

At an election for a board
 of Managers of the Savannah S. H. Hospital
 held on 2 Feb. 1857 the following
 gentlemen were duly elected
 W. Duncan, L. W. Anderson
 W. Knapp, Charles Green, W. Nevitt &
 Kelly & Robinson

Wm. D. Green
 Chas. A. Greiner

A meeting of the Board of Managers
 elect, was held at the office of W. Duncan
 present Charles Green, W. Knapp & W.
 Anderson, R. D. Arnold & W. Duncan.
 The meeting was organized & W. Duncan
 was unanimously re-elected
 President &c.

The President reported to the board
 that Mr. James Lane the Steward had
 faithfully discharged his duties as such,
 together with his wife Mrs. Lane whose
 valuable services were well appreciated,
 and recommended that Mr. Lane be re-
 elected Steward.

The Board next proceeded
 to the election of attending Physicians
 Dr. Bullock, Dr. Reid & Dr. Habersham were
 presented - when after some consultation
 on this subject a member proposed
 Dr. Arnold & Dr. Bullock as attending
 Physicians, and they were duly elected.

The President reported that
 Maria introduced into the Hospital, and
 all done to his satisfaction and leave.

authorized to pay any balance due on same
 to Mr. Nicolson.

Messrs. L. W. Anderson & Charles Green
 examined the accounts of the Treasurer & re-
 and reported them correct & supported
 by proper vouchers - the balance of cash
 in hands of the Treasurer on 1st Feb. 1857
 \$782.79 - & the amount of debts, which
 were exhibited to them was \$38.200 -

The President reported - as follows -
 The number of patients in the Hospital on
 1st Feb. 1856 - at 61
 number admitted from 1st Feb. 1856
 to 1st Feb. 1857 - 627
 of those admitted - there were

American Seamen	257
British Seamen	60
Spanish Seamen	4
Day Patients	13
Pauper Patients	299
Number of deaths for the Year viz	
from 1st Feb. 56 to 1st Feb. 57	3
of the deaths there were American Seamen	13
" " " " British Seamen	1
" " " " Paupers	38
" " " " Day Patients	2

Number of Women admitted from 1st
 Feb. 56 to 1st Feb. 57 3
 of these, to be confined - 9

Number of Patients remaining in the
 Hospital 1st Feb. 1857 3
 of all the patients there were of
 delirium tremens or disease from intem-
 perance - 3

The report was deemed satisfactory
 & ordered to be recorded in the minutes
 The Board then adjourned
 Feb. 11. 1857
 W. DUNCAN
 President

An election for seven Managers of the Lavinia Maternity House & Hospital was held on February 1st 1858. On counting the ballots, the following gentlemen were duly elected -
 W. Duncan, Charles G. G. W. Macdonald, W. Anderson, W. Hewitt & Kelley & R. Arnold.

James H. Johnston
 S. Macdonald
 W. Duncan

A meeting of the board of managers was held at the office of W. Duncan Feb. 7. 1858 present W. Duncan, C. G. G. W. Anderson, R. Arnold & W. Hewitt when the president laid before the board the following report:

The number of admissions to the Hospital for the Year from Feb. 1st 1857 to Feb. 1st 1858 - was 874.

of which 58 were remaining on Feb. 1st 1857 and we have 816 patients who have received the benefits of the Institution for the Year.

of these there were American Seamen 372
 British Seamen 141
 Pay patients 14
 Pauper patients 380
 Swedish & Oldenburg Seamen 6
 816

The deaths for the Year have been 53
 of which American Seamen 8
 " " British 1
 " " Pay patients 3
 " " Pauper patients 41 53

The number of women admitted for the Year 63 of which 4 to be confined - 2 affected with venereal 4 of the whole number 874 admitted during the Year 49 were decided cases of venereal & syphilitic diseases.
 The number of patients in the Hospital on Feb. 1st 1858 - 61

The deaths for the Year having been 53 of the whole number 874 gives 16 1/2 of each have died; the most favorable result of any year since I have kept the record. And when we recollect that no one was admitted in the last stage of disease, & in some cases sent to the Hospital in a dying state, as believed to avoid the expense of burial by friends, the result is satisfactory.

The introduction of Gas & Water, has been of incalculable benefit in the management of the Hospital & contributes greatly to the comfort of patients & attendants.

The Steward has continued to discharge his duties faithfully & slowly to him & his attentive wife we are greatly indebted for good management & attention.

I recommended Mr. Shore for reelection. Mr. Shore has intimated to me a desire to spend some months in the North with a view to consult certain physicians in reference to a disease with which he is affected. Mr. Shore thinks he can manage the house in his absence. I am sure she will be missed, but if it will benefit his health we cannot but approve.

Since our last annual meeting I have added to the permanent fund three thousand dollars in City 7 1/2 Bonds

at a cost of \$85 ft. of \$100. I have thus increased the permanent fund to the sum of \$41,400. — as follows. — See Cash Book.

The Trustees accounts for the Year have been examined by a committee of the Board Messrs. W. Anderson & McNeill who certify to their correctness & accounted by the proper vouchers. — with a balance of Cash on hand of \$788, 73

Jan in correspondence with parties in the North for a supply of 50 iron bedsteads to take the place of the wooden bedsteads now in use, in some parts of the house. — which added to the new bedsteads now on hand, will give us one hundred — amply sufficient for all our wants. — The 50 bedsteads will cost from \$400 to \$500 & I ask permission of the board to purchase them.

