Planters Transportation Company" written on pages One, two, three and four, is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 18th day of September, A.D. 1880.

By the Governor:
Henry C. Myers.
Secty of State.

J. M. Stone

The Charter of incorporation of Union Church High School Association

First The purposes for which the Corporation is formed. The Corporation hereby created is formed for the establishment and maintenance at Union Church Jefferson County Mississippi or in the vicinity thereof, of a first class institution in the different departments of learning

Second Names of persons who are to be Corporators. The following persons and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with those named, & their successors are to be Corporators; to Wit

G. W. Grafton
Simon Lehman
R. H. Metzer
A. M. McCallum
A. B. Gato
Lewis Gato
W. A. Gato
S. D. McCallum
Geo. H. Gato
D. J. Cameron

Third Corporate Name

The Corporate Name of the Literary institution and by which the Corporation hereby created is to be known and under which it is to exercise the powers rights and privileges hereby conferred is hereby fixed and declared to be the Union Church High School Association.

Fourth Powers intended to be exercised. The said Corporation hereby created shall have perpetual succession and the right to acquire property both real personal and mixed by gift devise purchase or otherwise and the same to hold and enjoy not exceeding in value ($10,000.) Ten Thousand Dollars and may as often as deemed necessary mortgage, sell convey lease or otherwise dispose of the same in whole or in part as may be necessary and proper to the promotion of the objects of said Corporation; the said Corporation shall have power to bring into existence to maintain and promote a first class Literary institution in the different departments of learning to purchase or acquire in any other way suitable lands and buildings or to erect or to cause to be erected buildings necessary or

proper for said institution and the same to maintain improve and adorn and so to do it shall have power as often as may be necessary; the said Corporation may make all byelaws rules and regulations for the proper Conduct and government of said institution and provides for the election of officers professors, tutors and teachers ~~and teachers~~ and for the filling of all vacancies and the election of all successors in Offices, professorships and positions, paid Corporation may employ and bind itself to pay professors, teachers, tutors, lecturers, and other inspectors, principals and assistants as may be necessary ~~and~~ or proper to promote the objects and usefulness of said institution and the same dismiss & discharge; and generally may do and perform all and every act for the benefit of said institution of learning incident to the powers herein expressly conferred or as may be demanded by the necessities of said institution not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this state ~~and~~ or the United States and not contrary to good morals. The said Corporation shall have power to borrow money in any sum not exceeding (~~$~~5,000) Five Thousand Dollars and the same or any part thereof may invest in the purchase of suitable ground and buildings or in the erection of suitable buildings for the purposes of said institution and such other buildings as may be deemed necessary and proper; and said money so borrowed or any part thereof may be invested in the purchase of a library, books, maps & charts, Globes and suitable apparatus for said institution such as is or may be customary in institutions of learning or as may be deemed necessary or proper for the protection of the dissemination of learning and for the purpose of securing a loan of money or loans of money said Corporation shall have the power and rights to mortgage or hypothecate its property, real personal & mixed to the same extent as a natural person may or can do and Generally said Corporation shall have power to contract and be contracted with within the scope of the objects for which said corporation is created; it shall have the power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts either of law or equity or both

Sixth The period for which the corporation is to exist. Said Corporation shall have perpetual existance subject to the laws under which it is created

Sixth Other matters deemed necessary:

The government of said Corporation shall be and is hereby invested in a Board of directors or Trustees and the officers thereof; To Wit One President, One Secretary and One Treasurer. The qualifications of said Directors or Trustees and Officers shall be that each must be a citizen of the ~~United States~~ State of Mississippi, each Twenty One years of age and under Sixty Five years of age each shall be of good moral ~~and~~ character and never ~~be~~ convicted of any crime. The said Board shall consist of five members, three of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business. They shall have power to provide by law the mode and manner of election of ~~first~~ and successors in Office, may fix the time of ~~first~~ holding their meetings and prescribe the duties of their ~~other~~ Officers and their term of Office, may require of their Officers or any of them a bond or bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties, fixing the penality thereof and the number and qualifications of sureties on such Bonds; if such bonds are required they shall be made payable to said Corporation by name and said Board may determine the conditions thereof. The said Board may elect their said officers from their own number or not as they deem proper and the same person may or may not as the board ~~may~~ shall determine, exercise the functions and discharge the duties of the said offices of Secretary and treasurer and said Board may prescribe and fix the ~~values~~ salaries of said Officers and the same change at pleasure. The said Board shall at their first meeting, or as soon thereafter as practicable prescribe by by law the terms of their own Officers and the mode and manner of electing their successors and of filling vacancies on the said Board of Directors or Trustees.

The said Corporation shall have a Common Seal and the same may alter, change or break at pleasure. Let a by law prescribe who shall have the custody and the right to affix said Seal Provided that in conveyances of lands the deed shall be signed in the name of the Corporation by the President, Countersigned by the Secretary and the seal of the corporation may be affixed by either, and said conveyances must be acknowledged (by the President + Secretary as other conveyances are by law required to be acknowledged)

The said Board of directors or Trustees for in

Office shall be elected by and from the persons herein named as corporators, at a meeting to be held by them, or a majority of them at Union Church in Jefferson County within one year from the approval hereof, after first giving notice of the time place and purpose of meting by publication in three consecutive weekly issues of some newspaper published in said County, or freely circulating therein, and if at said first meeting there should not be a majority of said corporators present said meeting may be adjourned from day to day or from time to time until a majority shall meet, At such meeting as soon as a board of directors or Trustees shall be elected said board shall organize by the election of officers and said corporation shall then be capable of exercising all the powers herein conferred expresslyor by necessary implication. Said Board shall keep a minute of all its proceedings in well bound books which shall be kept open to inspection to all concerned and said Board shall at their First meting reduce to writing as an introduction to their minutes the proceedings of the corporators by whom said Board was elected.

Said Board shall have power to receive money or property, or promises of money or other valuable things as a subscription to their capital Stock; but no subscriber, Director, Trustee or officer of said corporation shall be liable for the debts of said corporation or its defaults or miscarriages, beyond the amount of his or her unpaid obligation or subscription to said corporation, because of being such subscriber, Director, Trustee or officer of said corporation.

Signed and sealed by us

Corporator Seal
C. H. Grafton Seal
Simon Lehmann Seal
R. H. Meteer Seal
A. M. McCallum Seal
A. B. Cato Seal
Louis Cato Seal
W. A. Cato Seal
Corporator Seal
Geo. W. Cato Seal
J. D. McCallum Seal
D. H. Cameron Seal

State of Mississippi }
County of Jefferson }

Personally came and appeared before the undersigned, a Member of the Board of Supervisors,

in and for said County the above named, C. W. Grafton, Simon Lehmann, R. H. Meteer, J. M. McCallum, A. B. Cato, Lewis Cato, W. A. Cato, George W. Cato, S. D. McCallum and D. H. Cameron, the corporators whose names are signed and whose seals are affixed to the foregoing Charter who each for himself before me acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the said Charter for the purposes named in same as his act and deed. Given under my hand and Seal this 1st day of October 1880

E. A. Maddux M. B. & Seal

I find no Constitutional objection to the within act of Incorporation

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

State of Mississippi
Executive Department

The within and foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of Union Church High School Association" located in Jefferson County, is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 30th day of October A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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Charter of Incorporation of the Liberian Benevolent Charitable Association of Caffeeville Mississippi

Section 1. Be it enacted that Wiley McCracken, Alexander Boothe, Anthony Ward, Nelson Jefferson, L. J. Scurlock, Dempsey Bell, Samuel Stein, Sidney Hairston, John Harris, Milton Baker, Saml. Carr, and such other persons, as they may associate with them and their successors are hereby created and constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the Liberian Benevolent, Charitable Association of Caffeeville Mississippi, and by that name they and their successors may and shall be capable of contracting and being contracted with, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in any Court of law or Equity and have perpetual succession and may have a Corporate Seal and alter or change the same at pleasure shall be capable of receiving or acquiring property real personal or mixed, by deed, gift, purchase, or donation, not to exceed in value the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars and of selling and disposing of the same at pleasure, may establish such a Constitution, and make such by Laws, for the rule and governance of said Association, as to them may seem right and proper, not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States or of this State.

Sec. 2 Be it further enacted that the objects and purposes of the said Liberian, Benevolent, Charitable Association of Caffeeville Mississippi, shall be charitable only and to that end it may raise and collect money, goods and provisions, to be used and applied, in such time and manner, and to such destitute or needy persons, as may be proper objects of relief. It may establish a house of industry for the purpose of giving work and employment to needy persons and may admit as Inmates into such house, such persons as the Association may deem proper, and employ them in any way that may be most useful or may tend to promote the objects and purposes of the Association.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, that said Association shall have authority to make donations, afford relief and grant assistance to any and all persons, whom by their by-laws and rules shall be entitled thereto.

Sec 4. Be it further enacted that said persons named in the first Section of this Act, and their Associates and successors, shall annually elect any officer or officers provided for in the Constitution and by-laws of said Association and in the manner provided for therein. Said Officer or officers shall hold their Offices for one year or until their successors are duly elected & qualified

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted that this Charter of Incorporation shall take effect from and after its approval.

I find no Constitutional objection to the within Charter
Nov. 17. 1880 T. C. Catchings Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss. November 17th 1880

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Liberian Benevolent Charitable Association of Coffeeville, Mississippi, is hereby approved -

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 17th day of November A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mt. Alban Baptist Church of Warren County, Mississippi

First: Names of Incorporators:

Calvin Reese, Emanuel Andersen and William Parsons Trustees of the Mt. Alban Baptist Church, of Warren County Mississippi - a Church under the jurisdiction of the Baptist Missionary Convention of Mississippi, organized 15th September 1871 - together with their successors in office, as Trustees of said Church, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of the "Mt. Alban Baptist Church of Warren County, Mississippi."

Second: Name

Said corporation shall be known by the name of the "Mt. Alban Baptist Church, of Warren County, Mississippi."

Third: Limit of duration.

The said corporation shall be unlimited in its existence and shall have perpetual succession.

Fourth: Powers of the Corporation.

Under its corporate name it shall have power to sue and be sued - plead and be impleaded, in all Courts of Law or Equity: It shall have power to acquire and hold, real or personal property, by deed, gift, purchase, donation, or otherwise; and to dispose of, or exchange the same for other property, as may be deemed best, not to exceed Four Thousand Dollars ($4,000.00) in value, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a building or buildings on said real estate, for Religious and Educational purposes; the same to be in said County of Warren, and for the use, occupation, and enjoyment of the members of said Church, for religious and educational purposes, as aforesaid - as long as said Church may be in existence.

Fifth: Officers.

The said Trustees, the corporators above named, may at such times as they see proper, elect one of their number for President, and one for Treasurer, of said Board of Trustees; and in case of a vacancy at any time, from death, resignation, or otherwise, the members of said Church, shall fill the vacancy in said Board. The said Board may adopt rules and regulations necessary to govern said Church, not inconsistent with the Rules of said Baptist Missionary Convention, or the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Mississippi.

Sixth: Disposition of the Property.

This limitation is hereby imposed on the power of said Trustees to sell, alien, dispose of, or exchange the property of the corporation, viz: that the same shall not be done without the consent of a majority of the members of said Church.

I find no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter.

Nov. 24. 1880

T. G. Catchings
Atty Gen

Executive Office Jackson Miss.
November 24th 1850.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mt. Alban Baptist Church of Warren County Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1850.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor.
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Mt. Pleasant Benevolent Society of Hinds County.

The objects and purposes of this Incorperation are; 1st To elevate the condition of the colored People, 2d To advance their moral, social, intellectual and religious welfare 3rd To care for and relieve their suffering from sickness or other causes, 4th To pay all funeral expenses of those who are or may become members thereof.

R. Anderson, A. B. Anderson, Chas. Johnson, Manson Walker, Wm Pulmer, Smith Hopkins and C. Caldwell, all of Hinds County Miss, their successors and such other persons as are or may become members of said Society are hereby declard a body politic and corperate.

This corperation shall be known by the name and style of the Mt. Pleasant Benevolent Society of Hinds County Mississippi

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This corporation shall be invested with the powers conferred by the Preamble, Constitution and By-Laws as hereinafter set forth together with those powers granted by the statutes of this State.

Preamble.

Whereas; The highest aim in life is to secure our own hapiness and the happiness of others, it is incumbent upon all Christian people, and under existing circumstances, especially so upon our people, to use all means in their power in laboring to secure those ends, and in maintenance of this, we solemnly pledge our means and honor in organizing and conducting a Benevolent Society and invoking God's aid in its support and His blessing upon it, we agree henceforth to be governed by the following

Constitution

Article I.

Name.

Section 1. This Society shall be known by the title of the Mt. Pleasant Benevolent Society of Hinds County Mississippi, and has for its object the banding together of the People in a common union for social, moral, intellectual, and religious culture, with a fundamental object of relieving suffering in our midst from destitution arising from sickness or other causes.

Article II

Officers

Section 1. The Officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Grand Marshal, Chaplain, Steward, and Chairman of sick Committee, together with an Executive Committee appointed by the President, consisting of eleven (11) members, the committe electing their Chairman.

Term of Office

Section 2. The officers shall be elected for a term of 12 months and shall hold office for that time, unless removed for unbecoming conduct,

or lack of ability to discharge required duties

Article IIII

Duty of Officers: President

Section 1 It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all the meetings of the Society; See that order is preserved in all proceedings place all questions for vote before the Society; see that the business is properly executed; appoint all committees not herein provided for; select and appoint two individuals to deliver addresses at each regular business meeting; and a committee of three males, and three females, (the Chairman being elected) as a committee to wait upon and administer to the wants of the sick, this committee to serve one month; a committee of Seven (7) on buildings, and one on Finances

Vice President

Section 2 The Vice President shall preside during the absence of the President and perform the same duties devolving upon him, and in case of the absence of both, the Chairman of the Executive Committee shall preside. The Vice President shall be Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Secretary

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of each meting, keep the Roll in a proper manner, keep a strict account of moneys drawn and paid from the Treasury, read all communications and attend to all business of record. He shall sign all warrants on the Treasury for money, or other property, notify all members when three months in arrears to appear and pay the same at the next regular monthly meeting; shall act as Secretary for all standing committees; shall furnish the Chairman of each Committee a list of the names of said Committees; Shall take the Treasurers receipt for all moneys or other property collected and turned over to him, the said Treasurer and shall in consideration of the foregoing services be paid the ammount of Twenty Five Dollars per annum.

Treasurer

Section 4 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of and keep all moneys and property of the Society; having the same properly secured by his guarantee; attend to the payment of all orders issued by the President; and signed by the Secretary, and Chairman of the Executive Committee, no moneys to be paid without a written order from the above named officers; his books and orders shall always be open to inspection; and shall report the conditions of the Treasury every meting of the months February, May, August, and November in each year

Grand Marshal

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Grand Marshal to act as Sergeant-at-Arms at the meetings of the Society, report any members or members who may be guilty of violating the Constitution, by-laws or rules and regulations, may appoint two or more deputies, and shall be held accountable for their action. He shall be at the

meetings of the Society, and see that the Hall is opened at the proper time, and in proper order, and shall notify all members of the Society in case of a death, in proper time to enable them to attend the funeral, all processions of the Society shall be under his command, subject to the supervision of the President, he shall be in command while the procession is moving, and shall use every effort to make it orderly. He shall conduct himself in a courteous manner towards each and every member.

Chaplain.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the Chaplain to open the meeting of the Society, with singing and prayer, and shall close the meeting by invoking Divine favor of Almighty God; He shall visit the sick members of the Society, and giving them such religious instructions as may be necessary.

Steward

Section 7. The Steward shall have the care and keeping of the Hall, shall open and close it for all regular and called meetings, see that its property lighted, cleaned, and ventilated, and have charge of and attend to the lamps, arrangement of seats, &c, and these duties shall be performed in like manner for all committees, entertainments, and other meetings for which the Hall shall be used, and such other duties as may be required of the Steward, shall hereafter be fixed by necessary rules for the purpose adopted by vote of the majority present, for the duties herein named, the Steward shall decide the amount of Five Dollars per month.

Executive Committee

Section 8 It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to elect its own Chairman, and the business of the Society shall be considered and decided by it, that no unnecessary delay may occur in coming to a decision, after which the Chairmans report will be adopted or rejected as the members by popular vote decide; the majority in all cases deciding the question at issue, shall have cognizance of all cases of misdemeanor or violation of the Constitution and by-laws; the Chairman shall with the Secretary countersign all orders on the Treasurer for money or property, which may be drawn by the President, and shall be a member of the Finance Committee. The Executive Committee shall fix the penalty of the Treasurers bond from time to time, whenever deemed necessary, and approve the same making a report of their actions thereon to the Society.

Sick Committee

Section 9. The duty of the Sick Committee shall be to visit the sick members; report their condition and wants before the Cabinet of the Society consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, or at a regular meeting of the Society; furnish them the necessaries of life by funds from the Treasury, and see that the sick are properly cared for.

Finance Committee

Section 10. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to examine the Secretarys and Treasurers books, and report the condition of them to the Society every regular meeting in February, May, August and November in each year.

Building Committee

Section 11. It shall be the duty of the building Committee to take charge of the Building and surroundings thereof, look after the building &c, see that every thing is in perfect order, shall have any repairing or any other improvements done they think best, the Chairman shall approve all accounts that may be presented for repairs &c.

Article IV

Liable to Impeachment.

Section 1. Any officer of this Society shall be liable to impeachment and removal from office and dismissal from membership, for any of the following offences punishable thereunder; high crimes and misdemeanors in office, immoral conduct and crimes against decency.

Article V

How contracts are binding.

Section 1 No contract shall be binding upon this Society unless the same shall have been first submitted to the Society for approval, and ratified by them by a majority vote, at a regular meeting of the members thereof.

Article VI

Quorum.

Section 1 Twenty (20) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VIII

Vacancies how filled.

Section 1 In the event of any office in this Society becoming vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the President to fill such vacancy by appointment, said appointment to be ratified by the vote of the Society.

Article VIIII

Result of members resigning

Section 1 If any member shall leave the Society, he or she shall not receibe anything from the Society, for all that they have given must go for the benefit of the poor and the good of the Society.

Ex-members to pay back dues.

Section 2 No person being once a member of this Society, and failing to pay the amount due the Society at the time of the expiration of this membership, together with initiation fee, shall be elected a member

Initiation Fee twenty-five cents.

Section 3 There shall be an initiation fee of twenty-five cents to be paid by each person on becoming a member of the Society and Fifteen cents per month to be paid promptly to the Treasurer at the regular monthly meeting.

Members failing to pay fees shall be dropped.

Section 4. Any member refusing, or neglecting to pay the fees spoken of in the preceding Section, within three months, shall be notified by the Secretary to pay the same at the next monthly meeting, and for failing to comply with the same their names shall be dropped from the Roll of the Society.

Officers who fail to discharge their duties.

Section 5. Any officer failing to discharge his duties, in an honest, and upright manner, as provided for shall not be retained in office.

Death of a member.

Section 6. Upon the death of any member of the Society they are to be properly interred with the honors of the Society, each member wearing the badge of mourning on a funeral occasion, and each member of the Society shall be assessed ten (10) cents to defray the expenses incurred, the same to be charged as arrears, said expenses not to exceed Thirty-Eight Dollars and fifty cents ($38.50).

Death of a child under 5 years old

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Society, upon the death of a child of 5 years old, or under, if his, or her parent or parents are members of the Society, to inter it; provided the expenses do not exceed seven dollars.

Anniversary

Section 8 The Anniversary of this Society shall be on the 25th day of May in each and every year.

Called Meetings.

Section 9 The President, or consulting with other Officers, may hold called meetings whenever deemed necessary, which members are enjoined to recognize promptly.

Article IX

Life Honorary Members

Section 1. No person shall become a life honorary member of this Society, unless they pay to the Secretary for the use of the Society, the sum of Fifteen dollars.

Article X

Election of Officers

Section 1. There shall be elected on the Third Monday-night of July of each year, a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Marshal, Chaplain, Steward and Chairman of the Sick Committee, who shall take their seats on the Third Monday-night in August in each year, and who shall hold their offices for the term of twelve

months from that time, unless disqualified, or until their succes
are elected, and signify their readiness to enter upon the discharg
of the duties of their offices.

Article XII
Officers to be elected by ballot.

Section 1 In all cases of election of the officers of the Society, the v
shall be taken by ballot, and a majority of the votes of the mem
of the Society present, shall be required to elect any person to of
the executive officers to be appointed by the President.

Validity of Elections

Section 2 All questions arising as to the status or validity of the elec
of the officers of the Society, shall be immediately referred, w
debate, to the Executive Committee for action.

Application for membership, how made.

Section 3. All applications for membership shall be made in writi
signed by two or more members in good standing, the initiation
fee to accompany the application, said applications to be refer
to the Executive Committee for action thereon, and they shall
report the same to the next monthly meeting of the Society.

Application, how rejected.

Section 4. Any applicant who shall receive five votes against
his or her admission, shall be adjudged rejected and the fee
received with application be returned.

Article XIII
Presidents Veto.

Section 1 No resolution passed by the Society, shall have any fo
or effect until signed by the President, should he refuse to sign
resolution of the Society, he shall first give his objections in w
such resolutions cannot have any force, or effect unless repas
notwithstanding the Presidents objections, by at least two-thirds of
members present at the following meeting of the Society, when so
passed shall become a law without the Presidents Signature.

Obligation

Section 2. All persons on becoming members of this Society, shal
take upon themselves such obligations, as are set forth in the C
stitution and by-laws of this Society and must be of good mora
character, and charitably disposed, and believing in the Supreme Be

Dissolution

Section 3. This Society shall not be dissolved as long as Eight (8)
members are willing to continue it, and Five (5) out of that
number conforms to the requirements of the Constitution.

Certificate

Section 4. This Constitution written or printed, when signed w
serve as a certificate of membership.

Constitution how altered or amended.

Section 5. This Constitution shall not be altered or amended unless by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting, provi thirty days notice be given in writing of the proposed amendments.

Regular Meetings.

Section 6 The regular meetings shall be the Third Monday-nigh in each month, and shall be called to order at 8 o'clock P.M. from the 1st of November until the 1st of May and half past 8 o'clock P.M. shall be the hour of meeting thereafter.

By Laws.

Order of Business

Section 1 The business of the Society shall be conducted in the following order. 1. Singing. 2. Prayer. 3. Reading minutes of the previous meeting 4. Reports from Executive Committee. 5. Reports from special Committees, 6. Unfinished business, 7. New business. 8. Reception of applications for membership, 9. Special orders.

Roll call

Section 2. The calling of the Roll, and collection of dues, shall immediately follow reports of committees at regular monthly meeting

Motions to be stated.

Section 3. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the Presiding officer; or being in writing, it shall be handed to the Secretary who shall read it aloud before it is debated.

Motions may be withdrawn.

Section 4. After a motion is stated it shall be deemed in the possession of the Society, but can be withdrawn at any time before a decision, or before it is amended.

Motions always in order

Section 5. When a question is under discussion, the following motions shall always be in order: to adjourn, lie upon the table, for the previous question, to postpone to a day certain, to commit, to amend, to postpone indefinitely, which motions shall have precedence in their order.

Motions to reconsider when made.

Section 6 When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative, it shall be in order for any member of the majority to move for the reconsideration of the same, on the same, or succeeding meeting, and never thereafter.

President to appoint a Representative.

Section 7. The President shall appoint some person to represent the Society before the Executive Committee in all cases referred thereto, if in his discretion he shall deem such an appointment necessary, but nothing herein contained shall

members of the Society not members of the Committee from appearing, with or without Counsel, before the Committee in all cases.

Division

Section 8 If the Presiding Officer doubts, or a division be called for on any question by two or more members, those voting in the affirmative shall rise first.

Casting Vote.

Section 9 In all cases of election the Presiding Officer shall vote He shall be allowed the casting vote in cases of a tie in all other cases.

Members about to speak)

Section 10. Any member about to speak on any matter to the Society shall rise and address themselves to "The President" and shall confine themselves to the question under debate and avoid personalities.

Five minutes debate

Section 11 No member shall occupy more than five minutes in debate nor speak more than once on any question, unless by unanimous consent.

Chairman Executive Committee to speak twice.

Section 12 The Chairman of the Executive Committee shall be allowed to speak twice on any subject coming from that Committee, or grant his time to any Member of the Committee.

Business referred to Executive Committee.

Section 13. All business and resolutions, except such that is necessary to carry on the meeting of the Society, as motions to adjourn &c shall be turned over to the Executive Committee without debate.

Questions to be discussed.

Section 14. The Executive Committee shall present some interesting question to the Society at each regular monthly meeting to be discussed by two members to be appointed by the President.

Sick notice.

Section 15 Sick members shall notify some officer of the Society and such officer shall notify the President or Chairman of the sick committee of their sickness.

Members in arrears

Section 16. Any member in arrears to the Society for dues, will be reported to the Society by the Presiding Officer, and considered separately.

Indecorous and vulgar language.

Section 17. No member shall use indecorous or vulgar language during a meeting, nor speak ill of another, or make any remarks calculated to disturb the peace and harmony of the Society.

Leaving Meeting.

Section 18. Members shall not leave the meeting, without leave of the Presiding Officer.

Charges how made.

Section 19. No charges against any member of this Society shall be entertained unless the same shall appear in writing, signed by the party making the charge.

Sick members out of the County.

Section 20. No members shall receive any aid in case of sickness, or other causes, who are not living in the County, without a certificate of illness from a Physician.

Members in arrears to get no help.

Section 21. No member who shall be behind in their monthly dues and fines shall receive either the emoluments or the honors of the Society.

Ill fame and Drunkeness.

Section 22 No member shall be allowed to visit houses of ill fame, or be seen in a state of drunkeness, under the penalty of being expelled.

Funeral Costume

Section 23. On the death of a member, the entire membership shall turn out in procession to attend the funeral in the following costume; Females, plain black dress, white apron, white cuffs and collars white gloves, white hat trimmed with black; Males: black pants, black coat, white vest, white gloves, badge bearing title of Society.

Parade Costume

Section 24. On parades, members shall turn out in the following costume, Females: plain white dress, blue sash, white hat trimmed in blue, and white gloves, rosette. Males: black coat, white pants, and vest and black hat, badge bearing title of the Society.

Failing to attend Funerals.

Section 25 Any member failing to attend the funeral of a deceased member without a lawful or reasonable excuse shall be fined.

Committees and Members, neglect of duty.

Section 26 Any Committee or member thereof wilfully or negligently failing or refusing to discharge the duties imposed upon them shall be fined. This section shall apply to all committees or any member thereof.

Resignations

Section 27. Resignations shall be presented in writing and acted upon at any regular or special meeting.

Lectures, Entertainments &c

Section 28 The Society may give public lectures, entertainments, suppers exhibitions, concerts &c, for the purpose of raising funds to better facilitate their enterprise.

Spitting on the Floor.

Section 29. No member shall spit tobacco juice on the floor, or else where while the Society is in session. Any member so offending shall be fined.

Officers, Penalty for immoral Conduct.

Section 30 Any officer guilty of engaging in any unbecoming views or immoral conduct, or language and drinking to excess of intoxicating liquors, shall be fined and immediately suspended from office, and a repetition of the offense will secure their dismissal from the Society. Members violating the provisions of this Section, shall be fined for the first and second offence, and expelled for the third: provided all three of the fines be imposed for the same offence within twelve months.

Neglecting to pay fines

Section 31. Any officer or member failing, refusing or neglecting to pay fines, within one month after being notified of the same, will have their names stricken from the Roll and shall lose all rights, titles and benefits.

Members refusing to come to order.

Section 32. No member shall be allowed to transgress any of these rules, or any part of common Parliamentary law, and in case any member is called to order, and fails to obey such call a fine shall be imposed.

No smoking &c

Section 33. There shall be no smoking, talking, whispering, laughing among the members during the progress of any meeting, any member so offending shall be fined.

Members shall vote

Section 34. Each and every member present entitled to vote shall, when called upon for his vote declare his assent or dissent to the question, unless he be excused by a two-thirds vote.

Fines

Section 35. The presiding officer shall have power to impose the following fines:

For vulgar language,	Officers,	Two Dollars
	Members,	Fifty Cents
" " "		
" Contempt of Chairman of meeting not exceeding		One Dollar.
" not attending Funerals,		Twenty Five cents.
Each Committee for neglect of duty		Fifty "
" Spitting tobacco on the floor		Twenty Five "
Officers violating Section 30		Two Dollars
Members 1st " " "		One "
" 2nd " " "		Two "
For refusing to be called to order		One "
Officers failing to attend regular meetings		Fifty Cents
Members " " " "		Twenty Five Cents.

For a violation of any of the provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations of this Society not otherwise provided for, a fine not

exceeding Two Dollars shall be imposed upon members; and Officers not exceeding Five Dollars.

Section 34. These By-Laws can be suspended at any time by a two-third vote of the members present and only in such case can business be considered outside of regular order.

Jackson Nov. 29th 1880

I find no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter

T. C. Catchings
Atty. Gen.

Executive Office, November 29th 1880

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Mount Pleasant Benevolent Society" of Hinds County, which together with the Constitution and By-Laws thereof, is written on pages from 1 to 20, inclusive, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be hereto affixed.

Done in the City of Jackson, this 29th day of November 1880

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of the Incorporation of the Pascagoula Glass Company.

The said corporation shall be located at Moss Point Jackson County Mississippi and shall be for the manufacturing and selling of glass

Names of Incorporators:

W. Denny, O. Randall, J. W. Morris, H. Ehlers, L. Randall, T. A. Carlson, J. J. Slater, W. M. Denny, L. McInnis, H. M. Cudabac, A. M. McInnis, E. D. Sidbury, W. B. Borden, J. K. McLeod, W. E. Bingham, C. H. Wood and their associates.

Name of Incorporation

Said corporation shall be known as the Pascagoula Glass Company.

Powers

Said corporation shall own such real estate and personal property as may be necessary for carrying on and maintaining their corporate business, have a common seal and sue and be sued and plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity in this State

The capital stock of said corporation shall not exceed the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars to be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each - The stock holders of said corporation shall make all by-laws and rules for the government and direction of said corporation not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of this State - The officers of said corporation shall be a President, Secretary, Treasurer and Five members as a Board of Directors to be elected in such manner as the rules and by-laws of said corporation may direct

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the Constitution
Dec. 13. 1880. T. C. Catchings - Atty - Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Miss - December 13th A.D. 1880

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Pascagoula Glass Company, located at Moss Point, Jackson County, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th day of December A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

(L. S.)

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The following certificate, or proof of publication accompanies the foregoing Charter

Office of Democratic Star - Pascagoula Miss - Dec. 10. 1880.

I hereby certify that the advertisement of the Pascagoula Glass Company's Charter has been published for three consecutive weeks in the Pascagoula Democrat Star, the only news paper published in Jackson County - - M. B. Richmond - Editor

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Charter of Incorporation of Winona Female College

Section I.

By the authority of an Act of the Legislature, approved March 5th 1880, entitled "An Act in relation to Corporations and other Associations" - (being Chapter 38 of the Revised Code of 1880), and in accordance with said Act, the Winona Female College, of the town of Winona, in the County of Montgomery and State of Mississippi, is hereby Incorporated.

The purpose of this Institution is the education of White female children and youth.

The names of the incorporators are, O. J. Moore, Frank Hawkins, B. F. Ward, R. W. Williamson, L. Bailey, Sam'l Hill, D. L. Swaltman, W. H. Witty, J. C. Purnell, W. F. Townsend and J. D. Hawkins, and their Successors in Office, Who are hereby authorized to act as Trustees of the College. The Corporate name shall be

The Winona Female College

Section II.

The said Trustees and their Successors in Office, may have and use a Common Seal, and shall be capable of suing and being be sued, pleading and being impleaded; also to have, take, seize, possess and acquire, by gift, grant, or purchase, lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods and chattels, and the same to use, lease, improve, and convey in fee simple

Section III.

The said Trustees and their Successors in Office, shall be empowered to receive all gifts, grants, legacies, privileges and immunities which may be made or bequeathed to said College; and no misnomer of the Corporation, or other technical error shall prevent its right from vesting whenever it may appear, or shall be ascertained that it was the intention of the party or parties to give, grant, or bequeath any property, real or personal, or any right or interest to the said Corporators.

Section IV.

The Trustees aforesaid, and their Successors in Office, shall have power and authority to borrow money, negotiate loans, or enter into any Contract or Contracts, which they shall by a majority vote determine to be necessary to and for the good of the College; and by a unanimous vote they may secure said Contract, loans, or other negotiations by pledging or Mortgaging the property of said Institution, or any other way which they shall thus determine.

Section V.

