



DEMOSTHENIAN SOCIETY MINUTES, 1860-1867



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PREFACE

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Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 4th, 1-60

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The house was called to order, and the first roll being called and absentees noted, the debate then began with usual interest, and continued untill about 12 o'clock. The debate then suspended and the President gave his decision accompanied with very satisfactory reasons in favor of Queen Elizabeth's reign. After some motions were made and carried concerning the proceedings on the anniversary, and other business that was before the house the last roll was called and the meeting adjourned untill Monday evening.

Thos. A. Murry, Pres.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 6th, 1-60

The Society met this evening at the prescribed hour and transacted all the business that was then before the house, and adjourned.

John Cline, Pres. Tri.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 11th, 1'60

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the regular President being necessarily called away. Mr. Burns the first Censor Morum took the seat and called the house to order. The first roll was then called and the absentees noted, after which the roll was called for debate. The members participated generally in the debate at the first roll, but at the last roll the question was mooted with quite unusual warmth untill twelve o'clock, when a motion was carried to suspend the by laws and proceed to business, then debate resumed.



till one o'clock P. M.; thus adjourned till two o'clock. In the
 afternoon,^{after} a warm contest the president gave his decision in favor of
 the affirmative.

We then proceeded with the ordinary business untill we got to
 motions in its regular order, when a motion was made to adopt the same
 question for the debate of next Saturday the 18th which was ruled out
 by a large majority. The Second roll was then called, and the Society
 adjourned.

John Burns, Pre's. Pro. tem.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 13th, 1'60

The Society met this evening at the regular time and transacted
 what business there was then before the house with much dispatch and
 adjourned.

John Cline, Pres. tri.

C. H. Eubank, Sec'.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 18th, 1'60

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the President
 took his seat and called the house to order. The first roll was then
 called and the absentees noted, after which the other minor proceedings
 were gone through with, and the roll called for debate. The members
 discussed this question at some length. The president gave his
 decision in favor of the side that tariffs are productive of more evil
 than good. The following gentlemen was proposed and elected as
 honorary members of this: Dr. L. D. Lord,^{of} Augusta. Other members,

however, were elected as honorary, during the proceedings of the day whose names were not handed in.

The last roll was called and the Society adjourned till Monday evening.

Thos. A. Murry, Pres.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 2/'60

The Society met this evening instead of yesterday evening, the regular day, according to a motion which was carried unanimously, and transacted all the business that was then before the house and adjourned.

John Cline, Pres. Tri.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 25th/60

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The president took his seat and called the house to order. The roll was called and absentees noted, Mr. W. D. Anderson then made a motion to dispense with the debate and invite Dr. Church to deliver a lecture on tariffs for revenue, which was carried without a dissenting voice. The doctor then arose and with some general remarks on government and its ends, by way of introduction, he proceeded with his lecture with the power and dignity of mind that has ever characterized the man. He undoubtedly took the right view of the results of tariffs that they are productive of more evil than good, and he showed most clearly the egregious injustice and oppression suffered from the present tariffs for revenue.

Mr. Church in the most feeling manner admonished one and all of his young but attentive hearers to give some close attention to this subject as being one of the most difficult ones with which government has to deal, then closed, and took his seat amidst the applause of a grateful auditory. The president took his seat and dispatched the business that was before the house, after which the last roll was called and the Society adjourned till Monday.

Thos. A. Murry, Pres.

C. H. Eubank, Sec'.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 27th.

The Society met this evening and discharged with much dispatch the business then before the house and adjourned.

John Cline, Pres. tri.

C. H. Eubank, Sec'.

Demosthenian Hall, Mar. 3d /60.

The met this morning at the regular hour, the president took his seat and called the house to order. The first roll was then called and absentees noted. After which the roll for debate was called and responded to by the members very largely. The debate continued with much warmth until 12 o'clock, then the house adjourned until 2 P. M. when the debate was resumed with its former interest, and continued for several hours in the afternoon. The president gave his decision in favor of the negative.

The following gentlemen's names were proposed and elected as honorary members of the society: Thos. Judge, Thos. Watts, Jef. Jackson all of Montgomery, Ala. also David Clopton of Tuskegee, Ala. The

Society then adjourned until Monday.

Thos. A. Murry, Pres.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Mar. 5th/'60

The Society met this evening and transacted what business there was then before the house and adjourned.

John Cline, Pres. Tri.

C. H. Eubank, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, March 10th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the President took his seat and called the house to order. The first roll was then call and all the absentees noticed.

The new officers then took their seats, and the President upon taking his seat delivered an eloquent oration upon "omnia labor vincil." A motion was then made to dispense with the debate, and proceed to the election of new officers. It was carried almost unan- imously. Several notices were then given by different members that there would be motions made at the proper time for the alteration of some articles in the Constitution.

The President then appointed a committee of five, to examine the President - before taking his seat on the Constitution. By the request of the Society - Mr. Tumlin was then appointed to insert in the Constitution the amendment that had previously been made.

The following gentlemen's names were proposed and elected honorary members of the Society. Hon. George D. Rice, of Marietta, Ga., R. H. Powell, Union Springs, Ala, R. H. Haynes, Desote Pike Co., Ala. and

Hon. James Chestnut - U. S. S. Washington, D. C. The Society then adjourned until Monday evening.

C. J. Reese, Pr.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

March 12th, 1860

The Society met this evening and the regular President being absent John C. Rutherford was call to the chair. The business was then transacted and the Society adjourned.

John C. Rutherford, P. Tr.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, April 21st, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, it being the first day of regular meeting for the present term. The President, C. J. Reese, took his seat and called the house to order - The first roll was then called and absentees noted. On motion the usual debate was dispensed with. Communications and notices being called for, the next thing in order was Elections. The votes for Register being taken, F. D. Wimberly of the Junior class was chosen that officer. Mr. F. then in an appropriate speech returned his thanks to the Society for the honor conferred. The President then announced that the election for Valedictorian to the graduating class was in order. G. W. Rush and H. L. Church were nominated. Mr. Rush was elected on the first Ballot. In a few well-timed remarks Mr. R. accepted and expressed his sense of gratitude to the Society for the place. Elections being through with, The President announced the following committees:

To report on the state of Society at Commencement-

G. Anderson

J. Morgan Smith

W. M. Jones

J. Robinson

J. F. Gore

A. B. Simmes

G. C. Walker

There being no other business before the Society, reports of officers were heard, last roll called, & Society adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec'y.

C. J. Reese, President

Demosthenian Hall, April 23rd, 1860

Society met this evening at usual hour. The Tribunal having dispatched its business Society adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres't.

Tribunal

W. M. Jones, Sec'y.

Demosthenian Hall - April 25th, 1860

There being a called meeting this evening, Society met pursuant to the call. The Cor. Sec'y. informed the Society that both Mr. Lockrane, Principal and Mr. Hull Alternate, declined the place of Private Orator at Commencement. After a little discussion as to whether the election, for persons to fill the place should be held this evening, the Prest. gave notice of a called meeting to-morrow evening when that business would be attended to. Society then adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec'y.

C. J. Reese, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, Apr. 26th, 1860

Society met pursuant to notice of President. Election for "Private Orator" of Commencement being announced, Messrs Julien Cumming of Augusta, G. W. Johnson of Atlanta, and David Clapton of Ala. were put in nomination. On first ballot Mr. Cumming was chosen principal, and Mr. Johnson as Alternate - Society then adjourned.

C. J. Reese, Prest.

W. M. Jones, Sec'y.

Demosthenian Hall, April 28, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The President took his seat and call the house to order. The first roll was then call and the absentees were noticed. G. W. Johnson of Atlanta was then elected an honorary member of the Demosthenian. The Society then proceeded to the discussion of the question in vogue, from which followed a very interesting debate. At twelve o'clock the by laws were suspended and the debate was proceeded with, and the decision was given in favor of the limited Monarchy. Motion then were in order. Mr. Church then made a motion that the President appoint a committee of nine to invite the honorary members up into the Hall at commencement. Mr. Rush proposed that a committee of six be appointed to fix the hall for commencement.

The President appointed the following gentlemen.

Smith	Rush	Hester
Barrow	Walker	Gardner
Milner	Foster	Jones

A motion was then made by Mr. Rush that a committee of three be appointed to write to the honorary members also to request them who are indebted to the Society to pay up. The President appointed the following gentlemen. A. C. Whitner, Charley Ridley, and Harry Wells. Then the Society proceeded to the election of the court of appeals. The following gentlemen were elected. W. L. Church, Pres. Trib., Rush, Gore, Anderson, Wimberly. The Society then adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sect.

C. J. Reese, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, April 30th, 1860

The Society met this evening. The President then called the house to order. The Society then proceeded to the transaction of the business and adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

B. R. Moseley

Pres. Tri.

Demosthenian Hall, May 5th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the President took his seat and called the house to order. The roll was then called the absentees were noticed. The roll was then called for debate, but few members were present. The debate then proceeded with some interest. The President then gave his decision in favor of the Statesman. The Society then proceeded to the election of a regular President to preside on commencement evening. Mr. Reese was elected. The treaty was then read, the Society then adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

C. J. Reese, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Monday Evening, May 7th, 1860

The Society met this evening. The President called the house to order and proceeded to business. After all the regular business was transacted the Society adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

B. R. Moseley, Pres. Tri.

Monday Evening, Demosthenian Hall, May 14th, 1860

The Society met this evening at the usual hour. The regular President took the seat and called the house to order. He then announced to the society that Col. Dougherty, alternate and Robert Toombs had been chosen by the class, for the honorary president at commencement. He then proposed their names to the society, which was agreed to with a dissenting voice. The President then gave notice to the society that the new officers would take their seats on Saturday next. The Tribunal then took their seat and there being no business before the society it then adjourned.

W. M. Jones, Sec.

B. R. Moseley, Pres. Tri.

Demosthenian Hall, May 19th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The roll was called and the absentees noted. It being the day for the new-officers to take their seat, the old President delivered a "short but sweet" and appropriate valedictory which was followed by a delicious repast in the form of a Salutatory by his worthy successor in office. The society then proceeded to the discussion of the question which was carried on until 12 o'clock with much interest. At that hour the by laws were suspended and the debate renewed until one when the Society adjourned until two. At 2 O'clock the Pres. again called the house to order and

the debate was continued with its former interest, and the Pres. gave the decision in favor of the Affirmative. After a little business of no importance, the society proceeded to the election of officers which resulted as follows:

President - W. L. Church.
 1st Censor Morum - G. D. Anderson
 2nd " " - F. D. Wimberly
 Secretary - S. W. Chisolm
 Treasurer - J. Morgan Smith
 Door Keeper - T. J. Hester
 Marshal - J. N. Sheats.

The Corresponding Secretary having given notice that the gentleman elected as private orator would not accept, the Society then proceeded to the election of another, and the almost unanimous vote was given to Sam Harris of Lexington, Geo.

The following is the Standing Committees appointed by the President:

Tribunal - Simms, Gairdner, Wimberly
 On Questions - A. Whitner, Rush, Wells
 On Books - Church, Foster, Walker
 " Library - Roberson, W. Jones, Holleyman
 " Diplomas - Stovall, Barrow, Ford
 " Badges - Hester, Anderson, Smith
 " Motions - Ridley, Hardeman, Hester.
 Corresponding Sec. - Wells.

A committee was then appointed to make out the order of commencement, which consisted of - Stovall, Rush, F. Whitner.

Being no other business of importance before the house, the society adjourned.

B. R. Mosely, President

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, May 21st, 1860

The Society met this afternoon as usual. The Tribunal took their seats and the President called the house to order. The usual business being transacted the Society adjourned.

A. B. Simms

J. Morgan Smith

Pres. Tribunal

Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, May 26th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The roll being called there was only one member found absent which is a good sign of our prosperity. A move was then made to dispense with debate to-day, which was unanimously carried. Another motion was then made to allow the seniors to unite with the others in voting for junior orators, which was to come off to-day. A warm and lively debate sprang up as to the constitutionality of the move as the Seniors this term were considered as honorary members, but at length it was decided both by the honorable chair and the house that the Seniors were regular members and therefore, had a right to vote. The faculty having given the Demosthenian Society seven (7) places at commencement the following members were chosen to fill them:

Anderson	"	Rush
Church	"	Walker
Moseley	"	A. Whitner
"	Wimberley	"

After transacting a little business of no importance, the

Society adjourned.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, May 28th, 1860

The Society met this evening as usual. The Tribunal took their seats and as there was but few members present, the usual business was transacted with promptness and dispatch.

A. B. Simms, Pres. Tribunal

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 2d, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was call to order by the Pres. The first roll being called 13 members were found absent. Under the proposition for the admission of members, the name of Mr. W. H. Belcher was proposed as a regular member of the Society and he was unanimously welcomed into our body. The Society then proceeded to the discussion of the question, which was carried on until 12 O'clock with much interest. At that hour it was moved and carried to suspend the by laws and proceed with the debate until one. The society then adjourned until two in the afternoon. At two the Pres. again called the house to order and the debate reviewed with former interest, and the Pres. gave the decision in favor of the affirmative. A motion was then made to strike out the name of John M. Clark of Atlanta from the list of our honorary members as he was a member of the Phi Kappa. The motion was carried. Mr. Simms - the last treasurer then read his report, which was received. The Society then went back to motions and it was moved that we meet Monday morning at eight o'clock to hear the report of the committee appointed to collect the dues of

the Society, which was carried.

Being no other business before the house the Society adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

J. Morgan Smith, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Monday Morning June 4th, 1860

According to a motion made at the last meeting the Society convened this morning to hear the report of the committee out collecting - which ought to have been handed in at the last meeting. Not having collected but .75 the Society thought it proper to use more stringent means and it was moved that a committee be appointed to see the members of the Society and all who did not pay by next Saturday should be impeached. The motion was carried and Messrs

Rush

Walker

and Simms were appointed upon

the committee. The Society then adjourned.

F. D. Wimberley

J. Morgan Smith, Sec.

Pres. pro-tem.

Demosthenian Hall, Monday Evening, June 4th, 1860

The Society met at the usual hour. The tribunal took their seats, and having transacted with dispatch the regular business, it adjourned.

J. Morgan Smith

A. B. Simms

Secretary

Pres. Tribunal

Demosthenian Hall, June 9th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to

order by the President. The first roll being called 19 members were found absent. The society then proceeded to the discussion of the question, which was carried on with interest - until 12 o'clock. At that hour a motion was made to suspend the by-laws and proceed with the debate, which was carried. The debate was then renewed with its former interest and the Pres. gave the decision in favor of the Affirmative. The committee appointed to collect the dues of the society, then made their report and after some alterations it was moved and carried that it be received. A motion was then made to allow two weeks more to the members who had promised to pay between now and commencement, and also to excuse Mr. A. Whitner from the fines of Mr. Mitchel, which had been imposed upon him, until the end of his college course. Both motions were carried. Being no other business before the house the Society adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 17th, 1860

The Society met at the usual hour. The Tribunal took their seats and the Pres. called the house to order. The regular business having been transacted the Society adjourned.

F. D. Wimberley

J. Morgan Smith

Pres. Pro-tem.

Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 16th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President.

The first roll being called 18 members were found absent. - - -

Under the proposition for the admission of new members, the names of Messrs I. H. Belcher and E. A. Banks were proposed as regular members of the society and they were "with one voice" welcomed into our brotherhood. - - - The Society then proceeded to the discussion of the question and continued until 12 o'clock. At that hour it was moved and carried to suspend the by laws and continue the debate, which was renewed with its former interest and came to a close by the Pres. giving his decision in favor of the Neg.

The corresponding secretary then read a letter from Mr. S. W. Harris, in which he accepted the office of Private Orator at the next commencement. After a little more business of minor importance the Society adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 18th, 1860

The Society met at the usual hour. The Tribunal took their seats and having transacted with dispatch the regular business, it adjourned.

W. L. Church

J. Morgan Smith, Sec.

Pres. pro-tem.

Demosthenian Hall, June 23d, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The first roll being called 23 members were found absent. It was then moved and unanimously carried that we suspend the debate, and also excuse junior orator. A move was then made by Mr. Robinson which was carried that a committee be appointed to form an index to the constitution. Committee: Robinson, Wells, Church. The corresponding secretary then read some letters from Honorary members, and after a little more business of minor

importance the Society adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 25th, 1860

Society met this evening at usual hour. The Tribunal having transacted its business with dispatch, the society adjourned.

J. J. Robinson

J. Morgan Smith

Pres. pro-tem.

Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, June 27th, 1860

At a call meeting this evening the corresponding secretary read before the Society an invitation to them from the military company to attend their celebration upon the 4th of July at the Town Hall. It was then moved that a committee be appointed to make out the order of March for that day, carried. Messrs Smith, Anderson and were appointed upon the committee. The Society then adjourned.

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

A. L. Hull, Secretary, April 4th, 1863

Dem. Society

Berry, Billups, Franklin, Hull, Gunby, Meeker, Young, Hunt, Grimes, Harris.

Demosthenian Hall, August 18th, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Being but few members present, no roll was called. A motion was made and carried that the debate be suspended and that we select a new question for the next debate. On motion the Society

adjourned.

J. Morgan Smith, Sect.

B. R. Moseley, President

Demosthenian Hall, August 20th, 1860

The society met this afternoon at the accustomed time. The regular President took his seat and Messrs E. T. and John L. Martin were elected as regular members and Hon. Jeff Davis and Dr. Lipscomb as honorary. Being no business before the Tribunal the Society adjourned.

J. Morgan Smith, Secretary

B. R. Moseley, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Aug. 26, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The following gentlemen were elected regular and honorary members of the Society.

Regular.

Honorary. This being the day for the new officers to take their seats our retiring president, according to custom, made a very appropriate valedictory, which was followed by an excellent salutary by his successor. A motion was then made and carried to suspend the debate and proceed to the election of officers for the next term. The following were elected officers.

<u>President</u>	<u>First Censor</u>	<u>Morum</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
G. W. Rush	F. M. Stovall		L. H. Barron	A. M. Jones
<u>2d Censormorum</u>	<u>Librarian</u>	<u>Register</u>	<u>Door Keeper</u>	
McMullen	Ware	B. R. Moseley	Berry	
<u>Clerk of Tribunal</u>	<u>Marshall</u>			
Harrison Wells	Edwards			

G. C. Gairdner was elected 2 censormorum for the present term to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of the regular one. A motion was

also made to return the thanks of the society to each of the honorary members individually who contributed. At the last honorary meeting the payment of the society debts. No further business being before the Society it adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Secretary

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Aug. 28, 1860

The Society met this evening at the usual hour and the usual business being transacted it adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. W. Rush, Pres. of Tribunal

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 1, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the president. The following were elected honorary members. L. T. Wigfall of Marshall, Texas, Col. M. I. Hall of the same place, Dr. C. C. Gillespie of New Orleans and John K. Jackson of Augusta, Geo. The roll for debate was then called and the question "Should the Usury laws be abolished?" debated. Decided negatively. At 12 o'clock it was moved and carried that the by laws be suspended and that we do business. A motion was then made to purchase two small tables to be put before each fireplace for the use of members speaking. Carried. The election for anniversary orator before the two societies then took place and resulted in the election of Hon. W. L. Yancey of Montgomery, Ala. and Messrs H. K. Jackson and H. B. Meek 1st and 2d alternates. The election of court of appeals was next in order. The court consists of F. M. Stovall, Pres. and Robinson, Walker, Banks and Ford. The Society then adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 3d/60

The Society met this evening at the usual hour. The tribunal having transacted their business the Society adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Secretary

G. W. Rush, Pres. of Tribunal

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 8, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. After the calling of the first roll a motion was made "that in consideration of the protracted church meetings now going on in Athens, the Society be suspended for today." Lost. Whereupon most of the members retired and barely left a quorum. Those that remained proceeded to debate the question "Should the South secede if Lincoln is elected." It was debated with great interest until 10'clock when the president decided in the affirmative. A motion was made that the president reappoint the standing committee for this term, as the list of appointments was lost. Carried. After which the Society adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 10, 1860

The Society met this evening at the usual hour. The tribunal having transacted their business the Society adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. W. Rush, Pres. of Tribunal

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 15, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by President. At the calling of the first roll most of the members were found to be present. The following gentlemen were elected regular members. Messrs Alexander, Dougherty, Smith, E. Varner and E.

T. Varner all of Tuskegee, Ala. It was then moved and carried that the debate be dispensed with. After which after the usual business the Society adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Secretary

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 17, 1860

The Society met this evening at the usual hour. The tribunal having transacted their usual business the Society adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. W. Rush, Pres. of Tribunal

The following are the standing committees for the present term.

Tribunal - Rush, Ware, Banks

Books - Rush, Gore, Gairdner

Library - Walker, Hester, Milner

Questions - Moseley, Banks, Smith

Hall - Robinson, Belcher, Sheats

Motions - Wells, Ridley, Hardeman

Diplomas and Badges - Gairdner, McMullen, Sheats

To examine next President - Stovall, Moseley, Foster, Robinson, Hardeman.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 22/60

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. The following gentlemen were elected regular and honorary members. Regular - S. R. Perry of S. C. Honorary - Cincinnatus Peoples of Forsyth. The debate was then carried on with interest until 12 O'clock when it was moved and carried that the by-laws be suspended and that we proceed to business. The debate then proceeded until 1 O'clock when it was decided in favor of Pompey the question

being "Who was to blame in the civil war between Caesar and Pompey."

It was then moved and carried that a committee of 3 be appointed to collect names of all the honorary members of the society and put them in a book and that the names of all honorary members hereafter elected be also put in. A motion was also made to appoint a committee of 10 to arrange the books in the library. Carried. The following were appointed. Ford, Moseley, Ware, Stovall, Banks, Cooper, Brittain, Rush. The society then adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 5th.

The Society met this day. The following were elected honorary members. Hon. Wm. H. DeSaussure, Charleston, S. C., Henry Cleveland, Augusta, Ga., V. M. Barnes, Augusta, Ga., Edward E. Ford, Augusta, Ga. The Society then after the usual routine adjourned.