The Expenses of the Institution have been increased by increased number of patients & increased comforts, but at same time income has been increased. — Should the population of the city go on increasing as it has done for the past few years, we shall find it necessary to make arrangements before many years for an increase of Hospital accommodations. This however will not be necessary for some time. I allude to it now to let the board know that such a movement may be necessary ere long. —

Request that they that I have filed in my application to the Superior Court, to make an appropriation for 1857. — It was omitted at the proper time

forward of a full quorum of the Court, having passed over till fall — it was declined. I have the promise however, that an appropriation will be made for the year. — all which is respectfully submitted as my report.

On motion, the report was received & ordered to be entered on the Minutes.

The Board proceeded to the election of a president & Wm. D. Cameron was duly elected.

James Shaw was selected Steward for the Year. — S. Arnold & P. Malloch, were selected Physicians.

On motion the President was authorized to procure the new bedsteads as suggested & recommended in his report.

Col Knapp — one of the Judges of the Sup. Court, stated that he was authorized to say, that an appropriation of \$1000 would be made by the Court for the present Year.

The President stated to the board, that, he had trouble, on account of misunderstandings between the Steward & Servants. — He alluded to a case of recent occurrence between him & the Cook, in which he had chastised her, as he apprehends beyond measure. — For account of which, Mr. Shaw had said that he & that servant could not live at the Hospital. — This was doubtless said in the heat of passion, but it

was deemed proper that the presidents should know the mind of the board in such cases, as such a check from the stewards could not be approved or submitted to. - Mr Shore great complaint was, that the presidents sided with the servants rather than with him, in such conflicts. - Whereupon it was unanimously resolved, that the servants of the institution, whether owned or freed, are under the protection of the board, & the presidents is requested to protect them - and in all cases where chastisement is required, it must not be done but with his approval -

The president stated that he hoped there would be no further occasion for complaints in this matter - & believed he could reason with Mr Shore sufficiently to prevent a recurrence - The president repeated his approval of Mr Shore's management generally - & believed in this matter he would improve as he learned the true mode of management of servants.

There being no further business - the board adjourned
 W. Draccon
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Cottsville, October 10th 1858

Received from Wm. Draccon of La Grange
 one hundred & thirty six 60^{cts} 00^{cts} dollars
 being an amount found on the books of
 John Tipton, who died as a pauper in the
 La Grange Poor House & Hospital - which
 rightfully belongs to the sister of John Tipton
 one of the signers of this receipt.

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Elizabeth Jane Tipton
 D. Washburn

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Wm. Draccon

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There being no further
business - the board adjourned
W. Bruce
Pres

Savannah Oct 17. 1858

On 24th August last, John Tipton a
pauper patient died in the hospital
And on his body was found in paper
& gold

Tipton was got from a
fellow workman at Sacklows
which belonged to Tipton } 12.50
named Pat Daley } 196.68
deduct postage & such } 99
\$195.69

leaves \$195.69 for which I have this day
sent a check to the State of Georgia on Atlanta Bk
in favor of Rev. & Washington - as per
Miss E. Tipton's acct. below.

W. Bruce

Savannah Feb. 7 1859

An election was held this day for the
 Board of Managers of The Savannah
 P.H. Hospital between the hours of
 twelve & two o'clock and resulted
 in the election of the old board
 viz John W Anderson (Chairman)
 W M Knapp J W Hewitt W Kelley R D
 Arnold & W Duncan.

James Johnston Secretary
 J W Duncan

Feb. 9. 1859.

The Board elect met at the office of
 W. Duncan. & was organized by calling
 W. Duncan to the Chair. There were
 present J. Kelley J W Hewitt W M Knapp
 R D Arnold & James W Anderson &
 W Duncan.

The board proceeded to elect
 a president for the ensuing year &
 W Duncan was duly elected.

D. Arnold & D. Bullock, were
 selected physicians
 James Shore was re-elected
 Steward.

Col Knapp was authorized
 & requested to apply to the Justices of
 the Superior Court for the award of ap-
 propriation of \$700. One Year ap-
 propriation having been lost by a
 failure to apply at the proper time.
 The President made an
 exhibit of the a/c which had been ex-
 amined by a committee & found correct, showing
 \$2500 added to the permanent fund

during the past year & a balance in favor
 of the President at this date of \$83.
 The President states that his en-
 gagements had prevented him from making
 a formal report - but gave the following outline
 there were in the Hospital on 1st Feb 1858

64 patients
 admitted from that date till 31st Aug 59

795.
 856 -
 of which Paupers 360
 Am. Seamen 372
 Br Seamen 46
 Pay Patients 9
 Spanish Seamen 8

of females admitted during the year 63.
 There were discharged during the year
 Cured or materially improved 718
 Died 79
 which shows a larger mortality than usual
 accounted for by the fact that Yellow fever
 prevailed for part of August & Sept in a
 mild form to be sure - more fatal however
 among the class of patients which we
 receive - accounted for from their general
 debility.

of the patients admitted med ad
 Cases of Malaria a potu - 20.
 Benign 28
 Yellow fever 35
 the number of patients in Hospital
 on 1st Feb 1859 69.
 The board adjourned
 W Duncan
 pres

Aug 9th 1859

Meeting held at the office of W
Duncan this day present
W. Duncan
J. W. Anderson
J. W. Hewitt

The president stated his intention
to be absent from the city for an month
or six weeks & recommended
that Mr. Anderson act as president
during his absence, - which was
approved. - He also recommended
that James H. Johnston, be appointed
a manager for term - which was
approved.

The president reported
the health of the city good, and
no serious cases at the Hospital -
The Ad. J. W. Duncan
pres.