In case of any Vacancy in the Board of Trustees by death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining Trustees shall call a meeting of the Patrons residents in the town of Winona, within Sixty days after such Vacancy or Vacancies may occur, Who shall proceed to select such Successor or Successors, by ballot; and in case of the failure of said Patrons to elect, the remaining Trustees shall fill such Vacancy or Vacancies by appointment.

Section VI.

Since the Office of President of the College is now held by M. E. Bacon who was duly elected to said Office by the Patrons of the Female School of Winona, whenever said Office shall become Vacant by his death, resignation, or otherwise, the Trustees shall proceed to appoint a President; and shall in this manner fill such vacancy whenever necessary thereafter, upon such terms as said Trustees may deem best for the interest of the College.

Section VII.

The President of the College, by consent of the Trustees, shall have power to confer all such honors, degrees, and licenses as are usually conferred in Colleges or Universities; and he shall preside at all public exercises of said College.

I find no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Act of incorporation. December 13th. 1880.

T. C. Catchings.
Atto. General.

Executive Office, Jackson, Mississippi.
December 13th. 1880.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Winona Female College, located in the town of Winona, County of Montgomery, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th. day of December, 1880.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.
Henry C. Meyers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Belen Benevolent Society" of the town of Belen in the County of Quitman, in the State of Mississippi:

1 This Society is organized for the following purposes—namely—The union of our people in the bonds of benevolence for the relief and alleviation of the suffering and destitute whether their condition arises from sickness or accident—; and for the social, moral, intellectual and religious advancement of our people generally.

2 The following persons are hereby constituted and declared to be the Corporators of said Society:—namely Robert Smith; Henry McIntush; H. W. Morgan; James Chambers; John Turner; Alfred Turner; J. C. Smith; Harry Morris, and their associates, and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors.

3 This Society shall be known by the name of the "Belen Benevolent Society"

4 This Society shall have the power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State; and shall also have the power to contract and be contracted with: they may hold real estate not exceeding in value the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may sell and convey the same at pleasure; they may have a common Seal and may break it at pleasure; they may make all necessary by-laws, and adopt such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this State as they may deem necessary for their government and the carrying out of the objects of this incorporation, and may do all acts incident to Corporations of like nature.

5 This Society shall have perpetual succession.

6 The officers of said Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Marshal, and Assistant Marshal, and an Executive Committee to be composed of Members to be elected and appointed in the manner prescribed in the Constitution of said Society.

In testimony whereof, we the above named Corporators have hereunto set our hands and Seals this 11th day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty

Robert his X mark Smith	L.S.
Henry McIntush	L.S.
H. W. Morgan	L.S.
James Chambers	L.S.
John his X mark Turner	L.S.
Alfred Turner	L.S.
Jiles C. Smith	L.S.
Harry his X mark Morris	L.S.

State of Mississippi
Quitman County } S. S. This day personally appeared before

me the undersigned, Chancery Clerk, in and for said County and State, the above named Robert Smith, Henry McIntosh, J.H. Morgan, James Chambers, John Turner, Alfred Turner, J.C. Smith, and Harry Morris, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and executed the foregoing Charter of Incorporation as their several and respective act and deed.

Witness my hand and Seal of office this 11th day of August A.D. 1880.

S. McCutchfield
Chancery Clerk.

I find no Constitutional objection to the foregoing Charter-

T.C. Catchings
Atty Gen

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Belen Benevolent Social" located in the town of Belen, Quitman County, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be hereto affixed, this the 8th day of September A.D. 1880

J. M. Stone

(L.S.)

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

State of Mississippi
Simpson County

The Charter of Incorporation of "Harrisville High School Association"

First— The purpose for which this Corporation is formed, is to establish and maintain a High School at Harrisville Simpson County Mississippi

Second— The following are names of persons desiring to be incorporated: R. W. Hall, I. N. Parker, J. T. Rogers, A. B. Stubblefield, Wellington Waddell, G. P. Touchstone, O. Delaney, J. J. Hellen, D. Touchstone, W. D. Muhaffey, S. B. Mullen, L. M. Rogers

Third— The corporate name of this association shall be The Harrisville High School Association"

Fourth— This association shall have power to own and control lands, Buildings, Furniture and Capital Stock to the amount of $25.000.00 Twenty Five Thousand Dollars. And to enact any rules that they may deem necessary not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Fifth— This association shall not be dissolved in a shorter period than five years from the first day of January 1881 A.D.

Sixth— This association shall have the right to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of Law and Equity by its corporate name.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter in violation of the Constitution.
T. C. Catchings
Dec. 21. 1880. Atty Gen'l

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Harrisville High School Association, written on page one and part of page two (2) of this sheet, and located at Harrisville, in Simpson County, Miss. is hereby approved; the provision for abating nuisances having been stricken out.

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In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 22d day of December A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 13 PAGE 510 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 35-36 PAGE 516 46

Charter of Incorporation of the "Hebrew-Unio of Greenville Miss.

Article 1

This association shall be known as the "Hebrew-Union o Greenville Miss, its business to be transacted in the English La -guage, and is organized for the purpose of establishing Divin Service in conformity with the Jewish faith, and for the purpos of establishing good schools for the education of children.

Article 2.

The officers for the Government of the aforesaid Union shal consist of one President, one Vice President, one Secretary, one Treas and seven Directors, whose term of office shall be one year, and the first year shall be as follows: M. Morris, President; N. Goldstein Vice President; Theo: Pohl, Secretary; H. Wilczu Treasurer.

Directors:

I. Alexander, M. Weiss, I. Isenberg, Sol Morris, L. Mayse, L. K N. Wilczuiski, who shall hold their respective offices until the Third Sunday in November next, or until their successors a elected and qualified, and who shall exercise the functions an powers, hereinafter mentioned.

Article IIII

Duties of Officers

Section 1 It shall be the duty of the President, to preside at the meetings of the Union and Board of Directors, and maintain or and decorum. He shall see that the Constitution, Laws, rules regulations, which may be established from time to time in f -surance of the Constitution shall be duly executed; he shall appoint all Committees, sign all warants on the Treasurer an give force effect to all measures adopted to further the object or obj of the Hebrew Union; he shall if he deems necessary call special meetings of the Hebrew Union or Board of Directors, and likewise call special meetings of the Hebrew Union upon, written request five or more members in good standing. setting forth the object of

Section 2. The duties of the President during his absence shall dev on the Vice- President

Section 3 It shall be the duty of the Secretary, to attend all meet of the Hebrew Union and its Board of Directors, keep an accurat record of their respective proceedings, keep proper accounts wit the several members, collect all dues and assessments, and pay over to the Treasurer and obtain and file the necessary receipt, therefore, he shall draw all warants on the Treasurer that may authorized by law or resolution of the Hebrew Union or Board Directors, he shall with the advice and consent of the Board Directors establish a set of books, to facilitate the duties of his office, and he shall submit a full report of the financial condition the Hebrew Union at least quarterly to the Board of Directors and annually to the Hebrew-Union; he shall report to the President a

delinquencies in the payment of dues and assessments of by the members so soon as they occur, he shall attend all the meetings of Committees whenever required.— For the faithful performance of his duties, he shall enter into a good bond in such sum as the Board of Directors may require and approve.

Section 4— It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys belonging to the Union and give his receipt therefor, he shall pay all Warrants duly signed by the President and Secretary out of such fund, he shall report at least quarterly to the Board of Directors and annually to the Hebrew-Union the condition of the Treasury.— For the faithful performance of his duties, he shall enter into a good Bond, in such sum as the Board of Directors may require and approve.

Article IV

The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the Directors, shall form and constitute the "Board of Directors"; it shall be the duty of said Board to meet at least once in each month, they shall provide for the proper maintenance of the Hebrew-Union and for that purpose said Board of Directors is empowered to levy assessments on the several members in such amounts and in such manner as they may from time to time establish by law. It shall also be the duty of the Board of Directors to take charge of all the property belonging to the Hebrew-Union provide suitable rooms for its meetings, school or schools and for Divine Service. The Board of Directors shall also provide the necessary Minister, Teachers and such other suitable persons as they may deem necessary; it shall also be the duty of the Board of Directors to establish rules and regulations for the admission of new members and fix the amount of admission fees; they shall fill all vacancies which may occur in the Board of Directors for the unexpired term of such vacant office.— In the absence of both the President and Vice-President, the Board shall elect at their meeting a presiding officer pro tem.

Seven members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article V

Any Israelite of good character and at least 21 years of age, may be admitted to membership in the Hebrew-Union by application in writing to the Board of Directors upon paying the required admission fee and signing the Constitution.

Article VI

Annual meetings of the Hebrew-Union shall be held on the Third Sunday in November each year; quarterly meetings shall be held every Third Sunday in the Months of February, May and August each year; special meetings may be held as provided in Article VIII of this Constitution. Eleven members in "good standing" i.e. not in arrears with dues and assessments, or either, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article VIII

The Hebrew Union shall not be dissolved so long as Eleven members thereof contribute to its maintenance.

Article VIIIII

All elections for officers shall be conducted by ballot, and the majority of all votes cast shall be necessary for a choice. Should there be more than two candidates for any office, one receiving the least votes shall be dropped until one has received the majority of all the votes cast. Votes cast for others than nominees, shall be considered blanks and not counted as votes.

Article IIX

This Constitution may be altered, amended, or revised, provided such alterations, amendments or revisions be submitted in writing at a regular quarterly meeting of the Hebrew Union, and such alterations, amendments or revisions shall be submitted to a Committee of five members of the Union, who shall report on the same, at the following quarterly meeting, when each member of the Union shall have proper notice of such proposed alteration, amendment or revision, and it shall require two-thirds of the members present at such meeting, to consent to such alteration, amendment or revision.

Adopted by the Hebrew Union, on the 28th day of November 1880

Theodore Pohl
Secretary.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the Constitution

T. C. Catchings
Dec. 13. 180_. Atty Gen

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.
December 13th A. D. 1880.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Hebrew Union, located at Greenville, Miss, is hereby approved.

L. S.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be hereto affixed, this 13th day of December A. D. 1880.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The State of Mississippi
Winston County

The Charter of Incorporation of "Woodwards Liver Renovator Company"

Section 1 Be it known that George G. Woodward, John C. Woodward G. P. Woodward, W. M. Woodward and N. W. Woodward and all other persons who may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Woodwards Liver Renovator Company", and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of Law and Equity; may make a common seal and alter the same at pleasure; may make any and all by-laws, rules, and regulations for the management of its business, property and effects, and the transfer of its Stock as to them may seem best,—provided the same are not inconsistent with the laws of the land; may manufacture Drugs and Medicines known as "Woodwards Liver Renovator Woodwards Compound Anodyne Liniment, Woodwards Chill Pills etc; may purchase, receive, hold and enjoy to them and their successors, lands tenements, rents, profits, goods property and hereditaments of whatsoever kind, quality and quantity deemed necessary in their business, and may likewise sell, grant, demise and dispose of the same at their will, and in general, shall have and enjoy all the powers, privileges and immunities, possessed and enjoyed by similar corporations under the general law of this State and subject to any general law or laws of this State that may hereafter be enacted.

Section 2nd That the Capital Stock of said Company shall amount to Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and may be increased at the option of a majority of the Stockholders in number and value to $5000.00 cts; the said stock to be divided into shares of such amount each and transferable in such manner as the stockholders by agreement among themselves or in their by-laws may establish; for which shares proper certificates may be issued.

Section 3. That said Company may elect or appoint such Officers and Agents as they may desire and confer upon them such authority in the premises as they may deem proper in the management of their business, and in all matters coming before the Stockholders for action or decision, not otherwise provided for in this Charter, one vote shall be allowed for each share of stock.

Section 4 That the Stockholders in said Company shall be liable for the debts of said Corporation to the extent and in the manner now provided by law in this State.

Section 5. That this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi in accordance with Section 1028 of the Revised Code of 1880.

Constitution or laws in the foregoing Charter

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen

Jany 31. 1881

Executive Office, Jackson Miss. January 31st 1881

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "Woodwards Levee Renovator Co", located at Louisville, Winston County, having been advertised according to law - and being otherwise free of Constitutional objections, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done in the City of Jackson, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1881

J. M. Stone

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By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Independent Pole Bearers of Batesville, Panola County, Mississippi.

Section 1. This association shall be known as the "Independent Pole Bearers of Batesville, Panola County, Mississippi," the objects of which shall be to take care of the sick and indigent members of the Association; to bury the dead; to assemble for the mutual benefit and instruction of the members as often as they may deem necessary, and they have authority to parade the Streets with badges and regalia whenever the Association shall so elect.

Section 2. Alexander Williams, Bolling McCloud, Ned Hardeman, Milton Reid, Richard Williams, James Brooks, Anderson Robinson, George McCloud, Damon C. Brooks, Joe Watson and Eaton Harris, and their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Independent Pole Bearers of Batesville, Panola County Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of Law and Equity; they may adopt a corporate seal, and the same alter or change at pleasure; make all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations for the transaction of their business, not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of this State, or of the United States.

Section 3. This association may acquire, bargain for, occupy, hold, and dispose of real and personal property to the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars in value for the purpose of carrying out the objects of this organization.

Section 4. The period for which this Charter is to remain in force is not limited.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter, violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

Feby. 12. 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi,

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Independent Pole Bearers", located at Batesville, Mississippi, is hereby Approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

This 12th day of February A. D. 1881

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Irving Female Institute"

Section 1. The following persons, viz: W. W. Baird, Alexander Henderson, J. R. Henderson, R. K. Wootten, T. S. Murphy and Wm. A. H. Bush, and their successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the "Irving Female Institute", with power, under such corporate name, to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of Law or Equity in this State.

Section 2. The purposes of this corporation are, the advancement of Literature, Art and Science, and the establishment of a High School for the proper training and education of girls in the Town of Macon, in the State of Mississippi.

Section 3. The Corporators herein named shall have power to enact such by-laws as to them may seem reasonable ~~and~~ proper in furtherance of the purposes herein indicated, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State; to provide for the appointment of their successors, who shall have and exercise all the rights and powers herein vested in the original Corporators; to grant diplomas; confer degrees; to have and exercise all the privileges and immunities of an University; to hold, own and control all real estate that may be necessary for the purposes of this Institution, but no more; to have a common Seal and abolish, change or alter the same at pleasure; and to do all other acts properly appertaining to Societies for the promotion of learning.

Section 4. That this Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of this State.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of Miss.
Feby. 16th 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Irving Female Institute", located at Macon, Noxubee County Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at Jackson the City of Jackson this 16th day of February A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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Charter of Incorporation of the Colored Union Co-Operative and Mercantile Association of the City of Vicksburg, State of Mississippi

The general purposes and objects of this Association the pursuits and furtherance which is herein defined, are as follows, to wit:

To carry on a Mutual Co-operative Mercantile Association, and trade in goods, wares and merchandise in the City of Vicksburg with one or more branches elsewhere if deemed expedient or necessary for the maintenance of the Association, so constituted by and under the Laws of the State Revised Code of Mississippi 1880 Chapter 38, and that A. S. Butcher, K. F. Harrison, J. J. Love, G. G. Middleton and Lewis Kemp, Citizens of Warren County, State of Mississippi, together with their associates, successors and assigns, be and are hereby incorporated into and constituted a body politic and corporate, and shall be known by the name and style of the Colored Union Co-operative and Mercantile Association of Vicksburg, Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, make rules, regulations and by-laws not inconsistent with the laws of this State or of the United States, own and use a corporate seal, have and enjoy the rights, powers and privileges pertaining to corporate bodies, and exercise the same according to law for a term of Twenty-Five years, with a capital stock of Fifty Thousand ($50.000.) dollars divided into Ten-Thousand shares of Five dollars each.

The Association may own real and personal property for the objects, purposes, and maintenance of the Association, and perform all other things necessary for the successful operation and management of the same.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter, violative of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi.

Feby. 19. 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi

The above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Colored Union Co-operative and Mercantile Association of the City of Vicksburg, State of Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, This 21st day of February A. D. 1881

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Terry Grove Benevolent Association

This Association shall be known as the Terry Grove Benevolent Association, and shall be located at Terry, Hinds County Mississippi.

The purposes of this association, is the banding together of the colored people of the town of Terry and vicinity. Its members shall be composed of P.W. Hall, J.C. Curry, Woodson Thomas, Aaron Mitchell, T.C. Cachoun, Pompey Dixon, and such others as may be associated with them.

The object of this Association is to care for its members in sickness. To contribute to the relief of its members who are, or may be by disability, disease, age or infirmity, in need of relief. To contribute to the funeral and burial expenses of its deceased members.

This association shall hold its first meeting under this charter on the first Monday in March 1881, and shall have perpetual succession. It shall have power to determine the number of its membership. It shall have power to arraign, try, fine and expell its members. It shall have power to elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, Doorkeeper, an Executive and such other committees as the Association may deem proper, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State and the United States. It shall have power to determine the time and manner of calling its meetings. It shall have power to prescribe the salaries and bonds of ~~offices~~ of its officers and committees.

It may sue and be sued, and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any Court of Justice or Equity in this State. It may have a corporate Seal. It may contract and be contracted with. It may hold and own personal property and real estate to the amount of twenty five thousand dollars in value. It shall have power to sell and convey its real estate under its corporate seal and the signature of its president, and it may also in like manner sell its personal property. It shall have power to make all necessary by laws, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State and of the United States.

P. W. Hall, Woodson Thomas, T. C. Cachoun,
J. C. Curry, Aaron Mitchell, Pompey Dixon),

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi.
Feby 23d 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive office, Jackson Mississippi
March 1st 1881

The above and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the "Terry Grove Benevolent association," located at Terry, Hinds County, Miss., is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. This the 1st day of March 1881.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
C. Myers Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Pascagoula Public Wharf Company

Section 1. Under the provisions of "an Act Entitled an act in relation to Corporations and other associations adopted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi at its biennial session in 1880. George W Dalgert. W.B. Dodson. Chas Boster. Benj F Lindsey and S B Hall and their associates successors and assigns, be and they are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Pascagoula Public Wharf Company" and by that name to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of this State: to have a common Seal and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure; and said Company is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, construct and build a Wharf from the shore of the Bay of Pascagoula Extending to the chanel of said Bay.

Section 2. The Capital Stock of said Company shall be Fifteen Hundred Dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to Five Thousand Dollars and to be divided into Shares of Twenty five Dollars each, which shall be deemed personal property and be transferred in such manner as the by-laws of said Company may direct

Section 3 Subscriptions to said Stock shall be paid in such sums and at such times as the directors of said Company may require

Section 4. The immediate control and direction of the affairs of said Company shall be vested in such number of persons owning Stock in said Company as the Stockholders of the same shall deem expedient; and the election of the same and of the subordinate officers of the Company together with the fixing of the Salaries and compensation of said officers shall be governed by the by-laws, rules and regulations which said Company may from time to time ordain and Establish for the Government of said Company, which said by-laws rules and regulations said Company shall have full power and authority to make not inconsistent with the laws of this State and the United States.

Section 5. That it shall be lawful for said Company from time to time to fix, regulate, charge and receive reasonable tolls and Wharfage upon all goods wares and Merchandise of whatever Kind or character, which may be landed upon the Wharf of said Company from any Ship, Vessel or water Craft and upon all goods, wares and Merchandise of whatever Kind or character which may be shipped from or laden on board any such Vessel from said Wharf, and to charge tolls and Wharfage upon all Ships, Vessels and other water Craft which

may lay alongside and be attached, fastened or removed to said Wharf

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen'l

July 28th 1881

Executive Office Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Pascagoula Public Wharf Company, written on pages 1. 2. 3 & part of page 4. is hereby approved

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand; and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed. Done at the City of Jackson this 1st day of March in the Year AD 1881

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C Myers
Secretary of State

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Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Churn Manufacturing Association

E E Ivers. H Smith, Charles H Smith. R A Harris W P Yongue. John Glaiser. George Brown W S Parker. Es E Newberry. B P Ralls. C Winslow and their associates and successors, and all who may hereafter become associated with them, and their assigns, be and ~~they~~ are hereby created a body corporate by the name and style of the "Greenville Churn Manufacturing Association" and by that name shall have succession for twelve years and shall have a common seal, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and possess all powers incident to all corporations and necessary and proper to carry on the business of and effect the objects contemplated by this Charter

The Capital Stock of this association shall be one thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the privilege of increasing the Capital Stock to five Thousand Dollars, at the option of the board of directors

This association may manufacture and sell the Churns known as ~~the~~ Patton's Churn, patented under the U.S. patent laws and numbered 161.633

The Stockholders of the Association may meet and elect five directors, who, being elected shall enter upon their duties, and said directors shall elect one of their number to be President and they shall hold their office for twelve years unless removed by death or incapacity; should a vacancy occur the surviving directors shall appoint the time and place for holding an election to fill the vacancy, and two or more of this number shall attend and conduct the election, each share being entitled to one vote

The President and directors may make and adopt proper by-laws for their government, may appoint all necessary officers and agents, fix their compensation and take bond and security for the faithful performance of their duties; they may prescribe the manner of paying in the Stock and the transfer thereof, and have a lien on the Stock for debts due it by the Stockholders before and in preference to other creditors, except the State and County taxes.

The said association may transact its business only through such officers and agents as the directors may appoint. December 25th 1880

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State
July 23. 1889

T Coleclough
atty Genl

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Churn Manufacturing Association, located at Greenville

Miss. a printed copy of which is hereto attached is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, on this the 1st day of March, in the year AD 1881

J. M Stone

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers

Secretary of State

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dissolved by decree of Chancery Court Dec 16-1914
(see decree on file)

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Yazoo Oil Works" at Yazoo City Mississippi.

Section One. Know all men by these presents that Charles Mann, S. H. Parisot, Andrew Schmitt, Theodore Schmitt and Edward Dreinning and their successors in interest be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and Style of "Yazoo Oil Works", and by that name shall have perpetual succession may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued and may generally may enjoy defend transmit and dispose of all right and interest granted or authorized by this Charter as a natural person and may have a common seal to be used or altered at pleasure

Section Two. That said Corporation shall be authorized to carry on in this State, the manufacture of cotton seed products, and the manufacture of oil of any kind, and shall exercise all powers properly incidental to or necessary to said manufacture.

Section Three. That the Capital stock of said Corporation shall be Forty Five Thousand Dollars divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and that said stock may be increased from time to time by an affirmative vote of the stockholders to the extent of two thirds of the amount of Capital Stock paid in, to a sum not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars. Said shares of stock shall be personal property, shall be registered in a book to be kept for that purpose by the said Corporation and except in case of sale under execution or other legal process, or disposition by descent or will, shall not be transferable except by writing upon such book and the said Corporation shall hold a prior lien on the shares of any stockholder who may be indebted to it, either as principal or surety for others, and such shares shall not be transferred without the consent of the Board of Directors until such debt shall have been paid or discharged. And the Board of Directors are hereby empowered to sell or cause to be sold at public auction the stock of any delinquent debtor after first giving written notice to such debtor twenty days prior to said sale, of the intended time and place of sale. And in the event of the refusal of such debtor to surrender the certificate of stock the same may be cancelled on the books of said Corporation and new stock issued in lieu thereof to the purchaser.

Section Four. That the management of said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be composed of not less than three nor more than five and that a majority thereof shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The first Board shall consist of Charles Mann, S. H. Parisot and Andrew Schmitt who shall continue in office until July 1st 1881, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The Stockholders shall on First Monday in July annually elect by ballot from among their number a Board of Directors who shall serve as such for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified and who shall have power to elect Officers and make such by-laws as they may deem necessary not inconsistent with this

Charter and the Constitution and laws of this State. In case of a vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors in the interval between two elections, the same may be filled by the Directors, Should there be more than two vacancies at one time they shall be filled by a special election of stockholders after ten days notice of the time and place of said election.

Section Five. That at all elections for Directors each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote. No stockholder shall be eligible to the office of Director who shall not have held in his own name & in that of some firm of which he shall be a member for a period of not less than three months prior to the day of election at least five shares of the Capital Stock of said Corporation.

Section Six. That the several stockholders shall not be liable for the indebtedness of said Corporation beyond the amount due by them to the Capital Stock upon the amount subscribed by them respectively.

Section Seven. That Charles Mann be and he is hereby authorized to open books for subscription to the Capital Stock of said Corporation at Gazo City and when Thirty Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in the Gazo Oil Works may commence business under this Charter.

Section Eight. That said Corporation shall have power to acquire and hold all such real and personal property as shall from time to time be necessary to the transaction of its business.

Witness the hands of the said Incorporators hereto affixed this 25th day of March A. D. 1881.

Charles Mann
S. H. Parsot by C. Mann
E. Drenning
Andrew Schmitt
Theo Schmitt.

State of Mississippi }
City of Gazo }

Before the undersigned Notary Public of Gazo City, this day personally appeared Charles Mann individually and as agent of S. H. Parisot and also appeared E. Drenning, Andrew Schmitt and Theodore Schmitt who each acknowledged that they signed the foregoing Charter for the purposes and on the day and date therein above written

Given under my hand and official Seal this 25th day of March A. D. 1881

Seal

L. B. Warren, Notary Public

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of either the laws or Constitution of the State-
April 24, 1881

T. C. Catchings atty Gen

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Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Oil Works, located at Yazoo City Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 27th day of April A.D. 1881

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Meyers
Secretary of State

The Charter of the Incorporation of the Independent Order of the Knights Relief No One of the State of Mississippi

The objects of this Association are wholly social and charitable, and its purposes are to extend aid comfort and encouragement, and in case of need pecuniary assistance to the members thereof.

The names of the persons who are herein constituted a body politic and corporate are Geo. W. Stith, E J Carrington Joseph Goodwin, Richard Harris and George Moody, residents of Warren County Mississippi who shall constitute the Board of Managers of this Association until their successors are elected and installed.

This Association shall be known by the name of The Independent Order of The Knights Relief No One and by that name shall sue and be sued, and transact all business of a legal character.

This Corporation shall have power to hold real and personal estate, by purchase, gift or devise necessary to carry on its business and for its own use, and may dispose of the same or encumber the same in any legal manner. And shall be fully authorized to make and adopt such Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for the government of the Body Corporate, and the conduct of its business, as the members of the Association may deem proper, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter or the laws and Constitution of this State, now in force and applicable to the same.

The domicil of this Corporation shall be at the City of Vicksburg or County of Warren State of Mississippi, but the subordinate Lodges of this Order may be domiciled elsewhere.

All the provisions of Chapter 38 An Act In relation to Corporations and other Associations" Approved March 5th 1880 and contained in Campbells Mississippi Code, which are applicable to this Charter or Incorporation, shall govern and control the same.

This Charter shall take effect from the date of its approval

I find nothing in the within Charter violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
April 27th 1881 T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Miss.
The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Independent Order of the Knights of Relief" No 1, located at Vicksburg Miss, is hereby Approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 27th day of April A. D. 1881.
J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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Charter of Incorporation of Harperville College.

For the purpose of establishing and preserving upon a permanent and prosperous basis "Harperville College, Situated at Harperville Scott County, Miss, the following named persons to wit— Dr. R. P. Austin, Dr. H. H. Haralson, L. B. Haddon, G. C. Harper and R. H. Campbell, and their successors, are hereby created and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of "Board of Trustees of Harperville College".

The following powers are hereby granted to be exercised by said "Body Corporate"

Said "Body Corporate" may have and hold personal and real estate by donation purchase, or otherwise for the use and benefit of said Institution, may sell, convey and otherwise dispose of same; may have a common seal; may have power to make such rules and regulations as they may deem expedient for calling meetings, electing Officers, filling vacancies, transacting business, appointing successors, and doing such other things as may be necessary to perpetuate the Corporate powers thereof, and to execute the trust herein reposed;— May adapt such other regulations as may be necessary to carry into full force, operation, and effect the the purposes for which said Corporation is created, such as to secure a full and competent Faculty and to secure the maintenance of a uniform and wholesome System of Regulations and by-laws for the discipline and government of said Institution; May upon proper recommendation of the Faculty of said College, confer degrees, grant Diplomas, and do such other acts as may be necessary to the encouragement of learning and the establishment of a high standard of proficiency in scholarship in the several courses of study pursued in said College, wherein said Corporate Authorities shall have, all and singular, the powers and privileges allowed by law to other Colleges in the State of Mississippi

Said "Body Corporate" are hereby granted power to ordain and enforce a sufficient system of police regulations and Ordinances for the protection of the Morals of said Institution.

Said "Body Corporate" may, in addition to the above enumerated powers and franchises, enjoy and use every other right, franchise and power usually granted to like Corporations under the statutes creating the same, as freely, and fully as if enumerated in this Charter.

The period for which this Corporation shall exist is unlimited

The provisions herein granted shall take effect upon the approval and signature of the Governor, and the affixing of the Seal of the State thereto, as provided by the statute in this behalf.

I find nothing in the within Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State —

April 30. 1881 T. C. Catchings - Atty Gen

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of

Harperville College, located at Harperville, Scott County, is hereby approved

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed: Done at the City of Jackson, this 30th day of April A.D. 1851

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Charter of the Hinds County Stock Breeders Association.

Whereas W. R. Sirley E. Mathews Sam. D. Harper R. L. Bogle D. J. Buckley Baker Sirley J. P. Withers A. B. Sirley W. A. Montgomery and other persons have associated themselves together for the purpose of an Agricultural Society: Therefore

Section 1st Be it known that the aforesaid persons together with such others as may hereafter become members in the manner hereinafter prescribed, their successors and assigns be, and are hereby created a body corporate, by the name and style of the "Hinds County Stock Breeders Association", and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered in any Court of law or equity, and contract and be contracted with, and shall be capable of purchasing, holding and alienating all kinds of property, real personal and mixed, for the purpose of encouraging Agriculture, the breeding of thoroughbred and improved stock, the raising of grasses etc. And said corporation shall have power through its President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Board of Trustees, to pass all needful by laws and regulations for the government of the same, subject to ratification by the Association, and may provide for holding fairs and exhibitions, and do such other things for forwarding the purposes of said corporation not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Section 2nd Be it further known, that the persons heretofore elected and now exercising the functions of office, together with five Trustees to be elected at next regular meeting of said Association, are hereby recognized as the legal officers of the same, and shall continue in office for the time for which they were elected and until their successors are qualified: and said officers and Trustees shall be known as the "Directors" of this Association.

Section 3rd Be it further known, that the capital stock of said Association which shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars, shall be divided into shares of ten dollars each: each share shall entitle the holder to one vote which shall not be cast by proxy, but shall depend upon his standing according to the by laws of said Association: shares may be transferred and assigned, but the assignee thereof shall not be entitled to vote them, unless he has been regularly elected a member of said Association and is in good standing.

Section 4th Be it further known, that the Directors of this Association shall be elected annually at such time and place and manner as may be prescribed by the by laws, but if no election should be held at the time designated the corporation shall not on that account be dissolved, but the old Directors shall hold over and cause said election to be had at any future time by giving twenty days notice of the meeting for that purpose, in some newspaper published in the County of Hinds: and in case of death or resignation of any Director during the time for which he was elected a majority of the remaining members may supply the place by an election from among members of the Association. And if said Directors shall fail for the space of two years to order an election for officers, it shall be lawful for any five members to give the necessary notice, and hold an election which shall be as valid and binding as if it had been held under a call of Directors.

Section 5th Be it further known that no member or stockholder of this Association shall be liable for the debt or contract of the said corporation beyond the amount of his stock in said Company or Association.

Section 6th Be it further known, that membership in this Association shall be obtained by petition upon the recommendation of two members, which after having been referred to a committee of three, and reported upon favorably, shall be submitted to ballot in which two thirds present must concur.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

May 4. 1881.

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Hinds County Stock Breeders Association is hereby approved.

In testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson this 4th day of May A.D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor.
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of incorporation of the Monroe County Co-operative Association No 28 of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry in the State of Mississippi.

This Incorporation is formed for the purpose of establishing and maintaining general storage and Commission business, trade in merchandise farm products and machinery and manufactures, for the mutual benefit of share holders and customers.

That S. A. M. Dadley, E. S. Broils, D. A. Beeks, John M. Rye, W. D. Walton, John W. Andrews and such others as may be hereafter associated with them are to be the members of said Incorporation.

That the corporate name shall be the Monroe County Co-operative Association No 28 of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry in the State of Miss.

