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OF THE

BIBLE SOCIETY

OF THE

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA.

1863:

WITH THE

CONSTITUTION OF THE SOCIETY,

ITS

BY-LAWS, CHARTER,

LIST OF PATRONS, LIFE DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, ETC.



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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BIBLE SOCIETY, C. S. A.

THE opening service of the first Anniversary of the Bible Society of the Confederate States of America, was held at the Presbyterian Church, in Augusta, Ga., April 22nd, 1863, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M. The preliminary exercises consisted of the singing of the Psalm, "I love the volume of thy word;" the reading of Psalm xix., by the Rev. T. V. Moore, D. D.; prayer by Bishop G. F. Pierce; and the singing of the 34th Hymn.

The Rev. Dr. Woodbridge, of Richmond, Va., then delivered a very interesting and instructive discourse from the 12th Psalm, 6th verse: "The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times."

After singing the 136th Hymn, and the anthem, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;" the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Woodbridge, and the congregation was dismissed.

APRIL 23d, 1863.

The Society convened at the Presbyterian Church, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The President of the Society, the Hon. Joseph Henry Lumpkin, being prevented by providential causes from being in attendance, and neither of the Vice-Presidents being present, on motion of the Rev. W. H. Clarke, the Rev. T. V. Moore, D. D., of Richmond, Va., was appointed President *pro tem*. The Rev. Dr. Woodbridge conducted the religious service.

Members from the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, had their names enrolled.

The Society then called for the Annual Report of the Board of Managers. This document was read by the Corresponding Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Myers, as follows:

REPORT.

THE Board of Managers, in making its First Annual Report to the Bible Society of the Confederate States, would, first of all, render praise to God, by whose good Providence we are permitted again to meet, notwithstanding the storm of war that has been raging around us, during the year. Our Society, based upon the foregone conclusion that our country would achieve its independence, finds nothing in the aspect of public affairs to make us hesitate, or draw back from the vigorous prosecution of our work, as confidently as though the world had already received us into the brotherhood of nations. For this, we would acknowledge the protecting hand of God, and render to Him the homage of sincere hearts.

The Board has been so constantly embarrassed, in all its operations, by difficulties originating in the condition of the country, that it has little to report, beyond giving an unvarnished statement of labors more abundant than fruitful, hopes frequently disappointed, and efforts to achieve large results, ending in only partial success.

In stating its labors in detail, it is proper first to report on those matters referred by the Society, at its last meeting, to the Board, as part of its duties.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

On 23d March, 1862—the morning after the adjournment of that meeting, at which the Society was organized and the Board of Managers appointed, the members met to enter upon their work. They then resolved to hold a regular monthly meeting. This has been done—a quorum never being wanted but once; while many called and adjourned meetings have been held, as business presented.

The Board was organized by the appointment of the Rev. W. H. Clarke, Chairman, the Rev. W. J. Hard, Recording Secretary, the Rev. E. H. Myers, D. D., Corresponding Secretary, and George M. Thew, Esq., Treasurer. Committees were appointed, and measures at once initiated to ascertain by what means a supply of the Scriptures could be obtained.

The Society instructed the Board to frame By-Laws, giving the leading principles which should guide its course, and submit them to this Annual meeting. They were accordingly prepared, and the By-Laws under which the Board has been acting, are now presented with a few recent alterations, for approval by the Society.

THE SOCIETY INCORPORATED.

At the first meeting of the Board, a Committee of three legal gentlemen was appointed to secure a Charter for the Society, and at a subsequent meeting they reported, that by a provision in the Constitution of the State of Georgia, the Superior Court of Richmond County was the proper source to which to apply for corporate authority, and that that body had granted a Charter, in accordance with law.

A copy of the Charter is herewith presented.

PROPERTY AND FUNDS OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Convention which organized this Society, passed the following Resolution, and referred it to the Board of Managers :

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Convention, that the Bible Society of the Confederate States should, without delay, apply to Congress for such legislation as will transfer to the said Bible Society, to be by it administered for the purpose to which they were devoted, all property and funds within the limits of the Confederate States, belonging to the American Bible Society, and liable as such to sequestration.

The Board appointed one of its members, W. A. Walton, Esq., and requested the Hons. C. J. Jenkins and W. T. Gould, to act with him in bringing the subject set forth in the above Resolution, before the Congress of the Confederate States, in such way as might best secure its favorable action. After a Charter had been procured, the Board, acting as a corporate body, memorialized Congress to pass a law which should release from the operation of the sequestration act all bequests made to the American Bible Society, and all money and property of that Society within the Confederate States, and which should authorize this Society to hold and use the same, for the purposes to which they were originally devoted by the testators and donors. An act was passed in both Houses of Congress, in conformity to this memorial, but it was vetoed by Pres. Davis. The Board received no copy of the veto message, though it is believed, by a member who saw it in a newspaper, that the ground taken by the Executive was, that the sequestration law had in it the elements of a contract with the parties for whose benefit it was passed, and therefore no part of the moneys, &c., liable to sequestration, could be devoted to the purpose indicated by this act of Congress—or if it could be, that Congress, at least, could not dispose of these moneys, as this would assume the form of a gift, which they could not constitutionally make.

Meanwhile, the Rev. Mr. Shotwell, formerly Agent of the American Bible Society in Texas, had written to the Board, that there were sums of money and property in that State, claimed as belonging to the A. B. S., by Receivers appointed under the sequestration law; and he desired instructions and authority from this Board, to claim them for the use of this Society. The Board could do nothing but give him a power of attorney, to appear before the Courts in its behalf, and to claim the moneys, etc., for the benefit of the friends of the Bible, formerly citizens of the U. States, and members and patrons of the A. B. Society, but now citizens of the Confederacy, on the ground that they were original joint owners with that Society, but having dissolved all connexion with it and established a new centre of operations, are now entitled to a portion of the assets in joint ownership, just as the States of the Confederacy, after seceding from the Union, were entitled to their equitable share of the public property of the late United States. Since this communication was made, nothing more has been heard from Mr. Shotwell, respecting these matters.

THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF CHARLESTON.

It will, perhaps, be remembered, that a Convention of the Bible Societies of South Carolina, in 1861, appointed the Board of Managers of the Bible Society of Charleston, an Executive Committee, to superintend the Bible work in that State—its functions, however, to cease, so soon as a General Bible Society was organized. Then, the said Executive Committee was to report its operations to that General Society, and to transfer to it the funds remaining in its hands.

Accordingly, at the regular meeting of the Board, May, 1862, a communication was received from Dr. N. R. Middleton, President of the Bible Society of Charleston, and Chairman of the said Executive Committee, transferring to this Board the trust confided to that Committee. He reported that during the brief period of its operations, (about eight months,) the Committee had received \$1981.75, expended \$584.64, for 4111 Testaments, paid Agents and other expences \$822.11, and now paid over to the Treasurer of this Society \$575.00—the balance remaining with the Committee.