At an election for a board
of Managers, held Feb. 9, 1860 - at the office of
W. Duncan - the following gentlemen were
outcounting the ballots, duly elected -
W. Duncan, J. W. Anderson, Chapman,
J. W. Hewitt, J. S. Kelly, R. D. Knapp, & W. D. Knapp

J. W. Hewitt
W. Duncan
J. W. Anderson
J. S. Kelly
R. D. Knapp
W. D. Knapp

Feb. 9, 1860
The Board elect met at the office of
W. Duncan present
W. Duncan, J. S. Kelly, J. W. Hewitt,
R. D. Knapp, R. D. Knapp, & J. W. Anderson
The board proceeded to the election of
a chairman, and W. Duncan was
duly elected. - The president read his
report, viz - The number of admissions
to the Hospital from Feb. 1st 1859 to Feb.
1st 1860 has been 788
and number in Hospital Feb. 1st 59 69

Making 857 patients in the Hospital for
the year, receiving the same in a liberal
manner
of those admitted there were
American Seamen 349
Russian Seamen 40
free patients 12
having 1001 free patients. There were
of the latter class of manuf. & D. J. 25
" " " " " " 59

Females admitted during the Year. 53

of which two were admitted in October
The deaths of all classes for
the Year have been

Am. Seamen	16
Br. Seamen	0
Russian "	0
Free patients	2
Pauper Males	38
— females	2
— Children	2

Making 50 deaths

out of 857 Cases treated. being one
death in 14 7/10 of the patients - de-
ducting the deaths of those not pauper
we have of pauper, 42 deaths out of
149, which gives about one in 3.5
a larger mortality than usual. It
must be borne in mind as I have
often stated in previous reports, that
many pauper are admitted in the very
last stage of disease, & some actually dying.
In some instances, death has taken
place, before the patient could be placed
in bed. The question may be asked, why
are sick people not placed in the Hospital
before disease has advanced so far, & pa-
per. Sometimes from neglect, having
no mind to look to them, sometimes
from mistaken kindness, on the part of friends
who keep them while there is any hope
of recovery - but so soon as that hope
fails, they hurry the sick to the Hospital
in many cases to get rid of the expense
of burying. If we knew the patient
to be in a dying condition when a
permit is applied for, it would be refused

1st. On the ground of humanity, and saving a
sick person in such a condition.

2nd. To guard against the expense of internment, but
on the Hospital the expense of internment, but
it is hardly possible to know the facts of the case
when application for a permit is made, unless
by personal inspection, which is hardly to
be expected of the Manager, and I think
better to suffer in this way, than to refuse
admission when there is any the faintest
hope of doing good.

Since our last annual meeting
I have added to our permanent fund
fifty two shares of Western Rail Road
Stock at 101.50 & 25 shares of the
Bank of Commerce Stock at 98% interest
Cost 2475.62. I have they increased the
permanent fund of 7,700 from last Year
making it 457,600. This increase is
to be accounted for by extra dividend on
our Central RR Stock & by an unusual
cost from Seamen. The fund will be
further increased in March next, by
a dividend of 12 1/2% on Stock on 2400
Shares Central RR Stock making our
Stock 270 Shares.

The accounts for the Year
have been examined by a Committee
of the Board consisting of Mr. Revell
& Mr. Macdonald who certify to their
Correctness & that the same are
supported by proper vouchers. To the
said Committee have been exhibited also the accounts
comprising what I designate the
permanent fund & which consists
of

2440 Shares Central RR Stock
 444 " RR State of Georgia Bonds
 13 Bonds City of New York for any way makers Road
 52 Shares New N. R. Stock -
 25 " Bank of Commerce Stock
 Note of 100 Dollars for \$1000 a 7% int -
 and Negro valued at \$2500 -

Making in all \$57,000 - taking the stocks
 and bonds at par - The 2440 Shares CRR
 + 444 Shares RR State of Georgia are however
 worth 20% prem. & the S. R. 30%

There is a balance in my
 hands of \$6000 which will be appropriated
 to payment of outstanding bills, and
 to the purchase of a negro man, which
 I think needed as an assistant nurse
 and I ask your approval of such a
 purchase, which I see is one likely to
 suit - It gives me great pleasure
 to be testimony to the faithful services
 of Withers, the steward, & of his wife -

From probably close application to his
 business the past summer, Withers was
 taken down with fever in the fall, from
 which he recovered, but in a very prostrate
 debilitated condition, by my advice
 he made a trip to N.Y. & was absent
 some 5 or 6 weeks. He returned in
 January thoroughly restored & is now in
 perfect health - The duties of Stewardship
 devolved on Withers have been discharged to
 my entire satisfaction - As Withers by his
 trip to N.Y., incurred considerable expense
 and by his sickness was doubtless brought
 on by duties to his duties in the Hospital.

I respectfully submit whether a compliment in the
 shape of money equal to his probable expenses
 would not be a grateful and appropriate
 manifestation of our appreciation of his
 services - I leave it with the board to
 say -

Dr. Arnold & Dr. Bulloch have been
 added to in the discharge of their duties
 as attending physicians - It has been my
 boast at a late time to say that the patients
 in the hospital as better cared for in every
 respect than they could be in their own
 homes. I have the best medical attention.

This is not the case in all Hospitals.