That the Monroe County Co-operative Association No 28 of the Patrons Husbandry in the State of Mississippi, shall have perpetual succession, may determine the manner of calling and conducting the meeting of stockholders, that (20) members of the Association shall constitute a quorum and that the votes may be cast by the members themselves, or by proxy appointed in writing that they
× may elect all necessary officers and prescribe the salaries and terms of the same and the mode of filling vacancies; may sue and be sued and prosecute and be prosecuted to final judgment and satisfaction, before any Court of law or equity may have a corporate seal or contract under the hand and private seal of the President of the Board of Directors; may contract or be contracted with; may give notes or bonds and secure the same by mortgage or Deed of Trust upon any or all of their property, and sell transfer or hypothecate the same; may lend or borrow money and secure the same by mortgage or Deed of Trust upon their property or by a pledge of their bonds, may buy, sell, lease, & change, or mortgage their property real or personal, any sale lease or mortgage of property to be executed under their Corporate seal and the signature of the President of the Board of Directors, but if they have no corporate seal under the hand and private seal of such President executing the same in his official character, may sue any subscriber for any call or installment due for stock, or may sell such stock for such calls or installments in the manner prescribed by the Rules, and sue for any deficiency after such sales, and may make all necessary rules and all necessary duties not inconsistent with the Laws and Constitution of this State and have such other powers as are conferred upon Corporations formed under Chapter 38 of Code 1880, except as herein abrogated.

That the Stock of said Association shall not exceed ($50.000) Fifty Thousand Dollars, the Company may organize with One Thousand Dollars of Stock and ($5-00) Five Dollars shall constitute a share, and entitle the holder thereof to one vote, and no member of the Association shall be entitled to but one vote, no matter how much stock he may have over and above the amount of $5 00 Five dollars.

That the stockholders shall be individually liable for

the debts of the Corporation, contracted during his ownership of stock for the amount or balance that may remain due or unpaid for the stock so subscribed by him and for no more, and may be sued by any creditor of the Corporation, and such liability shall continue for one year after the sale or transfer of stock, and any assignee shall be liable to the same extent as the original stock holder, and in like manner. The stock shall be transferable only to members of this Association and by endorsement on the back of the certificate, and a surrender of the same before any new certificate shall be issued by the Board of Directors.

The Officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Six Directors and two Auditors. The President and Secretary shall be Directors "Ex-Officio". The Officers shall be Patrons of Husbandry and shall be elected by the Stockholders hereafter at the annual meeting in July, and shall hold their several offices for the term One year, and until their successors are elected and installed.

That the Directors shall be Stockholders and Patrons of Husbandry, and a majority of them shall constitute a quorum.

That the Stockholders shall meet in the months of January, April, July, and October and at such other times as the Association may determine, or on the call of the President after five days notice by publication in some newspaper published in the City of Aberdeen.

That no sale, conveyance, mortgage, Deed of Trust or exchange of any of the property of the Association, shall be valid and binding unless approved by a resolution adopted by a majority of the stockholders, at any regular or special meeting of the stockholders, nor shall any bonds be issued except by a like authority.

That the stock subscribed shall be payable on demand of the Directors

That the rules issued by the National Grange for the Co-operative Associations shall constitute the rules for the government of this Association apt so far as the same may have been changed by this act of incorporation, or as they may be hereafter changed at any called or regular meeting of the stockholders.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto fixed our hands and seals this the day of A. D. 1881

E. S. Broyles
W. D. Walton
S. A. M. Sadler
John M. Rye
John W. Andrews
Wm E. Bradley
T. G. Owens
D. R. Sartor

The State of Mississippi
Monroe County } Personally appeared before me

W. D. Walton a member of the Board of Supervisors of said County from the third District thereof, the within named E. S. Broyles, S. A. M. Saddler, John M. Rye, John W. Andrews, Wm E. Bradley, T. Y. Owens and D. R. Sartor, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as their act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of Office on this March 8. 1881

W. D. Walton Seal

Member of Board of Supervisors.

The State of Mississippi }
Monroe County } Personally appeared before me H. S. Gillespie, Chancery Clerk of said County the within named W. D. Walton, who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as his act and deed.

Given under my hand and seal of office March 8. 1881

(L. S.)

H. S. Gillespie
Clerk

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter in violation of the Constitution & laws of the State.

May 9. 1881 T. C. Catchings Atty Gen

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Monroe County Cooperative Association No 28 of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry in the State of Mississippi," written on pages numbered 1. 2. 3. 4. 5 and 6 consecutively is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

(L. S.)

Done at the City of Jackson this 9th day of May, 1881

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

J. M. Stone

The Charter of Incorporation of the Grand Tabernacle, Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity, of the State of Mississippi.

Article I

This order is a secret charitable association, composed of men and women; The objects and purposes for which it is created and incorporated are, First: To elevate morally and religiously the condition of those, who may become members thereof; Second; To unite them for the advancement of their social and intellectual culture, Third; To enable them by combined efforts and systematic methods to give relief to those found worthy, and who may be in distress from sickness, poverty or other causes; Fourth; to secure the happiness and promote the prosperity of our people by laboring earnestly, and faithfully among them to attain those objects, through and on the broad and fundamental principles of Love and Charity.

Article II

Thomas W Stringer, Emily Penn, A. E. Tighlman, E. R. Hunter, A. K. Davis, A. E. McCrory, J. P. Simy, W. Ellison, L. Turner, Hannah Thompson, A Rossiter, M. B. Bailey, E. J. Reid, Nelson and Mary Thompson and their successors in office and those who shall become and continue members & officers of the Grand Tabernacle Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity of the State of Mississippi, are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic by and under the provisions of Chapter 38 of the Revised Code of Mississippi, 1880

Article III

This corporation shall be known by the name and style of the Grand Tabernacle Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity of the State of Mississippi.

Article IV

Those incorporated shall be invested with the powers and control of subordinate Tabernacles; They may determine at what time and place meetings of this corporation shall be held, the manner of calling and conducting the same, the number necessary to constitute a quorum. They may prescribe the mode of electing or appointing ~~officers~~ all necessary officers, they may sue and be sued, and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any Court of Justice in this State; They may have a common seal, with power to break alter and renew the same at pleasure, may contract and be contracted with; may purchase, receive and hold personal and real estate, stock and incorporeal hereditaments necessary and proper for the objects of the order; Provided, That the amount thereof does not exceed Fifteen ($15000) Thousand Dollars. They may sell and convey the same under their corporate seal, and the signatures of such officers as the by-laws may require; They may make all necessary rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this State

and inpose upon the members of said order all necessary fees fines and duties, and they may do and perform all things whatsoever within the limits of their corporate powers requisite to carry out the objects & designs of this Charter of Incorporation.

Article 5

This corporation shall have perpetual succession, and the powers hereinbefore set forth, shall from and after the date of the approval of this Charter be vested in said corporation and it shall go into operation at that time, and on the terms and conditions specified.

Article 6

The domicile of this corporation shall be at the city of Vicksburg in Warren County, State of Mississippi

I find nothing violative of the Constitution or laws of the State in the foregoing Charter

May 9, th 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Grand Tabernacle Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity of the State of Mississippi" located in the city of Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson this 9th day of May A.D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor.
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Vicksburg Tabernacle No 1 Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity.

Sec. 1. This order is a secret charitable association composed of men and women; the object and purposes for which it is created and incorporated are 1st To elevate morally and religiously the condition of those who may become its members: 2d To unite them for the advancement of their social and intellectual culture; 3rd To enable them by combined efforts and systematic methods to give relief to those found worthy and who may be in distress from sickness, poverty or other causes; 4th To secure the happiness and advancement the prosperity of our people, by laboring correctly and faithfully among them to attain those objects, through and on the blood and fundamental principles of Love and Charity.

Sec. 2 Thomas W. Stringer, Hiram W. Jenkins, Charles P. Read, T.M. Broadwaters, Nathaniel Peace, Amba Fields, Mary Thompson, Mary Seals and the officers and members and all who shall become and continue members of the Vicksburg Tabernacle No 1 Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic by and under the provisions of Chapter 38 of the Revised Code of Mississippi 1880.

Sec 3. This corporation shall be known by the name and style of the Vicksburg Tabernacle No 1 Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity.

Sec 4. Those incorporated shall be invested with the following powers & wit: They may determine at what time, meeting of this corporation shall be held, the manner of calling and conducting the same, the number of members that shall constitute a quorum; they may sue and be sued, and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court of Justice in the State; they may have a common seal, with power to break, alter and renew the same at pleasure, may contract and be contracted with, may purchase, receive and hold personal and real estate, stock and incorporeal hereditaments, necessary and proper for the objects of the order; Provided, That the amount thereof does not exceed Twenty five Thousand ($25.000.) Dollars, they may sell and convey the same under their corporate seal and the signatures of such officers as the by laws may require; they may make all necessary rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, and impose upon the members of said order all necessary fines, fees and duties and they may do and perform all things whatsoever within the limits of their corporate powers necessary to carry out the objects and designs of this charter of incorporation.

Sec 5. This corporation shall have perpetual succession, and the powers hereinbefore set forth shall from and after the date of the approval of this charter, be vested in said corporation, and shall go into operation at that time and on the terms and conditions specified.

Sec 6. The domicile of this corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Warren County, State of Mississippi.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.

May 9, 1881

J. C. Catchings
Att'y Gen'l.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of "Vicksburg Tabernacle No 1 Independent Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love and Charity" located at Vicksburg Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be hereto affixed.

Done at the city of Jackson this 9th day of May A.D. 1881

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of The National Cotton Planters Association of America

Section 1. The purposes of this Corporation are declared to be for advancing the material interests of land lord, tenant and laborer in the cultivation of cotton and all other products, by issuing regular publications and by interchanges of views; to encourage a more scientific and economical cultivation of the soil and to encourage a diversity of crops, labor saving and improved machinery and agricultural implements; to promote the improvement of seeds for planting, to foster the introduction and raising of the best class of live stock, to aid in the introduction of additional labor, to be the medium through advertisement and otherwise for buying and selling and renting lands, for the purchase and sale of farming implements and machinery, for obtaining laborers and getting employment for laborers and to become an intelligence agency for every ramification of cotton cultivation and all things pertaining and incident thereto; and generally to harmonize and concentrate for the above purposes the efforts of all those engaged in the cultivation, sale and manufacture of cotton and importation of implements and machinery therefor, and for such other purposes growing out of and incident to the above as may be determined hereafter.

Section 2.

Edmund Richardson,	Miss.	J. D. George	Miss.
Jas. L. Alcorn	"	Eug. Sykes	"
D. W. Russell	"	Dr Wm G. Williams	"
Green Clay	"	Eugene Maitin	"
Jas. F. Stokes	"	H. C. Morehead	"
Wm A. Percy	"	J. N. D. Bonyar	"
Wm Haight	"	Jno A. Buckner	La
Matt F. Johnson	"	Geo. Foster	"
Robt. Tumbull	"	Claude M. Tilford	"
Dunbar Hunt	"	H. R. Lucas	"
B. F. Tiger	"	G. L. Boney	"
Jas. R. Chalmers	"	F. L. Maxwell	"
Jno. H. Woolfolk	"	A. W. Crandell	"
W. R. Ingersoll	"	Albert C. Gibson	"
W. S. Lovell	"	Geo. C. Waddill	"
H. F. Simrall	"	Jno. Murdock	"
A. B. Pittman	"	F. S. Shields	"
Thos. C. Bedford	"	W. L. McMillan	"
J. Westley Vick	"	J. Floyd King	"
J. M. Payton	"	S. R. Cockrill	Ark
Stephen S. Duncan	"	C. R. Breckenridge	"
Genl W. T. Martin	"	Deb. Ward	"
Phil G. Cocks	"	Jno. C. Calhoun	"
Benj. S. Ricks	"	Wm Starling	"
Jno Willis	"	Genl. D. H. Reynolds	"
Genl W. R. Miles	"	W. B. Street	"
Richard Payne	"	Dr Henry Blackburn	"
Jno. R. Cameron	"	Gabe Meyer	"
T. C. Catchings	"	Col J. M. Lewis	Ala

Jno. B. Killebrew	Tenn	John Hagood	S. C.
Jacob Thompson	"	A. P. Butler	"
Enoch Ensley	"	Thos. J. Jarvis	N. C
Major M Kay	"	M. McGehee	"
Jno. P. Fort	Ga	Oran M. Roberts	Texas
Alfred H. Colquitt	"	William C. Walsh	"
J. T. Henderson		Samuel B. Maxey	"
Wade Hampton	S. C.	Richard Coke	"

and their associates and successors and assigns are hereby created a body politic and corporate, and they shall have perpetual succession by and under the name and style of The National Cotton Planters Association of America, and its principal place of business and domicil shall be Vicksburg Mississippi.

Sec. 3. The persons above named and their associates and successors and assigns under the name and style aforesaid may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and have a common seal; shall have power to print and publish news papers, journals and other papers; to buy and own real and personal estate for experimental farms, publishing and other purposes, and to sell and convey same at pleasure; to establish branch offices in other places to be fixed by them; to make any contract necessary to carry these objects into effect; to elect officers, to fix salaries, and generally do such other things as may be necessary to carry out the declared purposes of this Corporation as therein before set forth.

Sec. 4. This Corporation may issue stock to an amount and on such terms as they see proper. They shall have power to issue preferred stock and common stock and fix the terms of subscription to each.

Sec. 5. The Corporation shall have power to make such By-Laws as they choose not inconsistent with the laws of this State or the laws of the United States. They may create such offices as they choose and fix the terms of offices and compensation

Sec. 6 Any three of the incorporators, after the Charter is granted may call a meeting to organize under the Charter on three days notice of publication for three consecutive days in the Vicksburg Herald; and any three or more of them may organize under the Charter.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.
May 11. 1881 T. C. Catchings Atty Gen

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The National Cotton Planters Association of America", having its principal place of business and domicil at Vicksburg Mississippi is ~~approved~~ hereby approved

(L. S.) In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 11th day of May A. D. 1881

By the Governor J. M. Stone
Henry C. Myers Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Electric Light Company."

Section 1st Henry Frank, Isaac Lowenburg, Frank Arighi, and whoever they shall associate with them, and their successors and assigns, be and they are hereby granted a Charter to form a Corporation to be named the Natchez Electric Light Company, and by that name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all the Courts of law and equity in the State of Mississippi, And they are by this Charter authorized and empowered to introduce, manufacture, erect and use in the City of Natchez, in said State all machinery and other apparatus, necessary for the successful use of the Electric method of illumination, and to that end they shall be empowered to make contracts with Inventors, their representatives and assigns, and other persons, and do all other acts in and about the said business, not forbidden by law. They shall have perpetual existence and succession as a corporation; shall have the right to acquire by purchase or otherwise and to hold use and enjoy as much real and personal property as they may deem necessary in their business, and may sell, mortgage and convey the same.

Section 2nd That said incorporators, any one, or all of them, who may become subscribers to the Capital stock of said Company, shall be authorized to open books of subscription to the Capital Stock of said Company; making the said subscription payable at such times, and in such amounts as they may deem advisable and to the best interests of said Company. And whenever an amount of said Capital stock is subscribed, which in their opinion, is sufficient to introduce said Electric method of illumination into the City of Natchez. The incorporators procuring said subscription or any one or more of them, shall call a meeting of the subscribers to said stock; and they when assembled, may proceed to organize said Natchez Electric Light Company by the election of five Directors thereof, and said Directors shall organize by electing one of their number President of said Company, and such other officers, as they may deem necessary, and the said ~~Directors~~ Board of Directors and said President shall hold their offices and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 3rd The Capital Stock of said Company hereby created shall be Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, in shares of Twenty Five Dollars each, to be increased to, one hundred thousand dollars in such amounts, and at such times as shall be deemed advisable by said Board of Directors.

Sec. 4th Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, which may be given by the stockholder in person, or by proxy, and all stock shall be transferable, only however on the books of said Company.

Section 5th The said Company may at its option by a vote of the

stockholders increase, or diminish from time to time the number of the Board of Directors: But said Board of Directors shall never consist of more than Nine, nor less than Five Directors, the President included.

Sec. 6th The Stockholders shall only be liable to the Company and its creditors, for the amount of their capital stock unpaid, subscribed by them.

Sec 7th The President and Board of Directors shall have the management of the affairs of the Corporation, they shall determine and create whatever other offices they may consider necessary for the management of their Company fix and adjust their Salaries; and shall make such rules and regulations demanded for the furtherance of said Company's interests, that they may deem best, not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

Sec 8th This Charter shall go into effect as soon as the stock is subscribed, and the Stockholders organize.

I find nothing unconstitutional or illegal in the foregoing Charter.

June 28. 1881 T. C. Catchings
Atty-Gen.

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi June 30th 1881

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Electric Light Company, located in the City of Natchez, Adams County, written on pages numbered One, two, three and part of four, consecutively, and consisting of eight Consecutively Sections, having been indorsed by the Hon. Attorney General as free from Constitutional or legal objections, and having been duly and legally published in the Natchez Weekly Democrat, a Newspaper published in the City of Natchez, as appears by proof on file, the said Charter is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 30th day of June A.D. 1881

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Como Benevolent Society No. 1.

Article First

This Society is established for the benefit of its members, in case of sickness necessity and death.

Article Second

This Society shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to contract and be contracted with, to hold lease and convey real estate, to have common seal and alter the same at pleasure, and to establish other and branch Societies in this State.

Article Third

This Society shall have power to purchase, and hold grounds necessary for a Cemetery, the same to be exempt from taxation, and to be used exclusively for burial purposes.

Article Fourth

This Society shall have power to make such By-Laws, Rules and Regulations necessary for the benefit, management and government of the Society, not contrary to, or inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States and the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Article Fifth

Jefferson Lewis, W. J. Wallace, Wash Sledge, Addison Bogan, Sam Rice, Dan Hunt, Louis Rice, Johnson Wallace, Burr Johnson, Simpson Phillips and Ted Rice, and their successors be, and the same are hereby created Corporators of said Society.

Article Sixth

This Society shall be known as the Como Benevolent Society No. 1.

Article Seventh

This Society shall have perpetual succession.

Article Eighth

This Society shall be governed by the following Constitution Rules Regulations and By-Laws:

Constitution:

Article 1

All meetings shall open with prayer and close with a benediction.

Article 2

The Officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer, Grand Marshal, Assistant Grand Marshal, a Chief Steward, and a Board of Managers, to consist of ten, who shall be elected annually.

Article 3:

All male persons joining this Society shall pay an initiation fee one and one half dollars, and females one dollar, and also a monthly tribute of fifty cents from males and twenty five cents from females.

Article 4:

No person shall become a member of this Society without being recommended by at least two members.

Article 5:

No person shall become a member who shall be legally rejected by three members.

Article 6:

There shall be ten Stewards appointed to superintend sick members of the Society and they shall report thereof to the Chief Steward.

Article 7:

When a member deceases the members (male) shall attend the funeral in a body and wear the usual badge of mourning.

Article 8:

All moneys received shall be carefully taken account of at each meeting, and a report of the same made quarterly by the Secretary and Treasurer for the information of the members.

Article 9:

Any member of this Society found intoxicated or rioting on the streets, or in any public place, shall be reported to the Society, and fined not less than one dollar.

Article 10:

There shall be two meetings of this Society each month-first-business and second-information.

Article 11:

No money of the Society shall be loaned out of the Treasury on any pretence whatever.

Article 12:

All members shall minister unto the wants and necessities of the sick members of this Society.

Article 13:

There shall be no money drawn from the Treasury without an order from the Secretary countersigned by the President.

Article 14:

No person shall become a member of this Society, who is known to be living in adultery.

Article 15:

The Treasurer of this Society shall be required to give a

bond of five hundred dollars, which may be increased or diminished at pleasure.

Article 14:

The Constitution, Rules Regulations and Charter of this Society shall be open to the inspection of all good Citizens and nothing in it shall be regarded as secret.

By-Laws, Rules and Regulations:

Rule 1st

When a member is addressing the President no person shall interrupt him, and should a member so offend after once being called to order, the President shall fine him at pleasure.

Rule 2nd

The members shall attend the regular meetings promptly, and no member shall leave a meeting while in session except by permission of the President.

Rule 3rd

In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall perform the duties of said Office.

Rule 4th

The Secretary shall write all orders, Keep an account of all moneys received and paid out, read the Constitution, Rules &c in time of meeting, and keep the minutes of the Society.

Rule 5th

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to pay all orders on the Treasury, signed by the Secretary and Countersigned by the President.

Rule 6th

The Grand Marshal shall notify the members when to turn out, parade &c. he shall appoint Pall Bearers on funeral occasions and any failure of said Marshal shall be cause for a fine of five dollars: and on failure of a member he shall be fined one dollar if duly notified.

Rule 7th

The Chief Steward shall see after the sick members, and appoint a suitable member of the members to set up with and nurse the same, and when a member dies to report to the Secretary immediately.

Regulation 1

Members shall be fined one dollar for failure to turn form duty when duly notified.

Regulation 2:

Members when on their feet must maintain themselves and families, without the aid of the Society.

Regulation 3:

All members of this Society shall be, when dead, buried at the expense of the Society.

Regulation 4:

When a member looses his wife the Society shall pay ten dollars towards the funeral expenses; when a child the sum of five dollars, and when the child arrives at the age of Sixteen years (16) the member shall not receive any aid in case of the death of such child.

Regulation 5:

When a member dies and leaves a widow this Society shall see after her and her children just so long as she remains an honorable and respected lady and obeys the laws &c of this Society.

Regulation 6:

A member known to be guilty of making any false or slanderous remarks against this Society or any of its members shall be reported to the Board.

Signed Sealed and delivered this day of 188

Attest L. E. Heath — Jefferson Lewis (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — M. J. Wallace (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Wash his X mark Sledge (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Addison his X mark Bogan (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Sam his X mark Rice (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Dan his X mark Hunt (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Louis his X mark Rice (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Johnson his X mark Wallace (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Burt his X mark Johnson (Seal)
Attest L. E. Heath — Simpson his X mark Phillips (Seals)
Attest L. E. Heath — Ted his X mark Rice (Seal)

State of Mississippi } SS
Panola County }

Before me P. E. Davis, Mayor of Como & Ex-Officio Justice of Peace & for said County this day personally appeared the above named Jefferson Lewis M. J. Wallace Wash Sledge Addison Bogan, Sam Rice, Dan Hunt, Louis Rice, Johnson Wallace, Burt Johnson, Simpson Phillips & Ted Rice who acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing Charter on the day and year therein mentioned as their voluntary act and deed.

Given under my hand and Seal at office in Como this 7th day of May A. D. 1881

P. E. Davis Mayor & Ex-off J. P. (Seal)

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

May 17th 1881 T. C. Catchings Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Como Benevolent Society No 1 located at Como Miss, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the City of Jackson this 17th day of May A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Ofocona Mills

Whereas B. W. Romberger, D. R. Wagner and J. B. Pate desire to carry on the business of manufacturing in this State, and to enable them to do so more conveniently desire a Charter of incorporation.

Be it known that B. W. Romberger, D. R. Wagner and J. B. Pate and others who may hereafter be associated with them be and they are hereby chartered and incorporated as a body corporate under the name and style of the "Ofocona Mills."

The purposes for which this Charter is granted are for carrying on and conducting the business of manufacturing cotton, wool, hemp and such other textile fabrics as they may see fit and proper. Also of carrying on and conducting the business of manufacturing of any kind or description, and the making of machinery of any kind for the purposes of their business.

The said body corporate, as such corporation shall have succession for the term of fifty years; may have and acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold and own real and personal estate, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of law and equity in this State, make contracts of any kind touching their business, and may make by-laws for the regulation and government of the Company and their affairs, and do all acts incident to a corporation and within the scope of the powers herein delegated not inconsistent with nor prohibited by the laws of this State or of the United States.

The Capital Stock of this Company shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars to be divided into one hundred shares of Five Hundred Dollars each, which capital stock may be increased to the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars at the pleasure of said Company.

This capital ~~stock~~ may be invested in machinery, goods and merchandise, bonds and notes, and any and all evidences of debt, and also in any real or personal estate necessary to carry on any part of its business, or which may be received in payment of debts.

Said Company may sell and dispose of transfer and convey any of its property and assets in such manner as they may deem best for their interest.

The officers of this Company shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer to be elected and chosen from among the stockholders.

The principal place of business of this Company shall be Water Valley, Yalobusha County, but agencies may be established for the sale of goods at any other place in this State.

It shall be incompetent for this Company to owe at any time an amount in excess of the capital stock, and any agent or officer contracting any debt without the consent of the stockholders shall be individually liable for such debt.

The powers and privileges herein conferred are hereby declared to be vested in said Company for and during the term of Fifty Years.

The foregoing Charter contains nothing in violation of the laws or Constitution of Miss.
May 19. 1881 T. C. Catchings Atty. Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the

"Yocona Mills," located at Water Valley Miss. is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 19th day of May, 1881.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers

Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of Social Lodge No. 3 of Moss Point Mississippi

We the undersigned, Stephen King, S. S. Davis and W. J. Fields wish to be incorporated under the name of Social Lodge No. 3 of Moss Point Mississippi, as a charitable and benevolent institution for the purposes following, viz: Promotion of brotherly feeling and mutual improvement of the members of the Lodge; affording assistance to distressed brothers and their families: And ask the power to have such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be proper for these purposes and the government of the Lodge and are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi.

Signed this the 23rd day of May A. D. 1881.

Stephen King
S. S. Davis
W. J. Fields

The within Charter is not violative of the laws or Constitution of the State

May 30. 1881. T. C. Catchings – Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "Social Lodge No. 3", located at Moss Point, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 30th day of May, A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of The Mississippi Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Art I

The following persons to wit- P. P. Baley, W. A. A. Green, Mrs W. A. A. Green, James D. Stewart, L. Brame, Mrs L. Brame, Mrs M. A. Yerger, Chas. A. Brougher, Miss Lucy Cabaniss, John McGill, E. A. Reber, D. P. Porter and such other persons as may be associated with them, and their successors, are hereby constituted and created a body corporate by the name of "The Mississippi Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals"; the purpose of which is to promote and assist in the enforcement of the laws of this State in this behalf

Art II.

This Society shall have power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to contract and be contracted with, to hold, lease and convey real estate, to have a common seal, and power to alter the same at pleasure, and its domicil shall be at the City of Jackson.

Art III.

The Officers of the said Corporation shall consist of a President, five Vice Presidents, one Secretary, one Treasurer, an Executive Committee of five members, and such other officers as shall from time to time, seem necessary to this Society.

Art IV.

The foregoing Officers shall be chosen from among the members of the Society, and shall hold their Offices for one year, or until their successors are duly elected.

Art V.

The said Society, for fixing the terms of admission of its members, for the government of the same, for the election, changing and altering the officers above named, and for the general regulation and management of its affairs, shall have power to form a code of By-laws not inconsistent with the laws of this State, or of the United States, which code when formed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Society, shall, until modified or rescinded, be equally binding on its members as this Charter.

Art VI

This Society, in its corporate capacity, shall be capable of taking, holding, and enjoying real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars at any one time; which property may be acquired by purchase, by gift or by devise contained in any last will of any person whomsoever, subject to the provisions of law relative to devises by last will. But this corporation shall not hold real estate the yearly income of which shall exceed the sum of Five thousand Dollars.

Art VII

This Society shall have perpetual succession, and shall have the authority to establish auxiliary Societies Throughout the state.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter unconstitutional or violative of the laws of the State.

J. C. Catchings
Atty Gen

July 12, 1880

Executive Office, Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Mississippi Society for the prevention of Cruelty to Animals" located in Hinds County, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and signature, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed Done ~~in Jackson~~ the City of Jackson this 12th day of July 1881.

J. M. Stone

L. S.

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

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Incorporation of Mungers Creek camp ground Wayne County Mississippi

In pursuance of a deed executed by E.S. Smith of the town of State line. State of Mississippi made to the following named persons, Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church South, who were duly elected at a Quarterly Conference of Waynesboro Circuit Mississippi Annual Conference towit: S. B. Rich, E.S. Smith, Jessie Byrd, S. Taylor, E.M.R. Nobles, Dr Peter Taylor, W. L. Davies and F. M. Williams, Preacher in charge of said circuit and his successor, conveying a certain plot of land for camp Meting purposes, said land lying four and one half miles north of State line in said State and immediately on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad to be under the control of said church and known as, Mungers Creek Camp Ground.

Therefore said trustees are hereby constituted a board of Managers and shall be, and they are hereby vested with all the rights and privileges in law and in equity of a body Politic and corporate (not reserved in the deed of conveyance) they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of law and in equity in this State.

This Incorporation shall consist of the following Officers who shall be elected annually by ballot from their own number towit: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer a majority of the Board present shall constitute a quorum and be competent to transact business.

All vacancies occurring in the Board shall be filled by the quarterly conference in which the camp ground is situated; the board shall select their place of meeting; and it shall be the duty of the President to call a meeting at any time upon the request of two or more members of the Board.

They shall have power to enact all suitable bylaws for their government provided the same shall not be contrary to, or inconsistent with the laws of the land or public morals.

They shall have power to appoint the time for holding camp-Meetings and if closing the same, and to appoint such policemen as they may deem necessary & property to procure order on the grounds and premises of said camp-ground during such camp Meting, and it shall be the duty of such Policemen to arrest all persons from violating the laws of the land and carry such offenders at once before the nearest Justice of the Peace for trial or commitment according to due course of law.

And further, it shall be a Misdemeanor punishable by fine not exceeding three hundred Dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding six months at the discretion of the courts; for any person to sell or give away in any manner, any intoxicating Spirit or Mault liquors in any quantity on said Camp ground or premises or within three miles thereof during the term of any camp meting that may be holden on said Camp ground.

To be in force from and after the approval hereof.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.

J. C. Catchings

Executive Office. Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing, Charter of Incorporation of "Mungers Creek Camp Ground" in Wayne County, is hereby approved.

In testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the City of Jackson, this 7th day of July A.D. 1881.

J.M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor.

Henry C Myers
Secretary of State.

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Charter

of incorporation of Bowling Green Central Co-operative Association.

This Corporation is created for purposes of trade in farming implements, general Merchandise, and all business usually transacted by general Merchants.

The Incorporators are, J. A. Roberts, F. A. Howell, H. N. Thurmond, S. J. McLeday, J. N. Gurney, J. E. Covington, Jas. Moorhead, J. L. Frizzell, A. M. Moorhead, S. A. Montgomery, J. G. Hamilton, W. A. Denton, J. A. Linder J. G. Montgomery, and others who are now, or who may hereafter become shareholders in this Association.

The Corporate name shall be - "Bowling Green Central Cooperative Association" of Durant Mississippi.

The Association shall be governed by the Chairman, Secretary, and Board of directors, under rules and regulations adopted by the Association at its regular quarterly meetings in January, April, July and October of each year - provided, that nothing contrary to the Constitution and laws of Mississippi or of the United States, shall be enacted by said Association.

The Officers shall be elected Annually by the Shareholders, and no member shall have more than one vote.

The Association shall have a common Seal which it may alter at will; may sue and be sued, in all the courts of law and equity in this State: may acquire property, real, personal, or mixed, and shall continue in existence for an indefinite length of time.

The Shareholders shall be individually responsible for the debts of the Association only to the extent of the whole amount of shares owned by each.

The shares shall be Five Dollars each, and shall be transfered only at their face value with interest and dividends added, and to persons eligible to membership in the Association.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.

July 20th 1881.

J. C Catchings
Atty Genl.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "Bowling Green Central Co-operative Association" located at Durant, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed.

Done at the city of Jackson this 20th day of July in the year of our Lord 1881.

Seal

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers Secty of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of "Grace Protestant Episcopal Church" located at Bay St. Louis, in the County of Hancock, and State of Mississippi.

We, whose names are hereunto written, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and desirous to act as an organized body, under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the requirements of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together and form a Congregation or Parish for the public worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following Articles of Association:

Article I.

We acknowledge and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property for the purposes of this organization, as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold, and we claim all the rights, powers and privileges, including the right to sue and be sued, in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations.

Article II.

The name of this Society, Congregation or Parish, shall be "Grace Protestant Episcopal Church" located in the town or city of Bay Saint Louis, in the County of Hancock, in the State of Mississippi.

Article III.

This Society, Congregation or Parish, shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article IV.

We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, Society, Congregation or Parish, to be Wardens and Vestrymen, for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their

offices as such, until Easter Monday next, and until their successors are duly chosen. Viz:

A. A Ulman ... Senior Warden
John V. Toulme ... Junior Warden.

H. E. Shropshire
A. Campe
A Doherty
L H. Fairchild
A. Keller
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names, this Twentieth day of July. A. D., 1881. at Bay Saint Louis, in the County of Hancock, and State of Mississippi, and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Society, Congregation or Parish as required by law

Names of Incorporators subscribed thereto with our own hands.

A. A. Ulmans Seal
Jno. V. Toulme Seals
H. E. Shropshire Seal
A. Campe Seal
A. Doherty Seal
L. H. Fairchild Seal
A. Keller Seal

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the State
July 25. 1881.
J. C. Catchings
atty Genl.

Executive Office.

Jackson, Mississippi.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of Parish of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church, located at Bay Saint Louis, in the County of Hancock Miss. is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

L S

Done in the city of Jackson, this 25th day of July, in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty one.

By the Governor.