S. H. Hardeman, Sec.

G. D. Anderson, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 12th, 1860

The Society met today at the usual hour and after the usual preliminary business the following members were elected regular members. Mr. Ware, Mr. Strother, and Mr. Pope. The President delivered his address and the new officers then took their seats. A committee was then formed which consisted of 3 viz. Gairdner, Walker, and Robinson to change our Flag.

Foster then moved and it was carried that we change the constnuction of the Treaty as regards the Orator at Commencement and it was carried unanimously. The Society then returned to the election of Honorary members and the following gentlemen were elected unanimously. Hon. F.W.

Pickens, S. C., Gov. Moore of Ala., Hon. J. A. Milton of Ala., Judge Magnath of Charleston, S. C., Gov. Pettus of Jackson, Miss. The President then proceeded to appoint standing committees. Corresponding Secretary, Walker; Com. on Motions, Robinson, Wells and Boughton; Com. on Badges, Gore, Cooper and Foster; Com. on Tribunal, Gaidner, Mosely, Wood; Com. on Library, Sheats, McMullan, Hester; Com. on Hall, Huggins, Berry and Jackson; Com. on Question, Ridley, Ward, Coalman; Com. on Books, Anderson, Brittain, Hardeman. The Society then elected the officers for next term and Boughton was also elected to fill the vacancy of Treasurer caused by Mr. Smiths not return. The officers for next term are For President, Walker; 1st Censormorum, Ridley; 2 Censormorum, Wells; Secretary, Bass; Treasurer, Huggins; Boughton, Librarian; Hardeman, Register; Clerk of Tribunal, Cooper; Doorkeeper, Sheats; Marshall, Strother. Court of Appeals, Robinson, President, Hester, Mosely, Jackson, and Foster members. The debate being dispensed with the roll was called and the society adjourned.

Barrow, Secretary
Rush, President

Demosthenian Hall Society, Jan. 19, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, and after the usual preliminary business. The following gentlemen were elected as regular members: Mr. Render, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Gunn, Mr. Billups, and Mr. Nabers. The Sophomore and Senior Glasses then handed in questions. The debate then proceeded with a good deal of interest, and the Junior Orator, Coleman made a most eloquent and appropriate speech on the question. During his speech some member moved to continue the debate until 1 O'clock. At ten o'clock the Society met

again and after some animated debating the roll was finished. Mr. Wash having attended the meeting was called upon and responded in a long oration full of sound arguments. The Decision was then called for and the president after reviewing the arguments decided in favor of the Negative.

Notice being given that there were some vacancies in the committee on the library the president filled the vacancies by appointing Messrs Brittain, Walker and Ridley. Mr. Robinson gave notice of a motion to change the Constitution wherein it says $\frac{4}{5}$ of the money shall be appropriated to the buying of books and $\frac{1}{5}$ substituted; also a notice of a motion to make the time of speeches on the first calling of the roll 20 minutes long and at the second calling 10 minutes. Mr. Gaidner gave in a report of the committee on books which after some discussion was received. Mr. Moseley made a proposition to write the name of Williams on the back of the picture which was carried and Mr. Moseley appointed to write the name. The register handed in his report which was received. A motion was made to receive to the election of honorary members which was carried and several gentlemen elected. The reports of officers were then read and the society adjourned.

G. W. Rush, Prest.

B. R. Moseley, Sec. Protem.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 26, 1861

The society met this morning at the usual hour and after the rolls were called for handing in questions. As the debate then proceeded with a good deal of interest. The President then gave his decision in favor of the affirmative which was that the reign of Henry 8 was beneficial to England. The last roll was called. The officers then reported, and

the society adjourned. A committee was then appointed to conform with the Phi Kappas concerning the libel of Dr. A. A. Lipscomb consisting of Mr. Walker, Mosely, and Foster. A committee for examining the president of next term consisting Gairdner, Cooper, Bass, Mullan, Wells.

Rush, President

Barrow, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 2, 1860

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the first roll was called, and the proposition for the election of honorary members, then the following gentlemen were elected: Dr. John D. Pope, Madison, Fla., Col. Enoch Vann, Madison, Fla., Capt. John A. Stapler, Belleville, Fla., Genl. David Twiggs, San Antonio, Texas, Augustus Kenan, Milledgeville, Geo., John Davison and Hon. Wm. J. Vason both of Augusta, Geo. Genl. I. W. A. Sanford, Milledgeville, Geo. The debate then proceeded with a good deal of interest, and especially by the young members of the Fresh. and Soph. Classes. The voluntary debate was then carried on with a good deal of interest when the President gave his decision in favor of the side which advocated that political parties are beneficial to a state. By a motion of Mr. Coleman a motion was carried that a member should speak 20 minutes for the first roll and 10 minutes for debating in last roll. A motion was lost for appropriating $\frac{1}{2}$ instead of $\frac{4}{5}$ of the money of the Society to the buying of books. A motion was carried which was that no member be compelled to attend the meeting of Tribunal when there were no fines against him. A motion was unanimously carried which was that a committee be appointed to write all the amendments to be written in the back of the Book. The committee

Consisted of Messrs Walker, Wells, Coleman, Cooper, Hardeman.

A proposition was carried which was that Mess Barrow and Sheats should not be fined until the distance was stepped. A Committee was appointed to step the distance consisting Mess. Coleman, Walker and Pope.

A proposition was carried which was that the question for next Saturday be changed. This question was substituted which was, Was Washingtons conduct towards Aaron Burr justifiable. The officers then gave in their reports. The last roll was called and the Society then adjourned.

Rush, President

Barrow, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 9, 1861

The Society met and was called to order at usual hour. The roll was then called, and the minutes read and approved. The following gentlemen were then elected to honorary membership of the Society, viz. Col. A. W. Brumby and Gen. Lewis, Gen. Ayer. The question for debate was then read, and the discussion then proceeded with uncommon interest until One O'clock - when the Society adjourned untill two O'clock. At that time the Society was called to order, and the debate was finished - which resulted in a decision in favor of the negative. A motion was made by Foster and adopted by the Society changing the day for delivery of the annual oration before the two societies from Thursday after commencement in August to Thursday after commencement in July. A committee was then appointed to arrange the order of march for the anniversary - the President appointed Gairdner, Boughton and McClesky, Foster, Strother and Mosely were then appointed on a committee to

invite the young ladies of the Lucy Cobb Institute to attend the Anniversary. A motion was also made to invite the Military companies - which was adopted. The president then appointed Mess Coleman, Wells and Cooper. Mr. Mosely then reported the result of the nomination for alternates for the orator's place before the two societies at commencement. A motion was then made to refer the said nomination back to the senior class - by whom it was made. The motion prevailed. Mr. Mosely then read a report from the committee appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society in reference to the late libel. The report was then received. Elections were then in order. R. C. Humber was elected private orator and T. R. Mosely alternate. Hon. Chas. J. Jenkins was then elected Honorary president for next commencement and B. H. Hill Alternate. Boughton was then elected "fourth of July - Orator." Reports of committees were then read and Hender appointed Junior Orator. The last roll was then called and the society adjourned.

G. W. Rush, Pres.

G. C. Walker, Sec. pro tem.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 16th, 1861

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, and after the first roll and the usual preliminary business was transacted, the question was read, the first roll for debating was called, the Junior Orator (Hender) was called upon and made a most eloquent speech. Question was and the second roll for debate was carried on with a good deal of interest. The voluntary debate was also carried on with a decision in favor of the side which advocated that Brutus was justifiable in slaying his sons. Mr. Walker gave notice of a motion that, it be criminal to make burlesque speech on questions. Mr. Gairdner gave

of a motion that it be criminal to make a burlesque speech on questions Mr. Gairdner gave notice of a motion which would take effect in two weeks which was that the Society have not the right to change the question which the committee on questions had in. Mr. Coleman gave notice of a motion which was that if any member did not take his seat when the President ordered him to sit down, if he did not immediately do so (unless the said member do so unless the said member appeal to the Society and they return a verdict that the gentlemen was right). If the gentleman did not sit down he be impeached. A committee was appointed to arrange seats for the military companies (consisting of Gairdner, Pope, and Coleman).

Rush, President

Barrow, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 23rd, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order at the usual hour. The first roll was then called. The term of office of our last President having expired he delivered in accordance with the constitution a very appropriate address. The officers for the ensuing term then took their places whereupon the President, Mr. Walker, delivered a most excellent speech. There being a great deal of business before the Society it was moved and carried that the debate be dispensed with. The committees appointed by the President for his term of office are the following:

On Tribunal

Stovall

McMullen

Hardeman

On Motions

Foster

Stovall

Jackson

On Questions

Rush

Mosely

Roberson

<u>On Books</u>	<u>On Library</u>	<u>On Hall</u>	<u>Badges & Diplomas</u>
Gairdner	Brittain	Ware	Barrow
Boughton	Renler	Wood	Pope
Cooper	Edwards	Smith	Gunn

Cor. Sec., Coleman.

After this announcement the election of officers for the next came off and the following gentlemen were elected. DoorKeeper, Smith; Marshall, Wood; Clerk of Tribunal, Cooper; President, Gairdner; First Censor Morum, Ware; 2nd Censor Morum, Gore; Treasurer, Jackson; Secretary, Perry; Court of Appeals, Pres. Wood, Mosely, Robinson, McMullen and Wells. Under the head of communications the following gentlemen of the Phi Kappa Society were reported as having on Friday 2nd passed within the distance mentioned in the treaty. They are these: Tarver, Clarke, Adams, Alexander, Baily and Cobb. The propositions for the election of Honorary members came off at the proper time and the following gentlemen elected: Hon. S. Pope, Walker of Alabama; Col. John S. Preston of So. Co.; Constantine Wood of Georgia and Judge Wm. Edwards of Georgia. There being no further business before the Society it adjourned until two O'clock, at which time the court of appeals sat.

Walker, President

Bass, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 2nd, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order at the proper time by the President. The following gentlemen were proposed and elected to honorary membership in the Society: A. W. Moore, C. B. Martin, Judge D. H. Mays, I. P. Reid, and Dr. J. J. Vernon. The 1st roll was then called and debated with marked interest and animation.

After which the Junior Orator, Mr. Pope was called for and he responded in an admirable speech. The 2nd roll was then called and also debated with great enthusiasm. The voluntary debate was interrupted by the ringing of the 12 O'clock bell and it was moved and carried that we continue the business until 1 O'clock. The debate having ended the President gave his decision in the affirmative. Mr. Coleman gave notice of a motion to change the constitution, wherein it does not allow a member the right to interrupt another unless the former is misrepresented. The President also gave notice that the Court of Appeals will sit next Saturday. Under the head of propositions Mr. Mosely moved that the Society appropriate \$100 in installments of \$25 every presidential term for the purpose of purchasing boats and other ornaments for the decoration of our Hall, which was unanimously carried and a committee of 5 appointed to select the said ornaments. Under communications, Mr. Rush gave notice that He'd received a communication from J. C. Ave accepting honorary membership. Reports were then called for by the President and the committee appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society made the following report: That the Phi Kappa Society through their committee had refused to give as demanded by our Society the language of Mr. West informant and that therefore nothing satisfactory was received from them which report was received. Mr. Rush then moved that the Society return to notices which being done he gave notice that he wished to withdraw his impeachment of Mr. Foster. A discussion arose as to his power to do this, but the Society finally decided that he could do so. The Society then adjourned over to 2 O'clock at which time the following resolutions were taken by the members: That in the late difficulty between the two societies the

Phi Kappa broke the treaty in not complying with the demands and therefore no longer binding to us. The treaty was then moved from the Hall and placed with the other rubbish of the society. The Society then adjourned.

Walker, President

Bass, Secretary

A committee consisting Messrs Gairdner, Coleman and Rush were appointed to make known this action to the Phi Kappa Society and to give the reasons of the same.

Demosthenian Hall, March 9th, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President, Mr. Halls was then introduced and made a regular member of Soc. Hon. C. A. Frazer and George Ward were elected honorary members. The first roll was then called, but only a few members took part in the debate. The Junior Orator was called upon at the proper time but was absent from the Hall. The second roll was called, and debated with more interest than the 1st, the new members especially participating. The debate having finished the President gave his decision in the Affirmative. A motion by Mr. Coleman to appropriate $\frac{1}{2}$ instead of $\frac{3}{5}$ for purchasing books for the use of the Society was introduced and carried. Mr. Foster gave notice of a motion to compell every member, unless personally interested, to vote on all questions that may come up before the Society. Notice was also given by Mr. Huggins to admit ladies to Hon. membership. The gentlemen appointed by the President to examine the next president are these: Mosely, Wood, Strother, Barrow, Cooper, Rush, Hester, Render,- The committee to have Banner fixed. The bills presented for carpeting floor and for music 19th

Feb. were ordered to be paid. The Cor.-Secretary read letters from Messrs Moore and M. C. Grath accepting honorary membership. There were some documents accompanying the letter of Mr. (McGrath)? for which it was moved and carried that he be thanked. On returning to motions it was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to investigate the confused state of the treasury. The following gentlemen compose the committee. Coleman, Rush, Higgins. The reports of officers were then called for by the President and Mr. Boughton made his report as treasurer for that term which was received. There being no other business before the body it adjourned.

Walker, Pres.

Bass, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 16th, 1861

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and after the calling of the roll the following gentlemen were elected Honorary members: Judge O'Neal, Obidiah Warner, George H. Hall, Mr. Pugh. It was then moved that the debate be dispensed with which motion was lost. A motion to omit the last roll was also made and carried. Under head of notices the following were given: One of a motion to change the constitution so that those members taking the affirmative side of the question shall occupy one side of the Hall and those taking the negative the other. One to change the time of the Junior oration. Another of a motion of a change of the constitution so as to appoint 4 members on each side of the question for debate, the rest of the members speaking as they may think proper.

The propositions were these: that Mr. Higgins be excused from a fine preferred under the administration of the last President for non-

performance of duty, carried. That Mr. Gray not be required to pay his initiation fee until he returns to College. That a committee be appointed return on abolition document which having been carried, Mr. Pope, Perry and Foster were appointed on the committee. That the band be paid out of the treasury and the amount be charged to the members, each one paying 50 cts. carried. And lastly that all the new members be forthwith required to pay their initiation fee. The communications read by the Cor.-Secretary are as follows: One from R. C. Humber accepting the position of private orator and one from D. H. Mays and Wadley Thompson accepting Hon. Membership. There being no farther business before the Society it adjourned.

Walker, President

Bass, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 23rd, 1861

The Society met this morning, was called to order by the President and the Hon. Simeon Fair and Hon. M. E. Carns elected honorary members.

Motions then came up and the following ones were carried: That the Society adjourn next Saturday. That a lock put to the Secretaries desk and the same be charged to Mr. Barrow, and that the Senior Class be allowed all the privileges of regular members, but will not be compelled to attend the Hall except when they wish. Hving failed to hear from Mr. Meek it was also resolved that he be written to again and Mr. Render appointed by the chair to do it.

A communication from Hon. J/ P. Reed accepting hon. membership was then read. The committee appointed to examine next President then reported that he was well prepared on all parts of the constitution,

which report was received.

A recur to motions was then moved and it was moved that all members be allowed to read the constitution or by laws without permission from President.

A recur to Propositions was also moved and it was also moved that each member of Soc. be required to pay the sum of 50 cts. before next Thursday, carried. The Society then adjourned.

Walker, President

Bass, Secretary

The question was Aaron Burr guilty of treason: was debated and decided in the negative.

Demosthenian Hall, April 6th, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order at the proper time by the President. The Hon. members elected are: Col. James Farrow, John Henry Hill and Robert Nesbit. A motion to dispense with the debate was then made and carried. Another motion by Mr. Coleman to change the constitution so as to compell the members taking the affirmative side of the question to occupy one side of the Hall and those espansing the negative the other side was also made and carried. At a meeting of the Soc. on Mon. evening, Apr. 8th, Mr. Cooper gave notice of a motion to change the Con. so that there can be no changing of questions after the committee has determined upon them.

The communications received and read by the Cor. Secretary before the Society are these: One from Mr. Meek with his expression of thanks and for the honor done him in his election as Com. Orator, but stating that he would be engaged at that time and therefore could not comply. Another communication from Hon. Charles Jenkins declining the

office of Hon. President for commencement was read and the President instructed the Cor. Secretary to write to Mr. Hill the Alternate. Communications were also read from Hon. A. V. Brumby and Josiah B. Perry, accepting hon. membership. Lastly one from the firm of Mcfarlan and Fugerson requesting the payment of sub. to the Southern Literary Messenger. The Society was not satisfied that it had been paid and appointed a com. consisting of Messrs Wells, Huggins and Bass to investigate the matter. The treasurer reported several members for neglect of duty in non-payment of the sum of 50 cts. for music and the society voted that they be fined 25 cts. There being no further business the Society adjourned .

Walker, Pres.

Bass, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, April 13th, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President and Brig. Gen. P. G. Beauregard, Maj. Ben. W. Collough, Texas, and Col. W. K. L. Walker were unanimously elected honorary members. The first roll was called. The new officers then took their seats. It was moved and carried that the debate was suspended. Also that the Junior Orator be excused. The President elect then appointed the following gentlemen on committee. Cor. Sec., Cooper; Com. on Questions, Render, McClesky and Berry; Com. on Books, Coleman, Bass, and Huggins; Com. on Motions, Hardeman, T. Varner, and Edwards; Com. on Badges and Diplomas, Pope, Strother and Smith; Com. on Hall, Culberson, Jackson and E. Varner; Com. Library, Boughton, Lee and Alexander. On motion Mr. Huggins was excused from handing in his report about members not having paid up their dues for music. A

communication was read from Judge Oneal of S. C., accepting the honorary membership. Communication from the post office for a debt due it of which on motion was ordered to be paid. Communication from Reeves and Co. for debt due them for carpet which on motion was ordered to be paid. Mr. Ware, 1st Cens. Morum resigned his place which on motion was received paying his fine as laid down in the by-laws. The committee on badges and diplomas made their report which was received. The committee on the library also made their report which was received. Report of committee on books was received, also the report of Committee on Motions was received.

Report of Committee on Hall after some debate was received. The report of the Librarian was then taken up and after some debate was voted down then reconsidered, and after some alteration was received. Report of the committee for the purpose of inquiring into the claim of McFailau, Ferguson and Co. against the Society - which amounted to \$15.00 - On motion that \$12.15 be paid them, which was carried. The report of the committee to examine into the state of the Treasury then made their reports which was unanimously received. On motion was made to the effect that all members of the Society who are debtors to it be written to about it. It was moved that all be laid over until next Saturday which was carried. Elections then came off which resulted in favor of Mr. Wood for President, Mess Huggins and Hardeman were elected 1st and 2nd censor morums. Mr. Smith was elected Secretary, Mr. Cooper was elected Treasurer. Mr. Strother was elected Door Keeper, Mr. Simms was elected Clerk of the Tribunal, Mr. Pope was elected Marshall. The President to sit before the Honorary President

takes his seat at Commencement resulted in favor of the election of Mr. Walker. The following gentlemen were elected on the Court of Appeals: Culberson, Pres.; Bass, Render, Sec. and Jackson - Mr. Foster was elected 1st Censor Morum in place of Mr. Ware having resigned. The Society having returned to Propositions it was moved that the Treasurer be empowered to buy a new bucket and to diminish Sam's pay, as he is very negligent in his duty. Committee to make report on state of Society evening before commencement as follows, Render, Culberson, Pope, Cooper, T. Barns, Lee and Gunn. Also a committee was appointed to examine the next President, as follows: Jackson, Alexander, E. Varnum, Bass and Edwards. Also a committee to prepare the seats and fix up the hall for commencement - as follows: Huggins, Alexander, Berry and Lee - The last roll was called and the Society adjourned.

Gairdner, President

Perry, Sety.

Demosthenian Hall, April 20th, 1861

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President. The first roll was called, and the minutes of the last meeting were read. The following Gentlemen were elected Honorary Members to wit: Hon. Isaac W. Hayne of S. C.; Hon. George Ward of Florida; Asa H. Wallace Esqr. of Texas. On motion the debate was suspended. The By Laws having been suspended, a communication was received on accept from Mr. Wood and account of Southern Literary Messenger and on motion was ordered to be paid forthwith. A communication was received from Mr. Pugh accepting the Honorary Membership also communications from J. P. Benjamin and B. H. Hall not accepting

positions offered them by the Society. Mr. T. Varnum was appointed Junior Orator. The last roll was called and the Society then adjourned.

Gairdner, President

J. W. Perry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, April 27th, 1861

The Society met at the appointed time and was called to order by the President. The first roll being called, the minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The Society then proceeded to the discussion of the question and after a very interesting debate the decision was given in favor of the Affirmative. Mr. Foster then made a motion to this effect, that, in case the faculty give diplomas to the Senior class who might leave college on account of political excitement, that the Society grant her Senior members diplomas also, which motion was carried. Communications were then read. The letter from Hon. B. H. Hill, stated that it was uncertain whether he could attend commencement, or not, and the Society therefore thought it expedient to elect someone else. Gen. Beauregard's letter of acceptance as an honorary member of this society was received, and also a letter of acceptance from Mr. J. P. Reed. The President then appointed Mr. Pope as cor. sect. and Mr. Hardeman as Prest. of Tribunal. We then proceeded to the election of Prest. and Sect. which offices had been vacated by Messrs. Wood and Perry. Mr. Hardeman was elected Prest. and See, Sect. The report of Mr. Huggins was read and received. A motion was made and carried, to write to all members indebted to Society for a sum over \$1.00, and if they then refused to pay amt. specified their names should be erased from our list of honorary members. There being no more business before the house, on motion the Society adjourned.

Gairdner, Prest.