I recommend Withers for reelection
 as steward, and as agreed upon, after
 consulting with Dr. Arnold, I recommend
 Dr. Harris as one of the attending physicians
 in his stead - I also recommend Dr.
 Bulloch for reelection - To him I
 have accorded the privilege of substituting
 Dr. H. H. H. occasionally in
 the summer as attending physician
 which I request the board to approve.
 All which respectfully submit
 as my report -

On motion of Mr. Green, the report
 was read & adopted - The president
 was requested & authorized to
 carry out the several suggestions
 made -

Mr. Green offered the following res-
 olution - Resolved that the sum of
 \$200. be presented to Withers for his
 expenses to the north to procure his recovery
 and with the money an expression of
 the high estimation the board entertain

of the facility with which he & Mr. Shaw
have discharged their responsible
duties which was adopted -

D. Bullock

D. & Harris were elected attending
physicians for our year -

Mr. Shaw was re-elected Steward

The board adjourned

W. Duncan

Pres.

at an election of a board of managers
of the Sav. Poor Hospital. held at the
office of W. Duncan on 14th Feb, 1867
the following were duly elected

W. Duncan

Ch. Green

W. Nevill

J. W. Anderson

W. R. Knapp

J. Kelly

R. D. Arnold

Superintendent

J. H. Johnson

W. Duncan

The Secretary of the Treasury at Washington
as early as December 1864 refused to
acknowledge our claims for sick & dis-
abled seamen - putting off the acknow-
ledgment of our accounts - promising to have
till finally they refused them altogether.

We continued to receive seamen
as before - and after the act of secession
by the State of Georgia - supposing that
the Confederate Government would
recognise our claims - in this we
were disappointed, and they even
ask to have the benefit of the hospi-
tal for sick & disabled seamen
without compensation, or rather at
the compensation of whatever Hook's
money may be received from the
Merchant Marine of the Confederacy.
which so long as the war shall
last will amount to little or nothing.

The following correspondence
shows the views of the Secretary of
the Treasury - & the views of the board
in this matter.

Collector's Office

Savannah 28th May 1865

Dear Sir,

Please find herewith handed an
act of Congress, & a letter from the Hon Secretary
of the Treasury, in relation to Hospital or
provision

provision for sick & disabled seamen. I cannot
ask or expect the managers of the institution
over which you preside, to aid in carrying out
the wish & wishes of Congress & the Secretary
of the Treasury, as a business transaction,
with a view to realizing a profit, but it
is confidently hoped, that higher, nobler
& more patriotic charity & patriotism will
secure from you, a response worthy of
your & their reputation.

Very respectfully yours

John Boston - Collector

To Wm Duncan Esq.

Pres. Savannah Hospital.

In which the following arises, having first been
submitted to the members of the Board, for
their approval - was sent -

Savannah May 30th 1861

Dear Sir -

Your letter of the 25th inst, has been
received, accompanying a letter from the Hon C
G. Memminger - Secretary of the Treasury - & a
resolution of the Congress of the Confederate States,
in relation to Marine Hospitals.

I beg to state
by way of explanation, that the Sack Hospital
which is a private corporation, has had a
contract with the United States, for over
25 years - in which it is stipulated, that
20th sick & disabled seamen, on board U S vessels
when in the port of Sack, shall be received
into

into said Hospital - for medical treatment,
at the rate of 50 cts per day, for board, 25 cts
per day for medical attention, & 10 cts per day
for Medicines. This contract has been renewed
from time to time, & only ceased when Geo
succeeded, & even then, there was no formal
annulment of the contract, but it was im-
plied, inasmuch as you have refused to pay
any bills since Nov. Your letter with the
accompanying papers, having been submitted
to the Managers of the Hospital, I am by
them authorized to say, that sick & disabled
seamen, of the Southern Confederacy, will be
received into the Hospital, on the terms pro-
posed by the Resolution of Congress, until
such time, as permanent arrangements can
be made for adequate compensation.

The
Board of Managers desire to do all in their
power, to aid & assist the Government,
in the present struggle for independence, ab-
staining from argument in behalf of a proper
provision for the sick seamen of the Confederacy,
instead of placing them upon the charity of
the people, & for the present agree to the terms
proposed by Congress & the Hon Secretary of the
Treasury - desiring that this shall be considered
only a temporary arrangement. I am dear Sir

Your obedient servant
Geo Duncan
Pres. of the Hospital.

To John Boston Esq
Collector, Savannah.

To which the following reply was received -

Collectors Office
Savh - 25th June 1861.

Sir -

I have much pleasure in handing you,
the enclosed copy of a letter, from the Hon
Secretary of the Treasury, which I beg to say, is
as deserving, as complementary to you & your
Board -

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
John Boston Collector

To
Mr Duncan Esq
Pres Savannah Hospital -

Copy of Mr Memmings letter -

Confederate States of America.
Treasury Department
Richmond June 20th 1861

John Boston Esq
Collector of Customs Savannah

Sir -

Your communication of
the 15th inst, enclosing copy of correspondence
in relation to the Marine Hospital at Savannah
has been received.

The course pursued, by the
superintending Board of this institution, & the
promptness with which they have complied,
with the resolution of Congress, is highly
appreciated by this Department.

Very respectfully
C. F. Memmings - Sec. Treasury

Copy of the resolution of Congress-

A resolution in relation to Marine Hospitals
Resolved.

By the Confederate States of America - That the expenses of the Marine Hospitals in the Confederate States be limited to the amounts received for their support, & that the Secretary of the Treasury, be authorized to place any of such Hospitals as may be practicable under the charge of any Corporate or State authority, which will undertake to keep open the same, pass a Hospital for the sick, & to receive therein, such poor men - as the funds allowed by the law - for their support - will enable them to provide for.

Signed -

Howell Cobb.

Pres. of the Congress.

Approved

May 16th 1861.

Signed Jefferson Davis.

Copy of letter of C. S. Memminger -
accompanying the above resolution -

Confederate States of America
Treasury Department
Montgomery - 18th May 1861

John Boston Esq
Collector of Customs - Savannah

Sir,

I refer you to the enclosed
resolution of Congress, for the law that must govern in

in relation to Marine Hospitals.