J. M. Stone.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Goddin attachment company.

Section 1. William A. Pollack, John L Hebron, Joseph A. J Addeton, Richard M. Scruggs, Edward H. Gould, James H Neal, Edmond F. Miller, John W. Gaines, and Archibald C. Goddin; their associates and successors, are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate and politic, for the term of twenty five years, by the name of and Style of "The Goddin Attachment Company," and by that name may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded; contract and be contracted with; have a common seal with power to alter the same at pleasure; make bylaws, rules and regulations for the Government thereof; purchase, hold and sell such real and personal estate as may be necessary to promote the objects of the corporation; and do and perform all other acts which bodies corporate and politic may do, not inconsistent with the constitution of the United States.

Section 2. The capital stock of the said corporation shall be ten thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and to be full paid by the stockholders on the tender to them of the certificate for such stock properly signed; which capital stock may be increased by a majority of shares at a meeting called for the purpose, to any sum not exceeding one Hundred thousand dollars, which increased stock shall be first offered to the stockholders of said corporation before being otherwise disposed of.

Section 3. The stockholders of said corporation shall be individually liable to creditors of said corporation for all its debts and contracts to the amount of stock held by them, until said stock is fully paid in, and nothing beyond said paid up stock.

Section 4. The domicil of the said corporation shall be the city of Vicksburg, in the county of Warren, or any other place in the State of Mississippi, which the majority of the stock at any time may determine to move to, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to advertise, arrange for the building of, and put upon the market for sale (and the right for the same) a new piece of Cotton Mill Machinery, known as the Goddin Condenser and Doubler, and any other machine or machines which the inventor of said condenser and Doubler may conceive or invent, with regard to cleaning, handling or manufacturing cotton, and to acquire patent rights to any cotton mill machinery and to manufacture and sell the same; and the said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to take stock in the building of a Cotton Mill or Cotton Mills whenever a majority of the stockholders in interest of this association may elect to do so.

Section 5. Within fifteen days after this Charter is signed by the Governor the persons herein named, or a number of them sufficient to represent a majority of the stock, shall meet in the city of Vicksburg

and elect by ballot five of the stockholders, to be the first Board of Directors, who shall serve until their successors shall be duly chosen and organized, and when so elected the said Directors shall immediately elect from their number a President and Secretary and Treasurer, who shall serve until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Section 6. At all elections held by said corporation, and at all meetings of the same each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of the capital stock held or represented by him, and any stockholder may be represented at the meetings of the corporation by a proxy duly authorized to act.

At the meeting of the Directors a Director shall be entitled to vote, and in all respects, act for an absent Director, if he holds the proxy duly authorized in writing befor a public officer with a seal of said absent Director, and his votes and acts shall be as valid as if done by the said absent Director were he in person present and acting at the meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 7. On the second Tuesday of January, 1882, and annually thereafter, at the hour and place selected by the Board of Directors of which election public notice shall be given at least two weeks in one newspaper published in the city of Vicksburg, or at the domicil of the company, the stockholders of said corporation shall assemble in the city of Vicksburg, or at the place of domicil of the corporation if it shall have been changed, and elect by a majority of the shares represented at said meeting, five (5) stockholders, (each of whom shall be the owner or representative of at least five shares of the capital stock) to serve as a Board of Directors for the ensuing year or until their successors shall be elected and qualified; but a failure so to meet shall not invalidate their charter. In case of failure to hold an election under this section, the former Directors shall continue in office until their successors are duly chosen, and in case of resignation or death of the President, Secretary and Treasurer, or a Director, the remaining Directors shall elect a person to serve until their successors are duly chosen.

Section 8. The said Board of Directors may in the name of said corporation take mortgages and deeds of trust on real estate or any kind of personal property to secure the payment of any debt or debts due said corporation, and contracted in the course of its legitimate business, or to invest its surplus funds, and may enforce the collection of like securities.

Section 9. Said corporation may issue bonds bearing rate of interest not exceeding ten per cent per annum, with or without a clause making them convertible into the stock of the company, at the option of the holder, and with power to sell the said bonds as it may elect, and which bonds may be secured by mortgage of property and franchises of the company in such sums and on such terms as it may elect.

Section 10. Meetings for stockholders may be called the second Tuesday of January and July of each and every year, when dividends of the earnings of the company shall be declared and paid, if the Board of Directors so decide.

Section 11. This charter shall take effect and be in force from and after the approval of the Governor.

I find no constitutional objection to the foregoing charter,

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

July 21st 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The foregoing printed Charter of Incorporation of the "Goddin Attachment Company" located at Vicksburg, Miss, and hereto attached, is hereby Approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done in the city of Jackson, this — day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1881.

J. M Stone

Seal

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Delta Agricultural and Immigration Company.

The objects and purposes of this company are;

1st. To develop and bring into cultivation the vast body of wild and uncleared land lying in what is known as the Yazoo Delta in the State of Miss.

2nd To increase the value of the same for Agricultural purposes by a general system of drainage throughout said Delta.

3rd By organized effort and capitalized land fund to introduce Immigration, assist them in acquiring desirable tracts of such land, in opening up the same and devoting it to agricultural purposes.

4 To introduce improved and scientific methods of cultivation, the diversification of crops and the production at home of all of the prime necessaries of the farmer and the improvement in yield and staple of cotton.

Powers

For the purposes above named said corporation shall have power to open a set of stock books and to receive subscriptions to stock in either land or money, to receive, hold, own and convey lands situated in the Yazoo Delta, to issue stock in shares of $25.00 each to an amount not exceeding $500,000.00 to employ agents at home and abroad for the purpose of securing immigrants and to locate the latter on said lands, to drain and reclaim wild lands and swamp lands belonging to said company and for that purpose to cause rights of ways for ditches and canals to be condemned in the same manner and by the same procedure now provided by law for the condemnation of rights of way for levees in the several acts of the legislature relating to and governing the Board of Mississippi Levee commissioners, to elect a President and Board of Directors consisting of fifteen members or less and such other officers as may be necessary, to have a common seal, to sue and be sued by its corporated name, to adopt by-laws and do all other things necessary to carry out the purposes of its incorporation not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of the State of Mississippi.

Name and Style.

The name and style of this Incorporation shall be "The Mississippi Delta Agricultural and Immigration Company.

Corporators

The persons incorporated by this charter made by, G.W. Helen, W.W. Stone, C. Haulington, Morris Morris, Caldwell McIlrath, W.A. Percy, J.P. Finley, J. Pohl, A.J. Paxton, J.C. Heard, J.M. Williams, C.H. Johnson, W.R. Trigg, J.A. McCalf, Calhoun Hails, J. Landau, W.E. West, E. Bouge, J.S. Myers, W.M. Summers, Junius Longfield, J.A. Scott, Henry Longfield, A. Baugh, J.L. Smith, W.A. Everman, W.S. Hord, D.A. Montgomery, R.G. Sims, Samuel Brown, John H. Evans, J.M. Jayne, Nathan Goldstein, Morris Weiss, Herman Wilczinski, Nathan Wilczinski, W.E. Hunt, C.W. Clarke, J.R. Yerger, J.S. Watkins, C.A. Wintz, W.A. Pollack, and such other persons as may desire to become members of said company and subscribe to the stock of the same.

Domicile

The domicil of said company shall be at Greenville Washington County Mississippi.

As soon as the foregoing charter is granted being them of the Corporators therein named may call a meting of said corpora-tors by publication or notice to that effect for one week in the Greenville Times for the purpose of electing officers, adopting by-laws and organizing said company.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the state.
July 25th. 1881.
J. C. Catchings
Atty Gen'l.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Mississippi Delta Agricultural and Immigration Company," having its domicile at Greenville, in Washing-ton County, Mississippi, is hereby Approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississip-pi to be affixed

Seal

Done at the city of Jackson this 20th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty one.
J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Wharfboat and Elevator Company.

Section 1. Geo. M. Klein, L. A. Campbell, E. C. Carroll, Lee Richardson, Thos. Rigby, their associates and successors are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the "Vicksburg Wharfboat and Elevator Company," and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answered and be answered in all courts of law and equity, and contract and be contracted with; and shall be capable of purchasing, holding and alienating all kinds of goods, wares and merchandise, and all kinds of property for the purpose of carrying on a general wharfboat, elevating, storage and steamboat business.

Section 2. Within thirty days after this charter shall have been approved by the Governor, two or more of said corporators, who own or shall own property suitable for the business of said company, may meet to gether and organize said corporation, and affix a value to such property as shall be acquired by said corporation from said corporators, and divide the same into shares of one hundred dollars each, not exceeding forty-nine thousand dollars, which shall constitute the capital stock of said company.

Section 3. The officers of said company shall consist of a president, treasurer, secretary and superintendent, and such other officers as they may deem necessary for the purpose of the company, who shall be elected annually from the member of said stockholders, at such time as they may designate. It shall not be necessary however, that the secretary and superintendent be stockholders, and said offices may be filled by those who own no stock in said company.

Section 4. The capital stock of said company shall be forty-nine thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Section 6. The said company shall have power to make all bylaws and regulations for the management, direction and control of their said business, property and effects; also for the transfer of their stock:

Provided the same are not contrary to the laws of the United States or of this State.

Section 6. This charter shall take effect and be in force from and after the approval of the Governor.

I find nothing in the forgoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of Mississippi.

J. C. Catchings.

July 28. 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The writing and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Vicksburg Wharfboat and Elevator Company" locates at Vicksburg Miss. is hereby Approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done in the City of Jackson, on 28th day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secty of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Spring Hill Benevolent Society No. 7.

Section 1. This association shall be known as the Spring Hill Benevolent Society No. 7. of Panola County, State of Mississippi

Sec. 2. The objects of which shall be to take care of the sick and indigent members of the association, to bury the dead, to assemble for the mutual benefit and instruction of the members, as often as they may deem necessary and they have authority, to parade the streets with badges and regalia whenever the association shall so elect.

Section 3. That Abraham Flower, Egwood Jeffress, Henry Burrows, Stephen Burrows, Lee Boyles, William Johnson, Benjamin Johnson and George Brown and their successors, associates and assigns be, and they are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the "Spring Hill Benevolent Society No. 7" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of law and equity, adopt a corporate seal and the same alter or change at pleasure, may make all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations for the transaction of their business not in conflict with the constitution and laws of this State, or of the United States.

Section 4. That said association in their corporate name may acquire, bargain for occupy, hold and dispose of real or personal property to the amount of fifty thousand Dollars in value, for the purpose of carrying on the business of this organization.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi.

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

July 28. 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of Spring Hill Benevolent Society No. 7 of Panola County is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, on this 28th day of July, in the year of our Lord, 1881.

J. M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

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Incorporation of

The Southern Mutual Aid Association

Whereas Richard W. Levy, George P. Herndon and John J. Stockard, the officers and their successors are hereby incorporated as a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Southern Mutual Aid Association" for the purpose of promoting benevolence, morality, and reciprocal pecuniary aid to its members.

The objects of the association shall be to fraternally unite all acceptable white men above the age of 18 years and to establish a benefit fund from which on the satisfactory proof of marriage of a member, who has complied with all the regulations and requirements of the incorporation shall be paid a sum certain not to exceed Five Thousand dollars, to himself, or to any one that he may direct, and said sum shall be exempt from execution and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal process whatever for any debts of the member or his assignee.

The above named incorporators shall have power to make such rules, regulations, and by-laws, as they may deem proper for the best interest and government of said corporation - provided:

The same be not inconsistent with the constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

Said incorporation may have a corporate seal for the making and delivering of all legal acts and proceedings, which may be altered at the pleasure of the said incorporators.

I find nothing violative of the laws or constitution in the foregoing Charter.

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

July 29. 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Southern Mutual Aid Association" is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done in the Executive Office at the City of Jackson, this 29th day of July, in the year of our Lord. 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secty of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Midway Co-operative Association

Article I. Names of Persons.

William Joyce, William P. Stone, Isaac B. Stone, Henry Gilliam, James L. Cain, John Cunningham, C. B. Turnipseed, Stephen R. Coyle, Ed. L. Conger, F. T. Hamilton, of Carroll County, in the State of Mississippi, and their associates, Successors and Asigns, are hereby Created, made, and Constituted a Body Politic and Corporate.

Article II. Name and Limit.

This Corporation shall be called and Known as the Midway Co-operative Association, and limited to Five years from the date of the grant or Approval of this Charter.

Article III. Object.

This Corporation is Created for the purpose of doing a general Mercantile Business and Co-operative Association for the purposes of Trade.

Article IV. Powers.

This Corporation Shall have full power by and in its Corporate Name to Contract, and be Contracted With; Sue and be Sued; plead and be impleaded in any and all of the Courts of this State; Make and have a Common Seal, the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure; to accept, receive, have and hold Real and personal property by purchase, gift, devise, in trust or otherwise, not inconsistent With the laws of this State; the same to sell, Convey, transfer and asign; to make Rules, Regulations and By-laws for the Management, Control and direction of said Corporation, not inconsistent With the Laws and Constitution of the United States, or the State of Mississippi; and to have, enjoy and exercise all the Rights, powers and privileges pertaining to Corporate Bodies, and necessary for the Objects and purposes of this Association, in this State, or in any other State of the Union that Shall Recognize the existence of said Corporation, and Sanction, authorize and permit the exercise of said Corporate powers within its limits.

Article V. Directors.

All the powers of said Corporation, Shall be exercised, and the business and business Affairs Shall be Conducted, managed and controlled by a Board of Directors, Consisting of a President, Secretary, Treasurer and Manager, and as many other Officers and Members as Shall be designated in the Rules and Regulations of said Corporation, to be selected and chosen from among the Members of the Association in such Manner, for and during such Term of Office, and With such Specially delegated powers and privileges as said Corporation may, by its said Rules and Regulations determine.

Article VI.

The Members of said Association now acting as, and in the capacity of a Board of Directors, Viz: William Joyce, C. B. Turnipseed, John M. Shipp, Isaac B. Stone and P. H. Cain, Shall be, and do constitute the lawful Board of Directors for said Association, With Henry Gilliam as Secretary, and William P. Stone Treasurer, until their Successors are duly elected and installed; and all acts of said Directors, of whatever nature or character, heretofore done or performed; and all Contracts

By the Governor.

Henry L. Myers.
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the J. J. Powers Oil Company, and Manufacturing Association.

Section 1.

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Section 3.

Whenever the Sum of One hundred thousand dollars shall be subscribed, and not less than fifty thousand dollars thereof paid in, the said Corporation may Organize and Commence business. And the Board of directors to be Chosen as herein after provided, is hereby authorized and empowered to Call in the entire amount of Stock Subscribed, in installments of twenty per Centum, as Occasion may Require; and any Subscriber who shall fail, neglect or refuse to pay any of said installments Within thirty days after the same shall have been demanded in Writing by the Secretary, Shall forfeit any and all installments previously paid in

Section 4.

The Stock holders of said Corporation Shall be individually liable to the Creditors of said Corporation for all its debts and Contracts, to the extent of the Stock severally Subscribed by them, until the Whole of said Stock individually Subscribed, Shall be paid in

Section 5.

The Domicil of said Corporation Shall be the City of Vicksburg, in the County of Warren, or any other place in the State of Mississippi which the Majority of the Stock Shall at any time determine to move to, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to Manufacture Oil, Cake, Meal, Soap, and all other products from Cotton Seed, Flax, and Castor Oil plants, or any other plant or Substance; and to Manufacture fabrics Composed of both Cotton and Wool, to gin and press Cotton, and grind Corn, or other grain for the public; and may employ Water or Steam in the prosecution of its business. And the said Corporation is hereby further authorized and empowered to build such dam or dams over Streams as may be necessary for a supply of Water for the Mill or Mills of the said Corporation; Provided, however, that said Corporation Shall be held liable for any damage to Contiguous property, arising from the building of such dam or dams, to be Recovered before any Court of Competent Jurisdiction.

And the said Corporation is hereby authorized to build of Wood or iron, passages, Railways or tramways as it may deem necessary, To convey to or from its Mills or Factory, its Material, Raw or manufactured, or other articles, or for other purposes; provided no such Railroad Shall exceed twenty Miles in length.

Section 6.

All Sales or transfers of the Stock of said Corporation Shall be made on its books, and no such Sale or transfer Shall be valid until the Board of directors Shall have been offered the Refusal of said Stock; nor Shall any Stock be sold or transferred to any person ~~not~~ not a Stock holder, Without the Consent of a Majority of the Board of directors first had and obtained, and a Certificate duly attested by the Secretary of the Company over its Seal, of said Consent given by the Board of directors to any party to dispose of, transfer or hypothecate his Stock to any person not a Stock holder, Shall be full authority to such party disposing, transferring, or hypothecating his Stock to any other party Whomsoever, and Shall be full protection to the party to Whom such Stock is disposed of, Sold, transferred, or hypothecated, and shall authorize said party, in person or by Attorney, to have transferred on the books of the Corporation, to himself, or to Whomsoever he may direct, the Stock Sold, transferred, or hypothecated to him; provided, that in case of hypothecation the terms of hypothecation have been forfeited by the Stock holder

hypothecating his Stock and that the Board of Directors, within ten days after a written Notice delivered to the President or Secretary, of such failure of the Stockholder to Meet the terms of his hypothecation of his Stock does not fulfill the conditions and release the said Stock from all claims thereon; and the Secretary, upon the presentation of the Stock and the Certificate of Consent of the Board, herein before alluded to, shall forthwith make the transfer of said Stock as directed by the party in interest.

Section 7.

Within fifteen days after this Charter is signed by the Governor, the persons herein named, or a sufficient number thereof, shall Meet in the City of Vicksburg, and elect by ballot, Seven of their number to be the first Board of Directors, who shall serve until their Successors shall be Chosen and organized; and when so elected the said directors shall immediately elect from their number a President, Vice President and Treasurer, and a Secretary (Who need not be a director) Who shall serve until their Successors shall be elected and qualified.

Section 8.

At all elections held by said Corporations, and at all Meetings of the same, each Stockholder shall be entitled to One Vote for each Share of the Capital Stock held or represented by him; and any Stockholder may be represented at the Meetings of the Corporation by a proxy duly authorized in Writing to act.

At the meting of the Directors, a director shall be entitled to vote, and in all respects act for an absent director if he holds a proxy duly authorized in writing before a Public Officer with a Seal, of said absent director, and his Votes and acts shall be as valid as if done by said absent director, were he in person present and acting at the Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 9.

On the Second Monday of January 1882, and Annually thereafter, at an hour and place Selected by the Board of Directors, of which election public Notice shall be given at least two Weeks in one news paper published in the City of Vicksburg, or at the Domicil of the Company, the Stockholders of said Corporation shall assemble in the City of Vicksburg, or at the place of Domicil of the Corporation, if it shall have been changed, and elect by a majority of the Shares represented at said Meeting, Seven Stockholders; (each of Whom shall be the owner or representative of at least ten Shares of the Capital Stock) to serve as a Board of Directors for the year ensuing, or till their Successors shall be elected and qualified; but a failure so to Meet shall not invalidate their Charter.

In case of failure to hold an election, under this Section, the former Directors shall Continue in office until their Successors be duly Chosen; and in case of Resignation or death of the President, or any Director, the remaining Directors shall elect a person to serve until their Successors are duly Chosen.

Section 10.

The said Board of Directors may, in the name of said Corporation, take Mortgages and Deeds of trust on Real estate or any kind of personal property, to secure the payment of any debt or debts due said Corporation, and Contracted in the Course of its legitimate business, or to invest its Surplus funds, and may enforce the

Same as other Creditors may enforce the Collection of like Securities.

Section 11.

Said Corporation may issue bonds, bearing a Rate of interest not exceeding ten per centum, with or without a clause making them convertible into the Stock of the Company, at the Option of the Holder, and with power to sell the said bonds as it may elect, and which bonds may be secured by Mortgages of the property and franchises of the Company, in such sums, and on such terms as it may elect.

Section 12.

The said Corporation for the use of its Operatives, or other parties, is hereby authorized to establish in Connection with its business a Savings Bank, which shall have power to receive money on deposit, and pay out the same on demand, or on time, with interest on same, as may be agreed between the depositors and the Corporation, and to transact the usual business incident to a general banking.

Section 13.

This Charter shall take effect and be in force, from and after the Approval of the Governor.

Endorsement of the Attorney General.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter Violative of the Laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings
Atty General

Aug. 2. 1881.

Approval of the Governor.

Executive Office.
Jackson, Mississippi

The Within and Foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "D. D. Powers Oil Company and Manufacturing Association" Having its Domicil in the City of Vicksburg, Warren County is hereby Approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my Name, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done in the City of Jackson, this 2nd day of August, in the year of our Lord, 1881.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.

Henry C. Meyers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of The Knights of Friendship and Protection.

This Shall be a Charitable association, and is ~~chartered~~ created for the following Purposes, Viz:

First.

For uniting all acceptable persons fraternally, and for purposes of mutual assistance and Relief, in all that tends to peace, prosperity and happiness

Second.

To [illegible] moral and

material aid as shall secure to each of them honorable and fair employment when in health, and all necessary aid and relief when sick or infirm.

Third.

To establish a Benefit Fund, whereby, on the death of a member, every other member shall contribute such sums as shall may be provided for by the Rules and Regulations of the Association, to be paid to the head of the family of the deceased, for the benefit of the survivors of such family, and when there is no such person, then, under proper restrictions, to the Orphans of such deceased person; Provided, that each Member may, in his life-time, name the person or persons, to whom the benefit shall be paid in case of death.

Fourth.

To provide a General Charity Fund, to be used for the relief of those members who are sick, or infirm or in want or distress.

Fifth.

To adopt such Constitution, by-laws, Rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi, as may be necessary to carry out the objects and purposes of the organization, and to establish Subordinate Societies, or branches.

For the foregoing purposes, C. J. McDonald, Anthony Alston, Jack Miller, Dan. Mellon, George Person, W. M. Bowman, Freeman Lindsay, Louis Driver, George Mathis, Alfred Straign, David Miller and W. W. Williams, and their associates and successors are established as a body Corporate and Politic, under the Laws of the State of Mississippi - to have perpetual succession as such by the Corporate Name of "The Knights of Friendship and Protection" and by such Corporate Name may Sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, acquire and hold by purchase, or grant, sell and dispose of property of every Kind, the same as a Natural Person; and may do all such other things as are usually incident to the exercise of Corporate power, within the purview and objects above set forth.

The Domicil of said Corporation shall be at Austin, in Simpson County Mississippi; but it may be sued in any County where there is a Subordinate Society established, or a fund belonging to the same shall be kept; and for the protection of all parties interested, the Scribe or Secretary, and all Custodians of funds or property belonging to the Corporation, shall give bond for the faithful discharge of their respective duties, with good and sufficient sureties, to protect every one against loss - and such bond may be put in Suit by any one having a cause of action against such Officers, or against the Corporation, and the same shall be recorded as deeds are required to be recorded, before such Officers shall enter upon the discharge of their duties.

For the objects and purposes, and with the powers as set forth, the said Association is Created and established a Corporate body under the Laws of the State of Mississippi.

Endorsement of the Attorney General.

I find nothing in this Charter in Violation of the laws or Constitution of Miss.

Aug. 29. 1881.

T. C. Catchings
Attorney General

(For Governors Approval See Page 829.)

Knights of Friendship and Protection, Continued.

Approval of the Governor.

Executive Office.
Jackson, Mississippi.

The Within and Foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Knights of Friendship and Protection" having its Domicil at Austin, Mississippi, and Written on the Sheet hereto attached on pages Numbered 1. 2. 3 & 4 Consecutively, is hereby Approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto Subscribed my Name, and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this the 6th day of September, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty One (1881.)

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers.
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Brush Electric Light and Power Company of the State of Mississippi.

Section 1.

Be it Known: That under and by Virtue of Chapter 38 of the Code of 1880, the Statute Law of the State of Mississippi; That W. L. Hemingway, W. H. H. Green, J. S. Hamilton, R. H. Allen, James A. Hasking, Hernando Money, Richard Weightman, and their Associates, Successors and assigns, be, and are hereby Constituted a Body Politic and Corporate, under the name of the "Brush Electric Light and Power Company", of Mississippi; and by that name may Sue and be Sued, Contract and be Contracted with: Said Company may adopt and have a common Seal, and alter the Same at Will. That Said Company Shall have power to use Operate, lease and sell Within the limits of the State of Mississippi, the Patents granted by the United States to Charles F. Brush, for Electric Light and Electric Plating Machines, Electro Motors, Electric Lamps, Carbons, and all the Appliances and apparatus of What is termed the "Brush Apparatus", and of all Improvements upon the said apparatus made or to be made; and to make, use, and Construct all appliances and apparatus necessary to operate said Brush Apparatus, and to do and perform all acts necessary or proper for Carrying into effect the apparatus aforesaid. That said Company shall have all the powers granted by Section 1030 of said Code, or the other Sections of said Code, embraced in Chapter 38 thereof, that may be of Value to said Company. That the Domicil of said Company Shall be at Jackson, in the State of Mississippi.

Section 2.

The Capital Stock of said Company shall be Three Hundred Thousand Dollars, to be divided into Shares of One hundred dollars each, which

Company: That the persons named as incorporators herein, or a majority of them may open books of Subscription to the Capital Stock of said Company at such times and places as a majority of them may appoint.

Section 3.

For the Government of said Company, the Stockholders or a majority of them, shall elect a Board of five Directors, who shall be Stock Holders of said Company, and such Board shall elect a President of said Company from said five Directors, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer. Said incorporators, or a majority of them, shall perform all the functions of, and are hereby Vested with, all the powers of said Board of Directors until said Board shall be elected. That the regular time of the election of the Board of Directors and Officers, shall be the first Monday of April in every year. That each Share of Stock shall entitle the holder to One Vote for said Board of Directors. That said Board of Directors shall, in every instance, hold over until their Successors are elected.

Section 4.

The Board of Directors shall have full power to make such By Laws, Rules and Regulations for the government and management of said Company, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, as they may deem proper.

Attorney Generals endorsement.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter in Violation of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi.
Aug. 30th 1881.

T. C. Catchings
Atty General.

Approval of the Governor.

Executive Office, Jackson, Mississippi.

The Within and Foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Brush Electric Light and Power Company of the State of Mississippi", domiciled at Jackson Miss. is hereby Approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office, this the 6th day of September, 1881.

J. M. Stone.

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Macon Compress and Warehouse Company of Macon, Noxubee County, Mississippi.

First:

Under and by Virtue of the provisions of Chapter 38, of the Code of 1880 of the State of Mississippi, J. W. Patty, C. B. Ames, J. S. Scott, M. A. Minor, S. S. D. Hill, H. W. Foste, W. F. Ferris, J. L. Griggs, R. G. Rives, Robert L. Patty, M. Halbery, T. S. Murphy, J. E. Madison, R. J. Culbertson, Thos. J. O'Neil, J. J. Calloway, W. B. Edwards, W. O. Barnes, J. W. Sanders, Clark Lewis, J. B. Allgood, Jesse Blythe, Joshua Stevens, J. J. Haynie, R. J. Ellison, G. W. Clement, W. B. Barker, J. M. Freeman, L. N. Cooper, E. N. Hamiter, T. S. Patty, L. E. Eiland, W. R. Bracey

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Harrison Selleck & Bush, Klaur & Bro. J. R. Dinsmore, Jacob Holberg, L. Frisbie, A. M. Williams, James Bryson, W. T. Hodges, G. H. Elkin, W. M. Jones, Charles Hardiman and L. A. Ferguson, their associates, Successors and assigns, are hereby Created a body Corporate, with perpetual Succession, under the Name and Style of the "Macon Compress and Ware House Company," and by that name may Sue and be Sued, plead and be impleaded, in all Courts of Law and Equity, Contract and be Contracted with, and adopt a Corporate Seal, and the same to alter, Change, or break at pleasure.

Second.

The Officers of said Corporation shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and four Directors, who shall be elected annually, on the First Monday in August, by the Stockholders of said Company; but the Officers and Directors heretofore elected by said Stockholders, to wit: Jacob Holberg, President, J. L. Griggs Vice President, Robert E. Patty, Secretary and Treasurer, J. W. Patty, Charles D. Ames, A. Klaur and J. R. Dinsmore, Directors, shall hold their Offices respectively until the First Monday of August, 1882, and until their Successors are duly qualified.

Third.

The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall perform such duties as usually appertain to their Offices respectively, and shall be, Ex officio, Members of the Board of Directors.

Fourth.

The Board of Directors shall be charged with the management and direction of the affairs of the Company; and shall have full power to do all things necessary and proper for the accomplishment of its purposes, and shall have power to adopt suitable by laws for their own government, and shall make detailed Reports of their Operations Annually, or oftener, if so required by the Company.

Fifth.

Said Company shall have power to purchase and own Real and Personal property; to sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of, or encumber the same; To erect such Presses, Compresses, Ware houses and other tenements on same as may be necessary to carry on the business of the Company.

Sixth.

Said Company shall have power to Conduct a general Storage business; to receive in their Ware house all Kinds of goods, Wares and Merchandise; press and Compress Cotton; Weigh, transfer, transmit and deliver the same at such times and places, and upon such terms as may be agreed upon with the Owners or Bailees thereof; and do such other things as may Come Within the Scope and Usage be necessary to the proper transaction of such business.

Seventh.

The Capital Stock of the Company shall not exceed Twenty Thousand dollars, nor be less than Five Thousand dollars, to be divided into Shares of Twenty five dollars each, which shall be transferable by endorsement and delivery of the Stock Certificate, and the registry of such transfer on the books of the Company.

Eighth.

Each Stockholder shall be entitled to one vote in person, for each Share of Stock owned by him; but a Concurrence of a majority of the Stockholders present, and of the Stock represented, shall be necessary to Constitute an Election; but no Stock shall be voted or represented unless all assessments regularly made by the Board of Directors shall have been first paid.

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Ninth.

A majority of the Stockholders owning a majority of the Stock shall be necessary to Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Tenth.

No Certificate of Stock shall ipsue until the face Value thereof has been paid into the Company in Cash.

Eleventh.

The Domicil of said Corporation shall be in Noxubee County, Mississippi.

Twelfth.

The Stockholders of said Company shall have power to adopt such By-laws, not in conflict with this Charter, as may be necessary for the management and direction of its affairs.

Thirteenth.

This Charter shall take effect from and after its approval.

Attorney General's endorsement.

I find nothing in Violation of the laws or Constitution ~~of laws of the~~ State in the foregoing Charter.
Aug. 30th 1881

T. C. Catchings,
Atty Genl.

Approval of the Governor.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Mississippi.

The Within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Macon Compress and Ware House Company," domiciled at Macon, Noxubee County Miss. and Written on pages Numbered One (1) two (2) and three (3) Consecutively, on the Sheet hereto attached, (With the endorsement of Hon. T. C. Catchings, Atty Genl, on page 4. of said Sheet.) is hereby Approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto Subscribed my name, and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this the 6th day of September, A.D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers.
Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi.

Sec. 1. Be it Known that P.S. Casteel. C.R. McGuire, Henry Brooke, Jesse Bounds, R.M. Ross. H.J. Graubenig, Lilly Smith, and W.C. Foree, and their successors, associates and assigns, be, and are hereby Constituted a Body Politic and Corporate under the Name of the "Young Mens Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi"; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and be capable in law, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, Contracting and being Contracted With, and of purchasing, leasing, holding, owning, granting, and receiving in its Corporate name, property, Real, personal, and mixed, provided the Value thereof shall never, at any time, exceed the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars; and the private property of every member of said Corporation, shall be exempt from the debts of said Corporation.

Sec. 2. The objects of the Corporation, shall be to unite fraternally, all acceptable unmarried White men, of every business, profession, and Occupation; To give all possible moral and Material aid in its power to its members, and those depending upon its members, by encouraging each other in business, and assisting each other to obtain employment; by advancing the cause of intellectual & social advancement; by promoting education and the dissemination of moral, literary, and Religious intelligence; by encouraging Marriage and good habits; and by discouraging Vice and immorality among unmarried men; and to promote benevolence and Charity by providing a benefit fund, to be paid To any of its Members Who may need and desire financial assistence upon entering the Marriage Relation, Who has complied With all its lawful requirements.

Sec. 3. For the purposes Mentioned in Section 2. of this Charter, said Corporation may provide a Benefit Fund, to be paid to any of its Members Who need, desire, or be entitled To the same, upon his Marriage; provided said benefit fund shall never exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars; may sue, have, and enjoy, all the rights, privileges, and powers, granted to such Corporations under said Chapter 38. of the Code of 1880; may provide by-laws, Rules, and Regulations for the admission, expulsion and management of Members, and the general government of said Corporation under this Charter; may adopt and have a Common Seal, and alter the same at Will; and may pass, adopt, and have by-laws, Rules, and Regulations for the government and management of said Corporation, not inconsistent With the terms of this Charter, or the laws of this State, or of the United States; and the Domicil of said Corporation shall be in Meridian, in the County of Lauderdale, and State of Mississippi.