B. C. Lee, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall

May 4th, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour and the regular President being absent Mr. Walker was called to the chair. The Society being then called to order, the minutes of last meeting were read and approved. We then proceeded to the discussion of the question, and after an interesting discussion the decision was pronounced in favor of the Negative. The house being then open for business, Mr. Ware, Jr. gave notice that he would make a motion to change the constitution in reference to the manner in which members should sit during debate. The Cor. Sect. then read Mr. Hemphill's letter of acceptance, as an Honorary Member of the Demosthenian Society. Mr. Pope then presented in behalf of Mr. Foster, Tucker's History of the United States (in 4 Vols.), and on motion the books were received and thanks of the Society returned to Mr. Foster, for his generous donation. It was then moved and carried that diplomas be conferred upon the Senior class on next Saturday, at which time a number of honorary members should be present. The Society then proceeded to the election of an honorary President, which resulted in the unanimous election of Gov. Lumpkin. A committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Boughton, Pope and Smith, were appointed to confer with the honorary President and inform him of his election. Mr. Smith was appointed as next Junior Orator.

On motion Society adjourned.

George Walker, Prest. Pro Tem.

Britton C. Lee, Secretary

Minutes of Commencement Meeting.

Demosthenian Hall, May 11th, 1861

The Society met at the appointed time, the regular President then

took his seat and called the Society to order. The roll was called and minutes of last Commencement meeting were read. The honorary President, Judge Jackson, then took his seat. The Valedictory to the Senior class was then delivered by Dr. Lipscomb, in an eloquent and pathetic style. Judge Jackson then proceeded to confer Diplomas, accompanied by an appropriate address. Honorary members were then called on. Professors Rutherford and Wash being present each made an appropriate address. The Society then adjourned.

Judge Jackson, Honorary Prest.

Britton C. Lee, Sect.

Demosthenian Hall, Saturday, May 25th, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour, the President took his seat and called the Society to order. The first roll being called and the minutes of last meeting read, the Society proceeded to the discussion of the question and after a warm and interesting debate the decision was given in favor of the Negative. It being the day for the election of officers, the Society proceeded to the election, which resulted as follows: Huggins, President; Alexander, Sect.; and Varner, Treasurer. The remaining offices were abolished for the present on account of the fewness of members. The offices of Sect. and Treas. for this term being vacant, we proceeded to elect officers to fill those vacancies, which resulted in the election of Mr. McCleskey as Treas. and Mr. Berry as Sect. Nabers was appointed as next Jr. Orator. There being no more business before the house, the Society adjourned.

Hardeman, President

Britton C. Lee, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Saturday, June 2, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour. The President took his seat and called the Society to order. The first roll being called and minutes of last meeting read, the following gentleman was elected honorary members, to wit: Hon. J. T. Morgan, Selma, Ala. The Society then proceeded to the discussion of the question and after a warm and interesting debate the President decided in the negative. Dowell, the literary orator elect, having declined. The Hon. James Jackson was unanimously elected in his stead. The treasurer's report was read and received. There being no more business before the house, the Society adjourned.

Hardeman, President

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, June 22d, 1861

The regular president not being present, Mr. Pope was called to act in his place. He having called the Society to order, a proposition was made to the effect, that the Society adjourn, until the first Saturday of next collegiate term, when soon that shall be. The proposition being put to the house and meeting with no opposition, the society was adjourned.

A. S. Pope, President protem

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 7th, 1861

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Owing to the small number of students in college, at the calling of the roll many were absent. After the usual preliminary business the following gentlemen, to wit: Messrs Calhoun, Briscoe, Hull, Stevens, and Winfrey were conducted into the Hall and invested with the rights of regular membership of the Society. There

was no debate and the Society proceeded to the election of officers to fill the places, vacated by the non-return of some of our members.

The officers elected by the Society for the present term are these:

<u>First Censor Morum</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Door Keeper</u>	<u>Second Censor Morum</u>
Kenebrew	McClesky	Stevens	Bass

<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Librarian</u>	<u>Clerk Tribunal</u>	<u>Marshall</u>
Berry	Briscoe	Calhoun	Hull

The following are the committees appointed by the President:

<u>On Tribunal</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Hall</u>	<u>Questions</u>	<u>Cor. Secretary</u>
Kenebrew	Kenebrew	Winfrey	Berry	Kenebrew
Bass	Briscoe	Hull	McClesky	
McClesky	Berry	McClesky	Stevens	

<u>Motions</u>	<u>Badges</u>
Calhoun	Bass
Kenebrew	Hull
McClesky	Briscoe

The election being finished the President was called upon for his inaugural speech and responded with some well-timed remarks to our newly initiated members. There being no further business before the Society it adjourned.

Huggins, President

Bass, Secretary Pro Tem.

Demosthenian Society, Sep. 14th, 1861

The house was called to order by the regular president at the usual hour. The new officers took their seats, and the Society being fully organized commenced its regular business, Mr. A. L. Hull was conducted into the hall and his name was proposed as a regular member of the Society, which met with no opposition and was entered upon the list.

The first rolls were then called and responded to very promptly. The Subject for debate being "Are the advantages of war greater than evil." It was discussed with interest and decided in the affirmative. A motion was made by Kinnebrew to appoint a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of our fellow member G. C. Walker who died at Norfolk, Va. The committee appointed by the president is as follows, viz. Kinnebrew, Bass, Berry. A motion was made by Berry to appropriate to the use of the Society a book which was found in the hall, formerly and by a prayer meeting.

A notice was then given by McCleskey that two weeks from today he would make a motion to change the constitution, where it requires the Sophomore and Senior Classes to hand in questions, that the junior class be included. The last roll being called the Society then adjourned.

McCleskey, Secretary
Sep. 14th, 1861

Higgins,
President

Demosthenian Hall, Sep. 21st, 1861

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the regular president being absent, the house was called to order by the first Censor Morum. The question, was Mayor Andrews justly executed, being debated and decided in the negative. The regular then took his seat having come in the hall in the meantime.

A committee as follows was then appointed by the president to choose a question for next debate, viz. Berry, Kinnebrew, McCleskey, to report on next Monday evening. Briscoe being appointed Junior Orator. The last roll was then called and the Society adjourned.

Kinnebrew, President protem.

McCleskey, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 28th, 1861

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, the regular president took his seat and after the first roll was called the following gentlemen were then elected honorary members vis. A. S. Johnson, C. S. A., and Gen. Hardee. The question, which has been the most beneficial to England her prose writers or her poets, being debated, was decided in favor of her prose writers. A proposition was then made by Mr. Bass that the corresponding secretary should write to Mr. Williams the father of one of our fellow members now deceased inquiring his age and the time of his death. It was then moved that the Society should recur to motions. When the following motion was made - that those members who are in debt to the society, but have gone to war should not be required to pay untill they return. The motion was carried.

The election for anniversarian being next in order, resulted in the favor of Mr. Kinnebrew. The last roll was called, McCleskey being appointed Junior Orator, and the Society then adjourned.

Huggins, Pres.

McCleskey, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 5th, 1861

The Society assembled this morning at the usual hour, the regular president took his seat, and after the usual preliminary business, the debate was gone through with and decided that the French revolution was beneficial to France. A motion was made to dispense with Junior Orators for the next of the college term. The election of officers for next term being in order resulted as follows. Bass, President; Kinnebrew, 1st Censormorum; Huggins, 2d Censormorum; Calhoun, Treasurer;

Berry, Secretary. Court of Appeals, Briscoe, President; Kinnebrew,
Hardeman, Huggins, Calhoun. Clerk of tribunal, McCleskey. Winfrey,
Marshal; Stevens, doorkeeper. The Society then adjourned.

Huggins, Pres.

McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, October 12th, 1861

The Society met this morning at the accustomed hour, the regular president being in the chair. The first roll was called when all were found present except one. The question, "Was the reign of Henry VIII beneficial to England?" being debated was decided in the affirmative. The reports of committees were then read and received. It still being some time before the usual hour of adjourning. A motion was made that the "Court of Appeals" should immediately hold their meeting. The motion was carried. The court then took their seat. Mr. Hardeman one of the members being absent. Mr. Bass was appointed by the president to take his place. The Society then adjourned.

Huggins, President

McCleskey, Secretary

Ought the national government to make appropriation for internal improvements next question for debate.

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 12, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the late president, who immediately announced that the newly elected officers would take their seats. This being done, the new president appointed the following gentlemen on the several committees; on the state of Library, Messrs, McCleskey, Perry and Stevens; On Hall, gentlemen, Stevens, Hull, Briscoe; On Questions, Huggins, Kinnebrew

and Calhoun; On Badges, McCleskey, Stevens, Winfrey. The following gentlemen on Tribunal, Huggins, Kinnebrew, Calhoun, and as corresponding Secretary, Hardeman. The com. on motions are Briscoe, Hardman, Hull. The question, "Should the national government make appropriations for internal improvement?" was then warmly and interestingly debated and on reviewing the arguments, the President gave his decision in the negative. The President calling for communications, Kinnebrew gave notice that he had received a communication from Mr. Williams' relatives giving all particulars wanted. On calling for motions, Mr. Stevens moved that article seventh of the constitution, last clause; and Section eight or article third of the By-laws be suspended for the present term. Mr. Calhoun, the Treasurer, laying before the society, for their consideration an account of \$7.87 due, for postage, to the postoffice, at this place, was ordered to give out in full payment. The question for next debate was handed in, worded as follows. "Was the Mexican war justifiable?" The last roll was then called, and the president adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Secr.

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 19th, 1861

The society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President, whereupon a warm and interesting debate ensued upon the question, "Whether the war against Mexico was justifiable?" The President, on reviewing the arguments urged by each side, decided in the affirmative. The President then called for the election of regular or honorary members, upon which DeKew, Editor of DeKew's Review, Mr. Edward Axten, Albany and Dr. Artue of Savannah, Gen. Price of

Confederate Army and Gen. Jeff Thompson also of the Confederate Army were elected. The President then called for motions, whereupon Mr. Winfrey proposed that a committee of six inclusive of the librarian be appointed to overlook and arrange the books of the library. The following gentlemen were appointed; namely, Kinnebrew, Calhoun, Berry, Winfrew and Stephens, Huggins. The election of regular officers then took place. The elections stood as follows: Kinnebrew, Presi.; Bass, First Censor Morum; Hardeman, Second Censor Morum; Calhoun, Treas.; Berry, Sec.; and Mr. Briscoe having resigned, McCleskey as Librarian; Court of Appeals, Calhoun, Kinnebrew, Huggins, Hardeman, Winfrew, Door Keeper; Huggins, Marshall. The question for next debate was then handed in worded as follows: "Was the conquest by Ferdinand and Isabell of Grenada justifiable?" The President then adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

Bass, President

Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 2nd, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. After preliminaries the question "Whether the conquest of Grenada by Ferdinand and Isabella was justifiable" was discussed with great warmth and interest. Both the affirmative and opposition exhibited proofs of considerable research and sound thought in the reviewal of the arguments urged by each party, the President gave his decision in the affirmative. It may be mentioned that some of the younger members of the Society spoke with an interest and strength which augers well for their own and the society's future prominence. Communications were then called for, whereupon the treasurer read to the house a letter received from a late member, which had reference

to the payment of account due to this society. The time for report of committees being announced, that on Hall reported, that they had found a window injured; upon this, the chairman proposed that it be immediately attended to, which met with approval of the house. The committee on questions, then handed in the following subject for next debate; "Was Kossuth justifiable in resigning his post as governor of Hungary into the hands of Gorgy, and in fleeing his country?" The last roll being then called, the society was adjourned until next regular meeting.

Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Treas.

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 9th, 1861

The Society was called to order by the President. After preliminaries, the questions "Whether Kossuth was justifiable in resigning his post, as governor of Hungary into the hands of Gorgy?" was debated with great interest and decided yeas. After reviewing the arguments of the affirmative and opposition, the President gave his decision in the negative. On calling for report of committees, the committee on Hall laid before the House the bill for repairs, which amounted to \$0.25 for mending windows. The question for next debate was reported - reading as follows. "Was Gen. Wm. Walker justifiable in leading an expedition with Nicaragua?" After calling the last roll, the House was adjourned by President until next regular meeting.

Bass, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Secr.

Demosthenian Society, 16, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. On reading the question for debate, Mr. Kinnebrew moved that the society adjourn until next regular meeting, which met with approval of House. The President thereupon adjourned the Society.

W. H. Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 23, 1861

The society met at the usual hour. The President after preliminaries, called for report of Com's. whereupon the com's. of Library, on Hall, On Bad's. and Dip's. gave in their reports which were accepted, as also of Treas etc. The President then adjourned the society until first Sat. of next college term.

W. H. Bass, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 10, 1862

A special meeting was held today, the general order of organization being dispensed with. The new President took his seat and called for the election of regular or honorary members, whereupon Mr. McGinty and Mr. Meakes were proposed as regular members of this Society and unanimously elected. The President then appointed a com't. on questions who selected the following question for next debate, viz. "Which is most conducive to the interests of the State agriculture or commerce?" The society was then adj. until next regular meeting.

J. H. Kinnebrew, President

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 19th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the late President. After calling first roll, the President called for election of honorary or regular members, whereupon, the names of Mr. Beasley and Oglesby were proposed as regular members and then unanimously elected. The late president then vacated his seat, and the newly elected officers entered upon the discharge of their duties. The presiding President then delivered a most impressive and eloquent discourse upon "The Fall of Hungary." The question "Whether agriculture or commerce was most conducive to the interest of the State" was then warmly and interestingly debated; and the President gave his decision in favor of latter. The President calling for notices, Mr. Stephens gave notice that in two weeks he would make a motion to unite duties offices of Clerk of Tribunal and 1st Censor Morum. On calling for com's. Mr. Calhoun read before the Society an ac't. against it by Mr. White of Athens and Mrs. Cisson of lane place. Nothing was done with, regard to it. President appointed following committee on Hall. Calhoun, Winfrey, Stephens and McGinty on Library; Berry, Stephens, Calhoun and McClesky, on Questions; Berry, Huggins, Oglesby, on Motions; Huggins, Briscoe, McClesky, on Badges; Hudgins, McClesky, Billups, Corresponding Secretary; Huggins on Trib.; Huggins, Oglesby, McClesky. The committee on questions reported the following, "Has the introduction of Machinery on the whole been beneficial to the laboring classes." After calling last roll, Pres. adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

J. H. Kinnebrew, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 26th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour, and was called to order by the President. The first roll being called, the question "Whether machinery on the whole has been beneficial to the classes" was then debated with some interest; and the President gave his decision in affirmative. The Society then went into election of officers for ensuing terms and the following was the result. Bass as president; Kinnebrew, 1st Censor Morum; Huggins as 2nd; Oglesby, Treasurer; Calhoun, Treasurer; McGinty, Marshall; Berry, Door Keeper; Billups, Clerk Tribunal; Briscoe, Kinnebrew, Bass, McClesky, Oglesby, Court Appeals. The President calling for motions, Mr. Bass made motions to suspend that part of constitution which allows new members six weeks freedom from its processions, limiting it to two. This motion was approved by two third of members present, on calling for notices, Mr. Huggins gave notice that in two weeks he would make a motion to entirely change ? constitutional license, to two weeks continuance. The com. on questions then reported the following for next subject of debate, viz. "Was the last war of the United States with England justifiable." The question; whether our anniversary orator, Mr. Kinnebrew, shall deliver a speech on 19th February next, was discussed, and being put to the house for approval on was approval, was unanimously passed in affirmative. The last roll being called, President adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

J. H. Kinnebrew, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 1st, 1861

The Society met at the usual hour, and was called to order by

President. After calling first roll, the President announced the election of honorary and regular members. No names were proposed. The presiding president then resigned temporarily and nominated Mr. Bass 1st Censor Morum President pro tem. The question of debate "Was the last war of the United States with Great Britain justifiable" was debated with great interest and decision given in negative. Berry, who had been elected on last meeting as Door Keeper, gave in his resignation, which was received, and a motion being made not to require a fine from him, was approved unanimously. It being the proper time, a new Librarian was elected. The committee on questions, then reported the following, "Did Napoleons career produce more good than evil" results after calling last roll President pro tem adjourned Society until next regular meeting.

Wm. H. Bass, Presi. pro tem

J. W. Berry, Sec.

N. B.

The gentleman elected librarian was Mr. Winfrey, J. H.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 9th, 1862

The society, meeting at the usual hour was called to order by the President. The first roll being called, the question "Whether more good than evil results were produced by the career of Napoleon Bonaparte," was debated with much zeal and some regard. It was decided in affirmative. Mr. McClesky proposed that we obtain a band of music for anniversary and that a com. be appointed to act with regard to this matter, both of which were unanimously passed. The com. appointed are Mr. Oglesby, McClesky and Stephens. Mr. Winfrey proposed also that a com. be appointed to invite honorary members, which was approved and the following gentlemen placed in: Cymming

Stephens, McClesky, Billups. Mr. Oglesby, that the Young ladies of Lucy Cobb Institute be also invited to attend, were met with approbation, and the following com. appointed; viz. Mr. Hardaman, Billups and Huggins. Mr. McClesky again proposed that the bill of Brass Band be paid by contributions of regular members; approved. No other business being before Society, the President adjourned House until next regular meeting. The question reported by com. being as follows: "Ought infidel publications be prohibited by law?"

J. H. Kinnebrew, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Sect.

Mr. Stephens was elected to fill vacancy caused by vacancy resignation of lately elected Door Keeper. A motion being made to appoint a com. to confer with Chan. of College as to where the anniversary oration be delivered, met with approval. The following gentlemen were appointed. Mr. Hardaman, Oglesby, Huggins.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 14th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by president pro tem. After calling first roll and election of honorary members and regular members whereof the names being proposed, the debate was opened and conducted with great warmth. President pro tem decided the question of discussion, viz. "Should infidel publications be prohibited by law?" In negative. The Junior Orator, Mr. Oglesby made a most eloquent and beautiful oration. The regular President taking his seat and calling for notices, none were made. On calling for propositions, Mr. Stevens proposed that a gentleman be appointed to write and hand notices of the anniversary, to be read to public in the different churches, President appointed Mr. Bass

Com. on Music proposed that since the account amounted to \$13.60 the regular members be assessed too; approved. Com. appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society with regard to matters connected with anniversary, were Messrs Bass, Calhoun and Huggins. The Com. on questions reported the following "Was Napoleon Bonaparte's banishment to St Helena justifiable?" After calling last roll, President adjourned Society until next regular meeting.

Kinnebrew, Presi.

J. W. Berry, Secr.

Demosthenian Hall, March 1, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the newly elected President. The Inaugural address was not made, the President being hindered from so doing by untoward circumstances. The question "Whether the banishment of Napoleon to St. Helena was justifiable?" was debated in an extraordinary vehemence, a considerable altercation ensuing between two of the members. The President, after reviewing arguments of affirmative and negative, decided in affirmative. On calling for motions, Mr. Huggins moved that the anniversary oration of the D. Society be published in connection with that of Phi Kappa society which motion met with approval, and the following com. were appointed then to confer with com. from latter society, upon said business; viz. Mr. Huggins, Berry, Calhoun. The reports of committees were then read. The com. on Library reported, that they found the books somewhat disorderly arranged, not owing however to mismanagement of Librarian; report met with approval. The com. on Hall reported, that the Hall in bad condition and recommended its being repaired; met with approval. The Librarian and Treasurer then made their reports which

were accepted. On recurring to motions, Mr. Winfrey moved that the windows above President's seat, and the door of Hall be repaired met with approval. An election was pronounced by President to fill vacancy of Secretary's office, caused by Mr. Oglesby's leaving. Berry was elected. The com. on questions reported the following as next question of debate. "Would be the best policy of the Confederate States to maintain a large regular army." The President appointed following com's. for his present term of office; viz. On Library, Stevens, Hull and McGinty; On Hall, Meaker, Beasly, Winfrey; on Motions, Calhoun, McClesky and Winfrew; Badges, Hull, McCleskey, Winfrew. On questions, Berry, Estis and Calhoun. The following gentlemen were appointed on Tribunal, Berry, Huggins, Calhoun; as Corresponding Secretary, McCleskey. The last roll being called and reports of officers being made, the president adjourned Society until next regular meeting.

W. H. Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 8, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order. After preliminaries being gone through with, the question "Whether the maintainance of a large regular army is the best policy of the Southern Confederacy?" was debated with great interest and decided by President in affirmative. Election for officers of forthcoming term then came off, when the following gentleman were elected respectly: Calhoun as President; McCleskey, 1st Censor Morum; Berry, 2nd Censor Morum; Treasurer, Beasly; Secretary, Estes; Door Keeper, Stevens, J. D.; Marshall, McGinty; Clerk Tribunal, A. L.

Hull; Court Appeals, Estes, Beasley, Calhoun, McGinly, Berry. Some of the members of court of appeal for this term, having left college and there-by causing vacancy in said court, following gentlemen were elected to fill this vacancy, viz. Calhoun, Estes, Beasley, McClesky; so that members of said court run thus: Bass, Calhoun, Estes, Beasley, Berry. The Treasurer made a communication in order that the negro big Sam, who attends to keeping Hall in order, desired his wages; but Treasurer moved that he be not payed the sum he requires, for sundery reasons. The President appointed the following committee to investigate the matter; Calhoun, McClesky, Winfrey. The com. on questions reported following question for next debate. "Was there more to condemn than approve in the character of Oliver Cromwell?" The last roll being called, Presi. adjourned society until next regular meeting.

W. H. Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 15th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by President. The first roll being called, the President announced the election of honorary or regular members when Mr. Grimes name was proposed as regular member. He was unanimously elected. The question "Whether there is more to condemn than approve in the character of Oliver Cromwell" was debated with great interest by negative and affirmative, and decided in affirmative. Motions, notices, and propositions being announced, none were brought forward. On the President calling for communications, Mr. Calhoun, Treasurer, laid before the House the following communications, that Mr. ?