All expenses must immediately be reduced to the standard required, & all officials dismissed whose employment cannot be paid for by the funds received for Hospital money. As soon as you receive this letter, you will confer with the Mayor of the city, in or near which the Marine Hospital under your charge is located, & ascertain whether the city corporation, will take charge of the same - upon the terms proposed by the resolution of Congress - In case the city should decline, then you can ascertain whether the State authorities will undertake the same - or whether any private corporation, such as a Hospital, Sanitary or Medical association, would take charge of the Hospital upon the terms proposed. A temporary arrangement may be prepared by the said parties, but the Government would prefer some permanent & final disposition of the whole subject. The Confederate States have repudiated the doctrine of Bounties, or of supporting one interest at the expense of others. It proposes to leave charity to be administered by the people, from the impulses of their own feeling, & to place the work & support of all classes & occupations upon the same footing. Private charity every where, makes ample provision for the sick & disabled, & it is confidently believed that seamen will not suffer, in being left to the care of the same generous & active benevolence.

Respectfully

Your obedient servant

C. S. Memminger

Sec of Treasury -

In February 1862. Dr. White, medical director for the State troops, applied for a part of the Hospital, in directions of the Governor of the State, for the accommodation of a part of the sick belonging to the State troops. and the upper story of the building was given to him, without compensation. He had it fitted up, & was soon prepared to accommodate fifty of the sick. It was so used until the State troops were disbanded. - An application was made for the same, by Dr. Godfrey, who was acting Surgeon of Col. Charlton Regt. & that Regiment being encamped near the Hospital, were there accommodated. The Board has ever been desirous of doing all in their power for the relief & comfort of the soldiers. - Taking care never to lose sight of the fact that the Hospital is emphatically an institution for the poor of the City. -

In the month of August, Dr. Johnson, Col. Surgeon at the barracks in Savannah, fixed a longing eye upon the Hospital, & notified our Superintendent that he would take possession of the building & furniture for the Confederate States, as a military necessity.

The President of the Board was at this time at his summer home in Macon, & he was immediately telegraphed of the intention of Dr. Johnson, and at once returned to Savannah. He called on Genl. Meeker, & after stating to him the unwillingness of the Board, to give up the building to the C. States, & giving reasons therefor, he was assured by Genl. Meeker in the most courteous manner, that no order would be issued, for the occupation

of the Hospital. - In the afternoon of the same day, Dr. Arnold & the President, ^{in company with} had an interview with Dr. Miller, the Medical Director for the division, & to whom Dr. Johnston is subordinate, who, though exceedingly anxious to have the Hospital under his charge, & not admitting the force of the reasons for not giving up the Hospital urged by Dr. Arnold & the President, yet very courteously yielded his claim, & assured the Committee that he would make other arrangements.

The Committee assured him, that in the event of an engagement near the City, every thing would be done, to accommodate the wounded, to the fullest capacity of the building.

We may here state as a matter of record, that a number of wounded soldiers, after the affair at Fort Royal in Nov. 1864, were admitted into the Hospital, & had every attention from the physicians of the Hospital, & from the stewards & nurses. Many of whom recovered, & before leaving, expressed their grateful acknowledgments for the attention they had received. For this no charge was made, either against the Government or individuals. - And it is stated here to show that the Board, though unwilling to give up the building exclusively for the use of the soldiers, have ever been ready to do all in their power consistent with their duty to the poor for whom the Savannah Poor House Hospital, has ever been designed.

An election for Managers, was
 held at the office of W Duncan
 Feb 1863 - and the old board
 of Managers was elected -
 by W Duncan, Chas Wren
 Jackson, Stoughton, R B Knapp, R B
 Arnold & Kelly - W Duncan
 & H Johnson

Feb 1863
 Meeting of the Board was
 held at office of W Duncan
 present W Duncan, R B Arnold
 W Anderson & Stoughton -
 The pres. stated that in conse-
 quence of very ill health, Mr Shore
 asked for leave of absence to make
 a sea voyage to N. A. - His com-
 mision being confirmed by D Arnold
 leave was granted to W Kent
 The president was authorized
 to invest any funds on hand in
 such manner as he thought best -
 He reported the assets of the Hosp
 in Bank at Augusta consisted the
 fall of past year at, whether he sent
 them for safe keeping, & where he has
 not mentioned them.
 The board adjourned
 W Duncan

An election of Managers for
 the ensuing year was held Feb
 1st 1864 - at the office of W Duncan
 and R B Arnold & Wren
 Stoughton, R B Knapp, R B
 Kelly & W Duncan were elected
 Certified to by
 W Duncan
 H Johnson

No business of importance came
 the board together except the occupation
 of the Hospital in part by the occupied
 authorities for the sick & wounded
 during the summer, and in the
 fall, for the sick & wounded until
 the occupation of the City & Hospital
 by Howard's Corps of Shenandoah army
 and when the army left the Hospital
 was left in charge of a regt of doctors
 & was filled with negroes - The occu-
 pation till April 1866 - at which time
 it was given up after continued ap-
 plications by me and also by the
 Mayor of the City - whose influence
 was more potent than mine -
 I took charge of it & placed ^{two men} ~~two men~~
 as watchmen to stay in the Hospital
 not to protect any thing in it
 for every thing was taken & or-
 dered, but to protect the building
 from fire, & from occupancy by
 strangers -
 On May 23rd 1868 I called the board

together, present Green W. Anderson
R. D. Arnold & Wm. Drucan.

The president stated the foregoing
facts and stated further more, that
it requires six to seven thousand
dollars to put the building in order
and supply the necessary furnishing
and that he had no means to do it.

Whereupon on motion he was au-
thorized to sell so much of the bonds
belonging to the Hospital, as might
be necessary for the purpose of res-
toring the Hospital to its former
good condition.