The Board, through the Corresponding Secretary, acknowledged the receipt of the Report and the funds, with expressions of entire satisfaction with this result, and accepted the trust thus transferred to it. The Bible Society of Charleston has, in another way, given very substantial aid to this Society. Before the Board was able to procure or publish a copy of the Scriptures, that Society received via Nassau a shipment of 5275 Testaments, of the American Bible Society's issue; and its Board at once generously tendered them to this Society. In the bill of charges, as first rendered, there was an error against themselves of \$148.50, arising from computing sterling exchange at

a lower rate than they found themselves afterwards compelled to pay. This additional charge they settled, and, stating the facts to this Board, added, that they desired the sum so paid to be considered a donation to this Society.

AGENTS.

The Executive Committee, just mentioned, had employed the Rev. E. A. Bolles, formerly Agent of the American Bible Society, as its General Agent; and in transferring its trust to this Society, he necessarily became its Agent, during the remainder of his term of service. This fact was entirely agreeable to the Board, and it at once commissioned Mr. Bolles, as its Gen'l Agent, subject to an agreement that had existed for several years between the American Bible Society and that of Charleston, that he should devote three months annually to the service of the latter Society—receiving from it, a portion of his salary—an arrangement it still considered desirable. To this the Board cheerfully agreed; and in May, 1862, Mr. Bolles entered upon his labors, in our behalf. He has visited many of the principal towns and cities of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama, in the prosecution of his work; and has, by his energy, tact and success in making collections, added largely to his well deserved reputation as a zealous and efficient laborer in this department of the Society's operations.

There were several applications during the last summer for commissions, as Agents for the Society; but the Board deemed it, at that time, impolitic to commission any other than Mr. Bolles. For money was coming in very abundantly, with a constant demand for the Scriptures, which we could not supply; and the Board thought it would be an unwise policy, under these circumstances, to have in the field several Agents, soliciting funds. An expectation of a speedy and abundant supply would thereby very naturally be engendered, which we knew must as inevitably be disappointed, and so the reputation of the Society would be damaged. It was thought best, therefore, at that time, to appoint but one General Agent, and to proceed quietly with his aid alone, to make such collections as present necessities only demanded.

This policy was subsequently modified so far as to appoint one additional General Agent. When the Board had made provision for obtaining from abroad large supplies of the Scriptures, and became satisfied that the present was a favorable time to establish a working capital for future operations, it resolved to endeavor to raise for this purpose a fund of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, so that the Society might be prepared for doing an extensive work, so soon as all hindrances were removed. This measure was resolved upon, in December 1862, and in January 1863, the Rev. J. A. Waddell, D.D., was appointed General Agent for the States, lying on both sides of the Mississippi river. He at once accepted the Agency and repaired to his field of labor. Only a general report of moderate success in his collections has reached the Board. He has found his efforts in a degree forestalled, at some points, because they had been previously visited by Agents of local Societies, who have, in some instances, been mistaken for Agents acting under the authority of this Society, and having, unwittingly perhaps, raised expectations of large and early supplies of the Scriptures that it could not possibly meet, they have thereby somewhat injured its credit at these points—the very result apprehended by the Board, when it declined to send out more than a single Agent, to solicit funds for this Society.

AN EDITION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, &C.

At the first meeting of the Board, 23d March, 1862, the Rev. W. C. Johnson, Agent of the Tennessee State Bible Society, in its behalf, tendered to this Society a set of stereotyped plates of the New Testament and Psalms, Agate 32 mo, which were then in Nashville, Tenn.; and Mr. W. H. Thomas, of Tenn., present at the meeting, proffered to bring them through the enemy's lines and deliver them into the possession of the Board. The offer of Mr. Johnson was gratefully accepted; and Mr. Thomas immediately departed

on his mission. On the 9th April, he returned, reported the success of his efforts, and delivered the plates to the Board. Correspondence was at once opened with various Publishing Houses, with a view of issuing a large edition from these plates. The Proprietors of the Franklin Printing House at Atlanta, were the only publishers who made a bid for the contract, and on 28th April, 1862, articles of agreement were signed with them, according to which they were to print an edition of 25,000 Testaments and 25,000 Testament and Psalms—5,000 of each to be delivered by the 1st of June, and all, by the 15th of July—the Board to furnish the requisite amount of paper—but no other materials.

Within a few weeks the contracting proprietors sold their office, and with the sale, transferred the contract to the purchasers. This sale took place before any of the books had been delivered. After many vexatious delays and disappointments, the first boxes of books—only 2000—reached the Depository in Augusta, on 28th August—the rest not being ready, because binder's material and workmen could not be secured. Meanwhile, so great was the demand for Testaments for the soldiers, that the Board had disposed of 10,000 copies either in sheets or only folded, which the purchasers finished at other binderies. Altogether, 29,000 have been disposed of, in this unfinished condition. Through September and October, the Board received about 1000 copies every fortnight; but in November the Publishers appealed to the Board, to assist them in procuring boards for binding, as they were brought to a stand for want of them. Eventually, the Board appointed Mr. Thomas, a special agent to endeavor to procure binder's material, to help the Publishers complete their contract; and, at last, they were compelled to deliver the books—not bound as was expected—but only covered with a stiff thick paper, far below the strength and durability of paste-board. The Board makes these statements to show the difficulties it constantly met; and to account for the fact, that it was not until March, 1863, that the edition was reported ready for delivery that was to have been delivered by 15th July, 1862,—and more than half of these were sold without having been bound.

When the edition of 50,000 had been printed, there remaining enough paper in the office to print eight or ten thousand more, the Publishers were instructed to use it in that way; and the Board, having made fruitless efforts to get other Publishers to undertake the work, in February contracted again with the same Publishers to print an edition of 12,000, which was to be delivered by 10th April, instant. The books are not yet received; though the Publishers promise them very soon, and state so circumstantially the difficulties of getting and retaining workmen, that we feel compelled to hold them excused for not fulfilling their contract to the day. As fast as the books have been finished they have been sold and shipped to order, either direct from Atlanta or from the Depository in Augusta, for which latter service the Board feels much indebted to Mr. D. R. Wright and Mr. Geo. M. Thew, two of its members, who have cheerfully rendered much gratuitous aid, in attending to these shipments.

When the edition now under contract shall have been completed, it is highly probable, that the Board will have exhausted all its means of publishing at home, until the war is over. It had resolved to bring the plates to Augusta, to buy paper, and have the press work done here, under its own supervision, intending if no better could be done, to sell the printed sheets, and let purchasers at various points avail themselves of any facilities for binding, that might be commanded. By this means, it was hoped that many binderies, instead of one only, would be finishing up our books. But unfortunately for the prosecution of this plan, just as the plates were returned to us, the Bath Mills, upon which we were permitted to rely for paper, were burned down; and, now, there is no apparent possibility of procuring it in such quantity, as to warrant making a contract for publishing another edition. By this public calamity, the work of the Board would, perhaps, have been suddenly brought to a pause, but for the prospect of a supply of the Scriptures from another quarter, the mention of which brings us to the correspondence with the—