Workman, desired the payment of account due from the Demosthenian Society, amounting to \$3.00/1.00. The Society instructed the Treasurer to pay said account. On announcing reports of committees, the com. appointed to investigate the case of Demosthenian Society against negro boy Sam, reported that said negro boy had agreed to diminish his charges against society for attendance on Hall, to \$7.00/1.00 per annum a year in consequence of reduction of students in attendance of college exercises. Treasurer was instructed to pay part of said account to the amt. of \$2.50/1.00. On recurring by permission of society to motions, Mr. Stevens moved to investigate the cause and procedure of a very suspicious rumor to the probable degrogation from the Society, and infraction of its constitution. This rumor is that intelligence of proceedings of Society has gotten abroad from some member of this Society. President appointed the following gentlemen as a committee to investigate the matter; viz. Winfrey, Stevens and Beasley. The com. on questions reported the following as next question of debate. "Is the United States under deeper obligation to her warriors than her statesmen?" The last roll being called, President adjourned the Society for a few minutes until the Court of Appeals met. Having transacted all business, the Chairman of Court adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

W. H. Bass, President

J. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, March 22nd, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by President. The first roll being called and preliminary business being transacted, the question "Whether the United States is more indebted to

her warriors than her statesmen" was debated with interest and decided in affirmative. On calling for communications, Mr. McCleskey, our Secretary, announced that Mr. Carroll, elected recently honorary member, he learned had been elected also by Phi Kappa Society, and therefore moved not to communicate the fact of membership to him, which met with approval. On calling for com's. the com. appointed to investigate the case of Beasley with Society, reported, and it was decided to try Mr. Beasley before the Society. The next question "Whether the United States is more indebted to her warriors than statesman" was reported by com. on questions. After calling last roll President adjourned society until next regular meeting.

Wm. H. Bass, Presi.

J. W. Berry, Secret.

Demosthenian Society, March 29th, 1862

The society met at the usual hour and was called to order by President. After the calling of first roll and transacting of all preliminary business, the question "Was the conquest of Britain by the Romans beneficial to the Britains" was debated with superior interest and decided $\bar{?}$, and decision given in negative. On calling for reports of com's. the reports of com's. on Library, Hall and Treasury were made and received. The com. on questions reported the following for next question of debate. "Is interrention by one nation in the affairs of another expedient?" The last roll being called, the President pro tem adjourned the society until next regular meeting.

J. T. Calhoun, Pres. pro tem

J. W. Berry, Secret.

Demosthenian Hall, April 5th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour, called the roll and read the

minutes of last meeting. The president being absent Mr. Grimes was called to the chair after transacting preliminary, the new officers took their seats, the question "Is the intervention of a nation in the affairs of another expedient" was debated with great zeal and decided in the affirmative. The president made the following appointments: Tribunal, Briscoe, Grimes, and McLeskey; Com. on Library, Stevens, Hull, McGinty; On Hall, Estes, Beasley, Winfrey; Motions, McLeskey, Berry, Estes; Badges, Stevens, Hull, Meeker; Questions, Briscoe, Grimes, McLeskey; Cor. Sec., Berry. The committee reported the following question "Is the hope of reward or the fear of punishment the greater incentive to action", the last roll being called the President adjourned the society until the next regular meeting.

J. T. Calhoun, Pres.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, April 19th, 1862

The Society met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Calhoun in the chair called the roll and read the minutes of last meeting after reading a portion of the Constitution proceeded to the discussion of the question: "Is the hope of reward or the fear of punishment the greater incentive to action" which was debated with great vigor, after which the president gave his decision in favor of the negative. Heard Censors report and received the same. The committee on questions report the following question "Was the execution of Lady ^Jane Grey justifiable". The following committee were appointed to investigate certain undignified question placed in the box. Grimes, Briscoe, Estes. Proceeded to the elections. Mr. Grimes, President; Calhoun, 1st Censor Morum; Briscoe, 2nd Censor Morum; McCleskey, Sec.; Beasley, Treas.; Stephens, Door

Keeper; Estes, Marshal; McGinty, Clerk of Trib. On the court of Appeals, Calhoun, Grimes, McCleskey, Briscoe. Estes called last roll and adjourned the society till the next regular meeting.

J. T. Calhoun, Prest.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, April 26th, 1862

The society met at the usual. Mr. Calhoun in the chair called the roll and read the minutes of last meeting, proceeded to the discussion of the question "Was the execution of Lady Jane Grey justifiable", after which the President gave his decision in the negative. Mr. Beasely fined by the society for some misdemeanor, the report concerning a certain question handed in the box was heard and received. The committee on questions report the following query "Which involves the most happiness, married or single life" after which the President adjourned the society until the next regular meeting.

J. T. Calhoun, Pres.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

Demosthenian Society

The Society met at the usual hour, Mr. Calhoun in the chair. Called the roll and read the minutes of last meeting. After reading a portion of the Constitution proceeded to the discussion of the question "Is a married or single life more productive of happiness" which was decided in the negative. The committee on questions report the following query "Was the execution of Joan of Arc justifiable?" Mr. Stevens gave notice that he resigned his office as he was on the eve of leaving college and presented two books to the Society. No more business called the roll and adjourned.

J. T. Calhoun, Pres.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, May 10, 1862

The society met this morning and a communication from the Phi Kappa Society was heard proposing to unite the two societies which was rejected. A motion was made to allow four members to constitute a quorum which was carried. McCleskey was elected librarian. The resignation of Mr. Winfrey was received. The society then adjourned till next regular meeting.

J. T. Calhoun, Prest.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, May 12th, 1862

Society met this evening and heard a report from the committee appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society for the purpose of taking steps for forming a new society to remain organized for this term only. The committee reported the following query, "Which is the greater evil war or Intemperance", the society then adjourned till tomorrow evening.

R. H. Estes, Sec.

J. T. Calhoun

Demosthenian Society, Sept. 19th, 1862

The Society met this morning in first regular meeting. Mr. Grimes the president elected at the close of the last term took the chair and called the house to order. The question "Whether it was just and expedient to extend the conscript law from the age of 35 to 45" was discussed by the members present with interest and decided in the affirmative. The committee on questions was then appointed as follows. McCleskey, Billups, Hull. A motion was then made to form a provisional constitution to be proposed and decided upon by the society on next Saturday. Mr. Berry was appointed next Junior Orator. The next question for debate. Is victory as a general thing due more to the skill of the

general than to the bravery of the soldiers" being read the society adjourned.

Grimes, Pres.

McCleskey, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, Sept. 27/62

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. The question, Is victory due more the general than the soldiers, was read and the first roll called which was promptly responded by every member present. Mr. Berry the Junior Orator being called upon delivered a short but pointed address. The debate being finished the question was decided in favor of the general. The Society then proceeded to the forming of the provisional constitution to be in use during the present term only. The Constitution was formed and unanimously received by the members. A motion was made to appoint a committee of one to write on Mr. Meeker and request him to attend a certain meeting of the society. Mr. Billups was appointed. Mr. Berry and Hull were appointed committee to fix the door of the Hall. The society proceeded to the elections which resulted as follows. McCleskey, Pres.; Grimes, Censor Morum; Berry, Sect.; Hull, Libr and Treas.; Billups, Door Keeper. The next question for debate, "Was the death of Caesar beneficial to Rome" adjourned.

Grimes, Pres.

McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 4th

The society was called to order at the usual hour. The question was debated with considerable interest by the members and it was decided that the death of Caesar was not beneficial to Rome. The Court

of Tribunal was appointed as follows: McCleskey, Berry, Billups. The next question for debate being read as follows. Was the intervention of the French at Rome just and expedient? The Society adjourned.

Grimes, Pres.

McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 11th, 1862

The Society was convened by the President at the usual hour. The election of members being in order the names of Messrs Young and ? were proposed and unanimously elected regular members of the Society. The question, chosen last Saturday, being objected to by some members, was changed by vote for the following. "Ought Infidel publications to be prohibited by law?" The question was debated with considerable interest and decided in the affirmative. The next question being chosen as follows. "Was Warren Hasting's conduct in India justifiable" and the reports of officers being read, the society adjourned.

Grimes, Pres.

McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 17th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President in the chair. After calling first roll, the president announced that the new officers might take their seats. Thereupon the newly elected officers entered upon their duties. After reading the question of debate, the roll was called and the different speakers appeared upon respective sides of the question. The subjects "Was Warren Hastings conduct in India justifiable?" was warmly debated and decided in negative. On calling for propositions, Mr. Billups moved that the court of tribunal meet every Saturday immediately after the dismissal of the Society by the President presiding, and that what ever charges

were not answered at the aforesaid meeting should be postponed until next regular meeting. Approved by majority. The president appointed following committees, viz: On questions, Berry, Grimes and Meeker; On Hall, Billups, Franklin and Grimes; On Library, Hull, Young and Berry; On Badges, Grimes, Young, Meekes. The question selected by Com. for next subject of debate was "Is Capital Punishment justifiable?" After reports of officers and calling of last roll, the Society was adjourned by president until next regular meeting.

J. McCleskey, Presi.

Jos. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 24th, 1862

The society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. After preliminaries, the question of debate of debate, "Whether Capital Punishment is justifiable" was discussed with great ardor and decided in affirmative. On calling for motions, Mr. Franklin moved that the time of meeting of the Society be changed to Friday night. Negative. The com. on questions reported the following subject for debate "Ought the French and English to have joined the Turks against the Russians." After calling last roll the president announced the sitting of the court of Tribunal. Chairman of Tribunal, after transaction of usual business, adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

J. R. McCleskey, President

Jos. W. Berry, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 24th, 1862

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by President. After usual preliminary business, the subject of debate was discussed and decided in the negative. Nothing of interest transpired

and after calling last roll, the society was adjourned until next regular meeting.

McCleskey, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 8, 1862

The House was called to order, Mr. Grimes acting president pro tem. The question selected for debate was changed by voice of society to the one chosen and discussed impromptu. "Have savages a right to their evil" was decided in the affirmative. The com. on questions reported the following for next subject of debate. "Was Cromwell a patriot?" After the call and last roll, the Society was adjourned until next regular meeting.

Grimes, Pres. Pro tem.

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 16th, 1863

The society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. After preliminaries the president called for motions etc. Mr. Hull proposed that the society exercises be suspended until the first Saturday in March. Met with approval of Society. An amendment was brought up by Mr. Berry to this effect, that a committee be appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society upon the question of unity the two societies and that then the comde'. ? upon which the said society agrees to unite be made known it to the members of the society and laid before it for its approval or disapproval; further that if this society approve the union, Mr. Hull's proposition becomes null. Met with approval. Com. app. by the Pres. were Mr. Berry, Billups and Gunty. After calling last roll the Pres. adjourned House until next regular meeting.

Grimes, Pres.

J. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 23, 1863

After the calling of first roll and preliminaries, on announcement of motions, props. etc Mr. Franklin proposed that the time of the regular meeting of the Society be altered to Friday night instead of Saturday morning as heretofore. This proposition was carried intended to take effect in the event of a failure to form a union between the two societies, the Phi Kappa and Demosthenian, in which case an entire suspension of exercises would have followed, by Mr. Hull's proposition mentioned in former meeting. It was approved by majority. Mr. Berry then followed with a proposition to authorize the President to appoint a committee to prepare the Hall for said change of meeting, buying candles etc. Met with approval by majority. Debate was suspended, the question for next subject of discussion selected by Com. being "Was the execution of Earl of Essex justifiable." After the calling of last roll and reports of officers, the President adjourned the Society until next regular meeting.

Thomas Mimes, Presi.

Jos. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, Jan. 29th, 1863

The Society met this Friday night, according to Mr. Franklins proposition. The regular Pres. took his seat. The first roll being called, the president announced the time for hearing motions, props. etc. Mr. Berry proposed that the President be authorized by the Society to appoint a committee, who should confer with Negro Sam formerly waiter on this Hall, as to hiring his services per month to attend to the Hall. Approved by majority. The com. appointed were Mr. Berry, Billups, Hunt. The question "Was the execution of the Earl

of Essex justifiable" was debated with considerable interest. The President decided in affirmative. The President then informed the Society that elections for officers of the Society would take place, the president ? and that the members might prepare their ballots. After calling the roll and motions the number of votes, the following were elected: to wit: Mr. Franklin, Pres.; Mr. Billups, Sec.; Mr. Berry, Censor Morum; Mr. Hunt, Treasurer; Mr. Hull, Door Keeper. The elections were held tonight because of their having been no mention made of heretofore, the proper time being some meeting previous. After reports of the officers and the calling of the last roll, the Society was adjourned until next regular meeting.

Thos. Grimes, Presi.

Jos. W. Berry, Sec.

Feb. 5th, 1863, Demosthenian Hall, Friday Night.

Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. After preliminary business the question "Was the French Revolution beneficial to France" was debated with interest and decided in affirmative. On the calling for notices, reports committees etc., the committee appointed by the President to see Negro Sam and find out for what wages he would agree to keep the hall swept and fire's made and reported through their chairman. They had seen Sam, who had agreed to do the duties above mentioned for one dollar pr. month. A proposition was then made by some member present to accept Sam's proposals. On being put to the house it met with approval. After calling of the last roll, the house was adjourned until next regular meeting.

Thos. Grimes, President

Jos. W. Berry, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 13th, 1863

The society met at the usual hour, and was called to order by the President. After preliminary business. The question being "Which was the most beneficial to mankind the magnetic telegraph or the mariners compass" was debated with energy by the members present, and a decision was given in favor of the compass.

A proposition was made by a member to appoint a committee to look into the affairs of the Society. It was adopted.

After calling last roll Society was adjourned.

Franklin, Pres.

Billups, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 19th, 1863

The Society met this morning for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary exercises of the Society, very appropriate remarks were by Messrs Grimes and Berry, after which, a question being proposed by a member which was: "Which had more right to the Soil of America, the Savage or the White man" it was debated by some of the members present with spirit. A decision was given in favor of the Savage. The Society then adjourned.

B. Franklin, Pres.

J. Billups, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 20th

The Society met according to appointment at the usual hour, and was called to order by President. A very energetic debate ensued on the question "Was the war with Mexico justifiable" and a decision was given in favor of the affirmative. The Society then adjourned, next question for debate, was the invasion of England by William Conqueror justifiable?

Bernard Franklin, President

John Billups, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 27th, 1863

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Mr. Berry the Junior Orator being called upon made a very appropriate address. After which the question was debated with spirit, and the Society adjourned. Librarians report read and received also report of treasurer.

Franklin, Pres.

Billups, Sec.

Was the assassination of Julius Caesar justifiable.

Demosthenian Hall, March 7th, 1863

The Society met at the usual hour and was called to order by the Pres. The question was debated without much spirit viz: "Was the assassination of Julius Caesar justifiable?" and was decided in the affirmative. Hull proposed that the Society dispose of the candles carried. Grimes proposed that Hull be appointed to dispose of them, carried. The Society then proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows: Berry, President; Franklin, Censor Morum; Hull, Secretary; Grimes, Treasurer; Billups, Door Keeper. The question decided upon was the following. "Would Regulus have acted justifiably in not returning to Carthage?" The Court of Tribunal then took their seats. The business having been disposed of, the Society was adjourned until next regular meeting.

Berry, Prest. Pro. Tem.

Gunby, Act. Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, March 14th, 1863

The Society met according to usual hour and was called to order by Pres. after the usual debate and other business, a decision being given in favor of affirmative the Society adjourned.

Grimes, Pres. Pro. tem.

Billups, Sec.

Next question was, "the war of 1812 justifiable."

Berry, Junior Orator

Demosthenian Hall, March 21st, 1863

The Society met this morning as usual. The roll being called, Mr. Billups proposed that Rev. Mr. Scott be made an honorary member, which was carried. Pres. made inaugural address. The Pres. appointed the following Committee On Hall - Grimes, Hunt, and Meeker; On Library - Billups, Franklin, Meekes; On Badges, Grimes, Billups, Hunt; On Questions, Grimes, Berry, Billups; Tribunal, Grimes, Billups, and Hunt. Grimes proposed that Pres. appoint himself on committee on questions, it was carried; which he did. Question was debated with some spirit by some of the members. The Pres. decided in the affirmative. On calling for notices, Meeker wished to know if the Society would accept his resignation, the Society replied that it would excuse him as his business was important, Grimes moved that Meeker be allowed to resign which was carried. Tribunal then met. Hull was requested to keep the candles till summer. Question for debate "Ought Cariolanus to have made war against his country?"

Berry, Pres.

Hull, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, April 4th, 1863

Society met this morning in the usual manner; Hull proposed that Gen. M. L. Smith, be made an honorary member of the Dem. Soc., which was carried. The Soc. was desired to inform him of this. The question was debated with much spirit by the members and the Pres. decided in the affirmative. Franklin moved that the Treasurer and Secretary be combined, which was carried, (immediately). Billups proposed that

Pres. appoint himself in the place of Gaines who quit, which he did. Election being held Berry, Pres; Hunt, Sec; Hull, C. M.; Franklin, Door Keeper. Next question for debate, Ought mixed schools to be encouraged?

Berry, Pres.

Augustus L. Hull, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, April 12th, 1863

The Society met this morning and the question was debated with a great deal of spirit by the members and the President decided in the Negative. Hull proposed that Sectry. write to Harris for initiation fee, which was carried. Committees on Hall and Library reported. Pres. appointed Hunt, Billups and Franklin to see about the stands being fixed. Last roll was called and Society adjourned. Next question, Was Cromwell a Patriot?

J. W. Berry, Pres.

A. L. Hull, Sectry.

Demosthenian Hall, April 18th, 1863

The Society met this morning in the usual manner and was called to order by the President. The roll for debaters was called and the question was debated with considerable energy by some of the members and the President decided in the Negative. Hull proposed that the Pres. appoint a committee to see about the wood closet which was broken into. The Pres. appointed Billups and Franklin. The last roll being called the Society adjourned. Next question is, Ought Gov. Brown to be elected a fourth time.

J. W. Berry, Pres.

A. L. Hull, Secty.

Demosthenian Society, April 25th, 1863

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the

President. Mr. Gibson of Augusta was elected a regular member. The roll for debaters being called, the question was debated and decided by the President in the Affirmative. The President, Mr. Berry, requested the Society to permit him to resign, which was done. The Society elected Mr. Hunt for President, for next term and Gibson, Secretary and Treasurer. The last roll being called the society adjourned. The next question is, viz: Ought the allied powers to interfere in the affairs of Poland?

J. W. Berry, Pres.

A. L. Hull, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, May 2nd, 1863

The Society met and was called to order by the President. It being the day for the newly elected members to take their seats. Mr. Hunt, commenced the duties of his office, by delivering an interesting and eloquent speech. The roll for debate being called, after an interesting debate the question was decided in the affirmative. The question selected for next debate: is the condemnation on circumstantial evidence justifiable? The usual committee having been appointed the last roll was called, and the Society adjourned.

L. H. Gibson, Sec.

A. Hunt, President

Committee - J. Berry, Franklin, Gibson - On Questions.

Gibson, Berry, Billups - On Hall

Hull, Billups, Franklin - Badges

Gibson, Billups, Berry - Tribunal

Demosthenian Society, May 9th, 1863

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President. The roll was called for debate, and after a short debate it was decided in favor of the Affirmative. The question chosen for

debate next Saturday is viz: Ought the rights of suffrage to be restricted to those persons who can read and write? The last roll being called the Society was adjourned.

A. Hunt, Pres.

L. H. Gibson, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, May 16th, 1863

The Society met at the usual hour this morning. And after the usual preliminaries transacted, the first roll was called for debate, and after some disputing the decision was given in the negative. The question for next debate is, viz. Was the execution of Major Andre, as a Spy, justifiable. The last roll being called the Society adjourned.

A. T. Hunt, President

L. H. Gibson, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, May 30th, 1863

The Society met at the usual hour this morning, and called to order by the President. The usual preliminaries being gone through with the first roll was called for debate and the decision was given in favor of the negative, the President then called on the Junior Orator for an address, but he refused on account that some of the members did not want to hear him. Mr. Hull then proposed that the Society adjourn for the rest of the term, the proposition was carried. The Society then adjourned for the election of President for next term. Thomas Gibson was elected president, J. W. Berry was elected Sect. and Treasurer. Gus Hull elected Door Keeper, the question chosen for next debate was, Napoleon greater in the cabinet or in the field? Mr. Billups proposed that the Society go back to motions and proposed that a committee be appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society in

reference to the indebtedness of their members to this Society, the proposition was seconded and passed. The last roll being called the Society adjourned.

A. L. Hunt, President

L. H. Gibson, Secretary

Demosthenian Society, May 30th, 1863

The Society met at the usual hour this morning. Was called to order by the President, and after the usual preliminaries being gone through with the roll was called for debate, and after an exceedingly uninteresting discussion the decision in favor of the Negative was given. The President then called on the Junior Orator, Mr. Berry, for an address, he refused on account of some of the members objecting to hear him. A motion was then made, and seconded, for a committee to be appointed to confer with the Phi Kappa Society in reference to the indebtedness of one of their members to this Society. The motion was carried and the committee appointed. Mr. Hull then made a motion for the Society to suspend for the next of the term. Mr. Gibson was elected President; Mr. Berry, Secretary and Treasurer; Mr. Hunt, Censor Morum; Mr. Hull, Door Keeper. The question chosen for debate at the next meeting, Was Napoleon greater in the field, than in the cabinet? The last roll was then called and the Society then adjourned.

A. L. Hunt, President

Thomas Gibson, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 5th, 1863

The Society met this morning, with a full attendance. Mr. Berry was called to act as Pres. Messrs Woolfork, Price, and Bailey were admitted to regular membership. E. S. Hull moved to restore the old Constitution, which was carried. Election came off for officers as follows: Berry, President . . . E. L. Hull, Censor Morum . . . Crawford,

2nd Censor Morum . . . J. Billups, Secretary . . . Samuel Lumpkin,
 Treas. . . . A. L. Hall, Librarian . . . T. N. Woolfork, Door Keeper
 . . . L. L. McCleskey, Clerk of the Tribunal . . . Price, Marshall . . .
 E. S. Hull, proposed that the President make an address; which Pres.
 did. It was most eloquently spoken. Pres. appointed following
 committees, viz. On question, Atkinson, Lumpkin and Bailey; On Hall,
 Crawford, E. S. Hull, Lamar; On Library, Price, Carlton, T. Woolfork;
 On Badges, Lumpkin, Hodgson, Bailey; Tribunal, Hull, Billups and
 Lumpkin; Corresponding Secretary, Bailey; Committee on questions
 retired and selected the question for next debate, viz. Is Eloquence
 the gift of nature or art? Revurring to propositions, E. S. Hull
 proposed that we get blank books for the use of the society, which
 was carried. Pres. appointed E. S. Hull, Lumpkin and E. Woolfork
 to see about it. ^{then} House adjourned.