Sec. 4. Said Corporation shall be governed by a Board of Thirteen Directors, to be elected biennially by its Members, and said Board shall elect from their number a President, and two Vice Presidents; and said Board of Directors shall elect such Other Officers or Agents as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of said Corporation; but all Officers shall be chosen from amongst the Members of said Corporation, provided, that the said Board of Directors, if they so desire, may elect and employ a Treasurer, who is not a Member thereof. The Secretaries, Treasurer, and all other Officers or Agents that it may become necessary to elect or employ, shall be chosen Annually, by ballot, by a majority of the Members of the said Board of Directors; and in the event of the death, inability, or refusal to act, of any Member of said Board of Directors, the associate Directors shall elect another from the Members of said Corporation, who shall hold offices as, and be Constituted a ~~xxxxxx~~ Director, from the date of his said election, and all Officers shall hold their Offices until their Successors are elected and qualified.

Young Mens Mutual Aid Association. Continued.

Sec. 5. For the purpose of Organization hereunder, and until said Board of Directors and other Officers provided for in Section 4. of this Charter, can be elected and qualified, the persons mentioned in Section 1. of this Charter shall perform and exercise all the duties and powers of the Board of Directors provided for in section 4. of this Charter; may Open books; ~~may~~ Solicit and Regulate "membership"(?); do all other acts necessary for the Organization of said ~~Corporation~~, and shall hold their Offices as Directors until their Successors provided for in Section 4, can be elected, and the said Corporation Organized under this Charter.

Sec. 6. Said Board of Directors shall have the power to require the Secretaries, Treasurer, and all other Officers and Agents, to give bonds, with good and sufficient sureties, in any penalty they may appoint, for the prompt, proper and faithful discharge of their duties, and for the safe keeping of, and accounting for, whatever Monies may come into their hands as Officers or Agents of this Corporation, and at any time, for any Violation or neglect of their duties, said board of directors shall have the power to remove any of said Officers or Agents from office, and Order an election to be had to fill the Office or Offices so declared vacant, and until such election can be had, they may appoint and employ others to supply the places of the Officers or Agents so removed.

Sec. 7 The membership of said Corporation shall be unlimited, and the Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint, employ and pay, Agents to Solicit Membership, and for other purposes, and may Change, Remove, or Suspend said Agents, and regulate their Compensation, at pleasure; May also appoint and regulate the Salaries of any of the Officers of said Corporation; Shall have power to retain or employ legal Counsel for any time, and in any way they may elect, provided that no Agent, Officer, or employee of said Corporation, shall hold office or employment longer than the term of Office of the Board of Directors who employed him or ~~them~~, without Re-election by the Successors of said Board of Directors, Shall pass upon all applications for membership, and receive or reject the same at pleasure, provided, that a majority of said Board of Directors may, by ballot, constitute the President and two other members thereof an Executive Committee, who may have power to pass upon all applications for membership, and receive or reject any application at pleasure; Shall have power to expell any Member from said Corporation, for good cause; and may fix the amount of Monthly or yearly dues for current or other expenses, and regulate the same at pleasure; and may exercise Complete Control over the finances and Membership of said Corporation.

Sec. 8. Said Board of Directors as provided for in Section 5. Shall have power to make such, by-laws, rules, and Regulations for the government of said Corporation until its Organization hereunder; and until the Directory provided for in Section 4. is elected, as may be necessary, and upon the election of said Board of Directors provided for in Section 4, they may enact, use, and adopt, all such by-laws, Rules, and Regulations for the Constant government of said Corporation as may be necessary to Carry Out and Fulfill the purposes of its creation; may have, use, and enjoy all the rights, privileges and powers granted to such Corporations under and by Virtue of the terms of said Chapter 38, of the Code of 1880; and this Charter Shall take effect, and be in force from and after the date of ratification of, and organization under, the terms thereof, and When the Officers provided for in Section 4 Shall be elected and qualified, said Corporation shall be considered legally in existence, and the terms of this Charter finally ratified and adopted

Indorsement of Attorney General.

I find nothing illegal or unconstitutional in the foregoing Charter.
S. A. Maxwell Atto. Gen'l.
September 22d 1881.

Young Men's Mutual Aid Association. Continued.

Approval of the Governor.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Mississippi.

The Within and Foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Young Men's Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi", located at Meridian, and written on the pages hereto attached, numbered Consecutively, 1.2.3.4.5.6.7 and 8. is hereby Approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this the 22nd day of September, 1881.

J. M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers.
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
The Southern Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi.

Be it known that John H. Vaughan, C. Maxwell Jacob Harvey J. H. Simpson and Henry F. Ratliff, the officers and their successors are hereby incorporated as a body politic and corporate by the name of The Southern Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi for the purpose of promoting benevolence, morality and mutual pecuniary aid to its members.

The object of this association shall be to unite, fraternally all acceptable colored males and females above the age of sixteen years and establish a mutual fund, from which on the satisfactory evidence of the marriage of a member who has complied with all the requirements of the incorporation, shall be paid a certain sum, in no case to exceed Five Thousand Dollars, to himself or herself, or to his or her order, and said sum shall be exempt from execution and shall under no circumstances be subject to seizure or appropriation by any legal process, for any debt or debts of the member or his or her assigns.

The incorporators above ~~mentioned~~ named shall have full power to make such by-laws rules and regulations, as they may think will be to the interest and good government of said corporation, provided the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

Said Incorporation may have a corporate seal for the making and delivery of all legal acts and proceedings which may be altered at the pleasure of the said Incorporation.

~~On~~ find nothing violative of the laws or Constitution

in the foregoing charter.

Sept 22. 1881

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done in the Executive Office in the City of Jackson this the 22d day of September year of our Lord 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Professional Men's Benevolent Association

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 1 PAGE 862

Section 1. Be it enacted, that W. M. Inge, G. C. Chandler, and J. A. Green, and such other persons as they may from time to time associate with them, their successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, created a body politic & corporate, under the corporate name of the Professional Men's Benevolent Association, and by that name shall have perpetual succession; the right to sue & be sued; to acquire and hold such property, real & personal, as they may deem necessary to their business; the power to admit members into the Association, to fix the fee for their admission, and the annual dues to be paid by members; to guarantee to each member a benefit, not exceeding two thousand dollars, to be paid after death to his beneficiary; to issue benefit certificates therefor, & to collect an assessments of two dollars from each member whenever the death of a member occurs, & there remains in the treasury less than two thousand dollars, of the mortuary fund arising from such assessments, and, said mortuary fund shall be used only for paying benefits, and for no other purpose. And no person shall be admitted as a member of the Association, except Lawyers, physicians, clergymen, clerks of courts of record, sheriffs, marshals, druggists, & students of law, medicine, and di-
[illegible] the object of this corporation to pro-

wide relief for the families & friends of the Professional men herein enumerated.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, that the corporators herein named or a majority of them, shall have power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of the Association; to elect officers and make provision for their succession, and for filling vacancies; prescribe their duties, and approve the bonds of such as may be required to enter into bond; they shall have power to appoint a Board of Control to be composed of not less than six persons, and when so appointed, any one or more of said Board shall have access to the books and papers of the Association, and the right to publish full statements of the condition of its affairs, whenever they deem it necessary; and no member of said Board of Control shall be an officer of said corporation. And said corporators, their successors, and assigns, shall have and enjoy all the rights, powers, and privileges, conferred by this act, and by law upon unincorporated corporations.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.

J. C. Catchings,
Atty Gen.

Oct. 26. 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Professional Mens Benevolent Association", is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, this the 4th day of November 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal.

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the Bear Creek Baptist Church
of Marion County Mississippi.

Sec. 1. The purpose for which this corporation is created are as follows

1st. To organize a religious society under the name, as near as practicable, of the Mt. Pinary Baptist Church as herein and hereinafter throughout this State.

2nd. To establish rules & regulations for the government of the Society and to promote and aid in the dissemination of the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Sec. 2. The names of the persons herein incorporated are Robert M. Harris, W. L. Bishop, M. M. Biggers, J. Dillon and B. F. Bishop.

Sec. 3. The Corporate name of this society shall be "The Bear Creek Baptist Church" and it shall be entitled to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded by that name.

Sec. 4. It shall have power to own and dispose of real and personal property by deed or otherwise, and do and perform all things necessary to carry on the business and promote the objects of its incorporation, and all things authorized by law to be done by any other religious Society or corporation in this State.

Sec. 5. The incorporators herein named shall hold office and conduct the business of this Society until their successors shall be elected and inducted in their duties.

The foregoing charter is in no respect violative of the laws or Constitution of Mississippi.

W. B. Catchings,
Atty. Gen.

Sept., 22nd, 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The above and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Bear Creek Baptist Church" of Marion County is hereby approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this the 22nd day of September, 1881.

J. M. Stone

(Seal)

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers, Secretary of State.

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The Charter

of

Incorporation of St. Johns Lodge A.F.& A. Mas and accepted Ancient York Masons of the County of De Soto and State of Mississippi:

First. The purpose of this incorporation is to legally establish within the State of Mississippi an organization for charitable and benevolent purposes. Its aim shall be to establish unity and peace - promote goodwill toward all mankind; to enable its members to support themselves, and families and contribute to the relief of all worthy and distressed members who may suffer from neglect in the exigencies of sickness or from want or death.

Second. — The names of the Corporators are the following persons residing at Hernando, De Soto County Mississippi and its vicinity to wit:

A. W. Nelson, William White, James F. Pratt, Austin Bell Perry M. Martin, Russell M.M Daniel, Jere M.M Daniel, William M Body, Kent Jones, Jere P. Powell, Charles Bonum, James Marshall, J. J. Evans, Francis Smith, James Jackson, Pleasant Banks, Emmal Jackson, A. T. Sims, Timrod Russell, Elbert Jordon, Johnson Jordon, Anderson Fox, Henry Wilkins

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Third. - The Corporate name by which this association is to be known shall be St. Johns Lodge A.M.& A. Free and accepted Masons of the Grand Lodge State of Mississippi

Fourth. — The said A. W. Nelson, William White, James F. Pratt Austin Bell, Perry M. Martin, Russell M.M Daniel, Jere M.M Daniel, William M Body, Kent Jones, Jere P. Powell, Charles Bonum, James Marshall, A. T. Sims, J. J. Evans, Francis Smith, James A. Jackson, Pleasant Banks, Emmal Jackson, Timrod Russell, Elbert Jordon, Johnson Jordon, Anderson Fox, Henry Wilkins,

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their successors, and such persons as may join with them under and according to the Constitution and by-laws herein authorized, are hereby clothed with all the powers, privileges and franchises of a corporation and necessary to accomplish the purpose of this Association.

They shall have power to adopt a Constitution and by-laws not inconsistent with this charter, nor the laws of the State for their government, and may alter or amend the same in such manner as they desire to do.

They may prescribe the qualifications for membership and the mode and manner of dismission thereto.

They may provide for the number and title of officers the manner and time of election or appointment, the manner of their installation and prescribe the the duration of the terms of office.

They may make provisions for taking care of the poor and unfortunate members and their families, and for the general purposes of the organization. May prescribe initiation fee and other charges upon members to be paid monthly or otherwise as they may see proper.

They may in such manner as they may think proper; make rules and regulations for the promotion of personal health and worth among themselves and in like manner, make provisions for the improvement of their mental and moral condition and that of their families.

They shall have power to purchase and hold and lease, release and sublease Real Estate in their corporate name and sell and convey the same.

They may purchase and hold personal property and when needful sell the same.

The amount of Realty and personalty to be held

They shall have a common seal but contracts for the use of lands for a less period than one week shall not be required to be made under seal but may be made by the officers of the association under the rules thereof.

They may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued in any of the courts of the land.

All of said rights and privileges to be used in a manner not in conflict nor inconsistent with the laws of the land.

Fifth. This corporation shall continue for an unlimited period.

H. N. Nelson (Seal)
William White (Seal)
James F. Pratt (Seal)
Austin Bell (Seal)
Perry M. Martin (Seal)
Russell McNeil Daniel (Seal)
J. A. Jackson (Seal)
Jno P. Powell (Seal)
Charles Brown (Seal)
James Marshall (Seal)
A. T. Sims (Seal)
Jas. A. Jackson (Seal)
J. J. Evans (Seal)
Francis Smith (Seal)
Pleasant Banks (Seal)
Lemuel Jackson (Seal)
Lemuel Russell (Seal)
Elbert Jordan (Seal)
Johnson Jordan (Seal)
Hudson Fox (Seal)
Henry Wilkins (Seal)
William Moody (Seal)

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I find nothing illegal or unconstitutional in the foregoing charter.

Sept. 22, 1881. F. C. Catchings,
City Counsel

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The above and foregoing charter and of Incorporation of "St. Johns Lodge, No. 41, Free and Accepted Ancient and Modern" of De Soto County, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, in the City this the 22nd day of September 1881.

J. M. Stone

{Seal}

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers,
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
The Union Benevolent Society No 4 of De Soto County Mississippi.

First.- The purpose of this Incorporation is to legally establish within the State of Mississippi, an organization for charitable and benevolent purposes. Its aim shall be to establish unity and peace, promote good-will toward all mankind; to render unable its members to support themselves and families and contribute to the relief of all worthy and distressed mankind who may suffer from neglect in the exigencies of sickness or from want or death.

Second.- The names of the Corporators are the following persons residing in the County of De Soto State of Mississippi to-wit: Peter Stroud, Robt. B. Mone. H. B. Brown, J. D. Dennis.

Third.- The corporate name by which this Association is to be known shall be the Union Benevolent Society No 4

Fourth.- The said Peter Stroud, Robert B. Mone, H. B. Brown and J. D. Dennis their successors and such persons as may join with them under rules and according to the Constitution and by-laws herein authorized are hereby clothed with all the powers and privileges and franchises of a corporation and necessary to accomplish the purpose of this Association.

They shall have power to adopt a Constitution and by-laws, not inconsistent with this charter, nor the laws of the State, for their government and may

alter and amend the same in such manner as they may desire to do. They may prescribe the qualifications for membership and the mode and manner of admission thereto.

They may provide for the number and title of officers the manner and time of election or appointment, the manner of their installation and prescribe the duration of the terms of office.

They may make provisions for taking care of the poor and unfortunate members and their families and for this and the general purposes of the organization.

May prescribe initiation fees and other charges upon members to be paid monthly or otherwise as they may see proper.

They may in such manner as they may think proper, make rules and regulations for the promotion of personal honor and worth among themselves, and in like manner make provisions for improvement of their mental and moral condition and that of their families.

They shall have power to purchase and hold and lease, release and surrender real estate in their corporate name and all and convey the same.

The amount of Real and Personal property not to exceed dollars.

They shall have a common seal, but contracts for the use of lands for a less period than one week shall not be required to be made under seal, but may be made by the officers of the Association under the rules thereof.

They may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, in any of the courts of the land.

All of said rights and privileges to be used in a manner not in conflict nor inconsistent with the laws of the land.

Fifth. — This corporation shall continue for an undimited period.

P. S. Stowed
H. B. Brown
R. B. Moore
J. D. Dennis

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings.
Atty Gen.

Oct. 26. 1881.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Olivian Forever Society, No 4, of De Soto County Mississippi" is hereby approved.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

(Seal)

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Done at the City of Jackson in the Executive Office, this the 27th day of Oct 1881.

J. M. Stone

By the Governor

H. C. Myers
Secretary of State

State of Mississippi }
Yalobusha County } The Charter of Incorporation of "The Colored Benevolent Association" of Water Valley, said State and County.

To his excellency, J. M. Stone, Governor of the State aforesaid:

Your petitioners, W. B. Tyler, Noah Cox, Benjamin Bell, and others to be associated with them, all colored citizens of said City of Water Valley, pray that you incorporate them with such others as may be hereafter associated with them and their successors, under the name and style of "the Colored Marriage Benevolent Association" for the purposes ~~and with~~ and with the powers and privileges following, to wit:

The purposes of this Association are to assist the poverty-stricken colored persons of this State, financially upon their being law-fully married; to encourage matrimony and legal marriages between colored persons, and to lessen the number of illegitimate colored children; and to elevate the morals of the colored people of this State.

To this end, all colored persons, both male and female, twenty years of age and over and unmarried, shall have the privilege of taking out a marriage benefit policy in this Association upon complying with the regulations thereof and paying the admission fee provided; and all persons who take policies as herein provided for shall be members of this Association. The said policies shall be obligations of this Association signed by the President thereof and approved by the Vice President, and shall bind this Association to pay to the holder thereof, or his assignee, the sum of money therein specified upon the marriage of the person to whom such policy issued, or has in good faith been properly assigned; provided that if any person to whom a policy has issued or the assignee of any such policy, as the case may be, shall marry within six calendar months from the date of such policy, or shall violate the provisions or requirements thereof, or shall refuse to or fail to pay the proper dues and assessments agreed and fixed by the By-Laws of this Association, such policy shall become forfeit and of no effect, and such person forfeit membership.

The amount to be paid any holder or assignee of a

of a policy upon his or her marriage shall be according to the length of time such policy has run since its issuance and date, and the amounts for the different periods of time shall be specified in each policy. The capital stock of this Association shall consist of the fees charged for admission of members and of the assessments to be made upon each member upon the lawful marriage of any other member and of the guaranty dues to be levied by the By-Laws of this Association.

If any unmarried colored person fifty years of age or over shall become a member of this Association, and shall remain unmarried for the space of four years thereafter, and during the whole of such time comply with all the requirements of his or her policy and with the laws and requirements regulations of this Association, such person shall be intitled to receive from this Association the sum of fifteen hundred dollars whether he or she shall then marry or not.

This Association shall have power to organize and elect officers any time within twenty days after the receipts of this charter as approved by the Grand; and may thereafter elect all necessary officers at the times and in the manner provided by the By-laws of said Association; and all officers shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and into upon the duties of their offices.

Said Association shall have power to make and establish such By-laws, rules and regulations, for the government of its officers and agents and members, and for the management of its affairs, as shall be deemed appropriate and just: Provided, they be not contrary to the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States.

The said Association shall be liable to the full extent of its obligations to all persons who have become members and have complied with the requirements. Said Association shall have power to establish branch or sub-ordinate chapters or offices and prescribe rules for governing them and shall have a general control over them, and may for sufficient misconduct abolish or suspend any member or any subordinate chapter and may transfer any member of any subordinate chapter to the principal chapter hereby incorporated at said City of Water Valley. Said Association shall have power to change its principal chapter from Water Valley to any other place within this State it may deem best; to prescribe the fees for admitting members, issuing policies and the guaranty dues of members; to prescribe the condition of policies and to assess and collect the assessments and prescribe the amount thereof to be paid by each member upon the marriage of any other member; and to do such other acts and things as may be necessary to promote the objects for which this charter was granted not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States.

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H. B. Tyler
Ben. Bell

I find nothing illegal or unconstitutional in the foregoing charter.

Sept. 22nd, 1881. T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "the Colored Marriage Benefit Association" of Yazoo Valley is hereby Approved.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done in the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this the 22nd day of September A. D. 1881.

(Seal)

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

Supplimintal to an Act
of
Incorporation of the Southern Mutual Aid Association of
West Point Mississippi.

Be it inacted that an act of incporation of the Southern Mutual Aid Association of West Point Miss., be so amended that the incporators R. M. Levy, Leo. P. Herndon and J no. J. Stockard and their successors, may in addition to the rights and privileges therein granted for the purpose of promoting benevolence and pecuniary aid to its members be empowered to issue policies of assurance on the life of all acceptable white males and females who may be recived into the Association under certain rules and regulations governing the same

The said policies to be paid by the assessment of a certain sum from each member of the association, upon satisfactory proof of the death of one of the assured, in the same manner that the marriage benefits are to be collected and paid to the beneficiary entitled to them under charter granted the Southern Mutual Aid Association of which this is a supplemintal part thereof.

The foregoing charter is free from all constitutional and legal objections.

Oct. 24. 1871.

J. L. Critchings,
Atty Gen.

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Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The above and foregoing Supplemental Charter of the "Southern Mutual Aid Association" of West Point, Miss, is hereby Approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name, (and) caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, this the 9th day of November 1881.

J. M. Stone

(Seal)

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

Charter
of
Incorporation of the West Point Ware House Company

Sec. 1. P. B. Dugan, John Frenkel, J. H. Brinker, W. G. White, T. M. Moseley, R. M. Levy, B. F. Doster, W. C. White, J. C. Bonner, J. C. Davis, R. L. Sykes, Geo. P. Herndon and Talbot Hibbler, and such other persons as may be associated with them and their successors and assigns, be and, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the West Point Ware House Company located and having its office in West Point, Clay County, Mississippi, by and in which name said company shall transact its business, may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or in equity in the State.

Sec. 2. The said corporation in its name may acquire, bargain for, occupy, hold and possess real and personal property to the value of three thousand dollars for the purpose of carrying out the objects of this organization, which is hereby declared to be the building of a brick ware house in the City of West Point, for the storing age of cotton and merchandize and for other purposes.

Sec. 3. The capital stock of said company, shall be three thousand dollars divided into shares of fifty dollars each, and when this sum (three thousand dollars) shall have been subscribed, paid in or secured, said Company shall be authorized to commence business.

Sec. 4. The stock-holders of said Company shall be individually liable to the creditors of said Company to the amount of stock severally divided, subscribed by them for all debts and liabilities incurred by said Company, until the whole amount of capital stock has been paid in, after which time individual liability shall cease.

Sec. 5 The said company shall have power to make by-laws, rules and regulations for the management, direction and control of

its said business, property and effects, also for the transfer of the stock; Provided the same is not contrary to the constitution & laws of the United States, or of the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 6. All the business of said Company shall be conducted and managed by a Board of Directors, consisting of five persons, each of whom shall own in his own right at least ten shares of the capital stock of said Company.

Sec. 7. The election of Directors shall be on the first monday in September of each year, and a majority of the votes cast (each share entitling the holder thereof to one vote for each share owned by him) shall be necessary to elect. The Directors shall at their first meeting after their election, choose from their number a President and a Vice President of the Company, electing the same by a majority of the whole Board.

All citations and other legal process, shall be served upon the president or vice president. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all the meetings of the Board and in case of his absence, the vice president shall preside for the time being, and exercise all the powers of the president.

Sec. 8. All elections shall be by ballot.

A majority of the board of directors shall be duly authorized to do and perform all and every act and thing necessary for the business of the Company, the protection of its rights and prosecution of its interests.

Sec. 9 The Board of Directors shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer and may remove the same at pleasure, and shall fix the salaries of all officers of the Company, and the amount of security that shall be required from its officers & agents. Said ~~agents~~ Board may also delegate such power in the transacting of the ordinary business of the company to a committee or committee of its own body or its officers & agents as it may deem expedient.

Sec. 10. A failure to elect Directors on the day named herein for that purpose shall not dissolve the Company, but the Directors then in office shall ~~not~~ hold over until their successors are elected and qualified, and until an election be held, of which notice shall be forthwith given. Each stock-holder at all meetings for the election of Directors and for other purposes shall be entitled directly or by proxy in writing to one vote on each share of stock owned by him or them.

Sec. 11. The minutes of all proceedings of the Board shall be kept by the Secretary and ratified by the president. The president and secretary shall sign all notes, drafts, checks, certificates of stock, contracts and all other evidences of debt of said Company.

The I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings,
Atty Genl.

Oct. 26th 1871.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss. 1881

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the West Point Ware House Company located at West Point Miss. is hereby approved.

In Testimony, Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this 9th day of February, A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

(Seal)

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the Columbus Ice Company of Columbus Mississippi.

Be it known

Purposes
Domicile

That for the purpose of manufacturing Ice by artificial means for sale and for the establishment of refrigerating, cooling and bottling works in the City of Columbus State of Mississippi

Corporators

We

H. O. Newman, L. M. Tucker, C. L. Fitch, I. L. Almutt, T. A. Teasdale and C. W. Humphries do by these presents associate ourselves together as a body politic and corporate to be known and designated as

Name

The Columbus Ice Company.

Powers

Be it further known

That the powers desired and intended to be exercised by said corporation are such as are confined under Chapter 38 of the revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1880.

Be it further known that this charter shall take effect and be in force so soon as it is shall be approved by his Excellency the Governor of Mississippi. And properly recorded and published as provided by chapter 38 of the revised Code of Mississippi adopted in 1880. And shall remain in force for twenty years from date of said approval.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen.

Oct. 26. 1881.

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Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The within and foregoing "Charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Ice Company" located at Columbus, Miss is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, this 9th day of Nov 1881.

J. M. Stone

(Seal)

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the "Oceans Springs Fire Company No. 1"

that R. A. Vancleave, Prest, Jos. De Bough, Secretary & Geo H. Tardy Foreman and others who may hereafter become associated with them as members of this Company, be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style aforesaid, and by that name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded, appear, answer and defend in all the courts and places, as a natural person, and shall be capable of acquiring by donation or purchase, estate sufficient, both real and personal, for their corporate purposes, and may hold the same in fee simple or by mortgage, for the benefit and use of said company; they may have, and use a common seal, and alter change and renew the same at their pleasure; they may elect such officers and make such by laws as they may deem necessary for the management of said Company and conducting the business and affairs of the same, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State as a majority of them may determine.

Witness our hands and seals this 5th day of Sept 188[illegible]

R. A. Vancleave Seal
Joseph De Bourgh Seal
Geo. H. Tardy Seal

The State of Mississippi }
Jackson County } Before me H. H. Minor a Justice of the Peace this day personally appeared the above named R. A. Vancleave, Joseph De Bourgh and Geo H. Tardy and acknowledged that they signed & sealed the foregoing instrument of writing as their lawful act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal of this office this 6th day of September 1881.

A. N. Minor
Justice of the Peace

I find nothing illegal or unconstitutional in the foregoing charter.

Sept 22, 1881

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen'l.

Executive office
Jackson Mississippi

The above and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Ocean Springs Ferry Company No 1 is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive office, in the city of Jackson, this the 22d day of September 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Mayes
Secretary of State

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the Mutual Protection and Relief Association of America.

Be it known that John M. Billups, C. T. Sykes, Geo. D. Harris, W. B. Harris, J. H. Field, T. A. Schoolar and W. C. Smith, all resident citizens of the City of Columbus, County of Lowndes, and State of Mississippi, have this day, to-wit: November, 16th, 1881, voluntarily associated themselves into a Benevolent ~~Association~~ Corporation, to be known and styled The Mutual Protection and Relief Association of America, and by such name and style shall have perpetual succession.

II. The object of the Association is the promotion of benevolence, the encouragement of virtue, the suppression of vice, and the advancement of the cause of education, by providing a fund for the mutual relief of its members disabled by sickness or accident, and also a fund for the mutual protection of Widows and Orphans or other beneficiaries of its deceased members and in furtherance of this to establish a benefit fund, from which, on the satisfactory evidence of the death of a member of the Association who has complied with all of its lawful requirements, a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, shall be paid to the fam[illegible] [illegible] in the certificate of membership: it being [illegible]

hereby expressly understood that should a death occur when one assessment on each member in good standing would not amount to five thousand dollars, then the sum to be paid to the beneficiary shall be a proportionate amount of one assessment on each member in the association then in good standing and paying the same.

II. The deposits for the beneficiary member fund shall be kept entirely separate in the Columbus Insurance and Banking Company and strictly as a trust fund to be appropriated for no other purpose: and on the receipt of proof of death of member, the secretary shall draw a draft as approved by the president on the said Columbus Insurance and Banking Company in favor of the person or persons named in the benefit certificate for the amount due on said death, and forward the same to the said person or persons for collection; and said funds shall be exempt from execution, and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal or equitable process for any debt or debts of its deceased members.

III. This Association shall have an existence for an unlimited number of years, and its business shall be conducted at Columbus, Lowndes County Mississippi: its ramifications through the medium of its agencies to extend through the United States. There shall be seven directors of the Association and the incorporators hereinbefore mentioned are the directors for the first ten years.

IIII. The said Association shall provide for the election of such officers as it may deem necessary to transact business of the corporation and to further its objects, who shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

V. The Association has no capital stock and the benefits to be conferred are to be created by assessment upon the membership in accordance with the respective ages of the individual members as may be prescribed by the directors who are hereby given full power to make laws, rules and regulations, — not inconsistent with the laws of this State or of the United States, — regulating the value of assessments, ages and character of membership, and duties and whatever else may be necessary in furtherance of the object of this association

VI. The said association may at its discretion have a common seal for the making and delivering of all legal acts and proceedings, the same to break or alter at pleasure.

VII. The private property of members of the corporation shall be exempt from the corporate debts

VIII. The first meeting of this Association may be called upon verbal or written notice given by one or more of the incorporators to the remainder of their associates named in this charter.

Given under our hands and seals this the day of A. D. 1881.

W. B. Harris

W. M. Gillespie (Seal)
E. T. Sykes (Seal)
Edd. G. Harris (Seal)
J. H. Field (Seal)
J. H. Scholar (Seal)
Wm C. Smith. (Seal)

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The State of Mississippi }
Lowndes County }

Personally appeared before me, Joseph H. Stephens, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County, the above named John M. Billups, C. F. Sykes, Isid. D. Harris, N. B. Harris, J. H. Field, T. A. Scholar & W. C. Smith, who acknowledged that they signed, sealed & delivered the above and foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned, and for the purposes therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at Columbus this the 16th day of November, A. D. 1881.

Joseph H. Stephens
Clerk &c.

The foregoing charter is free from legal & constitutional objections.

T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen

Nov. 17, '81

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, of the "Mutual Protection and Relief Association of America" located at Columbus, Miss. is hereby approved.

In Testimony, whereof, I have, hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson this 17th day of November, A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers,
Secretary of State

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the Vicksburg Opera House Company.

The purpose for which this Corporation is created is to purchase within the limits of the City of Vicksburg, a suitable site, and to erect thereon a Public Theatre or Opera House, or purchase suitable property in which theatrical or other entertainments of a public character are to be conducted, and to perfect its organization, and to acquire the means necessary and adequate to the accomplishment of the end proposed. The said corporation shall have a right to make such charges as it may deem proper for the use of such building or buildings.

II. The following named person and their successors and assigns are hereby incorporated.

Jno. F. Stelpin
Geo. M. Klein
R. A. Duin
Abe Baer
L. A. Campbell
L. A. Baum
J. J. Cowan
J. Piazza
Jno. C. McCutchen
B. C. Carroll
Lee Richardson
M. T. Smith.
C. O. Willis
Eugene Martin
David Rice
Alex. Shuman

III. The corporate name of this association shall be the Vicksburg Opera House Company and by that name may sue (and) be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity in this State and said corporation may have a common seal of such kind and device as its Board of Directors may designate and adopt.

IV. The first Board of Directors shall consist of Lee Richardson as President, Jno. C. McCutchen as Secretary, John F. Stelpin as Treasurer and B. C. Carroll, G. M. Klein, J. Piazza, R. A. Duin, M. T. Smith, Abe Baer and C. O. Willis as directors who shall hold their office until the first Monday in March 1882 and until their successors be elected and qualified and should any vacancy occur in said Board of Directors at any time, said vacancy shall be filled by election by said Board a majority of the whole number being requisite to a choice

V. The corporation shall have power to contract and be contracted with, and to acquire, hold, possess and injoy by gift grant, purchase, devise or otherwise, and to transfer, sell, convey mortgage bond or otherwise dispose of at pleasure all such property, real personal, or mixed as shall be necessary for or may contribute to the benefit, purposes or business of said corporation, or which may be conveyed to it for the security or payment of any debt or debts which may become due to it for the security or payment and also to make and to take, use and negotiate bills of exchange, promissory notes and other commercial securities

as may be necessary or convenient in the course of its business

VI. The capital stock of said corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50.000.00) divided into shares of fifty dollars each, and said corporation shall have power to proceed with business whenever fifteen thousand dollars of stock shall have been subscribed, an amount paid in. The liability of the stock-holders shall be limited to the amount of stock respectively subscribed by them. per centum of said amount paid

VII. The incorporators hereinbefore named shall have power to open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company

VIII. The charter of this corporation shall be perpetual, unless dissolved by legal proceedings, or by two-thirds vote of the stock.

IX. The Board of Directors shall have power from time to time to make such by-laws as they may deem proper and necessary for the regulation and management of the company. Provided, said by-laws shall not be repugnant to the constitutions of the United States, of this State, or of this charter.

X. All elections for officers shall be by ballot; each share of stock shall entitle the holder to one vote. The officers and Board of Directors shall be elected annually on the first monday in March in each year.