It became evident to the Board, very shortly after it had taken a survey of its field of operations, and when it had ascertained what were the probable means of the supply of the Word of Life at its command, that no agency it could control, in the Confederacy, would enable it to meet the incessant, urgent and constantly growing demand upon it, especially for the Scriptures for our soldiers. Therefore, after some preliminary discussion and consultation with judicious business men and friends of the cause here and elsewhere, the Board, on 25th July, instructed the Corresponding Secretary to proceed to Charleston, and there ascertain what arrangements could be made, through the good offices of some importing house, with the British and Foreign Bible Society, for a supply of the Scriptures, upon terms and conditions to be mentioned presently. The Secretary stated the wishes and the views of the Society to Mr. G. A. Trenholm, senior partner of the house of Jno. Fraser & Co., and immediately received from him assurance that not only this Charleston house, but also the Liverpool house of Fraser, Trenholm, & Co., would give the Board every needed assistance in the prosecution of its plans, and whatever endorsement might be necessary to give it credit abroad. The Corresponding Secretary immediately, therefore, (July 30th) addressed a letter to the Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and confided it to the care of Mess. Jno. Fraser, & Co., for transmission. This letter was followed, at short intervals, by two others of the same tenor. The vessel conveying the first letter was captured at sea; but the second reached its destination safely; and it is here given, that the conditions of the application to the B. and F. B. Society may be understood:

Augusta, Ga., Confederate States of America.

August 19th, 1862.

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY,

DEAR SIR:—You are doubtless aware of the isolation of our Confederacy from the markets of the world. We are waging a war for our existence, and for those principles of self-government bequeathed us by our fathers. We have no doubt of ultimate success; but meanwhile we are suffering for want of many things—for few more, than for the word of God. We were principally an agricultural people—had printed but few books, and had but little of the material for book-making. We co-operated with the American Bible Society, whose head quarters are in the enemy's country, and purchased from it our supplies of the Scriptures. Even before active hostilities commenced, Bibles we had ordered were refused transportation to the South, through the intervention of the authorities of New York city. We are not able to supply our soldiers with the Holy Scriptures, and unless we can furnish to the people the word of God, they may perish for lack of knowledge.

In March 1862, a Bible Society of the Confederate States was organized; and though encountering many difficulties, we have nearly ready an edition of 50000 of the New Testament, and Testament and Psalms—32 mo. agate. But all the processes we can command are too slow for meeting our wants. The demand from our army is great and increasing, and funds are coming in abundantly, but we have no books. We are constrained to look abroad for aid, notwithstanding all the embarrassments that surround importation. In our emergency, I am instructed by our Board of Managers to apply to your Society to learn, if it can by any means help us supply the demand upon us. We are met by two prominent difficulties.

1. Our ports are closely invested by hostile fleets; and though hardly a week passes, but some vessel "runs the blockade," yet there is risk of loss by capture. This risk we propose to encounter—dividing our order into small lots, that too much may not be ventured on any one shipment.

2. A greater difficulty arises from the enormous cost, at this time, of sterling exchange. It now commands 210 per cent—nearly 100 per cent above its usual cost. To pay this heavy rate and also the heavy charge for freights now necessarily ruling, while losing, it may be, some of our shipments by capture, would probably sink a very large part of the liberal contributions with which the public are now entrusting us. At least we would not be able, under these circumstances, to supply the word of God at cheap rates to the destitute.

This fact would seem to preclude further efforts towards getting the Scriptures from abroad, unless your Board of Directors can agree to a proposition, that our Society has instructed me to make, we believing that your sympathy with our destination will induce compliance, if it be possible. The proposition is simply that we be allowed a credit with your Society for the Scriptures we need—say to the value of about £1000—until such time as sterling exchange is reduced to about its usual cost—we paying interest on our purchases until the debt is liquidated.

By such an arrangement we can, perhaps, find speedy relief—while to your Society a channel of usefulness will have been opened, such as rarely presents itself spontaneously to those who are seeking for opportunity to do good.

You will please return your answer to Messrs. Fraser, Trenholm & Co., No. 10 Rumford Place, Liverpool. These gentlemen will act as our agents in conveying orders to your Society, and will give all the necessary instructions respecting shipments to us. We have already ordered books through them to the amount of about £1000, to prevent delay if your answer be favorable. In that case, they will at once transmit that order to your Society.

Hoping that your Directors may find in this proposition an "open door," to the accomplishment of great and constantly increasing good.

I remain, Dear Sir, Very respectfully,
Your obt' servant.

E. W. MYERS,

Cor. Sec. B. Soc'y, Confederate States of America.

With these letters, an order was forwarded for about \$5000 worth of books, which were to be sent from Nassau to Charleston in five installments, in case our application for aid proved successful. On 18th December, 1862, the corresponding Secretary received an answer to his communication, as follows:

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY,
London, 10 Earl Street, Blackfriars.

Oct. 10, 1862.

THE REV. DR. MYERS,

DEAR SIR:—I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th of August, which did not, however, reach us until the 3rd of this month. The request which it contains was immediately submitted to our Committee for their consideration and decision, and, I have much pleasure in informing you that it was unanimously agreed that your request should be complied with, and that the Scriptures should be sent as directed, to Messrs. Fraser, Trenholm & Co., The only portion of your letter, to which the Committee demurred was that in which you proposed that interest should be paid upon the debt until it was liquidated. We could not, for a moment, entertain such a proposition. We are only too thankful, that God has in his providence, put in our hands the means of supplying your wants. Into the Political Question which now agitates the States of America, it is not our province to enter. We hear of multitudes wounded and bleeding, and we cannot pass by on the other side, when it is in our power to do something towards staunching the wounds and to pour into them some few drops of the Balm of Gilead. May He who sitteth above the waterfloods speedily command Peace, and as Jesus in the days of His flesh trod the boisterous waves of the sea of Galilee into stillness, so may He walk upon the rough waters of political strife and fierce contention, which now desolate your country, with such majesty and mercy, that immediately there may be a great calm.

You will then understand, my dear Sir, that a credit has been granted by our Society to the Bible Society of the Confederate States, to the amount of £3000 free of interest, and that the books will be forwarded as directed to Messrs. Fraser, Trenholm & Co., The first order which has already reached us will be executed with as little delay as possible. It will be gratifying to our Committee to receive any account of the work of God, within the District which your Society embraces, with which you may be pleased to favor us.

I am, my Dear Sir,
Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES JACKSON, Secretary.

It will be observed, that the British and Foreign Bible Society, not only refuses to receive interest on the amount of its sales to us until the debt is liquidated, but also generously increases the credit it allows, from £1000, the sum called for, to £3000.

With the above letter came one from Mr. Knolleke, Asst. For. Sec'y, covering the invoice of one shipment to the care of Messrs. Fraser, Trenholm & Co., Liverpool, and within a day or two, there followed the invoice of a second shipment through the same house.

At a called meeting of the Board, on 24th December, action was taken respecting these communications, which action is set forth in the following letter of the Corresponding Secretary to Rev. Charles Jackson:

AUGUSTA, GA., December 21th, 1862.

Rev. CHARLES JACKSON,

Secretary British and Foreign Bible Society,

DEAR SIR—With great pleasure I acknowledge the receipt of your favor of 10th October, which reached me on 18th inst. At the same time I received a letter from Mr. Knolleke, covering Invoice A---nine cases; and a few days subsequently another letter from him, covering Invoice B---seven cases, for the Bible Society of the Confederate States.