Berry, Pres.

E. S. Hull, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 5th, 1866

The members met this morning and called Mr. I. R. McCleskey to
 the chair and A. L. Hull as Secretary. L. McCleskey moved to proceed
 to the election of officers result as follows: I. R. McCleskey, Pres.;
 A. S. Hull, 1st Censor Morum; R. B. Gunby, 2nd Censor Morum; L.
 McCleskey, Sec; Carlton, Treas.; R. Hodgson, Door Keeper; E. Hodgson,
 Marshal; Lucas, Cor. Sec.; Crawford, Libr. The Society then adjourned.
 E. S. Hull, Secretary I. R. McCleskey, Chairman

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 6th, 1866

The Society met this morning was called to order by the President.
 Messrs Myers, Hodgson, E. R. Smith on Comt. of Lib. Messrs Gordon,
 Goetchins, Myers, Bethune, Smith, E. Young, A. C. Young, Mims, F. B.

Lucas, were admitted to regular membership. The President then delivered his inaugural address. Messrs Hull, Goetchins, and Bethune were appointed. Committee on Questions, Messrs Lucas, Gordon and Carlton were appointed Comt. on Hall. Messrs Hodgson, R. B. Mims, Crawford (Comt. on Badges). Messrs Comer on Library. Messrs Hull, A. L., Gunby and McCleskey appointed Court of Tribunal; A. L. Hull informed the Society that on next Saturday he would make the following motion That the initiation fee be changed from 6.25 to five \$5.00. Question for next debate. Ought the Elective franchise be exercised in the army. N. B. This question refers only to the election of Army Officers. Last Roll was called the Society adjourned.

B. R. McCleskey, Pres.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Society, Jan. 13th, 1866

Demosthenian Hall

The Society met this morning was called to order by the President.

The following gentlemen were elected and admitted to full membership. Messrs. R. J. McCreary, J. B. Bridges, P. E. Mitchel, W. C. Smith, R. A. Russell, E. L. Newton, B. Phinzy. Committee on Questions that was appointed on last Saturday was changed and the following members were appointed. Messrs Bethune, Goetchins, and Lumpkin. The Court of Tribunal was also changed. Messrs Lumpkin, Smith, E. S. Hull were appointed. The question was debated with usual interest and was decided in favor of the Neg. A. L. Hull moved that the initiation fee be changed from 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars to \$5. Motion carried. I. R. McCleskey was elected anniversary orator for this year. Officers for the next six weeks were elected as follows, Gunby,

President; 1st Censor Morum, J. R. McCleskey; 2nd Censor Morum,
S. Lumpkin; A. L. Nesbit, Secretary; A. C. Young, Treasurer; Clerk
of Tribunal, Goetchins; Door Keeper, E. Yancy; Russell, Marshall;
Committee of Appeals were elected as follows. Myers, Goetchins,
Crawford, Gunby, and Lumpkin. Question for next debate: Was the
expansion of the North Americans justifiable? Junior Orator for next
meeting, E. S. Hull. Election of Clerk of Tribunal for the present
six 6 weeks being neglected last Saturday was elected to day. Election
as follows. Gordon, Clerk of Tribunal for the present 6 weeks.
Business being finished the last roll was called, Society adjourned.
L. L. McCleskey, Sec. B. R. McCleskey, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 15th, 1866

The Society met this morning was called to order by the Presi-
dent for special business. Mr. Bancroft was elected and admitted
to full membership. The Court of Tribunal took their seats and having
transacted with dispatch their usual business. The House then
adjourned.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

B. R. McCleskey, Pres. Society

S. Lumpkin, Pres. of Tribunal

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 20th, 1866

The Society met this morning, was called to order by the President.
Following gentlemen were elected and admitted to full membership.
Messrs R. T. Hull, A. L. Mitchell, H. P. Dozier, T. H. Ward, W. A.
Ford, R. H. ?, H. T. Dearing. The Junior Orator then delivered his
address. The question was debated with unusual interest and was
decided in favor of the Aff. A. L. Hull moved that the initiation fee

be changed from $6\frac{1}{2}$ to \$5. Motion carried. The boy Sam was chosen for the purpose of attending to the Hall. Messrs Russell, Hull, A. L. Goetchins were appointed as a comt. to make necessary arrangements with him and to report at the next meeting. The following committees were appointed. Messrs Bethune, Bridges and Gordon, Com. on Books; Messrs Myers, Mitchell, and Bancroft Comt. on Motions. Report of Commt. on Library was then read and accepted and the same members were appointed on that Comt. Question for next Saturday, Which is the better place for a college, a small village of city. Last roll was called, house adjourned.

L. R. McCleskey, Pres.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Jan. 27th, 1866

The Society met this morning was called to order by the President. Following Gentlemen were elected and admitted to full membership. Messrs W. T. Reid, B. P. Hillie, M. Johnston, Sam Spencer. The question was then debated with unusual interest and was decided in favor Aff. Junior Orator for next meeting Mr. Fort. Question for next debate. Is the assassination of Tyrants ever justifiable? Business being over, last roll was called, Society adjourned.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

J. R. McCleskey, Pres.

Jan. 27th/66. A precedent was established today. That henceforth a member when speaking must not call any members name.

Demosthenian Hall, 29th, 1866

The Court of Tribunal met this evening. The President called the House to order. The business being transacted with dispatch their usual business. The House then adjourned.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

S. Lumpkin, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 1866

The Society met this morning was called to order by the President. The following Gentlemen were elected and admitted to full membership. Messrs. S. F. Willson, E. McLaren. The Question was debated at some length and decided in favor of the Neg. E. R. Hodgson moved that there be three members appointed as an assistant Comt. on Library. Comt. Messrs Russell, Gordon, ?. The following members were appointed as a Comtt. to draw up suitable resolutions on the death of Hon. A. Hull. Messrs Gunby, Goetchins and Ward. Messrs. Hull, Myers and Gordon were appointed to make necessary arrangements for our anniversary. A. L. Hull moved that the Society being an ? stand motion carried. L. L. McCleskey moved that the Society buy 3 quires of writing paper (passed). E. S. Hull moved that we have 2 tin marshall sticks made for the anniversary (passed). Gunby then moved that a committee be appointed to communicate with the Phi Kappa Society and make necessary arrangements for having a general debate motion (lost). Junior Orator for next Saturday Mr. Spencer. Question for next debate. Ought the people of the late Southern Confederacy, desert their country in her present state of affairs.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

J. R. McCleskey, Pres.

Dem. Hall, Feb. 10th, 1866

Society met this morning and was called to order by the President. Messrs J. H. Jones, H. H. Parsons, E. Hilsman, H. B. Van Epps were elected and admitted to full membership. Gen. R. E. Lee and Mr. Bryan were elected honorary members. The question was debated with great interest and was decided in favor of the Neg. Question for next

debate Saturday. Ought infidel publications to be prohibited by Law?
 Junior Orator next meeting. Mr. Gunby then read the action of the
 Committee on death of Mr. A. Hall. Mr. E. S. Hill was thanked by
 the Society for his prompt attention to his business. Question for
 next Saturday. Ought Infidel publications be prohibited by law?
 Last roll was called Society adjourned.

L. L. McCleskey, Sec.

J. R. McCleskey, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, 13th, 1866

The Court of Tribunal met this evening and called the House to
 order. Then having transacted with dispatch their usual business the
 House then adjourned.

Lucius L. McCleskey, Sec.

Sam Lumpkin, Pres. C. T.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 17th, 1866

Society met this morning and was called to order by the President.
 Mr. Billingsby was elected an honorary member. The President made his
 address on taking his seat. Roll was called for ^{debate &} the question was
 decided in the ^Negative. Stingell delivered Junior Oration. Messers
 F. H. Jones and W. Jones were elected and admitted to full member-
 ship. The motion, made some weeks ago, viz. that a members name
 should not be mentioned in debate, was repealed. A committee was
 appointed to invite the Lucy Cobb Institute and the Parthenian
 Society to the Anniversary viz: for the Lucy Cobb Institute, V. Smith
 and L. McCleskey, and for Parthenian Soc., E. S. Hull and Johnston.
 Committee on Tribunal and Badges, V. M. Smith, Gordon and Crawford
 were appointed. Committee on questions. Com. on Library, Myers,
 Hudgson, E. R. and Smith. Com. on Hall, Bancroft, Hollis and Fort.

Com. on Badges, Goetchins, Bridges, and Stewart. Com. on Tribunal, Spencer, Bethune, A. Mitchell. E. S. Hull and L. L. McCleskey, Marshalls for the Anniversary. Geo. Goetchins, Corresponding Sec. V. M. Smith was elected Pres. J. R. McCleskey, 1st C. M.; A. H. Hall, 2nd C. M.; Sam Spencer, Secretary; I. A. Bethune, Treasurer; Van Epps, Marshall; Lumpkin, Door Keeper; Geo. Goethhins, Clk. Tribunal; R. Crawford was elected Standard bearer for the anniversary. Next Question for debate, "Which is most beneficial to a country a statesman or a warrior?" Ward, Junior Orator. A committee was appointed to invite P. K. S. to the Anniversary. W. Jones, Bridges and Ward. Society then adjourned.

A. L. Hall, Sec.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 19th, 1866

Court of Tribunal met and transacted all their business, adjourned.

Sam Spencer, Pres. Court Trib.

A. L. Hall, Sec.

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 19th, 1866

1st C. M. called the house to order. Geo. Goetchins read an invitation to the P. K. Anniversary and to the ? of the Society on Thursday and Friday. Adjourned.

A. L. Hall, Sec.

J. R. McCleskey, Pres. Pro. tem.

Dem. Hall, Feb. 21st, 1866

A special meeting was held this evening for the purpose of distributing the invitations to the P. K. Exhibition. Society then adjourned.

A. L. Hall, Sec.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Dem. Hall, Feb. 24th, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the Pres. The roll was called and the question was debated with some spirit. The President decided it in favor of the Statesman. Next question for debate, "Would it have been right for the Confederate Government to conscript the youths of sixteen years of age?" Smith made a motion that Sec. 1 Art. 12. in the Constitution be carried out. Carried. Mitchell, A. moved that the Society have an oratorical exhibition and that a committee of five be appointed to make arrangements. Lost. L. McCleskey made a motion that the Committee on Hall attend to the roof being fixed. Carried. Spencer made a motion that 60 copies of J. McCleskey's speech be printed. Messrs Spencer, L. McCleskey and V. Smith were appointed to arrange it. Johnston, Junior Orator. Society then adjourned.

A. L. Hall, Secty.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, March 3rd, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President. The roll for declaimers was called and the appointees acquitted themselves with credit. J. M. McCleskey moved that the regular debate be dispensed with, and that Society have a voluntary debate, carried. The committee retired to choose a question. J. R. McCleskey declined offering his speech for publication. I. H. Bethune gave notice of a change in Constitution in regard to calling the roll. Next question, "Was the execution of Lady Jane Grey, Justifiable?" J. H. Jones, Junior Orator. The last roll was called and the Society adjourned for a voluntary debate. The Society adjourned.

A. S. Hall, Sec.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, March 10th, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President, at about 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock. The roll for declaimers was called. The roll for debate was then called, and the question was decided in the Affirmative. Next question. "Which was the greater Washington or Napoleon?" The Treasurer was instructed to pay Sam (Freedman) for his services for month. Society then adjourned.

A. L. Hall, Sectry.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, March 17th, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the Pres. At 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock. The minutes and portions of Constitution were read, the rolls for declaimers and debaters were called. The question was decided in favor of Washington. Next question, "Was the Crusades beneficial to Europe?" Myers gave notice that he would be make a change in the Constitution in Art. 3 Sec. 1 and Art. 12 Sec. 1 in regard to the calling of the roll. The first of which was lost. The other will come up on next Saturday. Mr. Goetchins read the acceptance of Gen. Lee as honorary mem. W. Jones, Junior Orator.

A. L. Hall, Sec.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Society Hall, March 24th, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the Pres. at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock. The minutes were read. Mr. Gustin was elected honorary member. Roll for declaimers was called. Debate then in order took place and the Pres. decided the question in the Negative. Next question for debate is. "Is there more to approve than condemn in the character of Oliver Cromwell?" Motion that Sec. 1st Art. 12 Constitution be repealed, was brought forward; lost. Messrs Reid and

Russell's fines and fees were remitted by unanimous consent. A. L. Hull resigned the office of 2nd Censor Morum. Mr. Gunby was elected in his stead. Mims, Junior Or. Society then adjourned.

A. E. Hall, Sec.

R. B. Gunby, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, March 31, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the President at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock. The new officers taking their respective seats. The President on entering upon the duties of his office, delivered a very appropriate address. Upon the benefit to be derived from literary societies. The roll for declaimers was called. Messrs Bridges and Bethune alone delivering extracts. The question for debate was then read and rolls called. Mr. Mims, junior orator for the day was called upon, but was absent from meeting. The question was decided by the President in Negative. The question for debate at next meeting. Do public amusements exert beneficial influence upon Society? Mr. A. L. Hull made motion to the effect that the constitution be so construed as to allow members to rest feet upon rounds of benches, which affience had been heretofore fined, which motion was carried. The following committees were then appointed by Prest.

Tribunal . . . A. L. Hall, Ch.; G. Bancroft; T. H. Ward.

On Hall . . . L. McClesky; J. A. Bethune; G. T. Goetchins.

On Badges . . . McCrary, Johnson.

On Questions . . . A. Mitchell; Wilson; H. P. Myers.

On Library . . . Fort; Phinizy; Hodgson, E. R.

Corresponding Secty. . . W. L. Gordon.

The election of officers then took place which resulted as follows.

President, W. A. Fort; 1st C. M., Ward, T. H.; 2nd C. M., Merritt, R. H.;

Sect'y., H. P. Myers; Treasurer, I. A. Bethune; Door Keeper, McLaren; Marshall, Hollis; Clerk Trib., Gordon.

Last roll was then called. Mr. Gunby made motion to the effect that the society recur to propositions, which was carried. The same gentleman then requested to be allowed to retire from duties of member of society, for a few weeks which was granted. The Society then adjourned.

S. Spencer, Sect'y.

V. Smith, Prest.

Demosthenian Hall, Monday afternoon, April 2, 1866

An extra meeting of society was called this afternoon by Prest. for the election of 2nd Censor Morum to fill vacancy occasioned by temporary withdrawal of Mr. Gunby from Society. Which election resulted in the choice of Mr. A. L. Hull. Society then adjourned.

S. Spencer, Sect'y.

V. Smith, Prest.

Demosthenian Hall, April 7, 1866

The Society met this morning and was called to order by the Prest. at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clk. After a reading of portion of the constitution Mr. I. P. McClesky proposed that the Society advance in order of business to report of Com. which was carried. He made report concerning the investigation on the case of Freidman Sam, which he and Mr. Bethune were appointed to make, and then proposed that Sam be brought before Society which was carried, and accordingly he summoned to make his appearance. Messrs L. McCleskey, A. Mitchell and L. Lumpkin were appointed by Prest. to cross question, and examine him, which they did but only succeeding in making him contradict himself: this, with other circumstantial evidence, was deemed sufficient to warrant the

case be carried before the Freedmans Bureau, which determined upon, a committee consisting of Messrs L. McCleskey, Lumpkin and W. Jones, being appointed to attend to it. The rolls for declaimers and debate were called and the question decided in the negative. The question for debate at next meeting. "Is a man justified in obeying a law of his country, which he feels to be morally wrong." Mr. Lumpkin requested permission, to retire from Society for few weeks, which was granted, on condition that his fine imposed by constitution for "an officer resigning."

Mr. McCleskey put a motion to the house to Dr. Hugh Harris an honorary member, present at the time, be requested to address the Society on the high importance of continuing our Society in prosperous conditions. Dr. Harris declined the honor of delivering a formal address, but made a few very appropriate and encouraging remarks.

Mr. Phinzy introduced motion that proposal of members be recurred to which was carried. The name of Dr. H. V. M. Miller of Rome, Ga. was proposed for honorary membership and accepted.

Election for door keeper was then held, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the withdrawal of Mr. Lumpkin, which resulted in the choice of Mr. Johnston, who immediately declined the honor of serving. Another election was held which resulted in choice of Mr. Bancroft. The last roll was called and Society adjourned.
Spencer, Secty. V. Smith, Prest.

Demosthenian Hall, April 14th, 1866

The society met this morning and was called to order at 9.10 o'clock A. M. by the Prest. The 1st and 2nd Censor's Morum,

Secretary and Door Keeper being absent, Messrs Wilson, Fort, Myers and A. C. Young were appointed to fill these respective offices. The first roll was called and the members present was found to be thirteen. The business then proceeded in regular order except that the Secretary being unable to find the proper roll, did not call on the declaimers and junior orator. Mr. Bethune gave notice that he had returned the curtains loaned by the Society to the young ladies for their concert, and that they were eight in number. Motion to repeal Art. 12 Sec. 1 of the Constitution could not be voted on because there was not present a majority of the members. Mr. J. H. Jones was appointed junior orator.

The question chosen for debate at next meeting. "Is the mind of woman inferior to that of man?" The calling of the last roll showed that 13 members were present. At 10 o'clock, the society adjourned. Herbert P. Myers, Sec'y. pro. tem.

Demosthenian Hall, April 21, 1866

The Society was called to order at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock; the roll for declaimers called. Messrs Fort, Stewart, and Ward alone responding. Mr. J. H. Jones having been appointed Junior Orator out of his regular turn was called upon, but not complying, was not fined for the failure. The question was debated with interest and decided in the affirmative. The one chosen for next meeting "Was Napoleon justified in leaving the isle of Elba". Junior Orator, R. H. Sterrett. Motion with regard the repealing Art. 12 Sect. 1st. was again brought before the house and discussed with great interest and lost. Owing to the absence of Messrs Russel and Bridges who was on the comts. on library, Messrs Wilson, Hollis were appointed to fill vacancies, and Mr. Smith being prest. Mr. McCrary was appointed on same comt. Com. on books, Mr.

Fort was appointed to fill vacancy occasioned by absence of Mr. Bridges. Com. was appointed to examine the constitution relative to commencement. The Society adjourned after calling last roll.

Spencer, Sety.

V. Smith

Demosthenian Hall, April 28, 1866

The Society met at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Roll of declaimers and debate were called. Mr. Sterrett delivered junior oration. The question was debated with much interest and decided in the affirmative. The question chosen for next meeting, "Is the existence of parties beneficial to a state." Junior orator for the occasion, T. H. Ward.

Mr. Bethune proposed the comt. appointed to attend to the leaving and receiving from the young ladies, the curtains put them up in the Hall.

Mr. Gordon as Corrg. Secty. read before the Society a very beautiful letter from Mr. B. H. Hill declining the honor of delivering address before the two Societies at commencement.

Mr. McClesky was requested to ask the Senior class to appoint another gentleman for this position and make known their decision at an extra meeting to be held on Monday.

Mr. Myers read report on necessary preparations to be made for commencement according to constitution, which was received.

Mr. McClesky gave notice that he would propose this day two weeks to dispense with 4th July reader and orator at the approaching commencement. But as constitution requires that the election of these together with valedictory orator should have been held previous to this they were chosen today. The choice resulting as follows.

July 4th Orator - J. R. McClesky

" " Reader - Wilson

Valedictory Orator - V. M. Smith

After calling of last roll the Society adjourned.

Spencer, Sect.

V. Smith

Demosthenian Hall, Monday April 30, 1866

The extra meeting was called this afternoon for the purpose of receiving the nomination of Commencement orator to be made by Senior class. Mr. Hall, of that class stated that they had chosen Gen. H. R. Jackson of Savannah, which decision was ratified by the Society, and the Cor. Secty. notified to advise the gentleman of the fact.

Spencer, Sect'y.

J. R. McCleskey, 1st C. M. Presiding

Demosthenian Hall, May 5, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9 o'clock and the roll called by Mr. D. Dozier, the Sect'y. being absent. The roll of declaimers was called and many interesting extracts delivered with much spirit and enthusiasm. The question was debated with unusual interest, both by regular and honorary members and decided by the Prest. in negative. The one for next meeting, "Ought the education of man to be more thorough than that of woman?" Owing to the absence of Mr. Ward, no Junior oration was delivered. Junior orator for next Saturday E. S. Hull. Motion was made to this effect by Mr. Myers; that July orator and reader be done away with at approaching commencement which was carried. That motion would be brought before house to the effect Notice was given that the Constitution be so altered as to substitute

the word July for August wherever it occur.

Mr. V. M. Smith the Valedictory orator elect, tendered his resignation, which was accepted.

Motion was made that a committee be appointed to make out and have published a catalogue of Society which was and the following named gentlemen were appointed on said committee: Messrs L. L. McClesky, W. A. Fort, R. Crawford, Carlton and A. Mitchell.

According to constitution a com. was to be appointed on this day, to prepare and read on commencement day, a report of the general state of the society, which was done resulting in choice of Messrs L. McClesky, A. L. Hall, R. Crawford, G. T. Goetchins, Wilson, Smith, V., W. Jones.

Reports of Com. on badges, E. L. Hall, Chr. and on library, Fort, Ch. were read and received and motion was made that an addition of three members be made to standing com. on library, which was carried and the following gentlemen appointed: Fort, Carlton and H. P. Jones.

Election was then held for Valedictory orator to fill the vacancy occasioned by resignation of Mr. Smith which resulted in election of Mr. J. R. McCleskey. Reports of officers for the day were read, the last roll called and Society adjourned.