On motion it was resolved
that Mrs. Shaw as Matron be allowed
salary five dollars per month find
a light & coal of bread per day.

Dr. Bullock & Dr. Cairns were re-
quested to take charge of medical
department & the board adjourned.
W. Drucan pres.

Losses by the war BK State of Geo - 41456
" " " " Commerce 255k 24400.
" " " " Railroad - 2500.
add reconstruction of Hospital 79400 =
by Sherman's army occupied & all
in destroyed - cost about 7000.
aid paid by U.S. State for damages from new high water 16,400
the building was much injured 3,800
20400 20,000
windows all destroyed - the furniture broken
and every item destroyed & nothing
left after an occupancy by the army & by
injuries for 18 months, except some old
bedding.

Sat. Feb. 5 1867

At an election for managers of the
Soc. P. H. Hospital held this day -
the following were duly elected viz
the old board, with J. H. Johnston in
place of Mr. Anderson deceased.

W. Drucan
J. H. Johnston
Mar. 2, 1867

At a subsequent meeting the
president detailed an account
of the condition of the Hospital at
this time. He proceeded to elect
a president & physicians -
when the following were duly
elected viz members of the board present

W. Drucan, Charles Green, W. B. Knapp, J. H. Johnston
J. H. Kelly, R. D. Arnold & J. H. Johnston present at
meeting March 2, 1867 - elected

W. Drucan, pres. - Mrs. Shaw Matron, & Dr.
Thomas Chantrow & Drucan Physicians.
The president reported state of 12 Bonds
a W. R. Bond - with interest for \$577.40
and one debt for \$500 for \$52.25. These
were sold agreeably to resolution of the board
of May 25, 1866, authorizing a sale of so
much as might be necessary to repair
the building & furnish it anew, He gave
on the Hospital. He reported a balance
of cash on hand this day of \$129.00 and a small
amount to carry on the Hospital, but depend-
ing on receipts from the same, state and in-
tax & dividend, it was resolved to go on
and receive patients as usual.

The president reported admissions into the Hospital since operations were commenced in June '66 - 182 admitted, of which 188 were paupers and 14 were of the former 36 died and of the latter 20 and 1. Also reported two births in the Hospital - 2 more in prospect.

He also reported the Hospital books destroyed or lost during the occupancy of the building by Sherman's troops - which he brought with him, they contained a full account of all the patients in the Hospital for over 30 years. He reported having procured an entire new set of books - which the world will be kept hereafter.

The president reported the death of our late Associate fellow manager, John W. Hudson Esq. - whereupon Mr. Green offered the following "Whereas

This institution having sustained severe loss, in the demise of Mr. John W. Hudson, long a faithful member of the Board, and it being desirable to give expression thereupon be it

Resolved, That the Managers of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital, missing from his long accustomed seat today, their late valued colleague Mr. John W. Hudson, do deeply deplore the afflictive Providence which has deprived this board, of his intelligent, courteous and the institution of a steadfast friend whose place they feel can inadequately be filled.

In quiet they place upon record this poor memorial to the worth of a dear friend & associate and tender to his bereft family the deep sympathy of the board upon their irreparable loss."

And The Same was unanimously

adopted. And the president was requested to furnish a copy of the resolution to the family.

It was on motion

Resolved, That the president be authorized to present to Mr. Hudson one hundred dollars as soon as the funds will allow, in consideration of the extra labors she has been doing for the Hospital in order.

The Board then adjourned

W. Duncan, Secretary

Savannah July 18th 1867

The board met presided by W. Duncan,
R. Arnold, ~~W. Johnston~~ W. Keitt
the president reported, that
Mrs. Hoag, had given notice that she
must leave the hospital at the end
of July, as she is to be married on
August 1st - & remove to Mass.

He also reported, that he
could arrange with Mr. Burke to act
as Matron, & Mr. Sargent, an medical
student & apothecary, to put up the
prescriptions & attend for that purpose
three hours in the morning - and
also attend three hours in the afternoon
to look generally after the interests of
the Institution - And Dr. Duncan
agrees to give a general supervision
and make out the accounts -

The president reported his
intended absence from the city for
a couple of months, & Mr. Johnston
was appointed to act as president
during his absence - All which
was approved -

Mr. Keitt is to be absent
for the summer, and the other members are
all absent, viz W. Green W. Kelly W. Knapp.
W. Duncan pres.

Savannah Dec. 9. 1867

A meeting of the board of
managers, was held this day at the office
of W. Johnston, present - W. Duncan pres.
R. Arnold, Charles Green W. Knapp, W.
Keitt James Johnston & J. H. Kelly - at
which the president laid before the board
the following communication -

Bureau of Refuges - Freedmen
& Abandoned Lands
The quarters, Subd. of Sack.
Savannah Ga Dec. 2. 1867

Hon E. C. Anderson

Mayor City Savannah

Savannah Ga Sir - I would respectfully
ask that you furnish this office, or cause the same
to be done, a history of the Savannah City Hospital
furnish organization, by whom controlled, how
supported, & the present status of the same -

I would ask that the report be
furnished with as little delay as possible
having received a communication from M.
Brig. Genl. Sibly, acting Asst Comm. & calling
for the same, in view of the discontinuance
of the Freedmen's Hospital at Savannah Georgia.

Sincerely yours

J. Murray Hoag

1st Capt U. S. A

Sub. Asst. Comm.