At a called meeting of our Board of Managers this day, these communications were read, and I have been instructed by that body, to take advantage at once of the probability of a visit to your country, of a distinguished Presbyterian divine, of Richmond, Va., Rev. Dr. Hoge, to communicate to your Committee by letter, what we hope he will confirm personally---the deep gratification felt by our Board in that Committee's prompt, generous and, indeed, munificent offer of aid to our young and struggling Society. An offer so liberal, so disinterested, so Christian, so promptly followed by the forwarding of supplies, so far exceeding what we had asked, even timidly, cut off as we seemed from the world's sympathy in our life and death struggle for the constitutional liberty inherited from our fathers---an offer too, couched in language so delicate and sympathetic, touched our hearts, and made us feel that whatever seas or differences in institutions divide us, we are yet brethren in Christ Jesus, our Lord. I have yet performed no task connected with my official duty in the Board, more cheerfully than that which now employs my pen; I am only afraid to say all I feel, and what I am sure too every member of our Board feels, lest I seem to use the language of exaggeration. Therefore, I will only add, in the name of my co-laborers in this work, and for myself, we are deeply indebted in every way to the British and Foreign Bible Society, and pray upon it and its officers, the choicest blessings of Heaven.

I remain, Dear Sir,

Yours very truly and faithfully,

E. H. MYERS,

Cor. Sec'y B. S. C. S. A.

With this letter orders were sent, that would exhaust the remaining credit allowed the Board; and in February other invoices were received, showing that the Society had forwarded to Liverpool, all the books ordered in August, 1862. About the 1st of April a communication was received from Mr. Knolleke, acknowledging the receipt by the British and Foreign Bible Society, of the letter we transmitted through Dr. Hoge, and of a duplicate thereof sent later by steamer, and covering the invoice of another shipment, making the sixth already forwarded. Mr. Knolleke, at the same time wrote, that the Committee of the British and Foreign Bible Society, had, "on application made to them by Dr. Hoge, voted 10,000 Bibles, 50,000 New Testaments, and 250,000 portions of the Scriptures, as a Free Grant to the Bible Society of the State of Virginia, mainly for distribution among the soldiers in the Confederate army."

On 12th April, nine cases of books---the first shipment forwarded 10th October, 1862, reached Augusta; and the Board hopes that a favoring Providence will bring them all safe to hand, notwithstanding the dangers of the sea and the vigilance and rapacity of blockading squadrons.

We have not been able yet to adjust the prices of these books, as the bill of charges has just reached us; but to give some idea of the cost of transportation, we will state that the charges on the entire invoice, is about 335 per cent. on the prime cost in England.

It is proper to add that the Board, the Society and the public, are deeply indebted to Messrs. Jno. Fraser & Co., of Charleston, and Messrs. Fraser,

Trenholm & Co., of Liverpool, for the important, we may say indispensable, service they have kindly rendered, in forwarding the objects had in view in opening this correspondence.

BOOKS PUBLISHED, BOUGHT AND DISTRIBUTED.

After this full statement of the efforts made by the Board to procure books, it is now prepared to report the number of volumes that have been obtained, and the number disposed of, viz :

PUBLISHED, at Franklin Printing House :--			
Editions completed--Testaments,	33,559.		
Testament and Psalms,	28,201.		
Nearly ready,	12,000.		73,760.
PURCHASED from Bible Society of Charleston :			
Testaments of A. B. S. edition,	5,275.		
From B. & F. Society --already received :			
Bibles,	755.		
Psalms,	20.		
Parts of Scripture,	240.		
Testaments,	5543.		
Testament and Psalms,	1250.	7,808.	13,083.
		Total	86,843.
Sold,	(Volumes.)		65,878.
Remaining on hand.....			20,965.

Of which all but about 1500 (just received at the Depository,) are yet in the hands of the Publishers, or are comprised in the lot but recently arrived from England, and not yet priced.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Board submit herewith an abstract of the Treasurer's Report, which has been audited by the Finance Committee, and found correct. From this abstract, it will appear that the Receipts to the 1st of April, 1863, have been \$50,905,24,--Disbursements, \$10,222,65,--Balance in hand, \$40,682,59. It is proper to say, that this balance is to be reduced by payments on accounts for printing, freights, &c., not yet liquidated.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.

By the terms of the Constitution--

"All Bible Societies in the Confederacy which shall express their wish to unite with this Society, and which shall agree to make an annual appropriation in aid of its funds, shall be received as co-operative Societies, and be entitled to the privileges thereof."

Several local Societies have, by vote, declared themselves "Auxiliary Societies;" but with one exception, that of the Knoxville, Tenn., Bible Society, they have not reported their work to this Board. It declared itself an Auxiliary Society, and reported its receipts to be \$814,00; its disbursements, \$314,50; its balance in hand, \$499,50. Bibles circulated, 198; Testaments, 2,263; total 2,461. It did not make any appropriation of funds to this Society. Perhaps it may be well to define more expressly the relations between this and Co-operative Societies.

VACANCIES IN THE BOARD.

The Constitution says :

"The officers of the Society shall be elected by ballot; the President, annually; the Managers to serve for two years; provided, however, one-half of the Board first elected, to be determined by lot, shall serve for one year."

Thus it will be seen that at this meeting, one-half of the Board of Managers cease to be members thereof. Which are to retire, is to be determined by lot—a fact the Board mentions only to say, that it has not felt that the decision of this question of membership is devolved upon itself—and, therefore, refers it to the Society conclusive.

The Board having thus rendered a summary account of the manner in which it has endeavored to meet the duties of the responsible trust confided to it, would only add, that to themselves it has been a labor of love, and they have cheerfully devoted to it, their thought, their time, and their energies. They only regret that so little has been accomplished towards meeting the pressing claims of our people for the Scriptures, and especially toward supplying our brave soldiers with that Book of Life, which teaches not only how to live well, but also how to die victorious over more than mortal foes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was referred to a Committee of three, the President, the Hon. C. J. Jenkins, and Robert Bryce, Esq.

In accordance with a provision of the Constitution, that limits the service of "one half of the Board of Managers first elected, to be determined by lot" to one year, on motion of Mr. Bryce—

It was Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to determine by lot what members of the Board of Managers shall retire; and also to nominate candidates to fill the vacancies created thereby.

Messrs. Bryce, Wood and Cunningham were appointed under the resolution.

The By-Laws presented by the Board of Managers were taken up for consideration, and after a few amendments were adopted, as follows :

BY-LAWS OF BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Article I.

MEETINGS.

Besides the regular monthly meetings, special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairman or by any three members of the Board.

At all meetings, seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article II.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

All meetings of the Board shall be opened with prayer, after which the following order of business shall be pursued, unless dispensed with by a vote of two-thirds of the members present :

- 1st. Reading the Minutes and action thereon.
- 2d. Reports of Special Committees.
- 3d. Reports of Standing Committees.
- 4th. Reports of Agents.
- 5th. Communications to the Board.
- 6th. Unfinished Business.
- 7th. New Business.