XI. The corporation is organized in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 38 of the revised code of Mississippi, and in testimony of this agreement to form the same and that the same shall be created according to the provisions of said chapter and the foregoing charter agreement the said persons above named as corporators hereunto set their hands and seals the day of 1881.

L. A. Campbell
Lee Richardson
Jno. F. Halpin
Murray F. Smith
C. O. Wills
C. C. Arnold
Eug. Martin
Jno. M. Klein

D. J. Lowran
Alex. Kuhn
Abe Baer
David Rice
R. A. Quin
J. F. Baum
Jno. C. McCutchen
J. Piazza.

The State of Mississippi }
Warren County }

Before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State, this day personally appeared the above named persons:— Jno. F. Halpin, C. C. Carnall, Dr. R. A. Quin, Jno. M. Klein, Abe Baer, Jno. C. McCutchen, L. A. Campbell, J. F. Baum, D. J. Lowran, Lee Richardson, M. F. Smith, C. O. Wills, Eugene Martin, David Rice, and Alex. Kuhn, each of whom acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing as his act and deed and for the purposes herein mentioned.

Given under my hand and seal this the 18th day of November 1881.

Cooley Mann
Justice of the Peace.

State of Mississippi }
Warren County }

Before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State this day personally the above named J. Piazza, who acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing as his act and deed and for the purposes therein mentioned

Given under my hand and seal this 19th day of November 1881.

Eddy Mann
Justice of the Peace

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State

T. C. Catchings.
Nov. 22, 1881. Atty. Gen

State of Mississippi,
Executive Office

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Opera House Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson this 22nd day of November, 1881.

J. M. Stone.

Seal

By the Governor.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter
of the
Bluff City Literary and Social Club of the City of Natchez.

Sec. 1 Whereas Cassius Ellman, L. C. Hart, Isaac Lowenburg, Anselm Kemberger, David Lamb, and others, have formed themselves into a club for literary and social entertainments in the City of Natchez and State of Mississippi, with above entitled name, and desire a charter for the completion and legal authority to carry out their object in said organization, Be it, therefore granted them, the powers to elect officers suitable and hereinafter named, and hold their elections, as may be prescribed by their rules and regulations.

Sec. 2 They shall have power to fix their terms of membership, make such by-laws and rules and regulations they may deem proper not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of said State nor subversive to the constitution and laws of the United States

Sec. 3 They may elect a President Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and four directors, which shall together be a Board of managers or directors, whose terms of office shall be as ordained by their by-laws, provided that said Club may alter the number and duties of said offices, whenever they may deem best.

Sec. 4 The President of said Club shall preside over the same at all meetings of same, and in his absence, the Vice President, and should both be absent then any member can be called to preside whose acts shall be in all respects, legal and right.
The Secretary and Treasurer shall perform the usual duties of such offices, The Board of Directors, who with the officers shall constitute the managers of said association, shall conduct and manage the affairs of the Association. They shall have the right to elect a librarian and remove him from office at their pleasure.

Sec. 5 This Charter may be and continue in existence so long as a majority of the members of said Company Club shall desire, or remain in the association.

Sec. 6 They may sue and be sued, as a body corporate, plead and be impleaded and do and perform all acts requisite to their existence and the conducting and forwarding the objects of said association.
This Charter is granted this day of A. D 18

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or Constitution of the State
T. C. Catchings
Atty. Gen.

Dec. 21st, 1881.

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Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Bluff City Library and Social Club" of the City of Natchez, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto subscribed my name and caused the great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, this 21st December, A. D. 1881.

Seal

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the "Corinth Normal High School"

Be it known: That by virtue of chapter 38 Revised Code of Mississippi 1880, James Riley, Peter Hayes, L. Shelton, J. B. Pitt, K. Armstead, H. Holly and A. Chambers are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Corinth Normal High School. The object being to establish a school for teachers and preachers, also those who wish a practical English Education and under the name and style aforesaid may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all actions and suits in law or equity; may have a common seal, alter the same at pleasure, and shall have the right to receive acquire and hold real and personal property by purchase, donation or otherwise for the use and benefit of said school: and may sell convey or otherwise dispose of the same. They shall have power to appoint at any time such board of visitors or counsel as they may deem proper, and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for the election of a competent faculty for said school as will be for the best interest of the same. And shall also have power to continue the number of incorporators as herein fixed by electing persons to fill any vacancies occurring.

the faculty when elected shall have power in the name of said school to confer degrees award diplomas and do such other acts and enjoy such other privileges as are by law conferred upon other schools and Colleges in this State. And the same is to be located and established in Alcorn County.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings
Atty. Gen.

Dec. 21st 1881.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Corinth Normal High School, located at Corinth Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1881.

J. M. Stone

Seal

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of the

Title — Incorporation of the Young People's Benefit Association of Mississippi and the United States of America

Sec. 1 — That A. P. McDonald, A. D. Jones, A. H. Dickerson, A. B. R. McDonald and R. H. Jones and their successors be and they are hereby incorporated by the name and style of the Young Peoples Benefit Association, and shall have perpetual succession

Purpose — for the purpose of creating a benefit fund for the members of the Association at the date of their marriage and may sue & be sued, may plead and be impleaded in any of the Courts of Law or Equity.

Sec. 2 — That said Association shall have power to elect all officers annually and they shall hold their offices until their successors are duly installed in Office. And in their corporate capacity may have, purchase, and enjoy for their use and benefit, real, personal, and mixed estate in value not to exceed fifty thousand dollars and may purchase or sell the same at pleasure and shall have power to adopt all such rules and by-laws as may be deemed proper and just for the good government of the Association and may have and use a common seal.

Sec. 3 — This Charter shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of approval.

I find nothing unconstitutional or illegal in the foregoing charter.

F. C. Catchings
Atty. Genl.

Dec., 30, 1881.

Executive Office
Dec., 30th 1881.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Young Peoples Benefit Association, is hereby approved.

In testimony Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed — at the Executive Office this 30th day of Decmber, A. D 1881.

(Seal)

J. M. Stone

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter
of
Incorporation of the "Laborers of Charity"

The objects of this Order shall be:

1st To unite fraternally, such acceptable colored men and women, as shall be willing to endorse and abide by our published rules of Order.

2nd To give moral and material aid to the members and the family of members of this Association, in educational and christian facilities, and by assisting each other in business, in obtaining employment, and in assisting each other in sickness & distress.

3rd To establish a general fundy not to exceed $500.00 which shall be paid to the members family, or to be disposed of as he may direct at his or her death.

4th To establish a local fund in each lodge for the relief of sick or distressed members and for the burial of the dead.

5th That this order shall have no connection as such with political parties, nor with sectarian religion, but shall extend to all worthy colored men & women the broadest charity.

And for the foregoing ends D. D. Dukes, J. A. Labranchy, Rev. A. J. Johnson, Geo. W. Pagan, Geo. Richardson, Jno. Lee, Daniel Barfield, H. M. Smith, Jr, and Frank Woods are hereby made the Incorporators of this order, under the corporation name of the "Laborers of Charity". That this order is empowered to acquire property, real and personal, to the value of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars: may sue & be sued as a natural person under their corporate name, may have and use a common seal, shall perpetuate succession may pass all needful rules and by-laws and adopt constitutions and rituals and regulations for its government and in carrying out its objects, not inconsistent with the laws of this State, nor of the United States and may elect and install suitable officers to conduct the business of the Order.

That the present chief domicile of this Order shall be at Beauregard in Copiah County, Mississippi, but may be removed to other places within this State, at the discretion of the Lodges and this Order is empowered to establish subordinate agencies or lodges elsewhere in this State at their discretion, the same to be under the general direction of a general or Grand Lodge, which may be organized, when the subordinate or local lodges, shall indicate a purpose so to do, in accordance with their rules and regulations but that until the establishment of such Grand Lodge, the supreme authority and direction shall remain in the Beauregard Lodge No 1 of this order. And may have, use & exercise, all other powers, usual and incident to benevolent corporations, and may do and perform all other acts and things requisite and lawful, to an efficient and successful inauguration of the objects and growth of this order.

I find no constitutional or legal objections to the provisions of the foregoing charter.

T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen

~~A. C. Catchings~~
~~Atty Gen~~

Jackson, Miss
Jan. 20 A. D. 1882

The foregoing charter of Incorporation of the "Laborers of Charity" is hereby approved. In testimony whereof I have hereto ~~set my hand~~ subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed this the 20th day of January A. D. 1882.

Seal

Robt Lowry

By the Governor

Henry G. Myers
Sec of State

The Mississippi Matrimonial Mutual Aid Association

Whereas J. D. Collins, President; T. H. Marks, Vice President Wm. Brumhood, Treasurer; S. H. Aloyd, Secretary and J. D. Bryan General Agent and Business Manager, the appears and their successors are hereby incorporated, as a body corporate and politic by the name of the Mississippi Matrimonial Mutual Aid Association for the purpose of promoting benevolence, morality and reciprocal pecuniary aid to its members.

The object of the association shall be to fraternally unite all acceptable white men and women, above the age of eighteen years and to establish a benefit fund from which in the satisfactory proof of marriage of a member who has complied with all the regulations and requirements of the incorporation shall be paid a sum not to exceed the sum of six thousand dollars ($6000 00/100) to himself or to any one that he may direct, and said sum shall be exempt from execution and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal process whatever for any debts of the member, or his assignee.

The above named incorporators shall have power to make such rules, regulations and by-laws as they may deem proper for the best interest and goverment of said corporation, Provided: The same be not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi or the United States.

Said incorporation may have a corporate seal for the making and delivering of all legal acts and proceedings which may be altered at the pleasure of the said incorporators.

I find nothing violative in the laws or Constitution in conflict with the provisions of the foregoing Charter

Jackson, January 23rd 1882

D. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing charter of the incorporation of the Mississippi matrimonial mutual aid Association is hereby approved

Seal

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and caused the great seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done in the executive office at the City of Jackson this day of January 1882.

Henry C. Myers

Amendment of the Charter of the Professional Mens Benevolent Association

The Charter of the Professional Mens Benevolent Association is hereby so amended that it shall be lawful for said Association to receive as members thereof, editors of News-papers, periodicals, and books, and teachers and Professors in schools, colleges and Universities.

I find nothing in the foregoing amendment violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings, Atty. Gen

Jackson, Jany 23, 1882.

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.
Jany 23th 1882

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of the Professional Mens' Benevolent Association, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have here to set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office, in the City of Jackson, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1882.

Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Christian Association of Greenville, Miss.

The purposes and objects of this corporation are the promotion of moral and religious sentiments, the dissemination of useful knowledge and the maintenance of a public library. —

The powers to be exercised are the reception and distribution of charities, employment of lecturers, the purchase and preservation of and use of a library, the purchase and holding of ground in the Town of Greenville with a suitable house thereon sufficient for its purposes or the building of such house the right to pass all necessary by-laws for its maintenance and government and generally all other powers necessary & usually incident to religious and charitable ~~institutions~~ associations. Said corporation may sue and be sued by its corporate name and may have a common seal. The following are the names of the persons to be incorporated, to wit:

C. P. Huntington
Jas. C. Nayes, Jr
Henry T. Inys
R. B. Campbell
C. N. Thomas

and such other persons as may be from time to time become members of said corporation

I find nothing in the foregoing charter, violative of the laws or Constitution of the State

P. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen.

Jackson, Jany. 26th, 1882.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss
January 26th, 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Christian Association of Greenville, Mississippi is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson, this 26th day of January 1882
Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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Of the Charter
of
Incorporation of the Centreville Cooperative Association No. 230 of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry of the County of Newton State of Mississippi

Section 1st. That J. M. Pace, Sr., T. D. Langford, S. A. Cady, J. B. Bailey, W. C. Thornton, J. R. Cooksey and such other persons as may be now, or hereafter become associated with them, their successors and assignees be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the "Centreville Mercantile Cooperative Association No. 230 of the Order patrons of Husbandry of the County of Newton and State of Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for a period of Twenty years and sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of competent Jurisdiction, may have a corporate seal, contract and be contracted with, purchase and hold real estate to the value of fifty thousand dollars with the same power to sell and convey that individuals possess and otherwise to exercise such common rights as are usually granted to like corporate bodies in this State.

Section 2nd. The said corporators are authorized under their corporate name to establish and maintain a general trade in merchandize, farm products, machinery and also to do a manufacturing business for the mutual benefit of the shareholders and customers and for this purpose they are authorized to divide their capital stock into shares of such size and amount as may be agreed upon among themselves, their capital stock not to exceed fifty thousand dollars; that said corporators may make such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of their business as may suit themselves. Provided that they are not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State; that they may take in new partners and associates and dispense with old ones according to such terms as their by-laws may prescribe.

Section 3rd That the stock-holders may elect their officers a president, secretary, treasurer and such others as their rules and regulations provide for including a board of directors each share-holder to have but one vote.

Section 4th That full power is hereby invested in the Board of Directors of said association to hold to strict accountability all officers and agents of the Association in the management of its business and finances.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen.

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Executive Office, Jackson, Miss
January 26th 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Centreville Cooperative Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed on this the 26th day of January A. D. 1882. Done at the executive office in the city of Jackson on the day and year herein before mentioned.

Seal

Robert Lowry

By the Governor

Thomas C. Myers
Secretary of State

Articles of Incorporation of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company.

The Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road Company a corporation composed originally of three corporations chartered respectively by the State of Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama and subsequently by the cooperative legislation

Whereas the Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road Company executed a mortgage dated March 15th 1871 on its franchises road-bed, super-structure and other property, the said road including from Memphis Tennessee to Selma Alabama to secure the payment of certain bonds therein described; and whereas on a bill filed to foreclose said mortgage by Luke P. Blackburn, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of West Tennessee, a decree of foreclosure and sale was entered June 3rd 1879 under which decree the said rail-road with all its property and franchises was sold on the first day of July 1880, and purchased by the undersigned, and said sale was duly confirmed on the 6th day of July 1880 and the undersigned have been put in possession of said property under said sale; and whereas the undersigned purchasers are desirous to secure the benefit of an incorporation and organization under an act of the legislature of the State of Mississippi, entitled "An act to authorize purchasers of rail-roads under foreclosure of mortgages to organize as incorporated companies" approved February 1, 1877, and to be invested with all the powers rights and privileges conferred by said act; Therefore the undersigned purchasers as aforesaid having met together for that purpose do now accept the benefits of the above recited act, and do associate ourselves together as a body politic and corporate as authorized thereby.

We hereby adopt the name of "The Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company" as the name of the company now formed to construct and operate said rail road.

We fix the amount of capital stock of said company at one million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

We fix the number of directors of said company at seven, one at least of which shall reside in each of the States of Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama.

Having then proceeded to organize by the election of directors, and having voted in the manner required by said act, we declare the following persons duly elected such directors, to wit: J. J. Busby, J. Thompson, H. T. Elliott, J. A. Forrest, and C. C. Graham who reside in Tennessee; P. H. Shipwith who resides in Mississippi and who resides in Alabama, which directors shall hold their offices until their successors shall be chosen as may hereafter be provided by the by-laws.

Witness our hand this 6th day of October A. D. 1880.

J. J. Busby
J. Thompson
J. A. Forrest
C. C. Graham
H. T. Elliott
P. H. Shipwith

The undersigned a Board of Directors elected by the purchasers of the Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road at the election held on the 23rd day of July

thorize purchasers of rail-roads under foreclosure of mortgage to organize as incorporated companies" approved Feby. 1. 1877— do hereby certify as follows to wit:

1 The name of the new company formed by the association of said purchasers under the above recited act is "The Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company"

2 The amount of the capital stock of the said company is one million dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each

3. The number of directors is seven of whom five reside at Memphis, Tennessee one at Oxford Mississippi and one at Alabama

4 The said ~~road~~ road is situated in the States of Tennessee Mississippi and Alabama and extends from Memphis in the state of Tennessee, by way of Holly Springs, to Selma in the State of Alabama.

5. The name by which the said road has heretofore been known and by which it was chartered is "The Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road Company"

In witness whereof the undersigned directors have hereunto set our hands this 6th day of October A. D. 1880.

J. J. Busby
J. A. Forrest
J. Thompson
C. C. Graham
~~H. Pinckett~~ H. T. Ellett
P. H. Sipsuttk

State of Mississippi
Office Secretary of State
Jackson, Mississippi

I, Henry C. Myers, Secretary of State do certify that the statement ~~made~~ hereto attached was this day filed in my office by the Board of Directors of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Railroad Company purchasers under foreclosure of mortgage, of the Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road as required by "an act entitled "An act to authorize purchasers of rail-roads under foreclosure of mortgages to organize as incorporated companies", Approved February 12th 1877.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Mississippi hereunto affixed, this 22nd day of November A. D. 1880

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Seal

Filed Nov. 22/80
Henry C. Myers
Secy of State

Articles of Incorporation of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Railroad Company.

The Selma, Marion and Memphis Railroad Company a corporation composed originally of three corporations chartered respectively by the States of Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama and subsequently by the cooperative legislation of said states, consolidated into one corporation, under the name and style of the "Selma, Marion and Memphis Railroad Company" and whose road lies in part in the State of Mississippi and extends from Memphis Tennessee to Selma Alabama, vested as such consolidated corporation a mortgage on the 18th day of March 1871, on its road-bed, superstructure, equipment and other property and franchises to secure the payment of certain bonds and coupons in said mortgage preserved.

On a bill filed to foreclose said mortgage on the equity side of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee at Memphis No. 3216, wherein L. P. Blackburn, a citizen of Kentucky and the holder of some of said bonds and coupons, was complainant; and the said company and others were defendants, a decree of foreclosure and sale was duly rendered on 3rd June 1879, under and by which decree, the said railroad winding from Memphis to Selma, with all its property and franchises was sold on the 1st July 1880, as the property and franchises of said consolidated corporation, and was purchased by D. J. Busby, he being in fact the agent and trustee of the undersigned purchasers, and the report of sale was duly confirmed on the 6th July 1880.

The undersigned purchasers are interested in said purchase in undivided but unequal shares, and paid the purchase money paid for them by the said D. J. Busby, at the time and in the manner provided by said decree of sale and foreclosure, and in amounts corresponding with their respective interests, by reason whereof and at the request of the said D. J. Busby the said court upon the completion of the payment of said purchase money and on the 16th February 1881 passed a decree vesting the title to said railroad with all its property and franchises aforesaid in the undersigned purchasers by name, each according to his respective interest as the same may appear, which decree is entered in the records of said Court in minute book No. 6 page 523 and 524, and which several interests are shown by a paper signed in triplicate by the undersigned purchasers and recorded in the minutes of the company hereby organized. After being put in possession of said property under said sale, and after due legal proceedings in the procurement of the same by said court having jurisdiction of the subject matter and the parties thereto undersigned purchasers, for certain considerations, released to Jno. M. Brenshaw & Co all that portion of said rail-road property and franchises within the State of Alabama, retaining themselves all within the States of Tennessee and Mississippi. And now being desirous of securing the benefits of an incorporation and organization, under an act of the legislature

of the State of Mississippi entitled "an act to authorize purchasers of Rail roads under foreclosure of mortgages to organize as incorporated companies" approved 12th February 1877. and to be invested with all the powers rights, privileges and immunities appertaining to the property and franchises of the said consolidated companies, conferred by the said act, and the former charters of said consolidated companies and amendments, and other laws of the State of Mississippi and Tennessee, we, the undersigned purchasers, having met together for that purpose as provided by said act, do hereby accept the benefits of said act, and do associate ourselves together as a body politic and corporate in the manner authorized thereby, and to that end we, as such purchasers, and as the holders of the Stock representing the property aforesaid so bought by us, stipulate and agree: ——————

1st That the name of the corporation shall be the Memphis Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road company.

2nd That the entire capital stock of the corporation shall be one million of dollars which shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and the property and franchises as bought and now owned by us represent two hundred and sixty three thousand dollars of said capital stock.

3rd The Board of directors shall consist of seven members, of whom one shall reside in Mississippi and six in Tennessee, all of whom shall be purchasers, or stock-holders, owning in their own right, not less than one share, or an interest as purchaser equivalent to one share. ——————

4th Having fixed the name of the corporation, the amount of the capital stock, the stock value of said property and franchises, and the number and qualification of the directors, we, the undersigned purchasers and the holders of said stock as aforesaid proceeded to organize by the election of a Board of directors, voting in the manner required by said act, and now declare the following persons duly qualified, and elected such directors, viz: Robert Busby, J. Thompson, Wm. Forrest, T. A. Jones, J. A. Fowlkes and E. C. Graham who reside in Memphis, Tennessee and A. P. Skipwith who resides in Oxford Mississippi, which directors shall hold their offices until their successors shall be chosen as may hereafter be provided by the by-laws to be adopted by said Board. ——————

At the same time and place, we, the said undersigned purchasers and the holders of stock as aforesaid having met together for that purpose, accepted the benefits of an act of the general assembly of the State of Tennessee, entitled "An act as to the sale of Rail-roads under mortgage, granting certain powers to purchasers and authorizing incorporation of purchasers" approved 16th March 1877. and then and there associated ourselves together as a body politic and corporate as provided by said act under the name and style of "The Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company" and with the unanimous consent of all the purchasers and as the stock-holders upre

said consolidated the same with the Mississippi corporation of the same name hereby organized, as thereto authorized by the former charters of the companies to whose property and franchises we succeed: granted by the States of Tennessee (2) and (?) Mississippi and by the laws of said States: the property, rights and franchises acquired by us under said purchase, being in fact purchased by us as the property rights and franchises of a consolidated corporation.

And we fix the entire capital stock of the consolidated company at one million dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and elect the same persons to be our directors for the Tennessee corporation as for the Mississippi corporation, and the consolidated corporation.

The rail-road which this corporation is organized to complete is an unfinished road, having only a part of its line graded, and it runs from Memphis Tennessee by the way of Holly Springs, Okalona, Aberdeen and Columbus Mississippi to the western border of Alabama in the direction of Selma

Witness our hands this 13th day of April 1881.

J. J. Busby

W. T. Ellett
P. H. Skipwith
Luke P. Blackburn
R. Ellayle
Chas. Roberts
J. M. Cook

D. A. Forrest
J. Thompson
W. M. Forrest
C. C. Graham
F. A. Jones
G. M. Macrae

J. C. Gripping

The undersigned, a board of Directors, elected by the purchasers and stockholders aforesaid of the property and franchises of the Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road company at a meeting of said purchasers and stockholders held on the 13th day of April 1881, in the city of Memphis Tennessee for the purpose of organizing themselves into a corporation in pursuance of the provisions of an act of the legislature of Mississippi intitled "an act to authorize purchasers of rail-roads under fore-closure of mortgages to organize as incorporated companies" approved 15th February 1877, do hereby certify as follows to-wit:

1st The name of the new company formed by the association of said purchasers and stock-holders under the above recited act is "The Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company"

2nd The amount of the capital stock of the said new company is one million of dollars which is divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

3rd The number of directors of said new company is seven, of whom six viz: J. J. Busby, Jacob Thompson, W. M. Forrest, D. A. Jones, J. A. Forrest and C. C. Graham reside at Memphis Tennessee and one viz: P. H. Skipwith resides at Oxford Mississippi

1st The road is situated in the States of Tennessee and Mississippi and extends from Memphis in the State of Tennessee by the way of Holly Springs, Oxford, Aberdeen and Columbus Mississippi to the western boundary line of the State of Alabama in the direction of Selma Alabama. It is an unfinished road, a part of the line only being graded.

2nd The names by which said road has been heretofore known and by which it was chartered under the laws of Tennessee and Mississippi, were: first, "The Memphis, Holly Springs and Mobile Rail-road Company": second, as the "Memphis, Holly Springs, Oxford and Selma Rail road Company": third, as the "Memphis and Selma Rail-road Company" under an act of the general assembly of the State of Tennessee, contemplating consolidation with other rail-roads: and lastly as "the Selma Marion and Memphis Rail-road Company" under amendments of charters granted by the States of Tennessee and Mississippi or by the decree of the Courts thereof under which last name it was sold under foreclosure of mortgage and became the property of the purchasers organizing this corporation as aforesaid.

3d At the same time and place the said purchasers and stockholders organized themselves into a corporation of the same name and style under the act of the general assembly of the State of Tennessee entitled "an act as to the sale of rail-roads under mortgage, granting certain powers to purchasers and authorizing incorporation of purchasers" approved 16th March 1871 and consolidated the same with the Mississippi Corporation, all of which action of said purchasers and stock-holders is more fully set out and recited in the foregoing and hereto attached instrument of writing signed by the said purchasers being stock holders as aforesaid.

And we the undersigned elected and acting as a board of directors for the Tennessee corporation thus organized as well as for the Mississippi corporation hereby organized, do ratify and confirm said act of consolidation and by virtue of the power and authority conferred by the former charters of the company or companies to whose property and franchises the said purchasers succeed, and by virtue of the laws of Tennessee and Mississippi giving rail-road corporations power to consolidate, we do declare the Memphis Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road company a consolidated corporation of the States of Tennessee and Mississippi. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this 13th day of April 1871.

P. H. Shipwith

D. J. Busby
J. Thompson
J. A. Frost
W. M. Farrista
C. C. Graham
F. A. Jones

State of Mississippi }
Office of Secretary of State }
Jackson, Mississippi }

I, Henry C. Myers, Secretary of State, do certify that the statement hereto attached was this day filed in my office by the Board of directors of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company, purchasers under foreclosure of mortgage, of the Selma, Marion and Memphis Rail-road as required by an act intitled "An act to authorize purchasers of Rail-roads under foreclosure of mortgages, to organize as incorporated companies", approved February 12th 1877.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereto affixed, this 4th day of May A.D. 1881.

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

Seal

and certified copies furnished
Filed May 11th 1881
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Amendments of the charter of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company.

At a meeting of the stock-holders of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company, convened pursuant to the by-laws, on the second day of August, 1881, at the office of the company in the City of Memphis, for the purpose of ~~securing~~ considering the subject of changing the name of the corporation and other amendments of the articles of incorporation, present all of said stock-holders, namely:

J. J. Busby	owning	300 Shares
J. C. Griffing	"	200 "
J. C. Graham	"	100 "
F. A. Jones	"	610 "
Fredrick Wolffe	"	680 "
J. A. Forrest	"	260 "
Wm. Forrest	"	190 "
P. H. Skipwith	"	100 "
Minor Merriwether	"	189 "
M. Calm	"	1 "
Total		2630 "

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas it is the aim and purpose ultimately to extend

the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road from Memphis by the way of Selma to Brunswick, Georgia on the Atlantic Board.

And whereas combinations are now contemplated for the accomplishment of that object

And whereas it desirable that the name of the corporation shall be expressive of the terminal points of the line, as well as some leading intermediate points, therefore.

1. Resolved by the stock-holders of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company assembled in convention, in pursuance of the by-laws, at the office of the company in the city of Memphis, on this Second day of August 1881 (the entire capital stock thus partaken (in) issued namely: $2,63000 being present and represented) that the name of the corporation shall be and is hereby changed from the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company to that of "The Memphis, Selma & Brunswick Rail-road Company" of Tennessee and Mississippi, and shall hereafter be known and act by that name.

II Resolved further that the articles of incorporation heretofore adopted on the 13th of April, 1881, shall be and are hereby so amended as to read as follows, viz: The Board of directors shall consist of nine miners of whom at least one shall reside in the State of Tennessee, and whom, at least one shall reside in the State of Mississippi. The remaining miners although residing in States other than Tennessee or Mississippi shall be deemed qualified to act as directors of this Company and all the directors shall be stock-holders in this company, each owning in his own right not less than one share of the capital stock of this company.

III. Resolved further that in view of the contemplated extension of the road to Brunswick, and consolidation with intervening links hereafter to be effected, the capital stock of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company now changed to the Memphis, Selma and Brunswick Rail-road company shall be and is hereby increased from one million of dollars, as originally stipulated in the articles of incorporation adopted 13th of April, 1881, to the sum of three millions of dollars as authorized under the original charter of incorporation, granted by the States of Tennessee and Mississippi.

IV. Resolved that the President and Board of directors be and they are hereby instructed to certify the foregoing action of the stock-holders to the secretary of State at Nashville, Tenn

and amendments of the articles of incorporation of the Memphis Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company, heretofore filed in the said offices of the Secretaries of State, on the 4th of may, 1881.

In testimony whereof, we the said stock holders have hereunto set our hands this second day of August 1881.

W. H. Harrison
J. J. Busby
L. L. Graham
F. A. Jones
P. H. Shipwith
J. A. Forrest
J. L. Gripping
Fred. Wolfe
Minor Merriweather
W. Ledbetter

The undersigned a Board of Directors elected by the stock holders of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company as certify that the foregoing resolutions changing the name of the corporation and amending the articles of incorporation were unanimously adopted by the stock-holders of said company, duly assembled in convention at the office of the company in the City of Memphis on the 2nd of August, 1881, all the stock-holders holding all the capital stock that has been issued, being present and voting in favor thereof: and we do further certify that all of said stock-holders, whose names appear above signed the same in our presence in token of their adoption of the foregoing amendments. Dated Memphis, August 2nd 1881.

J. J. Busby President
W. H. Harrison
L. L. Graham
J. A. Forrest
P. H. Shipwith
Fred. Wolfe
F. A. Jones

State of Mississippi
Office of Secretary of State
Jackson, Miss

I, Henry L. Myers, Secretary of State do certify that the statement and resolutions hereto attached changing the name and amending the articles of incorporation of the Memphis, Holly Springs and Selma Rail-road Company (filed in this office on the 4th of may 1881) were this day formally filed in my office by the Board of Directors of said Company.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereto affixed, this 5th day of August A. D. 1881.

L. S.

Henry L. Myers
Secretary of State.

Filed August, 5th 1881
Henry L. Myers, Secretary of State.

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The Charter of Incorporation of "The Good Samaritan Sons and Daughters Association of the City of Natchez"

Section One: The object of this Incorporation shall be to encourage and promote good feeling charity and benevolence among all its members: To relieve the needy, visit the sick, bury the dead and succor the widow and orphan.

Section Two: The Incorporation shall consist of the following named persons, residents of Adams County, State of Mississippi and such other persons, as may now be in good standing in said association and as many as may hereafter be admitted to membership under the Institution and By-laws to be adopted by said corporation to wit: Silas Thompson President; Sinah Ware, Vice President; H. A. Smith, Secretary; Washington Gaddis, Assistant Secretary Henry A Smith, Treasurer; Mrs. Ann Dixon, Mrs. Amariah Hughes, Walter Williams, Mrs. Laura McCoy, Mrs. Lucy Gaddis William Brown, Joseph Johnson, Miss Julia Alexander, Mrs. Julia Smith, Lewis Dixon.

Section Three: This incorporation shall be known by the name and style of "The Good Samaritan Sons and Daughters Association" and by this name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and hold by purchase or donation, both real and personal estate to the extent and amount now limited by law.

Section Four: This corporation shall have power to carry into effect the purposes and objects named in section number one; and to enable it so to do, may adopt a common seal and alter or change it at pleasure; and may contract for the purposes of its organization in like manner with other corporations.

Its offices shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer, and such other assistant offices, as the members may determine upon, to be elected or appointed, as may be provided for by such constitution and by-laws, as may be adopted by the members; and the said members are empowered to adopt a constitution and by-laws, that will be obligatory upon all members of said association provided the same shall not be in violation of the constitution of the United States or of the State of Mississippi, or of the National or State Statutes.

So soon as this charter shall be approved and recorded, as the law directs, a majority of the persons named in section number two, with such other members of the said association as may now be in good standing shall may meet and organize by the election of offices, which shall be done by ballot; and a majority of the votes cast shall be required to elect.

Section Five: This corporation shall continue in existence so long as fifteen members in good standing shall continue to meet and maintain the organization and shall work as hereinbefore set forth.

Section Six: The members of this organization may become subordinate to and work in conjunction with a similar named body having for the same purposes in case a majority of the members should deem it fit and proper to do so.

Section Seven: The members may provide in the constitution and by-laws to be adopted by them, what qualifications shall be required for membership and for the suspension or expulsion of refractory, disorderly or unworthy members; and make such other rules and regulations as may be fit and proper for an effective organization within the limits of the constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi.

In testimony whereof the persons in section number two, have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals this 27th day of November A.D. 1878.

Witness to signature
Walter McClerea
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His mark
Silas X Thompson
Her mark
Sinah X Hare
His mark
H. A. Smith
His mark
Washington X Saddler
His mark
Ann X Dixon
Her mark
Mariah X Hughes
His mark
Walter X Williams
Her mark
Laura X McClay
His mark
William X Brown
His mark
Joseph X Johnson
His mark
Louis X Dixon
Her mark
Julia Alexander
Her mark
Julia Smith
Her mark
Lucy X Saddler

State of Mississippi }
County of Adams }

Personally appeared before me Allison H. Foster clerk of the Chancery Court, in and for said County the above and foregoing named Silas Thompson, Sinah Hare, Henry A. Smith, Washington Saddler, Ann Dixon, Mariah Hughes, Walter Williams, Laura McClay, William Brown, Joseph Johnson, Louis Dixon, Julia Alexander, Julia Smith, Lucy Saddler and severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing on the day and year therein mentioned as their several acts and deeds and for the uses and purposes therein contained and set forth.