Endorsed on the back - Mayor's office Sack
2nd Dec 1867

Respectfully referred to W. W. Duncan, Chair-
man board of Trustees Sack P. H. Hospital,
E. C. Anderson Mayor

23 The following answer to the same, was unani-
mously adopted by the board & the presi-
dent was requested, to furnish the same

through the mayor - my

The Savannah Poor House Hospital is a private Institution chartered by the State of Georgia in 1835. ~~and~~ and is supported by Private Contributions, interest on assets owned by the State and on tax about \$1200 per Annum and pay received for American & Foreign Seamen.

Its affairs are under the control of a Board of Managers, seven in Number, and elected by the Contributors to its funds.

On December 21st 1864 The Federal Army under Gen Sherman, entered Savannah and immediately took possession of the Hospital. A portion of the Howard's corps occupying the same & the grounds attached. Every thing in the Hospital was appropriated by them - except so much as was used for the patients then in our charge. - I was ordered to find quarters elsewhere for our patients in the houses against the injustice of which, I remonstrated, and they were allowed to remain - and the Hospital was, not long after received of them - and no new admissions were made.

The Federal, continued to occupy the building for soldiers, white & black, & was finally occupied entirely by Black Refugees & others - until 8th day of April 1868 at which time it was given up, through the urgent solicitation of Mayor Anderson, after my efforts had failed.

I at once took possession of it & placed men to guard & protect it, from fire. Every thing belonging to the Hospital had been used or taken away or destroyed, except some old Iowa beds, in a broken condition. Kitchen range broken up &c and removed to the Freedman's Hospital, leaving nothing

except as just stated, but the basins, washers, all broken, and a mountain of filth.

The first business of the board was to have the House repaired & furnished for the admission of patients, and to enable them to do this, I succeeded, in getting a loan of four thousand dollars. - To repair & furnish it cost, about \$8000, and the sum of \$4184. is in my judgment, justly due by the Government - for which the board believe they have a just claim on the Government.

Signed W. Duncan, Secy

The President, stated to the board that Mrs Shore left the Hospital on 1st of Sept. to be married & removed to Macon - and that Mrs Burke whom he had engaged, as laundress, to attend to the patients, as per minutes of 15th July last, altho she had testimonials of her capacity & character, proved to be a dishonest & quarrelsome person, three days - she was dismissed and Mrs Elder, was employed, Dr. Duncan, giving ^{attention} to the duties of Superintendent - and also for his services - The President asked the board if they would approve of an effort to get a competent Superintendent, where Dr. Arnold who is one of the attending physicians remarked that if Dr. Duncan would consent to continue as he had been doing that he would approve as he had been doing that the Hospital is now in its ~~best~~ ^{best} condition, that the Hospital is now in the best condition as to management &c. His compensation had been promised to Dr. Duncan - as what he ~~had~~ ^{had} done, & was in compliance with the President's wish, as he was about leaving the city for a few months - After some consultation, it was proposed by Mr. Green, & seconded by Mr. Kelly, that Dr. Duncan be allowed fifty dollars per month from 1st August last as compensation, & on motion of Dr. Arnold, the thanks of the board

were tendered to him - and a hope expressed that he would continue in charge as he has done, on the compensation of \$500 per month. Dr. Duncan appeared before the board & I read to it its action, and he thanked the board for their kindness, and said he would think of their proposition to continue & give an answer in a few days. And the whole was left with the president to arrange - and on motion the board adjourned. W. Duncan pres.

W.B. The above report was made to the Bureau board through the Mayor. & no formal acknowledgment has been made, but in January, Genl Lewis - representing Gov. Sibley called on me and after questioning me in reference to the Hospital, urged the determination of the Department to close the freedmen's Hospital in Savannah, & consequent necessity of provision being made, for the sick & infirm negroes. I asked if we could not take as many as six into the South Hospital to which I replied that it was impossible. That we had to refuse admissions daily taking only the most needy, of immediate relief. He then urged that altho a private institution, we receive from the state an annual appropriation, for which we ought to meet his requirements. I replied that that appropriation was made for the whites, & not for the blacks, because the latter were cared for by their owners. and that the present status of the blacks was not, from any act or consent of their owners, and their support should be given by those who had changed the status.

To this he replied that he had heard that argument often urged, but that it had no force with him. He left me without any further remarks - and I have heard nothing more from him or the Bureau. I have since learned from Capt White of the Bureau, that Genl Lewis seemed to be satisfied, that the Institution is a private affair. W.B.

An Election of Seven Managers was held on feby 3. 1848 at the office of Duncan & Johnston, when the old board of Managers were duly elected by R. D. David, Charles Green, W. B. Knapp, J. Kelly, J. W. Kewster, James Johnston & W. Duncan. Certified by W. Duncan Malcolm Maclean

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Saco P.H. & Hospital was held at the House of W. Driscoll Feb. 13, 1888.
 Present. R. S. Arnold, W. B. Knapp, J. F. Kelly, James Johnston, Charles Green & W. Driscoll. absent J. H. Nevitt. The minutes of the last meeting, & the action of the President in his interview with Gent. Lewis of the Freedmen's Bureau, were read & confirmed & approved.
 The President then read the following reports, viz:

Referring to our last annual meeting I have to report that agreeably to resolution then adopted, I sent to the family of our late lamented associate W. Driscoll, a copy of the resolution adopted at that meeting in reference to his demise.

Also in compliance with a resolution at same meeting, I presented to Mrs. Shore \$100 in consideration of her extra services in getting the Hospital in order, & her acknowledgment of same, from her, with grateful thanks to the Board for their kindness.

It affords me pleasure to say that the Institution is in much better condition every way than at our last annual meeting when we commenced the year, with \$124.