Article III.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

At the first regular meeting after the annual meeting of the Society, the Board shall elect from its own members a Chairman, a Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary, and the Chairman shall appoint the following Standing Committees :

- 1st. A Committee of Supply and Publication to be composed of five members of the Board.
- 2d. A Depository Committee to be composed of three members of the Board.
- 3d. A Finance Committee composed of three members of the Board.

Article IV.

CHAIRMAN.

This officer shall preside at all meetings of the Board when present, and in his absence a temporary Chairman shall be chosen.

Article V.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

This officer shall keep regular Minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the Society and of the Board. He shall also give due notice of all the regular and special meetings of the Board of Managers.

Article VI.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

This officer shall attend to all the correspondence of the Society and of the Board of Managers not otherwise provided for; and report to the Board monthly. He shall prepare and submit to the Board for its approval, at its last regular meeting previous to the annual meeting of the Society, the Annual Report of the Board, conformably to section 5th of the Constitution of the Society.

Article VII.

TREASURER.

This officer shall take charge of the funds of the Society, and deposit the same in Bank in the name of the Society, or invest them by direction of the Board. He shall check upon said deposits only for such disbursements as shall be approved and audited by the Finance Committee. He shall report to the Board monthly all receipts and disbursements made, and at the end of the year he shall present a full report of the receipts and expenditures of the year with vouchers for the same. He shall also keep a Registry of Membership, in which a correct list of all the Annual and Life Members, and Life and Honorary Directors and Patrons shall appear.

Article VIII.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY AND PUBLICATION.

This Committee shall attend to the purchasing or printing of all Bibles and Testaments ordered by the Board, and shall report monthly to the Board.

Article IX.

DEPOSITORY COMMITTEE.

This Committee shall have the supervision and direction of the Bible Depository, and shall, until a Depository shall have been appointed, attend to the forwarding of all Bibles and Testaments required to be sent from the Depository; and they shall report monthly to the Board.

Article X.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

This Committee shall examine and audit all accounts preparatory to their being paid by the Treasurer, and at the close of the year they shall examine the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer previous to the action of the Board thereon.

Article XI.

BY-LAWS, HOW ALTERED.

The By-Laws may be altered or amended, only by the Society at its annual meeting.

The Committee on the retiring members of the Board, made through Mr. Bryce, the following report, which was received :

The places on the Board occupied by Jas. M. Chambers, E. H. Myers, D. D., A. T. Mann, D. D., W. P. Carmichael, Dr. I. P. Garvin, W. A. Walton, Rev. A. J. Huntington, George Woodbridge, D. D., S. S. Davis, D. D., Col. R. A. Baker, and W. C. Derry, are declared to be vacated.

The Society proceeded to the election of officers.

The Hon. Jos. H. Lumpkin was re-elected President for one year.

The following gentlemen were recognized as the Vice-Presidents :

DANIEL RAVENEL, So. Ca.	Rev. JOSEPHUS ANDERSON, Fla.
Rev. DAVID WILLS, Ga.	Rev. PHILIP COURTFENEY, Va.
E. A. HOLT, Ala:	Hon. NATHAN GREEN, Tenn.
	Rev. N. H. D. WILSON, N. C.

The following gentlemen were elected to fill the vacancies caused by the retiring members.

J. M. Chambers, E. H. Myers, D. D., S. S. Davis, D. D., A. T. Mann, D. D., W. P. Carmichael, Dr. I. P. Garvin, Hon. W. T. Gould, Rev. A. J. Huntington, George Woodbridge, D. D., Hon. J. A. Inglis, Col. R. A. Baker, W. C. Derry.

Augusta was unanimously selected as the place for the next Annual Meeting.

A motion to fix the time of meeting for the third Wednesday in April, 1864, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., was sustained.

The Society, on motion, took a recess until after public worship to-night.

EVENING SESSION.

Dr. Moore, from the Committee to which was referred the Report of the Board of Managers, submitted the following paper :

The Committee to which was referred the Report of the Board of Managers, would report, that having had the same under consideration, they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, viz :

1. **RESOLVED**, That in view of the extraordinary difficulties that have beset the Board in the prosecution of their work, the Society are highly gratified with what has been accomplished by them, and hereby record their warm approval of the earnest endeavors they have made, whether successful or otherwise, to furnish a supply of the word of God for our armies and people.

2. **RESOLVED**, That the Board be directed to enquire whether any changes may be necessary in our Constitution to give increased efficiency to the operations of the Society, and report at the next annual meeting.

3. **RESOLVED**, That the Report with its accompanying documents be approved, and published in our Minutes.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Dr. Wilson offered the following resolution which was adopted :

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Society are due to Rev. Dr. Woodbridge, for the able and instructive discourse delivered by him, and that they are hereby tendered him.

The Rev. W: H Clarke made the subjoined statement in reference to the interest felt by the late Bishop Meade, in the success of this Society, which was ordered to be placed upon the Minutes.

The late Bishop Meade, of Virginia, felt a very deep interest in the establishment of the Bible Society of the Confederate States.

As he lay upon his death-bed, about the time the Convention assembled to organize that Society, he expressed a desire to become one of its Life Members.

Although he had entered into rest before the Society was fully inaugurated, his dying wishes in this respect have been carried out by the Board of Managers, through his friends in Virginia; and this venerable servant of Christ will always be enrolled among the original Life Members of this Society. May his spirit of earnest devotion, animate all our efforts to extend a knowledge of the blessed Gospel of Christ; and may we with him, be found at the last, Life Members of the Society of the Redeemed in heaven.

Rev. Mr. Clarke stated that he was gratified in being able to state from information he had just received, that the Rev. Dr. Talmage had been made a Patron of this Society, by an unknown friend.

The thanks of this Society, on motion of Dr. Wilson, were tendered to the unknown donor.

Dr. Wilson moved the following resolution :

RESOLVED. That the Board of Managers be instructed to print as large a number of the Minutes of this Society; as in their judgment may be deemed necessary. Carried.

By a resolution offered by the same gentleman, the Board of Managers was instructed to meet to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The Minutes were then read and approved.

A motion to adjourn to the 3d Wednesday in April, 1864, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M., was adopted.

After singing an appropriate hymn, the President pronounced the benediction, and the assembly was dismissed.

T. V. MOORE, President pro tem.

W. J. HARD, Secretary.

**GEORGE M. THEW, Treasurer, in account with the Bible
Society of the Confederate States.**

Dr.

	Dol's.	Cts.
To Cash Received from Life Directors, in sums of \$150 and upwards,	5,000	00
“ “ Received from Life Members, in sums of \$30 and upwards,	13,000	00
“ “ Received from Annual Members, in sums of \$5 and upwards,	2,500	00
“ “ Received for Testaments, &c.,	4,800	00
“ “ “ “ Donations,	25,605	24
	<u>50,905</u>	<u>24</u>

Cr.