Spencer, Secty.

V. M. Smith, Prest.

Demosthenian Hall, May 12th, 1866

The Society met at 9.15 A. M. Prest. Fort upon assuming the duties of his office delivered a suitable address. Present at 1st roll 24. The business proceeded in regular order except that after the declamation, the appointment of the following committees came. Tribunal, Ward, Wilson, Gordon; Com. on Questions, Spencer, Bethune,

Goetchins; Com. on Hall, E. S. Hall, W. C. Smith, E. Young; Committee on Library, Hollis, Phinizy, Carlton; Committee on Badges, Johnson, Mitchell, Crawford. Mr. Bancroft was appointed Corresponding Secty. The Junior Orator failed to perform. The question was debated with considerable interest and decided in the Negative. The motion to abrogate the following clause of Art. 15, Sec. 9; viz. "the fourth of July oration and the reader of the Declaration of Independence was carried by a two thirds vote for the second time, and, consequently became a law. Notice was given that the following amendments to the Constitution would be brought forward next Saturday.

"Resolved, that the President shall fully and clearly interpret every question that is chosen for debate; this interpretation shall be handed to Chr. Tribunal, by whom it shall be disclosed to the Society at each regular meeting of the Tribunal."

The following was carried for the 1st time. Resolved that the word July be substituted for August wherefore it occurs in Constitution. Mr. Bethune presented his report as Treasurer; accepted by the Society.

Elections for officers for next term followed, resulting as follows:

President, Spencer; 1st Censor Morum, Sterrett; 2nd Censor Morum, Fort; Secretary, Goetchins; Treasurer, Bancroft; Doorkeeper, Parsons; Marshall, McCreary; Clerk Tribunal, Mitchell, A.

The next question for debate: "Has increased wealth a favorable effect upon the morals of a people?" Mr. J. H. Jones was appointed Junior Orator. The last roll was called, and the Society adjourned.

Wm. Allen Fort, President

Herbert P. Myers, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, May 14th/66

Society met pursuant to call by President. Mr. L. L. McCleskey moved to postpone the action of the committee appointed to make out a catalogue of members. Carried. Messrs Hall and Smith requested to be released from attendance on the Society for a few weeks. Granted. Mr. McCleskey requested information in regard to the committee of seven. Mr. Myers requested to be released from attendance on the society until he could arrange the books in the Library. Granted.

Herbert P. Myers, Secretary

Demosthenian Hall, May 19th, 1866

The Society met at 9:15 A. M. President Forte in the chair and commenced the regular duties of the day.

Genl. J. E. Johnson was elected an honorary member of the Society.

The roll for declaimers was called and after which, the question for debate was read and discussed with interest and decided in the negative. The Junior Orator failed to perform. The motion made and carried on last Saturday to the effect that the word July be substituted for August whenever it occurred in Constitution was carried. The resolution made on last Saturday by Mr. McCleskey that each question shall be handed to the President for interpretation and was withdrawn.

The next question for debate. "Is Suicide an act of bravery or cowardice?" Mr. H. P. Jones - Junior Orator. Last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. Goetchins, Act. Secy.

W. A. Fort, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, May 21st, 1866

The Society met and was called to order by first censor morum, for the purpose of electing clerk tribunal to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Mr. W. S. Gordon. The election resulted in the choice of Mr. Dozier. Society then adjourned.

T. Ward, 1st C. M. Presiding

G. T. Goetchins, Actg. Secty.

Demosthenian Hall, May 26th, 1866

The Society met at 9:15 A. M. President Forte in the chair, roll called and absentees reported.

Roll for declaimers was called after which the question for debate was read and discussed with some interest and decided in the negative, viz. Suicide is an act of cowardice.

The Junior Orator being absent failed to perform.

There being no business before the Society, the roll of declaimers was read for next meeting. The question for next debate was read, viz. "Would war between the Black Republicans and the Democrats be beneficial to the South?" Mr. Jones, W., was appointed Junior Orator. The second roll was called and Society adjourned.

G. Goetchins, Act. Secyl

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Society, June 2nd, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.15 o'clk. and the roll called and absentees reported. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. On motion of Mr. Myers the society advanced in order of business to motions. A motion was made by Mr. Myers that the Society procure for the Librarian labels for the books - motion was carried.

A request was then made by him, that he be excused from the

regular duties of the Society for the purpose of making a complete list of all books in the library. Request was granted.

A motion was made by Mr. Gordon that the Society return thanks to Mr. Myers for the call taken by him in arranging the library. Motion carried. Society then recurred to the regular order of business.

Brig. Gen. C. A. Evans was elected an honorary member of the Society.

Rolls for declaimers and debate were called and the question decided in the negative.

Mr. Hollis proposed that the President request every member of the Society having books in his possession to return them during the week in order to complete the catalogue.

Dr. Lipscomb was appointed by the Senior class as Hon. President of the Society during commencement. The election was approved by the Society.

Mr. Gordon informed the Society that some member of the Society had divulged the secrets of the Society to a member of the "Phi Kappa Society."

Mr. Mitchell, A., moved that a comt. of two be appointed to investigate the matter. McCleskey, L., and Mitchell, A., Com. Mr. Spencer asked permission to retire from the Society for two meetings; request was granted. Next roll of declaimers was read. Sterritt appointed Junior Orator. Next question for debate. "Which is the best form of government, a Republican or Monarchy." Last roll was called and Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Act. Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 4th, 1866

The extra meeting was called this afternoon for the purpose of laying before the Society a communication from a member of the "Phi Kappa" Society in regard to the secrets made known to him by some member of the Demosthenian Society.

Mr. McClesky made a motion to the effect that a committee of three be appointed to draw up an Oath and to present the oath to those members of the Society who have withdrawn from the Society and to those who will necessarily be absent on Saturday. Messrs Gordon, Wilson and McCleskey, L. Mr. Bethune moved that a vote of thanks be returned to Mr. Busee for the kindness displayed by him in regard to the whole affair. Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Actg. Secy.

W. H. Forte, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 8th, 1866

The society met this morning at 9:20 O'clk. President Forte in the chair.

Roll called and absentees reported. On motion of Mr. Wilson the Society advanced in order of business. Mr. Wilson then moved that each member of the Society sign the oath drawn up by the committee. Motion carried. The society then recurred to the regular order of business.

Rolls for declaimers and debate were called and the question decided in the negative, viz. That a Monarchy is the better form of government. The President gave notice to the Society that the Comt. on appeals would meet in this Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 O'clk. Mr. Dozier ask permission to withdraw from the Society for two weeks, permission granted. Junior Orator failed. Question for

next Saturday, "Ought capital punishment as a matter of expediency to be abolished?" The President gave notice to the Society that his duties were of such a nature as not to permit him to attend Society. On motion of Mr. McClesky the Society appointed Mr. Hollis to act as President on next Saturday.

Society then adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Act. Secy.

W. A. Forte, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 11th, 1866

The extra meeting was called this evening. 1st Censor Morum in the chair.

The Society then proceeded to the election of two members to fill the vacancy occasioned by the absence of Messrs Lumpkin and Gunby on Committee of Appeals. Wilson and Young, A. were received and Society then adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Actg. Secy.

T. Ward, 1st Censor Morum

Demosthenian Society, June 23rd, 1866

The Society met at 9.15 A. M. President Spencer in the chair. Roll called and absentees reported. The business proceeded in regular order, except after the declamation. The appointment of the following committees were made. Tribunal, S. F. Wilson, B. P. Hollis, C. P. Muers; Com. on Question, L. L. McCleskey, A. L. Mitchell, W. Jones; Com. on Hall, I. A. Bethune, E. B. Young, W. C. Smith; Com. on Badges, W. A. Forte, E. S. Hull, W. Johnson; Com. on Library, E. R. Hodgson, R. B. Hodgson, F. B. Phinizy; Cordg. Secty, E. B. Van Epps.

Hon. G. S. Robinson of Cuthbert, Geo., Hon. John T. Clarke of

Lumpkin, Geo. and Judge Jos. L. Weimberly of Lumpkin, Geo. were elected honorary members of the Society. The question for debate was read and decided in the "Aff."

A motion was made by Mr. McClesky, L., that a committee of two be appointed to ascertain from Prof. Waddell everything connected with the time, manner, etc. of conducting the address before the Societies during commencement. McClesky, L. and Jones, W. Com. The Society then proceeded to the election of officers which resulted as follows. Ward, President; Spencer, 1st C. M.; Fort, 2nd C. M.; Goetchins, Secty.; Jas. A. Bethune, Treas.; Johnson, Marshall; Van Epps, Door Keeper; Gordon, Clerk Tribunal; Reese, Crawford, Standard Bearers. Next question for debate, was the execution of Charles first justifiable? Last roll called and Society adjourned.
G. G. Goetchins, Secty. A. L. Mitchell, Actg. President

Demosthenian Society, June 30th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.20 . President Spencer in the chair.

Roll called and absentees reported. On motion of Mr. Myers, the Society dispensed with the regular debate on account of having to transact important business for commencement. A motion was made by Mr. Fort that Mr. Myers be allowed to carry the constitution to his home for the purpose of making out an index. Motion carried. A communication from Gen. Evans was read before the society. According to the constitution A committee of three was appointed to make proper arrangements for commencement and to submit the same to the Society on Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Messrs Myers, Starrett and Fort, Com. A committee of three was appointed to

arrange the Diplomas and to make all necessary arrangements for the distribution of the same.

Spencer

Goetchins. . . . Com.

Fletcher, A.

Last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Society, July 4th, 1866

The Society met this afternoon. In the absence of the honorary President, Dr. Church was called to the chair. After a few remarks by the President the Society proceeded to the transaction of the regular commencement duties. The Valedictorian delivered before the Society a most eloquent address. On motion of Mr. Spencer, a committee was appointed to request Mr. McCleskey to allow his address to be published, motion carried.

Several remarks were made by the honorary members of the Society. After the conferring of diplomas the Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty.

Dr. Church, Hon. President

July 4th. Minutes of Commencement Meeting, 1866.

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Demosthenian Society, Aug. 16th, 1866

The extra meeting of the Society was held this afternoon by order of the President.

Genl. Curtis Lee, Prof. Broun, and Prof. Jones were elected honorary members of the Society. Messrs Spear, Murdock, Callaway and Woodruff were initiated regular members of the Society. On

motion of Mr. McCleskey, a committee of three was appointed to select a question for next Saturday.

Com. McCleskey
 On. . . . Wilson
 Qust. Mitchell, A.

The following question was selected by the committee: "Was it consistent with the interest and honor of the late Southern Confederacy to send delegates to the present convention at Phil?"

A motion was made that Mr. Myers be allowed to carry the constitution from the hall during the term at such times as he may deem proper. Motion carried. Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty.

Sam Spencer, President

Demosthenian Society, Aug. 19th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.00. President Spencer in the chair. Roll called and absentees reported. The Society then proceeded to the transaction of the regular duties of the Society.

Messrs I. W. Nicholson, J. D. Lockhart, J. M. Burdell and Hale Barrett were elected honorary members of the Society. Messrs Otis Jones Wimberley and Barrow were initiated regular members of the Society.

The regular roll for debate was called and the question decided in the negative. Viz. That it was not consistent with the honor and interest of the people of the late S. C. to send delegates to the Convention at Phil.

A motion was made by Mr. Myers that the Treas. allow the Scty. to have a sufficient amount of money to meet the demands of the Society as regards stationary etc. Motion carried.

A motion was made that a committee be appointed to see what change of the constitution are necessary to meet the new arrangements of the college terms. Motion carried. Committee, Messrs Myers, Goetchins and Russell. A motion was made by Mr. E. S. Hall that a committee of three be appointed to look after a chair belonging to the Society. Committee: Messrs E. S. Hall, Carlton and Mitchell, A. (Motion carried.) Mr. Fletcher, A. made a motion to the effect that a committee of three be appointed to attend to having the front door of the Society repaired. Committee: Messrs Mitchell, E. R. Hodgson, and Phinzy. (Motion Carried). An election was then held to elect a Censor Morum to fill the vacancy occasioned by the absence of Mr. Sterritt.

Mr. Ward was elected. In the election for Clerk Tribunal, Mr. Hollis was elected.

Mr. Myers was elected Librarian. Messrs Wilson, Bethune, Hollis, Russell and McCleskey were elected a committee of appeal. Messrs Bethune, Bancroft and Carlton were appointed a committee on motions. Question for next debate, Was the Execution of Charles First justifiable? The regular class of declaimers was appointed. Bancroft was appointed Junior Orator. Last roll called and absentees reported. Society then adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty.

Sam Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, Aug. 20th, 1866

The extra meeting of the Society was held this afternoon for the purpose of initiating Messrs Laney and A. H. Hodgson.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, Aug. 25th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.30. President Spencer in the chair. Roll called and absentees reported. The Society then proceeded to the transaction of the regular duties. Mr. S. Root was elected an honorary member of the Society. Messrs Orr and Davis were initiated regular members of the Society. On motion of Mr. Wilson, the Society suspended the regular duties for the purpose of allowing Mr. Mitchell to speak to the members of the Society on the duties of each member of the D. Society. Mr. Wilson moved that a vote of thanks be returned to Mr. Mitchell for the eloquent address delivered by him. After which the Society proceeded to the regular duties. The roll of declaimers was called and many interesting extracts delivered. The question was debated with usual interest and decided in the Negative Viz. The execution of Charles first was not justifiable. Question for next debate. Would the establishment of Maximilian on the Mwxican throne be beneficial to Mexico? Bethune, Junior Orator. Report of officers received. Last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. G. Goetchins, Secty. Sam Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 1st, 1866

They met this morning at 9.15. President Spencer in the chair. Roll call and absentees reported. Twenty nine members present. Roll for declaimers called. (The society "busted in trying to record today's minutes).

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 1st, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.15. President Spencer in the chair. Roll called, absentees reported. Twenty nine members present



Messrs Hill, Fontaine, and Copeland were initiated members of the Society. Roll for declaimers called. Messrs Woodruff, Bancroft and Bethune alone responding.

The question was debated with usual interest and decided by the President in the Negative, Viz. "That the establishment of Maximilian on the Mexican throne would not be beneficial to Mexico." A communication from Mr. Jno. W. Nicholson was read by the corresponding Secty. stating that he would accept the position as honorary member of the Demosthenian Society. Question for next debate. "Was the execution of Lady Jane Grey justifiable?" After appointing next roll of declaimers and junior orator, the Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 8th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9:30. President in the chair.

Roll called and absentees reported.

Roll for declaimers was called, after which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest, and decided in the Negative. Viz. "That the execution of Lady Jane Grey was not justifiable?" Mr. Newton gave notice to the Society that he wished to withdraw from the Society for a short while. A communication from Prof. Jones was read before the Society, also a communication from the Phi Kappa Society requesting the chair to appoint a committee to confer with a committee from said society on business. On motion of Mr. Van Epps the President appointed a committee of three viz. Mitchell, A., McCleskey and Goetchins. Question for next debate. Was the assassination of Julius Ceaser justifiable. After appointing next

class of declaimers and juniors and the calling of last roll the Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 15th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.15. First Censor Morum in the chair. Roll called and absentees reported. Roll for declaimers called after which the question for debate was read, discussed with the usual interest and decided in the Negative. Viz. "That the assassination of Julius Ceasar was not justifiable." Mr. Hillsman notified the Society that he wished to withdraw for a few weeks. A communication from Mr. W. L. Broune was read before the Society. Mr. Mitchell, A., chairman of the committee to confer with the committee from the Phi K. S. made known to the Society the business of said committee, viz. "That the two Society's agree upon some regular mode for letting the members of the two Society's know when the Societies were in session." On motion of Mr. McCleskey the Society recurred to propositions. And moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the P. K. S. that the D. S. refuses to take part in any such argument.

L. L. McCleskey

Comt. . . . A. L. Mitchell

J. N. Bethune

The reports of Messrs Bethune and Wilson as chairman of committees were received by the Society. Election for officers for next term followed resulting as follows. President, Johnston; 1st Censor Morum, Spencer; 2nd Censor Morum, Fort; Secty., Goetchins; Treasurer, Bethune; Door Keeper, F. C. Young; Marshall, Russell, Clerk of Tribunal, O. E. Mitchell. After appointing roll of declaimers, appointing Junior Or. and reading the

question for next debate viz. "Which has done more for the Morale, Love or Ambition?" Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, 1st Censor Morum
Act. President

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 21st, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.15. President Ward in the chair.

Roll called and absentees reported. Mr. Stubbs was initiated a regular member of the Society. The roll for declaimers was called and many interesting extracts delivered. The Society proceeded in the transaction of the regular duties after the appointment of the following committees by the President.

Calaway	Dozier
Tribunal . . Mitchell	Hall . . Mitchell, O. E.
L. McClesky	Hull, R. T.
Jones, O.	Van Epps
Questions . . Wilson	Badges . . Parsons
Hollis	Dearing
Fort	Phinizy
Books Spencer	Library . . Bancroft
Myers	Jones, H. P., Chr.

R. Crawford, Corresponding Secty.

The question for debate was read and decided in favor of Love. Mr. Mitchell, A. and McCleskey refusing to act on Committee Tribunal. Messrs Johnston and Spear were appointed in their stead. Fontaine, Junior Orator. After appointing the roll of declaimers reading, the next question viz. "Is war justifiable?" receiving report of officers

and calling last roll, Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

F. Ward, Pres.

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 29, 1866

No meeting on account of revival. Society adjourned for the purpose of allowing its members to attend divine service.

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 6th, 1866

The regular duties of the Society were suspended on account of the death of a member of the F. K. S.

A called meeting of the Society was held for the purpose of making necessary arrangements for the procession etc. On motion of Mr. Russell a committee of three was appointed to confer with a committee from the P. K. S. Com., Wilson, Hollis, Jones.

On motion of Mr. Bethune and election for Standard bearer was held. Which resulted in the election of Mr. Crawford.

Mr. W. W. Dearing was initiated a regular member of the Society. Mr. Myers moved that a committee of three be appointed to have the banner draped. Com., Myers, Bethune, Goetchins.

Society then adjourned to meeting immediately to receive report of Com.

Geo. Goetchins, Secty.

Sam Spencer, 1st Gen. M.

Report of Com:

1st Have Banner draped

2nd Wear crape during the day

3rd Regular order of procession

As on all occasions meet in Hall at 2 Oclk. Report received.

Demosthenian Society, Oct. 1st, 1866

The regular duties of the Society were suspended on account of the death of a member of P. K. S.

A call meeting was held for the purpose of making all necessary arrangements for the procession. On motion of Mr. Russell a committee of three was appointed to confer with a committee from the PKS. Com. Wilson, Hollis, Jones, O. Mr. Dearring, W. W., was initiated a regular member of the Society. On motion of Mr. Bethune an election was held for Standard bearer. Mr. Crawford was elected. Mr. Myers moved that a committee of three be appointed to have the banner draped. Com., Myers, Bethune, Goetchins. The report of first committee was received which is as follows.

- 1st. Have Banner draped.
2. Wear Grape during the day.
- 3rd. Form regular order of procession and march to the house.

All arrangements about procuring grape etc. was left to 2nd Committee.

Geo. Goetchins, Secty.

S. Spencer, First C. M.

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 13th.

Minutes not recorded through neglect of Acting Secty.

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 15th, 1866

The extra meeting was held this evening for the purpose of admitting Mr. W. H. Toombs a regular member of the Society. After which the Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

T. H. Ward, President

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 20th, 1866

The Society met this morning at 9.15. President Ward in the chair, the roll for declaimers called, Messrs Carlton and Hodgson, R. B. alone responding.

On motion of Mr. Orr the society recurred to the initiation of members. Mr. Harris, T. H. was admitted as a regular member of the Society. After which the regular roll for debate was called the question was discussed with interest and decided in the negative, Viz. "That the Scaling of Anti bellien debt is August." Mr. Hollis gave notice that a motion will be brought forward on next Saturday. That no member will be allowed to withdraw from the Society without the consent of two thirds of the society.

After appointing next class of declaimers, Junior Orator reading next question viz. "Which has contributed more to eloquence, Art or nature." The last was called and Society adjourned.

George Goetchins, Secty.

T. A. Ward, President

Demosthenian Hall, Oct. 27th, 1866

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President, the news of officers taking their respective seats. The President on taking his seat delivered a very appropriate address on bratory. After appointing the following committees the Society proceeded to the transaction of its regular duties.

Wilson	Calaway	Hollis
Questions . . Jones, H. P.	Library . . Young	Trib. . Myers
Jones, O.	Murdock	Russell

Dozier E. S. Hull
 Hall . . . Smith Badges . . . Barrow
 Crawford A. C. Young
 Emory Spear, Corresponding Secty.

The roll for declaimers was called, Mr. Smith alone responding. After which the question for debate was read and discussed with interest and decided in favor of nature.

Action was taken upon the motion in reference to withdrawing from the Society, the motion was carried. Viz. That no member be allowed to withdraw from the Society without the consent of two-thirds of the Society. Mr. Fort proposed that all members be requested to return who have withdrawn during this term. Mr. Jones, O. moved that a Committee of three be appointed to request these members to return. Fort, Jones, O., Myers - Com.

The following officers were elected.

President, W. A. Fort	Door Keeper, Wimberley
1st Censor Morum, F. H. Ward	Marshall, C. H. Hill
2nd " " , Otis Jones	Clerk Trib., W. C. Smith
Secretary, Goetchins	
Treasurer, Bethune	

After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading question. Viz. "Was the execution of Marshall Ney justifiable." and appointing Junior the last roll was called and Society adjourned. George Goetchins, Secty. W. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Society, Nov. 3rd, 1866

The society met this morning at the usual hour by the President.

Roll for declaimers was called, many interesting extracts delivered.

Rev. Mr. Burkhead was elected an honorary member of the society.

The question for debate was read, discussed with great interest and decided in the negative.

The motion which was carried on Saturday last, was brought forward the second time and finally passed viz. That Sec. 3rd, Art. 13 of the Constitution be changed so as to prevent members from withdrawing from the Society during their college course except by a two thirds vote of the Society. The Secty. gave notice that he would resign his office.