Seal

Witness my hand and the official seal of my office at the City of Natchez this November 25th A.D. 1878. Allison H. Foster Clerk Chancery Court

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I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the State

Feby. 1, 1882.

N. B. Batchinga
Atty. Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss.
February 4th 1882

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of "the Good Samaritans Sons and Daughters Association", of the City of Natchez, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand, and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed. Done at Executive Office this 13th Day of February 1882.

Seal

Robert Lowry

By the Governor

Henry G. Myers
Secretary of State

The Pascagoula Benevolent Association

Article 1. Under the provisions of an act entitled an act in relation to corporations and other associations adopted by the legislature of the State of Mississippi at its biennial session in 1880 John Jones, Charles J. Olson, William Ras berry, Charles Besser, Georgm Ladnier, Charles S. Ladnier, John T. Bassista, John Grant, Charles Wilson, James Dutch and their associates, successors and assigns be, and they are hereby made a body and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Pascagoula Benevolent and Charitable Stevedores Association and by that name to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of this state to have a common seal, the same to break alter or renew at pleasure, for the objects and purposes hereinafter mentioned.

Article 2. The object of the association shall be to aid and assist its members at all times when in distress or want from sickness, suffering death or any other cause when the are deserving, or worthy of assistance and further to aid and assist its members in procuring employment as stevedores at remunerative prices under rules and regulations to be prescribed by this association, not inconsistent with the terms of this charter and the laws of this state and that the association shall have the right to carry on the business of stevedor in Pascagoula and Ship Island Harbours and other points on the Mississippi Sound within the State.

Article 3rd The domicile of the association shall be at Pascag la in the county of Jackson and numbers of it may may reside in any of the three coast counties.

Art. 4. The officers of the association shall be a president, vice president, Secretary and Treasurer. The duties of the president shall be to preside at all meetings of the association and in his absence the vice president. The secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the association and perform any other duties that may be required of him by its by-laws. The treasurer may be required to give bond in such sum as may be required of him, and shall pay out money on warrant as may be required by the by-laws and as directed by the association.

Art. 5. The association shall have power to appoint such executive committee to act in the interim of meetings, but all of acts shall be subject to the approval or disapproval of the association.

Art 6. Members of this association must be elected by such as the by-laws may direct, and may be suspended or expelled for violation of the laws and regulations of the association and such other offenses as it may see proper.

I find no constitutional or legal objection to the foregoing charter
Jackson, Miss, 6th, 1882.
T. C. Catchings, Atty. Gen.

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Executive Office, Jackson Miss
Nov 16th 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Pascagoula Benevolent and Charitable Builders Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.
Done at the executive office in the city of Jackson on the day and year herein before first mentioned.

Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

Charter of the Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the town of Bolton known by the name of St Marys Church.

We, the subscribers assembled for the purpose of organizing a Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the town of Bolton, County of Hinds, & State of Mississippi after due notice given do hereby agree to form a parish to be known by the name of St. Marys Church and as such do hereby accede to the doctrine, discipline, & worship the constitution & canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America & the constitution & ~~Mississippi~~; canons of the same church in the diocese of Mississippi; & we do accordingly appoint, Chas E. Mount
W. E. Wilson
J. P. Withers
C. L. Robinson
C. A. Walton
E. E. Baldwin
C. A. Hamilton

To be the first vestry of said church, and C. L. Robinson & C. E. Mount to be the first wardens to continue in office until Easter Monday A. D. 1873 and until others be chosen in their place and an election for vestrymen shall hereafter be held on Easter monday of each of successive year or as soon thereafter as may be.

Witness our hands at Bolton County of Hinds & State of Mississippi this eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & seventy two

Chas E. Mount
W. A. Wilson
J. P. Withers
C. A. Walton
E. E. Baldwin
C. A. Hamilton
C. L. Robinson
V. P. Robinson.

I find nothing in the foregoing act of incorporation violative of the laws or constitution of the State

T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Gen.

Feby., 8th, 1882,

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of the incorporation of the Saint Marys Church of the Parish of Bolton in Hinds County is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Seal

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson on this the 8th day of February A.D. 1882

Robert Lowry

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The charter of incorporation of Pleasant Hill Male and Female Masonic Institute

That P. M. Black, J. C. Williamson, W. T. Henley, M. H. Murry and T. A. Haward, and their successors in office be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the Board of Trustees of Pleasant Hill Male and Female Masonic Institute Pleasant Hill De Soto County Mississippi and they and their successors in office shall be by this name be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and be impleaded in all actions and suits whatever either in law or equity; they may have a common seal or not as they deem proper and alter the same at pleasure and shall have the right to receive, acquire and hold real and personal property by donation purchase or otherwise to and for the use and benefit of said institute to an extent not exceeding twenty five thousand dollars and to sell convey or otherwise dispose of same. They shall have power to adopt such rules and regulations and by-laws for the election of President Professors and Teachers of said school and officers of their own board and for filling vacancy in the board as they may deem expedient and

may do all such other acts as are usual for bodies corporate for scholastic purposes such as conferring degrees giving diplomas &c. for the encouragement of learning and the building up said school

Sec 2 That the trustees shall within sixty days from the passage of this act elect out of their number a President a secretary and Treasurer who shall severally perform the duties injoined on them by this board and the treasurer may be required to give bond and security for the faithful performance of his duties which bond shall be made payable to the Board of Trustees

Sec 3 That the Board of Trustees shall meet annually and at such other times as the President may deem proper and necessary and shall hold an election for offices of said Board of Trustees every two years

Sec 4 That the first election of Trustees shall occur the first Saturday in may 1882. and ~~bien~~annually thereafter and that a majority of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business

Sec 5 That this act take effect from and after its passage.

The foregoing charter is free from constitutional or legal objections

February 8th 1882.

T. C. Catchings
Atty. Gen.

Executive Office Jackson, Miss
February 9th 1882

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of Pleasant Hill Male and Female Masonic Institute is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office this 9th day of February 1882.
Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C Myers
Secretary of State.

The charter of incorporation of the Mississippi Hotel Company.

Be it known: That on this twentieth day of January one thousand eight hundred and eighty two the following named persons viz; Geo. T. Sherman, Wm. Hart, George Brandt, A. K. Northrop, C. C. Courtney, N. Bulchert, John Henderson, (and) C. M. Rhodes availing themselves of the power rights and privileges, conferred by the statutes of the State of Mississippi relative to the organization of corporation in this state, incorporated in the Revised Code of said state, under chapter thirty eighth intitled "an act in relation to corporation and other associations" do by these presents, form, organize, constitute and found a corporation for the objects and purposes as hereinafter enumerated and set forth and to that end they do hereby covenant and agree to form and constitute and do by these presents organize form and constitute themselves and all such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them whether by purchase succession or otherwise, into a body corporate and politic in law and thereunder bind themselves and all others who may hereafter become associated with them to be governed by the following stipulations, obligations and regulations as articles of the charter of said corporation to wit;

Article first. The name and style of this corporation shall be "The Mississippi Gulf Hotel Company" and in that name it shall have power and authority to have and enjoy succession by the corporate name and perpetual corporate existence unless dissolved in the manner herein provided for; may sue and be sued; may buy hold and enjoy such real and personal property as may be required for the purposes for which this organization is formed; may build upon and improve such real estate, or may sell or exchange the same; may make and use a corporate seal and shall possess the rights powers and privileges which corporations are or may be by any general law of the state authorized to possess.

Article Second. The domicile of this company is fixed at the town of Pass Christian in Harrison County State of Mississippi

Article Third: The capital stock of ~~said~~ this company is hereby fixed at thirty five thousand dollars represented by seven hundred shares of fifty dollars each. The time and manner of payment for stock shall be such as may be determined by the directors, provided however that no call shall be made for more than twenty five per cent on each share at one time and that a period of at least twenty days shall elapse before another call can be made. Whenever one hundred shares of fifty dollars each shall have been subscribed for, any two or more persons named therein as incorporators are hereby authorized to call a meeting of the stock-holders by a notice in a paper published in the county in which the domicile of the company is located at least ten days before the time named for such meeting. For the pur

of choosing a board of directors to serve till the first monday in December one thousand eight hundred and eighty three or until their successors are elected

Article Fourth. The object and purpose of this company is hereby declared to be to build furnish and by its agents or lessees to manage and construct a hotel in the town of Pass Christian and for that purpose the said company is empowered and authorized to purchase locate, ~~build~~ construct own and use a hotel in the said town and to furnish equip manage and carry on the same by their agents or otherwise and to make all contracts relating thereto, to borrow from time to time, such money as may be required for construction purchase or acquisition of property necessary for the business of the corporation and for this purpose may issue bond ~~and~~ or obligations secured by mortgage upon any property real or personal of said company and payable at such time and places and bearing interest at such rate per annum as the board of directors of said company may lawfully designate with the power to sell pledge or otherwise dispose of said bonds on such terms as the said directors may deem expedient provided that the company shall not be empowered to issue bonds or create a mortgage debt to an amount exceeding thirty five thousand dollars.

Article Eighth. The corporate powers of this company shall be vested in a board of directors to be composed of five stock-holders. All elections shall be by ballot and each stock-holder shall be entitled to one vote in person or by proxy for each share of stock held by him for ten days prior to such election. Said directors shall have power to fill vacancies in their number caused by death resignation or otherwise. They shall elect one of their number president and another Secretary, and shall have power to make prescribe and ordain, such by-laws, rules and regulations as they shall deem touching the government of said company, the transfer of its stocks, the compensation of its officers and agents the management disposition and control of its business property and effects and all other matters and things relating to the management and concerns of the company.
Three directors of which one shall be the President or the Secretary shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.
The board of directors chosen to succeed the first board ~~elected~~ shall be elected on the first monday in december eighteen hundred and eighty two and on which day in each succeeding year elections for directors shall be held

Article Ninth. This corporation ~~shall~~ may be dissolved at a general meeting of the stock-holders convened for that purpose with the assent of a majority of the stock represented at such meeting and in case of such dissolution the liquidation shall be conducted by three commissioners elected by ballot at such meeting.

Geo. F. Sherman
Wm Hart
Geo. Brandt
A. V. Bruslé

E. Courtney
A. Burkhart
John Henderson

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the state.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen

Feby 10, 1882

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Mexican Gulf Hotel Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson on this the 10th day of February 1882,

Robert Lowry

(Seal)

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of Grace Church located at Canton in the County of Madison and State of Mississippi.

We whose names are hereunto written being members of the the Protestant Episcopal Church and desirous to act as an organized body under the laws of the State of Mississippi and the requirements of the constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi do hereby associate ourselves together and form a congregation or Parish for the purpose of worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following articles of association:

Article 1. We acknowledge and accede to the Constitution, canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi and claim the right to hold such property for the purposes of this organization as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies congregations or ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold and we claim all of the rights, powers and privileges including the right to sue and be sued in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations.

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Article II. The name of this society congregation or Parish shall be the Parish of Grace Church, located in the City of Canton in the County of Madison, in the State of Mississippi.

Article III This society, congregation or Parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article IV. We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, society, congregation or Parish to be Wardens & Vestrymen for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body under the laws of this State and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such, until Easter Monday next and until their successors are duly chosen, viz:

William Priestly, Senior Warden
Dr. C. S. Priestly, Junior Warden

J. M. Baughn
B. E. Jones
Eugene Conway
Robt. Powell
J. S. Calhoon
J. R. Mosby
S. L. Mosby
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our ~~seals~~ names this 1st day of February A.D. 1882, at Canton in the County of Madison and State of Mississippi and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this society congregation or Parish as required by law.

Names of Incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands

J. R. Mosby
Robt Powell
Jno. C. Howcott
S. S. Calhoon
Lewis Kemp
Pallis Cochran
Mrs. Jas. Priestly
Lucy M. Baldwin
Miss Minnie ~~Mosby~~ Mosby
" Amelia Baughn
" Sallie Russell
" Maggie Latham
" Lula McWillie
Mrs. Eliza Priestly
Mrs. M. C. Gray
Mrs. Mary H. Moore
Mrs. Lucy A. Latham
Miss Fannie Latham
Mary S. Cooper
Mrs. C. T. Howcott

S. L. Mosby
B. E. Jones
Eugene Conway
C. S. Priestly
Butler B. Russell
Mollie V. Dudley
Mrs. Annie T. Powell
Mrs. Susan Priestly
Miss Ida Noble
Mr. John Conway
J. M. Bargain
Leon Bailey
Sam. Divine
D. L. Gray
M. C. Mosby (name Ridgely Kemp)
Mrs E. Conway
Mrs. M. Bastick
Mrs. E. Boddie
Mrs. Eleben Jones

J. M. Baughn
Wm Priestly Jr
Jas D Inglis
J. T. Priestly
Dr. M. Virden
Mrs. Jas. Priestly
A. C. Baldwin
Mrs. Sarah T. Sackfield
" Emily Johnson
" M M. Baughn
" M. E. Latham
" Mattie Divine
" Kate McWilliams
" " Chisolm
Mrs. M. Foucher
Mrs. D. S. Priestly
Mrs. Ellen T. Griffis
Mary R. Kemp
Mollie M. Kemp
Mrs. M. B. Henderson

Mrs. W. D. Smith
Mrs. H. W. Wirden
Mrs. Kate Margain
Thomas Jones
Miss Mary Douglass
Mrs. Clara Stone
Miss Mettie Gough
Mrs. S. H. Dinkins
M. McW. Calhoon
Mrs. Sue Hoffman
Mrs. Fannie Jones
Mrs. Martha Baldwin
Mrs. Josephine Dinkins
Mrs. S. E. Hart
Lucy A. McW. Willis
Sol. M. Coulter
Mrs. Annie Southerland
W. W. Rucker
A. V. Sutter

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the State.

T. C. Catchings
Atty. Gen.

Feby, 10, 1882,

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Parish of Grace Church, Canton, Miss, is hereby approved.

In Testimony, whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Seal

Done at the Executive office in the City of Jackson on this the 10th day of February A. D. 1882.

By the Governor

Robert Lowry

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of the Nativity, located at Water Valley in the county of Yalobusha, and the State of Mississippi:

We, whose names are hereunto written being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church and desirous to act as an organized body under the laws of the State of Mississippi and the requirements of the Constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together and form a congregation or Parish for the Public worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following articles of Association:

Article 1. We acknowledge and accede to the constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi and claim the right to hold such property, for the purpose of this organization as by the laws of the State of Mississippi, religious societies, congregations ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold and we claim all of the rights, powers and privileges, including the right to sue and be sued, in our corporate name

which shall be given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious societies or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations. ——

Article 2. The name of this society or congregation or Parish shall be the "Parish of the Nativity" located in the Town or city of Water Valley in the County of Yalobusha in the State of Mississippi.

Article 3. This society, congregation or parish, shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article 4. We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, society, Congregation, or Parish to be Wardens and Vestrymen for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such until Easter Monday next, and until their successors are duly chosen, viz:

J. E. Ballard, Senior Warden
Jno. Clark, Junior Warden

W. D. Hart
J. K. Tulson
W. Q. Cole
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names, this 23rd day of January A. D. 1882 at Water Valley in the County of Yalobusha, and State of Mississippi, and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Society, Congregation or Parish, as required by law.

Names of incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

J. K. Tulson
W. Q. Cole
A. J. Stallange
Thos. W. Whitney
W. D. ~~Hart~~ Hart
J. M. Clark
Mary Tilden
Henry Gibson
J. B. Whitney
Miss Willana Whitney
" M. L. Phillips
Mr. & Mrs D. Summerfield

Mrs. S. A. Clark
Miss Eva L. Stallange
Mrs. A. J. Stallange
Miss Willetta Bowden
Mrs. E. J. Tulson
Miss Ruth C. Davidson
Mrs Ruth DeHart
Miss Margarite Gibson
Mrs. Rebecca Tomlin
" Hortance Whitney
" Julia Baker
" Lucy Phillips
" L. A. Martin

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the state.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen

Feby 10, 1882

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of the incorporation the Parish of the Nativity, Water Valley Miss is hereby

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office in the city of Jackson, on this the 10th day of February A. D. 1882.

Robert Lowry

(Seal)

By the Governor

Henry C Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Union Mutual Profes-
sional Relief Association.

1 By virtue of the Statute in such case made and provided
W. A. Pitts, J. E. McN Cachin and Fred Beall, citizens of the State
of Mississippi, and such others as they may hereafter asso-
ciate with them, we, and they are hereby incorporated under
the name of "the Union Mutual Professional Relief Associa-
tion" and by that name ~~name may~~ sue and be sued, plead
and be impleaded in any court of law and equity in this
State and have, hold and enjoy all the rights, privileges
and franchises allowed by law to such incorporations in this State

2 That said incorporators may unite with them all acceptable
persons above the age of 21 years, who are now, or have been
members of the Professions and calling of Physicians, Lawyers
Dentists, ministers, Editors, Publishers & Printers and to esta-
blish a benefit fund from which, upon satisfactory proof of
the death of a member who has complied with all the regula-
tions and requirements of this incorporation, shall be paid a
sum ~~certain~~, not to exceed five thousand dollars to such per-
son or persons, as such member may have designated in the
manner & form as required by said incorporation; and said
benefit fund shall be exempt from execution and attachment
& and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or
appropriation by any legal process, whatever for any debts of
the member or his assigns

3 That said association shall issue to each member, upon
his compliance with all the rules and regulations thereof
a certificate of membership which shall upon its face the a-
mount of the benefit to which the holder thereof may be entitled
at the death of said member and the same shall be transfer-
able upon such terms, rules and regulations as said associa-
tion may adopt, not in violation of the laws or constitution
of this State or United States.

4 That said association shall have power to make such rules regulations and by-laws as they may deem proper for the best interest & government of said incorporation provided the same be not inconsistent with the constitution and ~~by~~-laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

5 That said incorporation may have a corporate seal portraying all legal acts and proceedings, which may be altered at the pleasure of the Association.

6 That said association may transact business in any part of this State and for that purpose may establish one or more offices for the transaction of business, in such place or places as the association may designate.

7 That said association may hold real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

8. That there shall be no fixed limit to the period for which said incorporation may exist, but the same shall be perpetual, subject alone to the laws of this State.

The foregoing charter is without constitution or legal objection.

Nov. 10, 1882

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive Office, Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the "Union Mutual Professional Relief Association," is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of State to be affixed.

Done at the Executive office in the city of Jackson on the 13th day of November A.D. 1882.

Seal

By the Governor

Robert Lowry

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

An act to be entitled an act to incorporate the First Macedonia Baptist Missionary Association of Wilkinson County Mississippi.

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Mississippi that Revds. J. M. P. Williams, B. Bradford, Wm Ray, William Harris, S. M. Duffy, Alexander J. Willis, E. T. Armstrong, H. Marshall, J. W. H. Brown, A. Rowes, N. Brown, Willis Davis, S. Brodies, Bro. James; Wm Duffy, N. Jackson, Jackson Dixon, Rev. H. Porter, Rev. John Jackson, Simon Whitfield, N. Brown, J. Hicks and such other persons as they may associate with them are hereby created and constituted a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the First Macedonia Baptist Missionary association of Wilkinson County of the state of Mississippi, and by that name shall have perpetual succession and they & their successors may ~~or may not~~ and shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in this state and may have a common and may alter and change the same at pleasure and shall be capable of receiving and acquiring real or personal estate by deed, gift, purchase, or donation not to exceed in value the sum of five thousand dollars; they may make such by laws, rules and regulations for the government of said association as to them may seem right and proper not inconsistent with the constitution of the United States or of the state of Mississippi.

Section 2. Be it further enacted that the aim and object of this corporation shall be for the good and promotion of religious and educational purposes.

Section 3. Be it further enacted that those persons named in the first section of this act and their associates and successors shall elect any officer or officers provided for in the by-laws of said association and in the manner provided for and said paid officers shall hold their office for one year or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Section 4. Be it further enacted that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

I find no legal or constitutional objections to any of the provisions of the foregoing charter. T. C. Catchings, Atty Gen. Feb 14, 1882

Executive Office Jackson, Miss. February, 17, 1882

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the First Macedonia Baptist Missionary association of Wilkinson County, Mississippi is hereby approved. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed. Done at the executive office this 17th day of February 1882. By the Governor

(Seal)

Robert Lowry

Henry C. Myers, Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of St. Mary's Church, located at Lexington, in the County of Holmes and State of Mississippi

We whose names are hereunto written being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, & desirous to act as an organized body, under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the requirements of the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together & form a congregation or parish for the public worship of Almighty God, & adopt the following articles of Association.

Article 1. We acknowledge & accede to the constitution, canons, doctrine, discipline & worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, & the constitution & canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property, for the purposes of this organization, as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies, congregations, or ecclesiastical bodies is are entitled to hold, and we claim all of the rights powers, and privileges, including the right to sue and be sued, in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi, to religious societies, congregations, ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations.

Article 2. The name of this society, congregation or parish shall be St. Mary's Church, located in the town of Lexington, in the County of Holmes, in the State of Mississippi

Article 3rd. This society, congregation, or parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article 4th. We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, society, congregation, or parish to be wardens and vestrymen for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State, & the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such until Easter Monday next & until their successors are duly chosen, viz:

William F. Stansbury, Sr. Warden
Geo. C. Phillips, M.D. Jr. Warden

Jas. T. Wade
Jno. C. Irwin
C. W. Irwin
C. Ollinburg
J. D. Dabney, M.D.
R. K. Jones, M.D.

Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names, this 18th day of April, A.D. 1881, at Lexington, in the county of Holmes and State of Mississippi & the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this society, congregation or parish as required by law
Name of incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

B. Halstead
W.F. Glansbury
C. Altenberg
G. C. Phillips
M. G. Dorroughery
Jas. T. Meade
J. E. Irwin

I find nothing in the foregoing act of incorporation in violation of the laws or constitution of the State of Mississippi
Feby. 20, 1882
T. C. Catchings,
Atty. Genl.

Executive Office Jackson, Miss
February 20th 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Saint St. Thomas's Church, located at Lexington, in Holmes County Mississippi, and written on pages numbered 1, 2, & 3 consecutively is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office this
February 20th A. D. 1882.
Robert Lowry

(Seal)

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The charter of incorporation of the Parish of the Redeemer, located at Biloxi, in the County of Harrison, State of Mississippi.

We whose names are hereunto ~~subscribed~~ written, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and desirous to act as an organized body, under the laws of the State of Mississippi and the requirements of the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Mississippi do hereby associate ourselves together and form a congregation or parish for the public worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following articles of Association.

Article I. We acknowledge and accede to the constitution, canons, doctrine discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Mississippi; and claim the right to hold such property, for the purposes of this organization, as, by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies, congregations, ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold; and we claim all the rights, powers and privileges including the right to sue and be sued in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious, societies, congregations, or ecclesiastical bodies who incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations.

Article II. The name of this society, congregation or parish shall be the parish (or church) of the Redeemer, located in the Town of Biloxi, in the County of Harrison, in the State of Mississippi.

Article III. This society, congregation or Parish shall exist in perpetuity, as a corporate body.

Article IV. We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, society, congregation, or parish to be wardens and vestrymen, for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this state and the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Mississippi; who shall hold their offices as such until Easter monday next, and until their successors are duly chosen; viz;

Damison Haycock, Senior Warden
Wm P. Walthall, Junior Warden

Harvey C. James
Charles Schumann
William C. Grant
} Vestrymen

Adopted and approved with our names, this fifteenth day of February A.D. 1882, At Biloxi, in the county of Harrison and State of Mississippi; and the same has been ordered in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this society, congregation or parish as required by law.

Names of incorporators approved hereto with our own hands.

James Magrock L. Schumann (by walthall) E. A. Laing
W. T. Walthall W. L. Grant K. M. Laing
Harry L. James J. A. James C. F. Theobald

Held nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of the State.

A.D. 23rd 1882.

D. L. Hutchings,
Atty. Gen.

Executive Office Jackson Miss
February 23rd 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Parish of the Redeemer, located at Biloxi, Harrison County is hereby approved.

Seal

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.
Done at the executive office this 23rd day of February A.D. 1882.
Robert Lowry

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Incorporation of the Colored Mutual Benefit Association of Verona Mississippi.

Whereas J. B. Wilkins, A. T. Spicer, L. L. Wiley, J. J. Christian, A. L. Jones and ~~others~~ their successors are hereby incorporated in pursuance of Chapter XXXVIII of the Revised Code of 1880 as a body politic and corporate by the name and style of "The Colored Mutual Benefit Association" for the purpose of promoting benevolence, morality and reciprocal pecuniary aid to the members thereof.

The object of this Association shall be to fraternally unite all acceptable colored men and women above the age of sixteen years and to establish a benefit fund from which in the satisfactory proof of the marriage of a member who has complied with all the regulations and requirements of the said incorporation shall be paid a certain sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars to himself or herself or to any one that he or she may direct and said sum shall be exempt from execution and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal process whatever for any debts of the member, or his, or her assigns.

The foregoing incorporators shall have power to make such rules, regulations and by-laws as they may deem proper for the best interest and government of said corporation: Provided the same shall not be inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

The said incorporation may have a corporate seal for the making and delivering of all legal acts and proceedings which may be allowed at the pleasure of the said incorporators.

The domicile of the said incorporation shall be Verona, Lee County Mississippi.

The said incorporation shall have a president, a secretary and a Treasurer who shall be elected by the incorporators of said association and who shall hold their offices for a term to be fixed in the by-laws of said incorporation.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the Laws or constitution of the State

R. C. Caldwell
Atty Gen

Feby 28, 1882

Executive Office, Jackson Miss
February 28, 1882.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of "The Colored Mutual Benefit Association" of Verona Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the executive office in the City of Jackson on this the 28th day of February A. D. 1882.

Robert Lowry

(Seal)

By the Governor

Henry L. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi

Be it remembered that the subscribers hereto having been elected officers and members of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi do hereby declare the following objects and purposes of said Association:

The practical exercise of the cardinal virtues of charity, benevolence and friendship, and the inculcation and promotion of morals among the colored race.

That the name of this association shall be the "Grand Lodge of the Ancient Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi," and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State; may have and use a common seal and alter the same at will and shall have perpetual succession.

That this association may meet annually at such place as a majority of the delegates to such meeting shall determine; at such meeting the Lodge shall elect a Grand Master, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and such other officers as it deems necessary for the best interests of the Association which officers shall not hold their offices for a longer period than two years, but may be re-elected as often as a majority of the delegates present may desire.

That the association or Lodge may pass and enact a Constitution & any and all by-laws, rules and regulations not in violation or repugnant to the Federal or State Constitution or the laws of this State.

That this association may own use and enjoy property real and personal to the amount of $50,000.00 which they may

and Grand Master of this Association. ——————————
The following are the officers and members of this Lodge are as follows:

Flowers Gattin	Grand Master
John Price	Grand Secretary
J B Sandifer	Grand Marshal
W. C. McCoy	Deputy Grand Marshalls
W. M. Price	Grand Treasurer
H. T. Tillman	Grand Conductor
Anthony Johnson	Grand Chaplain

Members.

C. H. Flowers, M Brantley, W. W. Hicks
Jesse Jourdan Saml Bird M Coleman
E. Hamilton and James Thompson

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals at Hazlehurst Miss. this the 10th day of February 1882.

J B Sandifer Grand Marshal Seal
H T Tillman Grand Conductor Seal
John Price Grand Secretary Seal
W. M. Price Grand Treasurer Seal
James Thompson member Seal
W. W. Hicks " Seal
Saml his X mark Bird " Seal
M his X mark Brantley " Seal
M his X mark Coleman " Seal
Seal

Attest
G D Lowe J P.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State
Feby 28, 1882

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office Jackson Miss
Feby 28, 1882

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Grand Lodge of the Ancient Benevolent Association of the State of Mississippi" is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive Office this the 28th day of February A D 1882

Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the young Mens Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi.

Be it known that the charter of Incorporation of the young Mens Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi heretofore granted under the provisions of Chapter 38 of the code of 1880 of the Statute Laws of the State of Mississippi recorded in the book 8, incorporations on the 8th day of October 1881, in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi be and the same is hereby so amended in each and every respect as that the same shall read in the words and figures following that is to say; the said original charter hereby so amended shall be changed into the words and figures following viz:

Section 1. Be it known that R.M. Ross, C.R. McQueen, A.J. Russell, Jesse Bounds, Henry Brooke, and W.B. Powell and their successors, associates, and assigns be and the same are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of the Peoples Mutual Relief Association and by that name shall have perpetual succession and be capable in law or equity of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, contracting and being contracted with and of purchasing, leasing, holding owning granting and receiving in its corporate name, property real personal and mixed not to exceed in value at any one time one hundred thousand dollars, and the private property of the members, directors, or officers of said corporation shall not be liable in any way to the indebtedness of said corporation but shall be forever exempt therefrom.

Section 2. The objects of said corporation shall be to unite fraternally, acceptable white persons of every age and sex and of every business or occupation, or occupation to give every possible material and friendly aid to its addition defendant upon its principles, or emoluments; to encourage morality, sobriety and good habits amongst its members and beneficiaries, to encourage mutuality, so-members or beneficiaries, and to discourage vice and immorality and to promote benevolence and charity by providing and maintaining a fund or funds to be used in assisting pecuniarily any of its members or beneficiaries upon marriage, death, sickness, or other casualty, accident or misfortune and for these purposes said corporation shall have power to lend for interest or otherwise invest, its monies, or other property, in any manner or for any length of time.

Section 3. For the purposes mentioned in section two hereof said corporation may provide a benefit fund or funds to be used in assisting pecuniarily any of its members or beneficiaries upon the marriage, death, sickness, or upon the happening of any casualty accident or misfortune to any of its members or beneficiaries either during their lives or after their deaths to the families of any of said members

members or beneficiaries who may need, desire and be entitled to pecuniary assistance upon the happening of any of the events to be named and the said sum so provided for any member or beneficiary upon the happening of any of the events to be provided for shall not be liable to attachment or garnishment at the suit of any creditor of said member or beneficiary; his assignee or assignees, may have and enjoy all the rights duties privileges and powers granted to such corporations under and by the provisions of said chapter thirty eight (38) of the Code of 1880 of the Statute laws of said State of Mississippi; may provide rules regulations and by-laws for the admission, expulsion, and management of its members, officers, directors, beneficiaries or employees and the general government of said corporation under this charter; may adopt and have a common seal and alter the same at will; may have all other rights, privileges, and powers, not incompatible with the laws of this state or of the United States or of the terms and the domicile of said corporation shall be in Meridian, in the County of Lauderdale and the State of Mississippi.

Section 4. Said corporation shall be governed by a board of not more than six directors to be elected biennially, and said board shall elect and employ from their number a president, and vice president and shall also elect and employ from their number or otherwise a secretary, treasurer and such other officers and employees as may be necessary to attend to the business of said corporation. Said officers shall be chosen annually or biennially, and in the event of the disability of any officer or employee, the said board may elect or employ another.

Section 5. For the purposes of reorganization under the provisions of this amended charter the persons mentioned in section one hereof shall succeed the Board of Directors now in office elected under section four of said ~~not~~ original charter and shall do and perform for two years hence, all the offices and duties of said Board whom they succeed; may provide for soliciting and regulating membership, do all other acts necessary to the reorganization of said corporation under this amended charter and to the conduct of its business hereafter, and shall hold over until their successors are elected and qualified provided that said board of directors hereinabove provided for shall elect their successors two months before their own term of two years shall expire.

Section 6. Said Board of Directors may require all officers, agents, and employees, to enter into bonds with good and sufficient securities in any penalty they

may appoint, conditioned for the prompt and proper discharge of their duties and at any time for any violation or neglect of their duties said board shall have power to remove any of said officers or agents from office, and order a new election, and may employ others to fill the office as vacant, until a new election can be had

Section 7. Said board of directors shall have power to appoint and pay agents, employ and retain legal counsel, do all other acts necessary to properly and safely conduct the business of the corporation and shall have complete control of the finances thereof, provided that they may delegate their authority to an executive committee, who shall report their proceedings to said board for ratification or rejection. The membership of said corporation shall be unlimited and shall be composed of acceptable white persons of any age or sex.