	Dol's.	Cts.	Dol's.	Cts.
By Cash paid for printing, etc., viz:				
Mesrs. Wood, Hanleiter & Co.,	907	74		
Mesrs. J. J. Toon & Co.,	2,070	00		
Bath Paper Mills Co.,	4,120	00		
W. H. Thomas, Agent,	438	65	7,536	39
W. W. Hughes, Sec'y Bible Society, S. C. for Testaments,	—	—	1,277	58
“ “ paid for Incidental Expenses, viz:				
Rev. E. A. Bolles, Gen'l Agent,	830	00		
Stationery, Packing Boxes, Postage, Traveling Expenses, &c.,	578	68	1,408	68
“ “ Balance on hand, viz:				
Afton, Walker, Wilson & Co., unpaid,	150	00		
Stock in the Confederate States,	30,000	00		
Cash on hand,	10,532	59	40,682	59
			<u>50,905</u>	<u>24</u>

The above account has been examined and found correct.

D. R. WRIGHT,
JOSEPH MILLIGAN, } Auditing Committee.

April 1st, 1863.

CHARTER.



STATE OF GEORGIA, }
Richmond County. } To the Honorable the Superior Court
of said county :

The Petition of Samuel S. Davis, Joseph R. Wilson, William H. Clarke, William J. Hard, Alfred T. Mann, Ignatius P. Garvin, William C. Derry, Joseph Milligan, William P. Carmichael, Daniel B. Plumb, David R. Wright, George M. Thew, and William A. Walton, citizens and residents of the county aforesaid, sheweth : That your petitioners with sundry other citizens of the State of Georgia and of the other Confederate States of America, have organized an association to be located, for the present, in the city of Augusta, and county aforesaid, under the name and style of "The Bible Society of the Confederate States of America," the sole object of which association is to aid in circulating the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, by printing, publishing or procuring of the same. And for this purpose your petitioners pray an order of this Court, creating them and their associates a body corporate and politic, under the name and style aforesaid, according to the statute in such case made and provided.

And your petitioners will ever pray, &c.

SAMUEL S. DAVIS,
JOSEPH R. WILSON,
WM. H. CLARKE,
WM. J. HARD,
ALFRED T. MANN,
WM. C. DERRY,

JOSEPH MILLIGAN,
I. P. GARVIN,
DAVID R. WRIGHT,
D. B. PLUMB,
GEORGE M. THEW,
WILLIAM A. WALTON,

WM. P. CARMICHAEL.

WM. T. GOULD,
Sol. for Petitioners.

On hearing the foregoing petition, it is—

Ordered that the same be entered on the record, on the minutes of this Court; and that the said petitioners, and their present and future associates be, and they hereby are created a body corporate and politic, under the name and style of "The Bible Society of the Confederate States of America," to be located in the city of Augusta, in said county, with all the powers, rights, and privileges, authorized by the statute under which this order is granted; and it is further ordered, that said corporation shall continue to exist, under and by virtue of this proceeding, for fourteen years from the date of this order.

CONSTITUTION.



SECTION I—NAME.

This Society shall be known by the name of the BIBLE SOCIETY OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA.

SECTION II—OBJECTS.

The objects of this Society shall be classified under two departments, viz: the publishing and the distributing departments, the financial workings of which shall be kept distinct and forever separate.

The framing of the laws which are to govern the Society in its distributions, is left for a more auspicious season.

The objects of the Society, as to the former department, shall be to encourage the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, by the printing publishing, or procuring of the same. The only copies in the English language to be circulated by the Society, shall be in accordance with the text now published by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Further, the Society shall not be debarred from undertaking or aiding in new translations of the Scriptures into Foreign languages.

The only copies to be circulated in other tongues, shall be such versions as shall receive the unanimous approval of the Committee on Versions, said Committee to consist of one from each of the denominations sustaining the Society; PROVIDED, that, until said Committee on Versions shall adopt the needed versions in Foreign tongues, the Society shall circulate those versions issued by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

SECTION III—MEMBERSHIP.

Members of this Society shall be as follows: ANNUAL MEMBERS—being persons who shall annually contribute a sum not less than five dollars. LIFE MEMBERS—being persons who shall have given the sum of thirty dollars in one payment. LIFE DIRECTORS—being persons who shall have given the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. HONORARY DIRECTORS—being ministers of the Gospel whose congregations shall make an annual contribution in aid of the funds of the Society. PATRONS—being persons who shall have given the sum of one thousand dollars.

SECTION IV—OFFICERS.

The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, Vice-President, and a Board of Managers composed of twenty-four members of the Society, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum.

The Vice-Presidents shall be the presiding officers of, or be appointed by, the State Societies, Associations, or Conventions. In a failure to appoint, from whatever cause, the Board of Managers shall make the appointment.

The President and Vice-Presidents, Life and Honorary Directors, and Patrons, shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Board of Managers, and have a deliberative voice therein.

SECTION V—MANAGERS.

To the Board of Managers shall be committed all the business affairs of the Society, subject to the instructions of the Society, as expressed in its By-Laws.

They shall elect one of their number to be Chairman. They shall also elect such subordinate officers as may be deemed necessary. They shall have power to fill vacancies, occurring in their body.

They shall hold monthly meetings, and shall report annually to the Society the operations, condition and prospects thereof.

SECTION VI—ELECTIONS.

The officers of the Society shall be elected by ballot; the President, annually; the Managers to serve for two years; Provided, however, one-half of the Board first elected, to be determined by lot, shall serve for one year.

SECTION VII—ANNUAL MEETING.

There shall be an annual meeting of the Society, when the election of officers shall take place, the report of the Board of Managers be presented, and the affairs of the Society transacted. The time and place of the meeting shall be decided upon by the Society at its previous meeting.

SECTION VIII—CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.]

All Bible Societies in the Confederacy which shall express their wish to unite with this Society, and which shall agree to make an annual appropriation in aid of its funds, shall be received as co-operative Societies, and be entitled to the privileges thereof.

Bible Societies, Associations or Conventions, organized for a whole State, and which shall hold a Bible House or Depository of the Scriptures for the use of all Bible Societies in their State, shall be classed as State Associations. All other Societies shall be classed as Branch Associations.

SECTION IX—BY LAWS.

The Society shall be empowered, at the annual meeting, to make By-laws for its government, not inconsistent with its Constitution.

SECTION X—AMENDMENTS.

No amendment shall be made to this Constitution, unless the same shall receive the votes of three-fourths of the members present at an annual meeting; and such amendments must have been submitted and seconded at the previous annual meeting.

BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

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I.

At the annual meeting of the Society, the President, or in his absence the Vice President then present, and next in seniority of office, or in the absence of all Vice Presidents, any such member as shall be appointed for that purpose, shall preside.

II.

The Recording Secretary of the Board of Managers shall be the Secretary of the Society, and shall keep a record of its proceedings.

III.

All sale of the Scriptures shall be for cash.

IV.

The property of the Society shall be fully insured.

V.

The Society shall devote its immediate energetic efforts to obtaining a supply of Testaments suitable for our volunteers, our children, and our schools.

PATRON-

Rev. S. K. TALMAGE, D. D., Midway, Georgia.

LIFE DIRECTORS.