Mr. Calaway proposed that the Demosthenian Society give at the end of the term a public oratorical exhibition. After second remarks by the gentlemen, the proposition was voted down.

Mr. Spencer proposed that four armed chairs be procured by the Society and each placed on each side of the rostrum for the honorary members. Proposition carried. The treasurer was appointed to purchase the chairs. The election for Secty. to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the present Sect. was postponed. After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading the question, Viz. Should deceit be used with detection of a criminal? The last roll was called and Society adjourned.

Geo. T. Goetchins, Secty.

M. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Society, Nov. 10th, 1866

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Roll for declaimers was called. Mr. Spear alone responding. The question for debate was read and decided in the Negative. Mr. Mitchell proposed that the treasurer, have glass put in

the broken sash. A motion was made to the effect that the constitution be revised. Motion was postponed so few members being present. Mr. Speer proposed that the D. S. through a committee ask Hon. B. H. Hill to give to the Society his picture to be hung in the Society.

Speer, Mitchell, A., Fort . . Com.

A communication from Mr. Barkhead was read before the Society. Question for next debate, which affords the most pleasure the possession or pursuit of an object. The regular roll of declaimers was appointed. Last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

M. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 17th, 1866

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. Roll for declaimers was called many interesting extracts were delivered. The question for debate was read and decided that the possession of an object affords more pleasure than the pursuit. Mr. Van Epps was elected Secty. for the next term of office. Regular roll for declaimers was appointed. The question for next debate was read. Viz. Was the conscript act beneficial to the South. Report of officers were received and Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

W. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Hall, Nov. 24th, 1866

The society met this morning at the usual hour. Mr. R. Toombs was initiated a regular member of the Society. Roll for declaimers was called. After which the question for debate was read, and discussed with usual interest and decided in the affirmative. Viz. "That the conscript act was beneficial to the South." Mr. Spencer moved that the

society recur to propositions. Mr. Spencer proposed that the Censor Morum rise and notify a member when he is fined. Proposition passed.

Mr. Speer proposed that the treasurer be requested to have one of the stands repaired.

Mr. Fort moved that the Society recur to motions. Mr. Bethune moved that the constitution be revised, the motion was carried for the first time.

After appointing regular class of declaimers, Reading next question for debate Viz. "Is truth invincible when left to grapple with falsehood on equal terms." Report of officers was received, last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

M. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Hall, Dec. 1st, 1866

The meeting of the Society was held this morning at 9.15. The regular duties of the Society was dispensed with, it being the last meeting of the term.

An election for Anniversarian was held. Mr. Spencer was elected by the Society. Mr. Russell moved that the Society present to Mr. J. R. McCleskey, who has just entered the ministry. A bible and a suit of clothes suitable for his purpose as a minister. Motion carried unanimously. A committee then were appointed to attend to the above. R. A. Russell, H. D. Myers, S. Spencer . . Com. A communication from Mr. Riden before the Society in regard to books etc. The society then adjourned until the first Saturday in next term.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty. 1866

N. Johnston, President

Demosthenian Hall, Dec. 3rd, 1866

An extra meeting of the Society was held to confirm the election for Anniversarian. Mr. Spencer was elected. The Society moved that Mr. Mitchell, A., be requested to occupy one of the rooms on the lower floor for the purpose of taking care of the Hall etc. The motion was unanimously passed. Mr. McCleskey, L., appointed a committee of one to notify Mr. Mitchell, A., of the action taken upon the above motion.

After attending to more business of little importance, the Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Secty.

M. Johnston, President

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Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 16th, 1867

Society met this morning at 9.15 was called to order by the President. Messrs Cox, White, Woolfolk, Byron, Oglesby, Bussey, Rhodes, Swanson, Wimbish, Raney, Barksdale, Baird, Hammond, Green, Collier, Murphy, Camp, Wood and Long were admitted to regular membership. The Society then proceeded to the transaction of regular duties.

Committee on questions, Ward, Spence, and Goetchins. Motion by Mr. Spencer that a committee of three be appointed to consult and report about revising the Constitution, motion carried - Comt. Spencer, Wilson and House. Mr. Spencer moved that a committee of two be appointed to consult with the comt. on arrangements, Phi Kappa Society, with regard to anniversary - Spencer and Callaway, Comt. Motion of Mr. Myers, that a com't. of two be appointed to fix up curtains after the anniversary, passed - Myers and Jones, O., Comt. Mr. Gibson proposed that a Com't.

of three be appointed to provide the Society with the necessary seats. Messrs Wilson, Speer and Van Epps Comt. Mr. Wilson moved that a Comt. of five be appointed to prepare everything necessary for the Ann'y. including the Comt. of two, previously appointed. Comt. Messrs Myers, Wilson, Goetchins, Hollis and Jones. Mr. Crawford moved that a com't. of two be appointed to arrange the procession etc. Crawford and Bancroft. After appointing the following committees the Society proceeded to the election of officers.

Ward	Hollis
Questions . . . Spencer	Library . . . Dozier
Goetchins	Toombs, R.
Johnson	Woodruff
Trib. . . . W. C. Smith	Hall Callaway
B. Phinizy	Russell
Carlton	
Badges Young, A.	C. H. Hill, Corresponding Secretary
Berron	

The following officers were elected:

President, Saml. Spencer; 1st Gen. Morum, W. A. Fort; 2nd Gen. Morum, T. H. Ward; Secty., H. B. Van Epps; Treasurer, James Bethune; Librarian, Myers; Door Keeper, Young, A. C.; Marshall, P. W. Stubbs; Standard Bearer, Reese Crawford. Committee of Appeals, Wilson, Hollis, Russell, Speer, Callaway. Clerk of Tribunal, O. E. Mitchell. Mr. Goetchins moved that Mr. Buckhead be requested to act as Chaplain on the Anniversary of this Society. Amended by Mr. Hollis to the effect that Mr. Goetchins confer with Mr. Buckhead on the subject. Motion carried.

It was requested that several of the members present address the Society, responded to by short addresses full of interest and encouragement from Messrs Wilson, Mitchell, A., Callaway, Spencer, Myers and Jones.

Mr. Hill moved that the Society recur to notices. Mr. Mitchell, A. gave notice that he had loaned the curtains of the Hall to the ladies, during vacation. Ratified by the Society. After appointing the regular classes of declaimers, reading next question for debate Viz. "Would the impeachment of the President benefit the South?" reports of officers was received. Last roll called and society adjourned.

G. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 18th, 1867

Society met this morning to consult about arrangements for the Anniversary. Moved that the young ladies of the Lucy Cobb Institute be invited to be present at anniversary exercises. Moved, that the soldiers of the preparatory Dept. be also requested to join in the procession; moved, that the "Com't. on arrangements" be empowered to use the carpet of this Hall on tomorrow if necessary. Business of minor importance transacted. Society adjourned.

C. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 18th, 1866

Society met this evening in extra session for the purpose of initiating new members. President Jones in the chair. Messrs LeConte, Grant, Lyons, Jordan, Roberson and Jester.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

O. H. Jones, President

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 19th, 1867

The Society met this morning immediately after the Anniversary exercises. Motion that thanks be returned to Mr. Spencer for the beautiful and appropriate address at the Town Hall this morning. Mr. Wilson moved that Mr. Spencer be requested to give his speech to the Society for publication, unanimously carried. Mr. Myers, gave notice that he had purchased a Bible for presentation to Mr. McCleskey, and laid the same before the Society. The Society ratified the purchase and forthwith appointed a comt. of three to wait upon Mr. McCleskey and present the Bible for his acceptance. Comt. Messrs Myers, Wilson and Ward. Mr. McCleskey, being present in the Hall, returned his thanks to the Society in a short and appropriate address, congratulating the body on its present flourishing condition and expressing hope and confidence of its future prospects.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 22nd, 1867

Society met this morning in extra session for initiation of members. Messrs Guyton and Harris were received into full membership. Mr. Hill read a communication from the Phi Kappa Society congratulating the Orator and Society as a body for the complete and brilliant success of the 19th inst.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

The following is the order of proceedings adopted by both Societies with regard to the Anniversary exercises of the 19th and 22nd.

Societies met at 9 O'clock A. M. Hon. Members at 9½ A. M. 2 taps of bell at 9 ¾ A. M. to arrange in Hall; 1 tap of bell at 10 O'clk. A. M.

to march from Halls, Meet at center of campus. Banners first. Demosthenians taking Phi Kappa's arms when head of column reaches City Hall procession hall, open ranks, cross Banners on Portico. Orator and Faculty march in and take seats on the stage. Hon. members close in and follow Faculty. Demosthenians on left and Phi Kappa's on right. Beginning with the smallest, the regular members march in the Hall, the Demosthenians occupying the left center benches and Phi Kappa's the right center benches.

Programme: 1st. Prayer
 2nd. Music
 3d . Oration
 4th. Music
 5th. Benediction
 6th. Music

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 22nd, 1867

Society met this morning immediately after the Anniversary exercises of the Phi Kappa Society. On motion of Mr. Speer a Comt'. of three were appointed to tender the congratulations of this body to the Phi Kappa Society for the complete success of the orator of the occasion. Comt. Messrs Speer, Ward and Smith.
 H. B. Van Epps, Secty. W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, Feb. 23d, 1867

Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Proposals for new members were received. Messrs Hill, T. A., Harrison and Anderson were received into full membership. Roll for declaimers was called, several gentlemen

responding.

The regular roll for debate was called, the question discussed with great interest and decided in favor of the Affirmative Viz. "That the impeachment of the President would be beneficial to the South."

Moved by Mr. Wilson that a Comt. of three be appointed to request Gen. Jackson to deliver his speech to the society for publication, amended by Mr. Myers to the effect that a comt. of three be appointed to communicate with Gen. Jackson on the subject. Myers, Wilson, Crawford, Comt. Notice was given by Mr. Myers that he would be found at the Library every Monday and Thursday at noon, for the transaction of business connected with the Library.

Mr. Myers moved that the Society recur to motions, moved by Mr. Myers, that a comt. of five be appointed to revise the constitution. Amended by Mr. Spencer that a comt. of six be appointed for that duty, the present President being allowed to have a voice in the matter. Coleman, Myers, Spencer, Wilson, Hollis, Comt. Society then proceeded to the election of Treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Bethune absence. Mr. Goetchins was elected Treasurer for the two ensuing terms. After appointing next class of declaimers, Junior Orator, reading next question Viz. "Was the assassination of Caesar justifiable." The last roll was called and Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, March 2nd, 1867

Society met this morning at 9.10 O'ckl. and was called to

order by the President. The President being called away on business with the Comt. to revise the constitution, Mr. Smith was appointed to the chair. Responding. The question was discussed with usual interest and was decided in favor of the Negative, Viz. "That the assassination of Caesar was not justifiable." Mr. Gordon moved that the society recur to initiation of members. Mr. H. A. Haralson was received into full membership. The Junior Orator being absent failed to deliver his oration. Motions next in order. Mr. Ward moved that the society purchase the golden badges of the society from the jewelry store of Mr. Manderville instead of from Messrs Homer and Haas as formerly as he would furnish them cheaper than Messrs H. and H. Amended by Mr. Barrow, that this change shall be read out before the society at the beginning of every term in order that new members may not be at fault as to where they shall make their purchases. Motion carried. Communications and notices were next read. After appointing next class of declaimers, junior orator, reading next question Viz. "Was Napoleon justifiable in leaving Elba." The last roll was called and Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. C. Smith, Act. President

Messrs Ward, Russell and Hilsman were appointed as a comt. of three to inform Mr. Manderville of this change.

Demosthenian Hall, March.

The Society met this evening in extra session. Moved by Mr. Crawford that a comt. of three be appointed to return the thanks of this body to Mr. Williams, H. Midell for a valuable book entitled, "Alexander H. Stephens in public and private with letters and speeches." Presented

by him to the Demosthenian Society - passed - Messrs Crawford, Gordon and Goetchins, Comt. Mr. Cox was appointed a member Comt. of Trib. to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Smiths resignation. No further business being brought up, Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. A. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, Mar. 9th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. President Fort in the chair. The Secty. being absent on account of sickness. Mr. Goetchins was appointed to fill the vacancy. The regular roll was called, and absentees reported. Mr. Brooks was received into full membership. Mr. R. T. Biddle of LaGrange, and Mr. J. W. Burke of Macon were received as honorary members. Roll for declaimers was called after which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest and decided in the affirmative, Viz. That Napoleon was justifiable. Mr. Calaway proposed that Treasurer be requested to have the hall cleaned etc. Mr. Gordon as by way of amendment suggested that the Treasurer procure new bucket etc. for the Society. Mr. Carlton moved that a catalogue of the Society be published. After some remarks by different gentlemen the question was delayed until a future day. A communication from Mr. L. Root was read by the Corr. Sety. Report of chairman of comt. appointed to attend procuring badges etc. was read. After appointing regular class declaimers, Reading next question for debate, Viz. Ought we to encourage the education of the Negro. Report of officers were read, last roll called and Society adjourned.

G. T. Goetchins, Actg. Sety.

W. H. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, March 11th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. President Fort in the chair. Regular roll was called and absentees reported. Proposals for new members were received. Maj. J. M. Richardson and Mr. J. T. Shewmache were received as Honorary Members. Mr. Fort being called away on business from the Society, Mr. Ward was appointed to fill the Chair. Roll for declaimers was called, several interesting extracts delivered, after which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest and decided in the Affirmative Viz. "We ought to encourage the education of the Negro." The Honorary members present being called on Mr. Pope Barrow rose to the floor and entertained the Society by a beautiful and affecting address. Mr. Gordon moved in that such an amount of money, as shall be necessary, be taken from the treasury to be invested in furniture and for the Hall, and that a com't. of three be appointed to make the necessary arrangements. Motion carried. Comt. Messrs Gordon, Goetchins and Parsons. After appointing regular class of Declaimers, reading next question for debate Viz. "Should there be a property qualification to the right of Suffrage?" report of officers was received, last roll called and Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

E. H. Ward, 1st Censor Morum, Acting
President

Demosthenian Hall, March 23d, 1867

Decided by the President to have been unconstitutional and therefore rejected. . . .The Society met this morning at the usual hour. President Fort in the chair. Regular roll was called and absentees reported. Proposals for new members were received - Dr.

Edward H. Myers and Lt. Col. H. D. Capers were received as Honorary members. Mr. Speer moved that the Society advance to motions, moved by Mr. Speer that the Society adjourn promptly at 12 o'clock. Mr. Speer reconsidered his former motions and moved that the debate be closed promptly at 12 o'clock. Mr. Jones amended Mr. Speer's motion to the effect that the Society adjourn at 10 clk. Mr. Johnson moved that the debate be protracted from Saturday to Saturday until the decision be given. Mr. Speer's motion with Mr. Jones amendment - carried - other motions lost. After which the Society proceeded to the transaction of regular duties. Roll for declaimers was called and several interesting extracts delivered. Roll for debate was called, question discussed with interest and decided in the Affirmative Viz. That there should be a property qualification to the right of suffrage.

A communication from the Librarian was read before the Society notifying the Society that he had received a package of valuable books from Mr. S. Root. Mr. Crawford moved that a com't. of three be appointed to return thanks to Mr. Root for his handsome donation. Com't. Messrs Crawford, Goetchins and Gordon. Reports of committees were received. After appointing next class of declaimers, reading next question for debate Viz. Which is the greater incentive to action, the hope of reward or fear of punishment. Last roll called and Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

W. H. Fort, President

Demosthenian Hall, March 25th, 1867

An extra meeting of the Society was held this evening, after

adjournment of Tribunal. Mr. Goetchins stated that by actual enquiry he had learned that the furniture which a Comt. of three were appointed to purchase would cost about \$500.00, whereas there was only between 3 & 400.00 in the treasury, in hand and to be collected, and laid the matter before the Society. Mr. Gordon, Chairman of Comt. of purchase, stated that he had given an order to Mr. Lucas to send on after the furniture and had Commissioned him to pay as much as \$500.00 dollars for it if necessary. Mr. Spencer suggested that we reconsider the matter, Mr. Johnson moved that a telegraph be sent on countermanding the order of the Comt. and that the Comt. await the further action of the Society in the matter. Mr. Gordon moved that the Society call upon honorary members to aid in furnishing the Hall properly. Mr. Gordon's motion laid on the table. Motion of Mr. Johnson carried. No more business being brought before the Body, it adjourned forthwith.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

T. H. Ward, President

Demosthenian Hall, March 30th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President, the new officers taking their respective seats. Regular roll was called and absentees reported. Proposals for new members received; Mr. Edgar H. Thompson and Capt. John W. Shorter were received as Honorary members. After which the President appointed the following Comt's. for next term of office.

Hollis	Fort	Speer
Tribunal . . Wilson	Question . . Jones	Library . . Cox
Johnston	Russell	White

Goetchins	Gordon	Callaway
Hall . . Dozier	Badges . . Mitchell	Motions . . Smith
Phinizy	Murdock	Howze
Corp's. Secty. . . Crawford		

Question for debate read, discussed with usual interest and decided in the affirmative Viz. "That the hope of reward is a greater incentive to action than fear of punishment." Mr. Ward proposed that the treasurer be authorized to purchase an unabridged edition of Webster's Dictionary for the use of the Society - Passed. The Society then proceeded to the election of the following officers. Mr. Van Epps resigning the position of Secty. Mr. Wimberly was elected for the two ensuing terms.

President . . Spencer; 1st Gen. Morum . . Ward; 2nd Censor Morum . . Johnston; Sect'y. . . Van Epps; Treasurer . . Goetchins; Door Keeper . . Lyons; Marshall . . Long; Clerk of Tribunal . . Smith.

After appointing regular class of Clerk of Tribunal, W. C. Smith declaimers. Reading next question for debate. Viz. Which is preferable, a republican or monarchical government? Last roll called and Society adjourned.

H. B. Van Epps, Secty.

Sam Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, April 6th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, Pres. Spencer in the chair. First roll called and absentees reported. Proposals for new members were rec'd. Mr. Thos. Greene was received with full membership. Roll for declaimers called, many interesting extracts delivered. Question for debate read, discussed with usual interest,

and decided in favor of the affirmative Viz. "that a monarchical was preferable to Republican form of government. Mr. Goetchins stated that he had ascertained from actual enquiry that the repairs on the house would cost about \$200.00 and laid the matter before the Society. Mr. Myers moved that Committee on Hall have the necessary repairs made, motion passed. Mr. R. B. Hodgson, requested that he be permitted to withdraw from the Society which was granted. Mr. Gordan's former motion Viz. "that the Society call upon Honorary members for funds, was again brought before the house and carried. Committee: Gordon, Chairman, and Col. Buseell. On account of the resignation of two members of the committee on constitution of which Mr. Myers was chairman, he requested that others be appointed in their stead. Mr. Speer moved that the Society request the remaining gentlemen of the Committee to finish the business, Carried. After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading next question, Viz. "Is duelling justifiable?" Last roll called and Society adjourned.

D. B. Wimberly, Secr'y.

Sam'l. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, April 13th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. President Spencer in the Chair. Roll called and absentees reported. Mr. Martin was received with full membership. Roll called for declaimers many interesting extracts were delivered. After which the question for debate was read and discussed with usual interest and decided in the negative, Viz. "that duelling is not justifiable." Mr. Johnston resigned his position as Chairman of the Com. of tribunal. Mr. Jones was appointed in his stead. After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading next question, Viz. "Ought the press to be

legally restricted?" Last Roll called and Society adjourned.

D. B. Wimberly, Secty'.

Sam'l. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, April 20th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by Mr. Johnston. The President being absent on business with the court to revise the constitution. Roll called and absentees reported. Roll called for declaimers, many interesting extracts were delivered. After which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest, and decided in the negative Viz. "that the press should not be legally restricted." Messrs R. Toombs, W. Toombs, and Bancroft requested that they be permitted to withdraw from the Society for an indefinite period, which was granted them. After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading next question, Viz. "Was Charles the First justifiably executed?" Last roll called and Society adjourned.

D. B. Wimberly, Secretary

Sam. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, April 27th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, President Spencer in the chair. Roll called and absentees reported. Roll called for declaimers, many interesting extracts were delivered. After which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest and decided in the affirmative, Viz. "that Charles the First was justifiably executed." Mr. Woolfolk requested that he be permitted to retire from the Society for 2 months, which was granted. After appointing regular class of declaimers, reading next question, viz. "Is the Stay law justifiable?" Last roll called and society adjourned.

D. B. Wimberly, Secty.

Sam. Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, May 4th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the Pres't. Mr. Cox moved that the Society advance to propositions, viz. "that he wished to resign his position as Com. on Tribunal." Which was granted. Mr. Dozier was appointed in his stead. Mr. Davis, gave notice that he wished to retire from the Society for 6 weeks, granted. Mr. Jordan said he would like to retire which was granted. No further business being before the house, the Society adjourned on account of the decoration of the Soldier's graves.

D. B. Wimberly, Secty.

Sam. Spencer, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, May 11th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. Called to order by the Pres't. and adjourned on account of the condition of the Hall.

D. B. Wimberly, Sect'y.

Sam Spencer, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, May 18th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, called to order by the Pres't. First roll called and absentees reported. Committee on the Constitution reported and the Constitution was recd. to go into operation on the first of June. It was furthermore moved and carried that the old officers retain their seats until that day and the exercised of the Society be adjourned until that day, after which the Society adjourned.

Wimberly, Sect'y.

Sam Spencer, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, May 25th, 1867

No meeting of the Society on account of the Sunday School

Celebration.

Wimberly, Sect'y.