During the year just closed say to Feb. 1st we have expended \$10,911.17 comprising provisions, wages, funeral expenses, beds, bedding, furniture repairs, of water works, sink, &c. - And the receipts have been \$12,574.88 arising from pay for American & British Seamen, dividend, action tax grant from Superior Court & contributions of \$5- each from parties subscribing to Hospital support, & constituting them members.

We commence the Year with a balance on hand of \$1,787.82 as per Cash Book, the accounts for the Year having been examined & certified by Dr. B. Arnold & J. F. Johnston, as correct & supported by proper vouchers.

A much more gratifying result than I had any reason to hope for a Year ago. - It has arisen mainly from our receipts for Am. Seamen for which we receive a liberal allowance of \$10 per week, which covers board, medicine & medical attention. I made the contract with Collector Woodhouse in 1866, & which had been approved at Washington. - A very liberal contract for us, & I hope may not be disturbed.

The number of patients admitted during the Year 4 - 673

of Paupers 369 of which 28 died

Pay patients 11 - 1 -

American Seamen 191 - 8 -

British Seamen 109 - 6 -

Ratio of deaths 673 - 113 -

per 1000 63

A gratifying result, when we look at the character & condition of the paupers when admitted, many of them in the last stage of disease. And to the Medical Staff we are grateful for untiring attention to the patients, & to them may be attributed the above favorable result.

Under the new arrangement I consider the Hospital admirably managed - And have no changes to suggest. Dr. Arnold & Dr. Bullock took charge of their respective departments, Medical & Surgical 1st Nov. last, and I recommended their election at this meeting for the Year. Dr. Driscoll accepted the proposition made to him at the last meeting & recommended

that he will be elected for the year - in charge of the female department.

Returning to the balance on hand, I moved suggest the investment of \$1000. in City Bonds or Stocks, as the board may direct, and I venture to express the hope that in time, the bonds which were necessarily sold to restore the Hospital may be replaced from surplus balances.

All which is respectfully submitted - W. Duncan presides.

The report was ordered to be received & entered on the minutes.

After which the President reported that an election of Managers was held on 5. inst. and resulted in the election of the old board.

The board then proceeded to the election of a president, when Dr. Arnold proposed that W. Duncan be re-elected. & the same was carried. Dr. Arnold Dr. Bullock & Dr. Duncan were re-elected.

Dr. Arnold moved that \$1000. be invested in City Bonds. W. Knapp proposed Central R.R. Stock. The board voted in favor of City Bonds. but left the matter with the president, to be governed by circumstances.

Dr. Arnold suggested that blinds, inside of the South windows in the pauper ward, would add much to the comfort of the patients in summer & the President was requested to have the same done, if the funds permit.

There being no farther business the board adjourned.

W. Johnston

a called meeting of the board Aug. 1st 1868
Present W. Duncan R. D. Arnold
W. Johnston.

The President stated that he intended to be absent from the city for a month or six weeks and recommended Dr. Johnston acting President during his absence, which was approved. W. Duncan

Savannah Jan'y 27, 1869

A meeting of the board of Managers was held this day at the office of the President, Present W. Duncan W. B. Knapp J. W. Keene R. D. Arnold Charles Green and Dr. Johnston.

The President laid before the board a letter addressed to the Managers signed by 40 Gentlemen - 32 of whom paid \$5. Each, \$100. which sum is entered in cash book to credit of the Hospital. Making application for membership in the Hospital Corporation; and the same was accepted & the thirty two who paid \$5 Each, are declared members of the Corporation.

The board ordered publication of a notice for election of 4 Managers for one year, on Monday 1st Feb'y in terms of the act of incorporation and

^{J. M. Roth}
Mr Knapp, & Mr. Schenck were appointed
to superintend the election. - Election
ordered between the hours of 10 & 2 o'clock

The president stated that, D. S. I.
Waring as one of a Committee of three
had called on him in accordance with
a resolution of Council, to ascertain the con-
dition of the Hospital its means, and the
relief it afforded for the past year. -
whereupon, it was resolved, that the board
do not recognize the right of the city
Council to ask for the same, but cheerfully
accord to it, such information as to the
amount of relief furnished for the period
named, and also, the amount and cha-
racter of the means of the Institution
now invested, the board has nothing
to conceal, believing that their best efforts
have been given, to render the Hospital,
under their charge, as useful in carrying
out the ^{charitable} intentions of its founders, and
in terms and meaning of its Charter, as is
possible. - And the president was directed
to carry out the intent & meaning of this
resolution.

The president stated that he
apprehended an effort on the part
of some disaffected parties, to effect a
change in the management & control
of the Hospital - and it was resolved
that the board, will not consent to be
unconsciously removed, & that proper
efforts be made, to prevent it.

The board then adjourned

In accordance with the foregoing resolution
the following statement was prepared for
the Committee of Council, appointed by
resolution of Council viz -

270 Shares C.R. Stock	\$27000	worth \$35,610
52 " S.W. RR "	5200	" 188 5,66
9 City bonds Ea 500	4500	" 90 4,050
19 Sh. Aug & Dec. RR Stock	1900	" 90 1,710
	\$38,600	\$47,216

The Hospital had		
44 Sh. RR State of Geo	\$4,150	} worthless result of the war
25 " - Commerce	2,500	
Negroes valued	2,500	
	\$9,400	

Patients in the Hospital from July 1, 68 - 68
Patients admitted into Hosp from July 1
'68 to Jan'y 25 '69 625
of which died 55

Patients admitted from 1 July 66 when we
resumed after the war to 1st Feb'y 67 452
Patients admitted from Feb'y 67 to Feb'y 68 673
last 6 days " " 68 - " 69 627
In these 2 years total, were admitted
1050 paupers - the remainder paupers.

Savannah Jan'y 28. 1869 W.D.