Armstrong, Rev G D., D D., Norfolk, Va
 Anstey, J A., Augusta, Ga
 Branch, Thomas, Petersburg, Va
 Barnett, Samuel, Washington, Ga
 Chase, Albon, Athens, Ga
 Cumming, G B., Savannah, Ga
 Craig, John, Augusta, Ga
 Davis, Jefferson, President Confederate States,
 Dodge, Rev W H., Lynchburg, Va
 Foard, John F., Rowan Mills, N C
 Hard, Rev W J., Augusta, Ga

Hill, Maj Gen Dan H., C S A
 Harrison, Samuel J., Richmond, Va.
 Jackson, Lieut Gen T J., C S A
 Jessup, Wm C., Augusta, Ga
 King, Rev Chas B., Roswell, Ga
 King, Barrington, Roswell, Ga
 Lipscomb, Rev A A., D D., Athens, Ga
 Lancaster, Robt A., Richmond, Va
 Lee, Gen Robt E., C. S. A
 Leitner, Henry D., Berzella, Ga
 Mitchell, W L., Athens, Ga.,

Merrell, Henry, Royston, Ark
 Morrison, Rev R H., D D., Lincoln Co., N C
 Payne, Wm G., Richmond, Va
 Pratt, Rev N A., D D., Roswell, Ga
 Reynolds, Wm D., Norfolk, Va
 Stillman, Rev C J A., D D., Gainesville, Ala
 Smith, Rev J Henry, Greensboro, N C
 Wood, Rev Jesse, Ala. M. E. Conf.
 Wood, Rev A W., Rowan Co., N C
 Yates, C G., Greensboro, N C

LIFE MEMBERS.

Adams, David L., Augusta, Ga
 Allen, George, Greensboro, N C
 Axson, Rev I S K., D. D., Savannah, Ga.,
 Andrew, Rev Bishop, Selma, Ala
 Ayers, Asher, Macon Ga.
 Alexander, Rev Henry C., Charlotte C H., Va
 Axson, Rev S E., Augusta, Ga
 Adams, Wm., Augusta, Ga
 Adams, Mrs Emma S., Augusta, Ga
 Adams, Miss Ella L., Augusta, Ga
 Adams, Francis L., Augusta, Ga.,

Atkinson, Rev J M., Raleigh, N.C
 Avery, Mrs Susan W., Lincoln, N C
 Armstrong, Dr Nicholas E., Fayetteville, N C
 Alexander, Rev James C., Guilford Co., N C
 Ashlin, Robt W., Fluvanna Co., Va
 Anderson, Joseph R., Bristol, Tenn
 Anderson, Sarah A King, Bristol, Tenn
 Anderson, Joseph King, Bristol, Tenn
 Baker, R. A., Mobile, Ala
 Dean, Mrs J S., Augusta, Ga
 Bobo, Simpson, Spartanburg, S C

Brown, James, Augusta, Ga
 Bancroft, Rev Josiah B., Selma, Ala
 Orangeburg, S C
 Bolles, Rev E. A., Marion, Ala
 Blunt, Mrs E. A., Montgomery, Ala
 Bibb, Mrs S L A., Columbus, Ga
 Bowers, Mrs L C., Columbus, Ga
 Brown, Mrs J Rhodes, Columbia, Ga
 Bryce, Robert, Columbia, S C
 Blackwood, Mrs L B., Charlotte, N C
 Brown, Rev R T., Cheraw, S. C
 Bostick, Rev J M., Cheraw, S C

Bruce, Mrs Nannie C.,	S C	Carmichael, Mrs E. E.,	Augusta, Ga	Dabucy, Rev R L.; D D.,	Hamptden Sidney, Va
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Bolton, James, Jr.,	Richmond, Va	Chisom, Mrs R G.,	Columbia, S C	Dance, Capt W J.,	Powhattan Co., Va
Bolton, Chas M.,	Richmond, Va	Campbell, Wm A.,	Powhattan Co., Va	Dashiel, Willie,	Richmond, Va
Bolton, Maria L.,	Richmond, Va	Cameron, Miss M C.,	Raleigh, N C	Devereux, Miss S H.,	Halifax, N C
Bolton, Jackson,	Richmond, Va	Cunningham, W H.,	Raleigh, N C	Devereux, Mrs A M.,	Halifax, N C
Bolton, B Meade,	Richmond, Va	Crowder, W J W.,	Raleigh, N C	Devereux, Thos P.,	Richmond, Va
Bolton, Hon D M.,	Raleigh, N C	Cuthbert, James E.,	Petersburg, Va	Dashiel, Rev T Grayson,	Augusta, Ga
Barton, Miss Frances,	Lincoln Co., N C	Callender, David,	Petersburg, Va	Davis, Rev S S., D D.,	Columbus, Ga
Bisland, Mrs M L L.,	Natchez, Miss	Cameron, Wm.,	Petersburg, Va	Ellis, Mrs Charles,	Powhattan, Co., Va
Bishop, C R.,	Petersburg, Va	Grenshaw, Lewis D.,	Petersburg, Va	Eggleston, Mattie M.,	Raleigh, N C
Brecks, T T.,	Petersburg, Va	Clayton, Mrs R E.,	Richmond, Va	Erwin, Mrs John,	Greensboro, Ala
Bresee, O S.,	Richmond, Va	Carmichael, Mrs S W.,	Va	English, Joseph,	McDowell, N O
Brown, Rev Wm D D.,	Richmond, Va	Christian, Rev Wm H.,	Richmond, Va	Erwin, Mrs Mary G.,	Lynchburg, Va
Bell, Francis,	Richmond, Va	Courtney, Rev Philip,	Richmond, Va	Early, Bishop,	Lynchburg, Va
Bell, Mrs S I K.,	Dublin, Va	Cowling, Rev James M.,	Richmond, Va	Friend, Charles,	Lynchburg, Va
Barringer, Mrs Rosaline A.,	Richmond, Va	Coehran, Rev J.,	Darlington Hts, Va	Fitzhugh, Agnes M.,	Richmond, Va
Brown, Mrs E H.,	Richmond, Va	Comer, James,	Columbus, Ga	Faulks, Wm.,	Va
Brent, Andrew,	Northumb'd Co., Va	Comer, Mrs Laura B.,	Columbus, Ga	Ferguson, Geo.,	Va
Brent, Randolph S.,	Northumb'd Co., Va	Cocke, Gen John H.,	Fluvanna Co., Va	Fraser, Rev Donald,	Madison, Fla
Bratton, Mrs. Letitia,	Charlotte, N C	Cocke, John H., Jr.,	Fluvanna Co., Va	Fowle, W H.,	Richmond, Va
Baker, Rev J W.,	Charlotte, N C	Campbell, S J.,	Lexington, Va	Fraser, Rev Donald,	Richmond, Va
Baker, Rev Archibald,	Marietta, Ga	Campbell, Mrs Maria L.,	Lexington, Va	Fitzhugh, Mrs Mary A.,	Fredericksburg, Va
Berkeley, Rev P F.,	Amelia Co., Va	Campbell, Wm S.,	Lexington, Va	Fairley, Rev D.,	N C
Butler, Rev Wm C.,	Charlotte, N C	Campbell, Robert,	Augusta, Ga	Faucette, Edward W.,	Caldwell Co., N C
Butt, John D.,	Augusta, Ga	Campbell, Mrs. R.,	Augusta, Ga	Faucette, Mrs Sophia,	Caroline Co., N C
Baker, Alfred,	Augusta, Ga	Clark, Rev J O A.,	Augusta, Ga	Ford, Dr Louis D.,	Augusta, Ga
Baillie, James G.,	Augusta, Ga	Chichester, T W.,	Augusta, Ga	Flinn, Rev Wm.,	Milledgeville, Ga
Burch, J W.,	Augusta, Ga	Davis, Mrs R T.,	Orange C H., Va	Gadsden, Rev C P.,	Charleston, S C
Chandler, Samuel R.,	Edgefield, S C	Davis, Rev J H.,	Va Conference.	Gerdaie, Joseph H L.,	Athens, Ga
Cochrane, J C.,	Sumter, S C	Dobson, Mrs J H.,	Petersburg, Va	George, Mr J N H.,	Mobile, Ala
Chambers, Col J M.,	Columbus, Ga	Dunlap, R M.,	Petersburg, Va	George, Mrs J N H.,	Mobile, Ala
Curtis, Rev Dr.,	Charleston, S C	Dunlap, Mrs R M.,	Petersburg, Va	Golson, Rev L P.,	Selma, Ala
Carroll, Rev W H.,	Lime Stone Spr., S C	Dunlap, Mrs Robert,	Petersburg, Va	Graham, Miss Mary,	Macon, Ga
Callaway, Mrs C C.,	Selma, Ala	Dugger, D B.,	Petersburg, Va	Gould, Hon W T.,	Augusta, Ga
Cuninghame, John,	Greensboro, Ala	Dugger, Mrs M V.,	Petersburg, Va	Glan, Mrs J M.,	N C
Carson, J H.,	Savannah, Ga	Davis, F E.,	Petersburg, Va	Gilkeson, Mrs Fannie,	Marietta, Ga
Caldwell, Samuel,	Charlotte, N C	Davis, H C.,	Petersburg, Va		Brownsburg, Va
	Greensboro, N C		Petersburg, Va		