Sam Spencer, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, May 29th, 1867

The regular duties of the college were suspended on account of the death of a member of P. K. S. A call meeting was held for the purpose of making all necessary arrangements for the procession. A committee of 3 were appointed to confer with a Committee from the P. K. S. Com: Foote, Hollis, Speer. Mr. Crawford was appointed Standard bearer. The report of Com. was rec'd. which is as follows: 1st. Have Banner draped; 2nd. Wear Crape; 3rd. Form regular order of procession, and march to the house. On motion of Mr. Myers, a committee of 5 were appointed to draw up resolutions to be submitted to the Society next Saturday. Com. Myers, Johnston, Wilson, Van Epps, Hill, B. H. Mr. Goetchins moved that a com. of 3 be appointed to return thanks to the young lady who draped the banner. Com: Goetchins, Hill, T. A., Speer.

Wimberly, Secty.

Sam Spencer, Pres't.

Demosthenian Hall, June 1st, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Regular roll for debate was called. Question debated with much interest and decided in the affirmative, Viz. "that the Stay Law is justifiable." Permission was granted to Hodgson, A. H. to retire from the Society for an indefinite length of time. Election for officers was then held which resulted as follows. Goetchins, President; Hollis, Vice President; Cox, 1st Censor M.; Rhodes, 2nd Censor M.; Greene, Wilson, Dozier, Finance Com.

Gordan, Rhodes, Crawford, Smith, Russell - Comt. Apt.
 Myers, Librarian; Greene, Valedictory Orator. The following resolutions were read before the Society and adopted. Resolution - Whereas It hath pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst a form which has "gone in and out before us" for many years and to call unto himself a spirit bound to and by many intricately woven ties of friendly intercourse and by the memory of former official connections.

Be it Resolved, by the Demosthenian Society, That it becomes us as a body to offer our passing tribute to the memory of the late Prof. J. P. Waddell and to express our warmest sympathy with his family and our Sister Society in their sore bereavement.

Resolved, That while we feel that his labors of more than half a century in the most arduous of all occupations the instruction of youth, have richly earned a respite for time, and while we feel that our "Father in Israel" hath already attained the "rest which remaineth for the people of God," we can but grieve at the sundering of ties of such long and uninterrupted growth.

Resolved, "That we tender our heartfelt sympathies to his family in their great affliction, and pray that a merciful Father, who hath promised to comfort them that mourn to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness." will fulfill his gracious word to his sorrowing people in this, their hour of sorest need.

Resolved, That we sympathize sincerely with our Sister Society in the loss of one of its original founders and afterwards most active members; and hope that the good done to them by the deceased in his long life-time, may continue to exert its former influence in the re-

production again and again in future years, of vigorous intellect and noble character. Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the minutes of the Society and that a copy be presented to the family of Prof. Waddell, to the Phi Kappa Society and to the Faculty.

Respectfully Submitted

H. P. Myers

L. F. Wilson

M. Johnston Com.

H. B. Van Epps

B. H. Hill, Jr.

Next class of declaimers was appointed. Question for debate read. Viz. "Are political parties beneficial to a country?" Junior Orator appointed, Reports of officers rec'd. Last roll called and Society adjourned.

Wimberly, Secty.

Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 5th, 1867

The extra meeting was held this morning for the purpose of making necessary arrangements for the funeral procession of Judge J. H. Simpkins. Mr. Otis Jones was appointed Marshall for the day. Mr. Speer moved that a Comt. of 3 be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the sympathy of the Demosthenian Society on the death of Hon. J. H. Lumpkin. Speer, Hollis, Jordan, Comt.

Mr. Myers moved that a comt. of 3 be appointed to draft resolutions expressing in the strongest terms, the disapproval of the conduct of those members of the Society who neglected to join in the

funeral procession. Myers, Greene, O. Jones, Comt. The following resolution was read before the Society and adopted.

Be it Resolved by the Demosthenian Society; That we deem it incumbent on us to express our strong disapproval of the conduct of those members who failed to comply with the duties exacted of them by the Constitution on so solemn an occasion as the funeral services of the beloved and respected Judge Joseph H. Lumpkin. Resolved, that such action is derogatory to the character of our Society; and we hope that at no future time will any of it's members so far forget what is due to themselves and to the Society as to act in a similar manner.

Respectfully Submitted

H. P. Myers

Otis Jones Comt.

T. F. Greene

Society then adjourned after having called last roll.

Expunged by the action of the next regular meeting.

Winberly, Sect'y.

Spencer, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 8th, 1867

Society met this morning at the usual hour and was called to order by the President. Minutes of last meeting read. The Soc. proposed a motion to erase from the minutes the resolutions offered by Comt. on June 5th. After which the Society proceeded to the transaction of regular duties. New officers were inaugurated. Roll for Declaimers called. Question for debate read, discussed and with usual interest and decided in the affirmative, Viz. "That Political parties are beneficial to a nation." Mr. Gordon moved that a necessary amount

of money be appropriated for the purchase of benches, which was referred to Comt. on Finances. Hillsman, Ward and Johnston withdrew from the Society. The following Committees were appointed by the President.

Myers, Russell, Phinizy - Comt. Tribunal

Cox, Greene, T., White - Comt. Questions

The following officers were appointed:

Murdock, Treasurer; Wimberly, Secretary; Van Epps, Corg. Sect'y.;

Collins, Clk. Tri.; Lyon, D. Keeper. Resolutions, drafted by Mr.

Speer, Chairman of Comt. appointed for that purpose were read

before the Society and carried. Reports of officers received.

Declaimers appointed. Next question read Viz. "Which is the mightier,

the Pen or the Sword?" Last roll called and Society adjourned.

Wimberly, D. H., Sect'y.

Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 12th, 1867

A call meeting was held this afternoon. The object of which was to request the Finance Comt. to examine into the propriety of painting the exterior of the building and report in regard to it.

Wimberly, Sect'y.

Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 15th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. Called to order by the President. Roll for Declaimers called, after which the question for debate was read, discussed with usual interest and decided in favor of the affirmative, Viz. "That the Pen is mightier than the sword." Then the Society proceeded to the election of

officers which are as follows:

Wilson, Hollis, President and Vice President; Gordon, 1st C. M.;
Crawford, 2nd C. M. Messrs Jones and Hall withdrew from the Society.

A motion was put before the house and carried that the Society
recur to communications. Mr. Van Epps who was the Cordy. Sect'y.
read the following communications viz. That Mr. J. W. Burke of
Macon, Ga. and Rev. E. H. Myers had accepted honorary membership
of the Demosthenian Society. Next Question read Viz. Are Poli-
tical parties beneficial to a country? Declaimers and Junior
Orator appointed, last roll called and Society adjourned.

Wimberly, D. B., Sect'y.

Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 22nd, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour. Pres't.

Goetchins in the chair. First roll called and absentees reported,
roll for declaimers called, after which the question for debate
was read, discussed with usual interest and decided in the affir-
mative, viz. That Political Parties are beneficial to a country.
Messrs Grant, Harris, Y. D., Harris, F. H., Callaway, Leconte and
Smith withdrew from the Society for the remainder of the term.

Next question for debate read, viz. Should the South accept the
proposition of Congress to hold conventions in each of the States
for the purpose of reconstructing the Union? Declaimers and Junior
Orator appointed, last roll called and Society adjourned.

Wimberly, D. B., Sect'y.

Geo. Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, June 29th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour called to order

by the President. First roll called and absentees reported. Mr. Spencer nominated Hon. R. Toombs who was elected by a unanimous vote as Honorary President of the Society. Mr. Van Epps moved that the Society advance to propositions, after which he proposed the Society adjourn as the Sophomores had to acclaim to Dr. Lipscomb. Society then adjourned.

Wimberly, Secretary

Geo. Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, July 9th, 1867

A call meeting was held this morning for the purpose of making all necessary arrangements for the procession to the depot with the remains of a member of the Demosthenian Society. An election for Standard Bearer was held. Mr. Crawford elected. Society then adjourned.

Wimberly, Secretary

Geo. Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, July 9th, 1867

Whereas by the decree of Almighty God, One of our brothers around whom had clustered our dearest love as companions and fondest pride as Demosthenian has departed this life. Be it resolved by the Demosthenian Society that it is our solemn duty officially to express our deep sorrow for the death of our loved brother, W. C. Smith our earnest sympathies with the friends of the deceased in our Sister Society or elsewhere, but most earnestly to express our condolence with the family who have sustained this inseparable loss - this bitter bereavement.

Resolved that in William Cass Smith, we have lost a member who

bade fair together in many glorious lawels to the honor of our Society and to win many a mental triumph to the benefit of mankind, a member who had already by his bright intellect unswerving recitude and modesty yet truthfulness of friendship reaped to himself the applause, the admiration, the love of all his acquaintances.

Resolved, that we tend our sympathies to the college friends of our brother in whom they and we have lost a companion, whose kindness honor whose word was truth, whose whole nature was of that refinement to be tested in the crucible of intinuary and came forth only the purer and love? . Resolved that we tender our sincere and heartfelt condolence to the family of the deceased in this their desolating bereavement and assure them that though their cups of sorrow is bitter yet tis not altogether bitterness, for if to them a son has been lost to the fine throng around the Great White Throne above, as spirit has been added too pure too holy for this world and we pray that the same God in whose trust he is happily died, may comfort them with the assurance of a reunion when death and broken hearts are unknown.

Resolved as a tribute due the memory of the dead that each member of this Society be required to wear mourning for the space of thirty (30) days. Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of the deceased, another transmitted to the P. K. S. and a third be incorporated into the minutes of this Society.

Respectfully Submitted

A. H. Cox, S. T. Wilson, B. F. Hollis, J. I. Callaway, H. P. Myers,
Committee.

Winberly, Secretary

Goetchins, President

Demosthenian Hall, Aug. 7th, 1867

The Society met this afternoon and was called to order by the Vice President, Mr. Hollis. The Honorary President elect, Hon. R. Toombs not being able to attend, Mr. Spencer in behalf of the Senior Class nominated Hon. Ben Hill for this position. Mr. Hill was unanimously elected and took the chair.

Mr. Thos. F. Green, the Valedictory Orator, was then called on and delivered in a singularly impressive and graceful manner a speech distinguished for earnestness, manliness and truth. After the oration was completed the diplomas of the Society upon the Demosthenian members of the graduating class; this ceremony being accompanied with a speech from the Honorary President full of kindly sympathy, sound advice and manly sentiment. There followed, in response to the calls of the Society, addresses from Judges Iverson Harris and James Jackson; and Col. Billups all of which were calculated to inspire with renewed hope and aspiration the young men who listened eagerly to their words. Next Judge Jackson moved that the thanks of the Society be tendered to the Society Orator, Mr. Green, for his able and eloquent oration; and requesting a copy for publication and preservation among the archives of the Society. Adopted.

The Society then adjourned.

H. P. Myers, Acting Secretary

Ben H. Hill, President

Demosthenian Hall, Sept. 7th, 1867

The Society met this morning at the usual hour, called to order by President Goetchins. Mr. Gordon moved that the Society recur to

initiation of members. W. P. Sims, B. C. King, E. C. Hill, W. E. Scott, C. D. Hill, W. Walker, F. M. Housey, George Sammey, D. M. Bain, G. H. Estes, T. M. Jackson, S. Reese, J. L. Hardeman and Washington DePrau were rec'd. into full membership.

Cox, Crawford, Gordon, White, Van Epps - - Court Appeals.

House, Carlton, Russell - - Com. Finance.

Hammond - - Librarian

Next question for debate, Viz. Ought Infidel writings be prohibited by law?

Russell, Phinizy, Murphey - - Members on Tribunal

No further business being before the house, the Society adjourned.

Jack Wimberly, Secretary

Geo. T. Goetchins, President

Sept. 11th, 1867

Martin.....	Talking
Reed.....	"
Trammell.....	
"	disorder
Reed.....	10 minutes overtime
Woolfolk.....	absent 1st roll, not debating 2nd.
Hughes.....	failing to debate
Murphy.....	absent 1st roll, failing to debate
Reed.....	" " " " " "
Sparks.....	" all day
Ward.....	" all day
Lang.....	" 2nd, failing to debate
Smith.....	" 1st roll
Trimble.....	" to debate

Demosthenian Society, Athens, Georgia

The dews of summer night did fall
 The moon sweet regent of the sky,
 Silvered the walls of Connor Hall
 And many an oak that grew thereby.

The Moon Sweet

Micale

Full many a gem of purest ray serene
 The dark unfathomed caves of ocean bear.
 Full many a flower is born to blush unseen
 And wash its sweetness on the desert air.

Robert E. Lee

The Soul of Southern
 Liberty, the annowned
 knight of war and
 love.

Full many a gem of.

Sir Edgar Allen Poe

Aff:

Instigating Rebellion in Northern Eng.

Conspiracy of Norfolk

Contest of Catholics and Protestants

Signing of documents by many giving up throne by Soc. and Wimberly.

Peace of Country at stake.

Many replies to letter of conspirators.

? extended for counsel - ?

Murphy called to ch. Candler appointed Sec. temp. Next. that Pres.

be elected by acc'l. Ch. decided that he was only temp. ch. appeal

taken and Ch. not sustained. Mr. Murphy was, therefore chairman of

the meeting. The chair asked Mr. Zachery to state the object of the meeting. Mr. Zachery stated it as follows:

1D. Dr. Tuckers administration had been a failure.

2D. He had not the confidence of the present students.

Mr. Zachery offered then the following resolutions: (see paper).

Resolution divided into five parts, consisting of the preamble and the four resolutions each separately.

1D. Resolution was carried almost unanimously.

2D. Resolution likewise

3D. " "

4. " "

5. Preamble was amended by striking out the word unanimously carried unanimously as amended. Motion to ask the Sec. to provide Atlanta Constitution, Augusta Chronicle and Savannah News with a copy of the Resolutions, Carried.

Meeting of the students of the University.

Negative:

France's present condition outgrowth of his career. Destroyed the flower of her youth. Passion for war deleterious. Suffered much from war. "Gains not worth the candle." Battle of Waterloo swept away all gain. Loss of life bad effect. Entered upon his career with tyranny.

Aff:

Immigration to be encouraged by South.

(a) Advantages of immigration, disadvantage of present labor system. If we open our harbours to all Europe who though they may be

mean yet exceed the Negro in all qualities, which man have sense enough to vote correctly.

Neg. (b) McGough - Negro more able to be controlled and they are only nation capable of cultivating our heavy lands.

Aff. (c) Kinneman. and to the South if mechanics and other workmen would come south. All the goods we get here are our own products sent back by those whom immigration has given mechanics and workmen of all kinds.

Neg. (d) Goper - Negro of so much importance to us. Scum of society would come to our opened harbors gain ascendancy in our councils.

Neg. (e) Clark - Waltons reputation of scum of Europe ? by Clark. Amalgamation of ? illustrated by California's corruption.

Neg. (f) Dickerson - After we got them here we could not support them reduce the price of labor in our country.

Neg. (g) Uncertainty of labor mistaken emigrants could not stant it. They are no account. Experience very degraded.

August 18th. Is Garibaldi promotion the cause of humanity?

Aug. 26. Should the usury laws be abolished in America.

Sept. 1st. Should the South secede from the Union in case of Lincoln's election?

Sept. 8. Should woman be educated equally with man?

Sept. 15. Who was to blame in the civil war between Pompey and Caesar?

Sept. 22. Was the reign of Henry Eight beneficial to England?

Nov. 17. Which affords more Pleasure of possession or pursuit of an object.

Should deceit be used in the detection of a criminal?
 Is War Justifiable? Which had done more for the World - Love or Ambition? Was Execution Charles I justifiable? Has increased wealth a favorable effect on morals of a people? Do public amusements exert beneficial influence upon Society? Is there more to approve than condemn in Oliver Cromwell's character? Which was the greater, Washington or Napoleon? Were Crusades beneficial to Europe? Which is better place for a college - a small village or a city? Which is most conducive to the interests of a State, Agriculture or Commerce?

Questions for Debate

- Feb. 11. Are tarriffs for revenue productive of more good than evil?
 Feb. 18th. Was Montara justly executed?
 Feb. 25th. Which was the greater man, Austell or Bacon?
 Feb. 18th. Was Marat justly assassinated?
 Feb. 25.
 March 3rd. Was the killing of Hamilton by Burr in duel justifiable?
 Was Napoleon justly entitled to the throne?
 April 21st. Which is the most stable a limited monarchy or a republic government?
 Apr. 27th. To which are the U. States more indebted, her Warriors or her Statesmen?
 May 5th. Should the free school system for the poor be established by the government?
 May 19. Was the Mexican war justifiable?
 June 2nd. Was the execution of Duke D'Enghien justifiable?
 June 10th. Should the naturalization laws be extended?

June 16. Is man a free agent?

Question chosen 23rd. Feb., 1861.

Is machinery beneficial to the laboring class?

May it be generally regarded as true that "where there is a will there is a way?"

SENIOR CLASS 1877:

- G. R. Alexander, P. K. S., Athens, Ga.
 W. W. Black, D. S., Atlanta, Ga.
 R. D. Callaway, P. K. S., Washington, Ga.
 C. M. Candler, D. S., Decatur, Ga.
 J. S. Hamilton, Jr., D. S., Athens, Ga.
 D. P. Hill, D. S., Atlanta, Ga.
 W. M. Howard, D. S., Brit. Hon.
 A. R. Lawton, Jr., D. S., Savannah
 A. O. Murphy, D. S., Barnesville
 W. R. McIntyre, D. S., Thomasville
 M. Y. McGutyn, D. S., Thomasville
 J. W. Oliver, D. S., Boston
 E. M. Mallett, D. S., Preston
 A. C. Riley, D. S., Marshallville
 A. D. Smith, P. K. S., Marietta
 W. H. Thompson, D. S., Gainesville
 W. S. Walker, D. S., Monroe
 Bliss Woodward, P. K. S., Hall Co.

Jno. Witherspoon, D. S., Athens

R. H. Cornwell, P. K. S., Savannah

C. A. McDonald, D. S., Dawson

B. W. Butler, D. S., Augusta

J. G. Zachery, P. K. S., Conyers

Augustus L. Hall, Senior Class and Howard B. Van Epps

Senior Class - Springterm, 1866.

Robt. Gunby, D. S., Columbus, Ga.

C. Hillyer, P. K. S., Athens, Georgia

A. L. Hull, D. S., Athens, Ga.

Frank A. Lipscomb, P. K. S., Athens, Geo.

Saml. Lumpkin, D. S., Lexington, Ga.

Victor M. Smith, D. S., Athens, Ga.

Senior Class

Senior Class - Fall term, 1866.

A. W. Fort, D. S., Lumpkin, Ga., Regular

E. S. Hull, D. S., Athens, Geo., Irregular

Johnston, D. S., Milledgeville, Ga., Regular

Jones, O., D. S., Lagrange, Ga., Irregular

Jones, H. P., D. S., Georgia, Irregular

Mitchell, H., D. S., Athens, Geo., Regular

S. Spencer, D. S., Columbus, Geo., Regular

S. Ward, D. S., Greensborough, Geo.

F. Speer, P. K. S., Augusta, Irregular

Question Feb. 23, 1861

Which has the most influence on a people, their climate or ancestors.

"Georgia Collegian" founded in 1869.

Meeting of Board of Trustees 1 July, 1864.

"We opened at regular session with Forty Students, the increased number having been due to the High School."

Trustees invested 6400.00 in Confederate Bonds.

White exercises were suspended the two dormitories were "Advantageously rented" and Dr. Lipscomb (the Chancellor) personally managed the library "for the public good", spending sometime as much as six or eight hours a day at the work. Chancellor Lipscomb stated in his letter to the Trustees 30 June, 1865 that "Our people were never so anxious on the subject of education, and never so poorly prepared to bear its expenses."

Same date - "A communication was received from Col. Hardeman declining to allow his speech before the two Societies at commencement to be published."

30 Jan., 1869 - decided "that the Sword is mightier than the Pen."

17 April, 1869 - Subject of Junior Orator's address: "Industry as a substitute for Genius."

24 April: 1869: decided that "the learned professors are not as beneficial to the country at large as the manufacturing and agricultural pursuits."

15 May, 1869 - decided "that the United States (government) is a failure."

26 April, 1868 -

"Mr. Cabaniss moved to turn off the old freedman servant of the D. Hall, because this negro, barely ungrateful for the numerous

favors bestowed upon him by the Society during the last twenty years, had voted the radical ticket, and thus declared himself an open enemy to the honor, liberty, and life of his benefactors. The motion was seconded and carried. Mr. Goetchins moved that all honorary members who have taken the "iron clad oath", or voted the abolition ticket, be stricken off the Society list. Motion adopted"

16 May, 1868 - decided "that an Oath extorted by violence is not obligatory."

5 Sept., 1868 - Motion to initiate disabled soldiers, free from initiation fee was not carried because it would have involved a change in the Constitution. (Finally passed, however, 25 Sept. 1868).

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12 October, 1867 - "decided that the Southern people ought not (their italics) to register under the existing changes of the Constitution."

9 Nov., 1867 - M M (?) Pomeroy made honorary member.

16 Nov., 1867 - decided "that the freeing of the Slaves will not benefit the South in a national point of view."

Orthodox in not permitting a member to resign (25 Jan., 1868).

15 Feb., 1868 - "Should the Southern people emigrate?" was decided in the negative.

Laxity in paying dues (15 Feb., 1868).

10 Feb., 1866 - decided "that the people of the late Southern

Confederacy should not desert their country in her present state of affairs."

3 March, 1866 - debated the question "Would it have been right for the Confederate Government to conscript the youths of sixteen years of age?"

17 March, 1866 - Gen. Lee accepts honorary membership.

2nd July, 1866 - Brig. Gen. C. A. Evans elected to honorary membership.

19 Aug., 1866 - decided that "it was not consistent with the honor and interest of the people of the late S. C. to send delegates to the Convention at Phil."

24 Nov, 1866 - decided "that the conscript act was beneficial to the South."

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19 Feb., 1867 - "Motion that thanks be returned to Mr. Spencer for the beautiful and appropriate address at the Town Hall this morning. Mr. Wilson moved that Mr. Spencer be requested to give his speech to the Society for publication (unanimously carried)."

23 Feb., 1867 - decided "that the impeachment of the President would be beneficial to the South." Same meeting decided to request Gen. Jackson to deliver.