Section 8. Said board of directors may adopt such rules, regulations and by-laws for the government of said corporation as shall be necessary to carry out the purposes of its creation. No provision of this amended charter shall in any way operate to the prejudice of any right or legal liability accrued to any member of or officer of said corporation under said original charter or and incumbent upon the board of directors now in office under said original charter, to discharge, but the said board herein provided for in section five, shall succeed to all the rights, duties, privileges, powers and legal liabilities enjoyed by and encumbent upon said board of directors as in office under said original charter and the legal effect of this amended charter shall be that the said corporation under its original charter shall pass and be merged into the corporation contemplated in this amended charter, subject to all the rights, duties, privileges, powers, and legal liabilities heretofore enjoyed by and incumbent upon said corporation under said original charter, except that henceforth this amended charter shall be the law of the said corporation.

I find nothing in the foregoing amendment inconsistent of the laws or Constitution of the State

T. C. Catchings,
Atty Gen.

March 7 1882.

Executive Office, Jackson, Mississippi
March 7th 1882.

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Young Mens Mutual Aid Association of Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have here to set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Executive Office this 7th day of March 1882

By the Governor Robert Lowry

Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

(Seal)

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The State of Mississippi
County of Lee.

The Charter of Incorporation of The Lee County Fair Association.

Section 1st That Fom. Isoar, J. M. Allen, J. A. Thompson, J. H. Oglesby, W. C. Bonnett, F. Elliott, S. J. High and C. D. Hood be and their associates and successors are hereby declared a body corporate to be known as the Lee County Fair Association and may sue and be sued by their corporate name and shall have perpetual succession.

Section. 2nd That said association be authorized to open books for subscription to the amount of five thousand dollars and that they may acquire and own real estate to the amount of twenty thousand dollars and personal property to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars.

Section 3rd That the stock of said association not to exceed five thousand dollars shall be devided into shares of five dollars each.

Section 4th That each stock holder shall be entitled to one vote for each share he may hold.

Section 5th That the said stock-holders be authorized when the amount of one thousand dollars shall be subscribed to the capital stock to elect six directors of any of said stock-holders who shall organize by electing a president, secretary and treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer need not be a director but shall be a stockholder.

Section 6th That the said Board of President and Directors of said association shall be authorized to make all needful by laws and regulations for the government of said association and shall have full management and control of the property and money of said association and shall make all contracts for the erection of such buildings and the purchase of such lands as they deem proper.

Section 7th The Secretary and Treasurer shall be required to give bond payable to the association in such penalty as may be required by the Board of ~~Directors~~ President and Directors, four of whom shall constitute a quorum and a majority of said directors present shall be necessary in all matters to be determined by them

Section 8th The stockholders shall by a majority vote locate the ground or place for the establishment of the grounds of said association, at such time and place as may be fixed by the Board of President and Directors

Section 9th The object of this association shall be the exhibition of the result of manufactures, agricultural products, fine stock and such other things as may be deemed necessary by a majority of the Board of President and Directors

Section 10th The association shall be vested with all the powers that pertain to an association of its character and conferred by chapter 38 of the Revised Code of 1880.

Section 11th Said association may if deemed necessary by its President and Board of Directors borrow money and bind the property of the association for its repayment to be used in the construction management and control of said concern.

Section 12th. That the stockholders shall not be liable for debts beyond the amount of stock held and owned by each member

F. M. Hoar (Seal)
Jno. M. Allen (Seal)
F. Elliott (Seal)
J. L. Finley (Seal)
W. C. Bassonett (Seal)
C. B. Hood (Seal)
S. J. High (Seal)
J. H. Oglesby (Seal)
J. A. Thompson (Seal)

The State of Mississippi, Lee County.
This day personally appeared before me the undersigned Chancery Clerk in and for said county the above named F. M. Hoar, Jno. M. Allen, F. Elliott, J. L. Finley, W. C. Bassonett, C. B. Hood, S. J. High J. H. Oglesby and J. A. Thompson and severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing instrument of writing as their acts and deeds, and for the purposes therein contained.
Given under my hand and seal of office this the 15th day of march 1882.

W. C. Bassonett
Chancery Clerk

The foregoing charter is free from all legal and constitutional objections.

March, 24, 1882.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Lee County Fair Association is hereby approved.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Peoples Mutual Life Insurance Company of Meridian Miss.

Section 1. Be it known that W. W. George, A. H. Smith, J. W. Melton, W. C. Fosse and A. J. Gressett, their associates, successors and assigns be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of the "Peoples Mutual Life Insurance Company", and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be capable in law or equity of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, contracting and being contracted with, and of holding, owning, leasing granting and receiving in its corporate name, property, real, personal and mixed not to exceed in value at any one time, One hundred thousand dollars, and the private property of the members of said corporation, either as officers, Directors or agents shall never be liable in any way, or to any extent to the debts of said corporation. The domicil of said corporation shall be in Meridian in the County of Lauderdale, and State of Mississippi.

Section 2 The objects of said corporation shall be to promote benevolence and charity between acceptable white persons of every age and sex, business, & occupation by providing a benefit fund or benefit funds, not to exceed in the aggregate for each certificate holder five thousand dollars, to be paid, upon conditions to be prescribed by said corporation in its by-laws, to the heirs, legal representatives, or beneficiaries of its members either during their lives, or upon their deaths, or upon the happening of any accident casualty or misfortune to any of its said members, and for these purposes said corporation may issue certificates or policies of insurance upon human lives based either upon the death, or upon the happening of any accident, casualty or misfortune, of any of its certificate holders, in sums of one, two, three, ~~four~~ and five thousand dollars, respectively; may collect membership fees and dues from the certificate holders, with which to pay the expenses of management, and mortuary or other assessments, to be used only in paying the certificates held by the members ~~of said fees~~, ~~mortuary~~ thereof, all of which said dues, membership fees, mortuary and

other assessments shall be fixed and regulated by said corporation in its by-laws, as also the terms, conditions and requirements of membership therein.

Section 3. For the purposes mentioned in Section two hereof said corporation may provide a fund to be called the expense fund which shall be raised by membership fees, and dues on the certificates issued by the corporation, and shall be appropriated to the expenses of management; may also provide a fund to be denominated the benefit fund, which shall be raised and maintained by pro rata assessments for mortuary or other benefits, and shall be used only in paying the certificates under its by-laws to the beneficiaries named therein, or their assigns, and the two classes of moneys shall never be consolidated or confused in any way, but shall be kept entirely separate and distinct.

Said corporation may also prescribe by-laws for the admission, management, or expulsion of members; shall declare the terms of membership, and how and for what cause certificates shall forfeit, and become null and void; may have all the rights, privileges, and powers incident to, and necessary for carrying out the purposes for which the corporation is established, granted under the terms of the statute laws of this State, and not inconsistent with the laws of this State, the United States, or the terms hereof; and the benefit funds herein above provided for shall never be subject in the hands of the corporation or elsewhere, to attachment, execution, organishment, at the suit of any creditor of the certificate holder, or owner, or at the suit of any creditor of the heirs, representatives or beneficiaries of any certificate holder, owner, or member.

Section 4. Said corporation shall have no capital stock as a basis upon which to issue certificates of assurance to its members upon the happening of any of the events herein above named, but the expense, and the mortuary or benefit fund shall be raised entirely and only by mutual pro rata assessments, membership fees, and dues. Said corporation shall be governed by a board of not more than five Directors, and said board shall elect and employ from their number or otherwise a President, Vice President, Medical Examiner, Secretary and bank of deposit, and such other officers, agents or employees as shall be necessary to properly, and safely conduct its business, and said Board shall hold their offices for two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified. Said board shall have power to require the Secretary and Treasurer, or any other officer, agent or employee to to enter into bonds with good and sufficient securities, conditioned for the proper discharge of their duties, and at any time for the violation of the conditions thereof may put said bonds into suit; may appoint, employ and pay agents to solicit membership and for other purposes; do all other things, and have all other powers necessary to carry out the purposes for which the corporation is created, or expedient in the safe conduct of its business.

In case said corporation should cease to do the business

for which it is created, the money remaining on deposit credited to the mortuary or other Benefit fund shall belong to the holders of non forfeited Certificates (after payment of existing death claims) in proportion to the amount contributed to said fund by each of said certificate holders, and shall be distributed to said Certificate holders by the ~~affairs~~ officers of said corporation.

Section 6. For the purposes of organization hereunder the persons named in Section One hereof shall perform and exercise all the duties and powers of the Board of Directors hereinbefore provided for, until said board shall be elected and qualified; may open books, solicit membership, do all other acts necessary to the organization of said corporation hereunder, shall proceed as soon as expedient to elect the Board of Directors herein provided for from amongst those persons who may agree to become members, and share the expenses of said corporation, and its management, and when said Board of Directors shall be elected and qualified hereunder, said corporation shall be considered legally in existence, and the terms hereof fully satisfied and adapted.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

Apl 7/82 T. C. Catchings - Atty Gen

Executive Office Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Mutual Life Insurance Company of Meridian Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State ~~of~~ to be affixed

L. S.

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson on this the 7th day of April A. D. 1882

Robert Lowry
Governor

By the Governor:
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of St. James Church, located at Port Gibson, in the County of Claiborne and State of Mississippi.

We the undersigned whose names are hereunto written, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and desirous to act as an authorized body under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the requirements of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together, and form a Congregation or Parish for the public worship of Almighty God and adopt the following Articles of Association:

I.

The name of this corporation shall be "The Rector Wardens and Vestrymen of Saint James Church."

II

We acknowledge and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States - and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property for the purposes of this organization as by the Laws of Mississippi, Religious Societies, Congregations or Ecclesiastical Bodies are entitled to hold, and to claim all the rights, powers and privileges including the right to sue and be sued in our corporate name, given by the Laws of the State of Mississippi to Religious Societies, Congregations or Ecclesiastical Bodies, when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such Corporations.

III

The rents and revenues of this corporation shall be from time to time applied for the maintenance and support of the Rector, Ministers & officers of said Parish, and in the erection & necessary repairing of the church & church yard, Rectory & other property which now does or shall hereafter belong to the said corporation, & to no other use or purpose whatsoever.

IV

This Parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body: but in the case of the dissolution of this corporation for any cause whatever, the lands tenements and other estate, real & personal belonging thereto, shall vest in the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund & Church property of the Diocese of Mississippi, to be held in trust by them for the benefit of a future congregation of members of the Protestant Episcopal Church which may be formed in the same town & upon the same principles as the present Parish and this corporation.

V

The Rector of this Parish shall be elected by a majority of two thirds of the Wardens & vestrymen at a meeting duly convened. No person shall be Rector or minister of this Parish or attorney to execute any of the functions of the same unless he shall have had Episcopal Ordination, and be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, & recognized as such by the Bishops of

this Diocese: or if there be no Bishops by the standing Committee thereof.

VI

The Vestry of this Parish shall consist of no less than five nor more than thirteen persons besides the Rector, to be chosen from the adults male baptised members of the congregation at a Parish meeting holden on Easter monday of each year, or as soon thereafter as possible, the number to be elected having been fixed at some previous meeting of the Vestry. All adult members of the congregation shall be entitled to vote at this Parish meeting; excepting only those who shall refuse, on requisition of the Rector or vestry, formally to accede to these articles of association, but no person shall be qualified to vote at said election who has not subscribed to the support of the Parish during the twelve months preceding.

VII

The said vestry shall have full power to choose their own officers & to fill all vacancies that may occur in their body. They shall annually at their first meeting after their election choose one of their own members to be Junior Church Warden - the Rector for the time being having already appointed another of said vestrymen to be senior Church Warden. In case of vacancy in the office of Rector both Wardens shall be chosen by the vestrymen: and during such vacancy the Church Wardens & Vestrymen for the time being shall have the same power and authorities as are hereby vested in the Rector wardens and Vestrymen, provided always that it shall be the duty of said Wardens & vestrymen to elect another Rector to supply the vacancy as soon as may be. The said vestry shall also at the first meeting after their election, appoint from their own number a Register and Treasurer, and in case from any cause Delegates have not been chosen at a Parish meeting, the vestry shall at that ~~meeting~~ time also appoint Delegates to the Diocesan Council. Three members with the Rector, or one of the Wardens, if there be no Rector shall constitute a quorum of the Vestry.

VIII

The following named persons shall be Church Wardens and vestrymen to continue in office until easter monday next & to continue until others are chosen.

P. B. Magruder Sr Warden
A. S. Walker Jr Warden
S. D. Vertner
Adam Riser
R. W. Magruder
A. K. Jones
A. J. Lewis
P. W. Weeks
Wm R. Myles
} Vestrymen

Adopted & Subscribed with our names this Fifteenth (15th) day of March A.D. 1882 at Port Gibson in the County of Claiborne in the State of Mississippi, and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Parish as required by Law.

Names of incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

Torrell Logan
Rector

A. S. Walker — A. Riser — W. Myles
S. D. Vertner — P. W. Weeks — A. K. Jones
A. J. Lewis — R. W. Magruder — Thos B. Magruder

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.

March 24th 1882

P. C. Catchings
Atty Gel.

Executive Office Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of Saints James Church is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the Executive office in the City of Jackson on this the 24th day of March A. D. 1882.

Seal

Robert Lowry
Governor

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of St Clements Church, located at Vaiden in the County of Carroll and State of Mississippi.

We whose names are hereunto written, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and desirous to act as an organized body, under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and the requirements of the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together and form a congregation or Parish for the Public worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following articles of Association.

Article I

We acknowledge and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, the Constitution & Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property, for the purposes of this congregation, as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies congregations or ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold, and we claim all of the rights powers and privileges, including the right to sue and be sued in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the forming of such corporations.

Article II

The name of this society, congregation, or Parish shall be St Clements Church, located in the town or city of Vaiden, in the County of Carroll in the State of Mississippi.

Article III

This society congregation, or Parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article IV

We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own body, society, Congregation or Parish, to be Wardens and Vestrymen, for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such, until Easter Monday next and until their successors are duly chosen, Viz-

R. R. Hawkins Senior Warden
S. E. McConnico Junior Warden

Jerry E. Talbert
W. R. McConnico
Dr W. B. Whitehead
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names, this Easter Monday, the tenth day of April A.D. 1882 at Vaiden in the County of Carroll, and State of Mississippi, and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Society, Congregation, or Parish as required by law.

Names of Incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

R. R. Hawkins
S. E. McConnico
H. R. McConnico
J. C. Talbert
W. B. Whitehead
O. L. Whitehead
M. S. Nick
M. N. McConnico
L. F. Hawkins
S. C. Talbert
Henry Passon

The foregoing Charter is free from all legal and Constitutional objections.

April 14. 1882.

T. C. Catchings
Atty Gen'l

Executive Office Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of Saint Clements Church is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Seal

Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson on this the 14th day of April 1882.

Robert Lowry

By the Governor

Henry C. Myers
Secy of State

Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property, for the purposes of this organization, as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold, and we claim all of the rights, powers and privileges, including the right to sue, and be sued, in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious Societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the formation of such corporations.

Article II

The name of this society, congregation or Parish, shall be "All Saints," located in the town of Grenada, in the County of Grenada, in the State of Mississippi.

Article III

This Society, Congregation or Parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article IV

We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own Body, Society, Congregation or Parish, to be Wardens and Vestrymen, for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such, until Easter Monday next, and until their successors are duly chosen viz:

C. T. Wood, Senior Warden
A. C. Leigh, Junior Warden

B. C. Adams Jr
W. P. Fowler
Robert Doak
George Herbert
J. S. Kettle
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names this the 10th day of April AD 1882, at Grenada in the County of Grenada and State of Mississippi and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Society, Congregation or Parish as required by law.

Names of incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

C. T. Wood
B. C. Adams Jr
J. S. Kettle
W. P. Fowler
Mrs W. A. Pace
Mrs J. George
Annie Townes
Mrs Pauline Doak
M W. Townes
Mrs B. F. Mitchell
W. O. Davis
Ro A. Armistead
M. E. Armistead
Mrs Fannie Poindexter

A C Leigh
George Herbert Jr
R. Doak
H. Slack
M. L. Walthall
J. B. Smith
J. T. Obenchain

The Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of "All Saints" located at Grenada, in the County of Grenada and State of Mississippi.

We, whose names are hereunto written being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and desirous to act as an organized body, under the laws of the State of Mississippi and the requirements of the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Mississippi, do hereby associate ourselves together and form a Congregation or Parish for the public worship of Almighty God, and adopt the following articles of association.

Article I

The acknowledge and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant

Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, and claim the right to hold such property, for the purposes of this organization, as by the laws of the State of Mississippi religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies are entitled to hold, and we claim all of the rights, powers and privileges, including the right to sue, and be sued, in our corporate name, which are given by the laws of the State of Mississippi to religious societies, congregations or ecclesiastical bodies when incorporated under the general laws authorizing the formation of such corporations.

Article II

The name of this society, congregation or Parish, shall be "All Saints," located in the town of Grenada, in the County of Grenada, in the State of Mississippi.

Article III

This Society, Congregation or Parish shall exist in perpetuity as a corporate body.

Article IV

We hereby appoint the following named persons from our own Body, Society, Congregation or Parish, to be Wardens and Vestrymen, for the purpose of managing the affairs of this corporate body, under the laws of this State, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Mississippi, who shall hold their offices as such, until Easter Monday next, and until their successors are duly chosen viz:

C. T. Wood, Senior Warden
A. C. Leigh, Junior Warden

B. C. Adams Jr
W. P. Fowler
Robert Doak
George Herbert
J. S. Kettle
} Vestrymen

Adopted and subscribed with our names this the 10th day of April AD 1882, at Grenada in the County of Grenada and State of Mississippi and the same has been recorded in a book to be kept for the purpose of recording the proceedings of this Society, Congregation or Parish as required by law.

Names of incorporators subscribed hereto with our own hands.

C. T. Wood
B. C. Adams Jr
J. S. Kettle
W. P. Fowler
Mrs W. A. Pace
Mrs J. George
Annie Townes
Mrs Pauline Doak
M W. Townes
Mrs B. F. Mitchell
W. O. Davis
Ro A. Armistead
M. E. Armistead
Mrs Fannie Poindexter

A C Leigh
George Herbert Jr
R. Doak
H. Black
M. L. Walthall
T. B. Smith
J. T. Obenchain

Eugene H Hinton
D L. Ladd
D. T. Ladd
M E Williams
S. R. Wood
C Domann
Sid B Smith
J. M. Bishop
E. L. Gerard
George Austin
Mrs Geo Austin
Chas Stierle
Cullen Gray
S. V. Snyder
Jennie T. Allison
S. S. Baisbonn
Jas D. Lake Jr.
Maggie D. Lake
Julia Bowles
Pink Bowles
Ida Bowles
D B. McHenry
A Gerard

I find nothing in the foregoing act of incorporation violative of the laws or constitution of the State.

April 18. 1882

J. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Miss-

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Parish of "all Saints" is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Executive office in the city of Jackson this the 18th day of April A D 1882

Robert Lowry

Seal

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Second Baptist Church of Oxford, Mississippi.

1— This Incorporation is created in order that the members thereof may worship Almighty God after the manner usual amongst that denomination of Christians commonly known as "Baptists" and do all other such acts as are usually done for the spiritual welfare of such christians, and for the more ready and satisfactory management of such temporal interests and properties as such body so incorporated may acquire.

2— The Incorporators shall be, and are, Horace Gordon, William Henry Johnson, James Neilson, David Ford, the present Deacons of the body thereby incorporated, their successors in office, and all other the members & communicants of such body, present and future, shall be members of such corporation.

3— The corporate name of such body shall be, The Second Baptist Church of Oxford.

4— Said corporation may be sued and may sue by their said corporate name; may purchase, or otherwise acquire and hold, and transfer property, real and personal; may contract debts for church purposes, and may secure the same by mortgage on the church property or otherwise; may appoint a board of trustees, for such terms as said body see proper, and may fill vacancies therein as the same may occur, which board shall take, hold, and transfer the church property; and make executory contracts for said body; may appoint Deacons as the same are usually appointed by said denomination of christians, which Deacons, when appointed shall have all the powers such Deacons ordinarily possess in such denominations; and may do all such things, and have all such powers, as are lawfully done and possessed by incorporated churches, the intendment of this charter being to enlarge but in no way to narrow the powers and rights of the body hereby incorporated; and the property already possessed by said body is to be subject to all the terms and provisions of this charter.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter in violation of the laws or constitution of the State.
Apl 3, 1882

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl.

Executive office, Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Second Baptist Church of Oxford Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the Executive office in the City of Jackson on this the 3rd day of April 1882

Seal

Robert Lowry

By the Governor Henry C. Myers Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Capital Matrimonial Association

Section 1. This association shall be known as "The Capital Matrimonial Association," and shall be located at Jackson Mississippi.

Section 2. The objects of this Association shall be to fraternize, unite all acceptable unmarried white males and females, and to establish a benefit fund, from which, on the satisfactory proof of the marriage, death, or expiration of the endowment period, of any member of this Association who has complied with all of the by-laws, rules and regulations of this Association, there shall be paid a certain sum, not to exceed the limits of the certificate, to himself or herself, or to any one that he or she may direct, and said sum shall be exempt from execution, and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal process whatever for any debt or debts of the member or his or her assigns.

Section 3. That James D. Stewart, Henry L. Myers, E. W. Peabody, J. W. A. Jones and Geo. Y. Stewart their successors, associates and assigns, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Capital Matrimonial Association" of Jackson Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in this State. That said association may have a corporate seal and alter or change the same at pleasure, and may make all necessary by-laws rules and regulations for the government of said Association and may alter or amend the same at pleasure; provided that the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States.

Section 4. That the private property of the Incorporators, real personal and mixed shall not be liable for any debts of this Association.

Section 5. That said Association may at their discretion purchase and hold real and personal property not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars in value, and shall have power to sell and convey the same at pleasure.

Section 6. That said Association shall have power to select such officers and agents as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the objects of this Association, whose tenure of office and compensation shall be fixed by said Association.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State

Apl 26, 1882

T. C. Catchings
Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Capital Matrimonial Association" is hereby approved.

In testimony wherof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Seal

Done at the Executive office in the city of Jackson, on this the 26th day of April A.D. 1882

Robert Lowry

By the Governor

Henry O. Myers

Secy of State

Incorporation
of
The Mississippi Marriage Association, of Minona Mississippi.

Whereas D. D. Wilkins, P. D. Willy, V. C. Butt, R. J. Allen, T. V. Bailey, R. F. Holloway, C. C. Campbell, D. W. Coleman and W. J. Parker and such other persons as become associated with them are hereby incorporated as a body politic and corporate by the name of The Mississippi Marriage Association and by that name shall have perpetual succession for the purpose of promoting benevolence, morality and reciprocal protection aid to its members.

The object of the association shall be to fraternally unite all acceptable male or female white persons and to establish a benefit fund from which on satisfactory proof of marriage of a member who has complied with all the regulations and requirements of the incorporation shall be paid a sum certain not to exceed Six Thousand Dollars to him or herself or to anyone that he or she may direct, and said sum shall be exempt from execution and shall under no circumstances be liable to seizure or appropriation by any legal process whatever for any debt of the member or his or her assigns.

The said policies to be paid by the assessment of a certain sum from each member of the association upon satisfactory proof of the marriage of one of the assured.

Be it further provided, that the above named incorporators shall have power to make such rules, regulations and by laws as they may deem proper for the best interest and government of said corporation. Provided, the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi and of the United States.

Said association may have a corporate seal for the making and delivering of all legal acts and procedings which may be changed or altered at the pleasure of said association,

Be it further provided that the domicil of the said Association shall be located at Winona in this State

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.

G. C. Catchings
Att Genl

April 26, 1882

Executive Office, Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of "The Mississippi Marriage Association" is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

Done at the Executive office, in the city of Jackson, on this the 26th day of April AD 1882

Seal

Robert Lowry

By the Governor
Henry C Myers
Secy of State

The Charter of the Mississippi Valley Endowment Association

The objects of this Association shall be to promote the welfare of its members by providing a mutual benefit fund to be payable upon their marriage or upon the birth of their children, and to furnish an endowment to those who do not marry, and to promote marriage and morality through said mutual benefit fund.

Charles M. Erwin, R. F. Galyden and A. Vaughn of Winona, Mississippi; J. G. Hamilton of Durant Mississippi; P. M. Savery of Baldwyn Mississippi, W. K. Ingersoll, of Vicksburg, Mississippi, and their associates, successors and assigns are hereby incorporated under the name and style of The Mississippi Valley Endowment Association and as such shall have perpetual succession.

The domicil of the Association shall be Vicksburg Mississippi, but the domicil may be removed at any time the Board of Directors may so order. The Association shall have power to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and shall have a common seal with such device as the Board of Directors may adopt.

The persons hereinbefore named shall

Board of Directors, who shall remain in office for twelve months, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. They shall have power to make rules and by-laws, shall elect the President, Vice-President, Secretary and all other officers, except the Treasurer, and fix their Compensation; they shall have power to create or abolish any office except that of Treasurer and to fill vacancies in any office except that of Treasurer, and to fill any vacancy in said Board. They shall manage the affairs of the Association, fix the rates, scale, assessments, contributions, endowments and membership fees, pay out and make disposition of the funds and assets of the Association, and generally do anything proper or necessary to carry out the objects of the Association, not inconsistent with the laws of this State and of the United States.

The incorporators hereinbefore named and their associates successors and assigns shall constitute a perpetual Board of Trustees whose duty shall be the supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall have power to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees and shall have exclusive right to elect a Treasurer and to select the Bank of Deposit for the money of the Association and to change the same at pleasure, and from time to time, to do such things not contrary to law, as they may think proper and best for the security of the funds of the Association.

The time and place of holding the election for Directors shall be fixed by the First Board of Directors herein constituted, and each member of the Association shall have a vote or votes in the election of all subsequent Boards of Directors of the Association in proportion to the amount of his certificate or policy, that is to say, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars shall constitute one vote and every additional sum of two hundred and fifty dollars shall have one vote in person or by proxy. The persons so elected shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees for confirmation and when confirmed shall be duly qualified.

No member of this Association shall ever be held liable for more than the amount of his assessments and contributions as fixed by the By-Laws.

I find nothing in the foregoing Charter violative of the laws or Constitution of the State.
April 29th 1882 T. C. Catchings - Atty Genl

Executive Office, Jackson Miss
Valley

The within and foregoing Charter of the Mississippi Endowment Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.
Done at the Executive Office in the City of Jackson on this the 29th day of April A. D. 1882

(R. S.)

Robert Lowry

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

See amendment Page 72 - New book - Book 2.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Sons and Daughters of Honor.

Whereas certain persons, citizens of the State of Mississippi have formed a corporation to promote morality, benevolence and charity in said State therefore:

Sec 1. Be it enacted that J. H. Smith, M. Smith, D. B. Watkins, R. C. Chapman, A. Hayes, P. Hayes Alberta Hayes, V. Potter and M. Carraway and their successors be and are hereby created a body politic to be known by the name, style and title of the

"Sons and Daughters of Honor"

and by such name and title shall have perpetual succession and be capable in law of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, and of purchasing, leasing, holding granting and receiving in its corporate name, property, real, personal and mixed, and of instituting other subordinate orders any where in the State similar to the one hereby incorporated, under such laws, rules and regulations as the corporation may enact not in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi and of the United States.

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Sec 8. The said corporation shall have power to create, hold and disburse the funds named in the objects of the corporation for promoting benevolence and relieving the sick under such regulations as it may deem necessary to adopt.

I find nothing in the foregoing charter violative of the laws or constitution of this State

J. C. Catching
Atty Genl.

Executive Office.
Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Sons and Daughters of Honor is hereby approved
In Testimony Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 28th day of November 1883

Seal

Robert Lowry

By the Governor
Henry C. Myers
Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Sons and Daughters of Honor.

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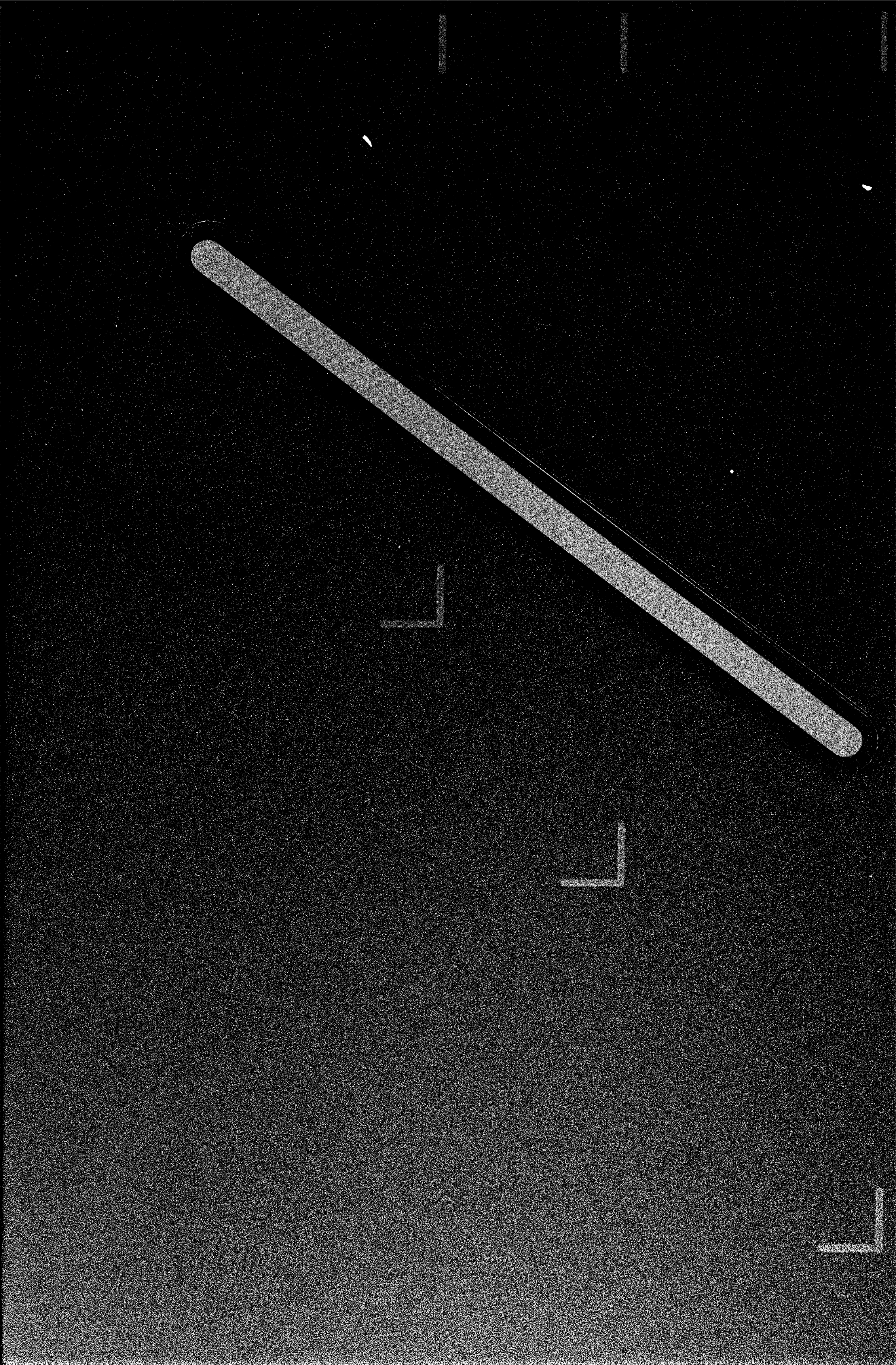
E. C. Catchings
Gen'l

Charter of Incorporation of
The Shubuta Cooperative Association No 501.

Section 1 That G.L. Donald, W.C. Phillips, M.W. Staten, A.L. Thead, G.A. Nash, A. Trotter, W.L. Falconer, M.B. Knight, W.B. Barber, R.B. Kennedy, J.R. Jackson and such other persons as may be now, or hereafter become associated with them, their successors and assigns, be and they are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Shubuta Cooperative Association No 501. in the County of Clarke and State of Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for Fifty years exercising the common rights usually granted to Corporative bodies in this State; to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any Court of competent jurisdiction, and may have a corporate seal, may contract and be contracted with, purchase and hold real estate to the value of Twenty Five thousand dollars ($25000.00) with the same power to sell and convey that individuals possess, and the business of said Association shall be carried on at the town of Shubuta in said Clarke County.

Section 2 That the said Corporators are hereby authorized to establish and maintain a general trade in merchandize and banking for the mutual benefit of the Stockholders, and for this purpose they are authorized to divide their Capital into shares of such size and amounts as may be agreed upon among themselves. The said Corporators may make such By Laws and rules for the transaction of their business as may suit themselves, not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of this State and of the United States; that they may increase the number of incorporators under such rules as they may prescribe, and they may exclude others, or suffer them to withdraw, Provided he she or they receives a just share of the Capital Stock as it is then valued.

Sec 3 That the Stockholders of said Association may elect a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and eight Directors (four of the Directors shall be Elected semiannually) - the President and Secretary shall be ex Officio Directors, the term of office shall