Gibson, Rev C J.,	Petersburg, Va	Harrison, Mrs Annie,	Knoxville, Tenn	Kings, Thomas E.,	Roswell, Ga
Greenlee, Mr James H.,	Fayetteville, N C	Hall, John H.,	Fayetteville, N C	Kyle, James,	Fayetteville, N C
Giles, A.,	Monterey, S C	Haight, Charles T.,	Fayetteville, N C	Kistler, Mr T J H.,	Rowan Mills, N C
Goggin, John O L.,	Lynchburg, Va	Hale, E J.,	Fayetteville, N C	Kinckle, Rev Wm H.,	Lynchburg, Va
Garland, Mary L.,	Lynchburg, Va	Hamilton, R A.,	Petersburg, Va	King, Mrs Barrington,	Roswell, Ga
Guthrie, Mr H G.,	Fishersville, Va	Harrison, A C.,	Petersburg, Va	Kent, Mrs J J.,	Pulaski Co., Va
Guthrie, Mrs H G.,	Fishersville, Va	Holt, Thomas R.,	Petersburg, Va	Law, Mrs Agnes,	Columbia, S C
Grammar, Rev Jas.,	Cumberland Co., Va	Haskins, Mrs R E.,	Petersburg, Va	Lumpkin, Edward P.,	Athens, Ga
Glover, J G.,	Albemarle Co., Va	Hill, Mrs Laura E.,	Richmond, Va	Lumpkin, Miller G.,	Athens, Ga
Gillespie, Miss Mattie A.,	Sa'vesville, N C	Hoge, Rev M D., D D.,	Richmond, Va	Lumpkin, Frank,	Athens, Ga
Gentry, Mrs Wm Joseph,	Amberst Co., Va	Hugh, Mrs S M.,	Athens, Ga	Lathrop, Henry,	Savannah, Ga
Griffin, Rev John W.,	Charlottesville, N C	Hull, Hon Asbury,	Athens, Ga	Lathrop, Dwight,	Savannah, Ga
Gaston, Mrs Sally T.,	Bath Co., Va	Hull, Mrs A.,	Cumberland Co., Va	Lathrop, F S.,	Savannah, Ga
Goode, Miss M A.,	McDowell Co., N C	Henderson, Mrs Louisa,	Richmond, Va	Lumpkin W W.,	Athens, Ga
Greenlee, Mrs Sarah H.,	Augusta, Ga	Hawes, S Horace,	Athens, Ga	Lilly, E J.,	Fayetteville, N C
Goodrich, Wm H.,	Savannah, Ga	Henderson, Rev Dr M H.,	Augusta, Ga	Lillee, J.,	Greensboro, N C
Hartree, N A.,	Montgomery, Ala	Hatch, Albert,	Augusta, Ga	Landsay, J see H.,	Pendleton, S C
Hubbard, S D.,	Montgomery, Ala	Hall, Charles,	Augusta, Ga	Latta, James T.,	Staunton, Va
Hubbard, Frances W.,	Montgomery, Ala	Irwin, Hall M.,	Charlottesville, N C	Latta, Rev J A.,	Staunton, Va
Holt, Hon E A.,	Mon'tgomery, Ala	Irving, Mrs Lockey,	Bedford Co., Va	Lee, Mrs Edwin G.,	Shepherdstown, Va
Higgins, Rev S H.,	Columbus, Ga	Inglis, John A.,	Augusta, Ga	Lacey, Rev Drury, D D.,	Raleigh, N C
Higgin, Mrs S H.,	Columbus, Ga	Jenkins, Hon Charles J.,	Macon, Ga	Lilly, Henry,	Fayetteville, N C
Hill, Mrs Joseph B.,	Columbus, Ga	Jones, J L.,	Macon, Ga	Lett, J W.,	Fayetteville, N C
Harris, A P G.,	Macon, Ga	Jewett, John H.,	Macon, Ga	Leslie, Robert,	Petersburg, Va
Hill, Mrs. Daniel H.,	Charlotte, N C	Jewett, Geo B.,	Macon, Ga	Lester, John Calvin,	Petersburg, Va
Hopkins, Mrs M B.,	Savannah, Ga	Jones, Rev T M.,	Macon, Ga	Lunsden, W C.,	Petersburg, Va
Hudson, Rev.,	Greensboro, N C	Jones, G B.,	Macon, Ga	Lee, D M.,	Fishersville, Va
Harper, James C.,	Petersburg, N C	Johns, Reason J.,	Greensboro, N C	Lee, Rev G S M.,	Athens, Ga
Harrison, Mrs Eliza M.,	Hanover Co., Va	Jones, Rev Wm F.,	Petersburg, Va	Lampkin, Willie H.,	Lynchburg Co., Va
Henderson, Mrs Frank,	Staunton, Va	Jones, Captain R M.,	Petersburg, Va	Lee, H L.,	Coveta Co., Ga
Hinton, Miss,	Raleigh, N C	Johns, T W.,	Choctaw Nation	Lightner, Daniel,	Richmond, Va
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