

Savannah Jan^y 30. 1869

A meeting of the board of Managers of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital was held this day, at the office of Bureau & Johnston

Present

W. Duncan

R. D. Arnold

Chas. Green

W. B. Knapp

J. W. Hewitt

J. H. Johnston = Mr. John Kelly

the other member of the Board - being absent at Atlanta as a member of the House of Representatives, the President presented to the board the following report for the year just closing -

On the 1st Feb^y 1868 we had patients remaining in the Hospital 68
admitted from 1st Feb^y '68 to 26 Jan^y '69 584 652
of which died 57
of those admitted for the Year, those
were paupers - 295
of which died 31 equal 10 1/2 %
admitted American Seamen 195
of which died 13 5 1/6 %
admitted Foreign Seamen 88
of which died 5 5 1/6 %
" Pay patients for the Year 6
of which died 2

Total Number in the Hospital for the Year 652
average of deaths 7 1/8 %

The receipts for the Year arising from decided interests on bonds - for U. S. Seamen, British Seamen, annual subscriptions, and voluntary contributions amount to \$17,193.57
& Expenditures " " 14,140.47
leave a balance of \$3,053.10

There are outstanding accounts for January which may amount to ten hundred dollars - viz, Butchers bill, baker bill & sundry others - after paying which - the balance on hand will be about \$2,400 to begin the Year with and of that amount, I think \$1,500 may be invested in such stock as the board or the board may suggest; unless the present board shall be superseded by a new board which seems to be desired by some disaffected parties, who have come forward & contributed five dollars each to the funds of the Hospital with a view to increase its usefulness, to improve its management, and they are thereby members of the Corporation. The present board have carried on the affairs of the Institution harmoniously and prosperously, any change coming from parties dissatisfied with our management, & implying censure will not be in accordance with my wishes. If the change is sought & succeeds, be to wound the feelings of any member of the board by removing him, then I shall be greatly grieved. We must admit that according to the act of incorporation all freeborn (white of course) who shall contribute annually five dollars, to the funds of the Corporation, will be members of the Corporation, and for one, I shall be glad if the members shall amount to hundreds, provided they shall keep up the spirit annually, and not fall off on accomplishing the removal of the present board.

* Arnold

Previous to the secession of Georgia we had a contract with the U. S. Government for the care of sick & disabled seamen. And after secession, we continued to receive them, on permits of John B. Gordon

The collector of the port, with the understanding that he had no means of paying for them and that if admitted, we must trust to the justice of the U.S. Government, after the war, until 17th May, when the port was blockaded. — I have the bills of lading for Decr 1860, Jan'y Feb'y March & May 1861 amounting to \$3671.76 —

Mr. Boston was desirous of paying the Decr & Jan'y bill while he had U.S. funds in hand, but could not get permission from the Secretary of the Treasury to do so. The funds in his hands were soon transferred to the Confederate Treasury and we had nothing to depend on but the justice of the U.S. Government at a future day, when the war should be ended.

Having recovered these accounts after they had been secreted with other papers, & thought to be destroyed in the general wreck when Sherman's army took possession of Savannah, I prepared an account and presented it to the Secretary of the Treasury in June last, accompanied by a respectful letter to the Secretary, to which, nor to another month later, I received no reply. — I was unwilling to let the claim remain in that neglected condition, and as Mr. Johnston, one of your board, was then in the north, I requested him to visit Washington and endeavor to resuscitate my letter and account. — In this he succeeded, and was told, that it could not be paid, unless by a special act of Congress. I visited Washington City myself, twice on the same business, in the months of Decr & Nov. last, & on my way to & from New York, and while I was courteously treated by all, I was told

by the Secretary of the Treasury, that the only way I could get the claim would be by a special act of Congress, and which I was led to believe could easily be had, through a representative from Georgia. And on my return home, I prepared a memorial to Congress, setting forth the claim, and entrusted it to Horu Nelson Jeff, who writes me, that he presented it to the Committee of Commerce, where I fear it will remain neglected & forgotten. — The claim may in time be recognized. —

The accounts for the Year are before you, made up to 29th Jan'y inst. They have been examined by a Committee of your board, W.B. Knapp & J.H. Johnston, who certify their correctness and that the Entries are supported by proper vouchers. —

To that Committee I also exhibited the certificates of stock & bonds belonging to the Hospital — as follows — at par
 Receipt for 270 Sh. C.R. Stock at par 2700
 " " 52 Sh. S.W.R.R. " at par 5200
 " " 19 " Augusta Harb. Stock 1900
 9 City bonds, @ par 4500
 and the said Committee certify to having examined the same, & their certificate is entered on the Cash book, Jan'y 30th 1869 —

The foregoing I respectfully submit as my report. —

W. Duane pres.
 The report was read & ordered to be entered on the minutes. — after which the Board adjourned. —

W. Duane

W. Duane

Savannah Feb. 1. 1869

An election for seven managers of the Hospital was held this day at the office of Duncan & Johnston between the hours of 10 & 2 o'clock under the superintendence of J. W. Nevitt, Dr. J. M. Johnston, N. B. Knapp & J. H. Johnston and the following certificate of the same, was handed to the president by the Committee -

"The undersigned managers of the above election on counting out the votes find them as follows -

W. Duncan	176	voter
R. D. Arnold	175	"
Charles Green	137	"
J. W. Nevitt	138	"
J. S. Kelly	139	"
N. B. Knapp	137	"
J. H. Johnston	142	"
John F. Wheaton	40	"
John D. Fish	35	"
J. B. Read	42	"
Thos. Holcombe	38	"
John Williamson	39	"
Dr. Thos. Smith	1	"
Dr. J. A. Wragg	3	"
Dr. R. J. Munn	2	"

and we declare that

W. Duncan Charles Green J. S. Kelly
R. D. Arnold J. W. Nevitt N. B. Knapp
J. H. Johnston are duly elected managers of the Savannah Hospital for the ensuing year -
Signed N. B. Knapp
J. M. Johnston
J. H. Johnston
J. W. Nevitt

Sav. Feb. 1 - 1869

List of subscribers \$5. Each, to the Hospital all of which were entitled to vote at the election of managers of the Hospital on Feb. 1 - 1869

W. Duncan	R. D. Arnold	C. Green	J. W. Nevitt
J. S. Kelly	N. B. Knapp	J. H. Johnston	M. McKean
E. Finney	W. H. Chaplin	A. S. Lane	J. H. James
John Schreier	J. M. Duncan	W. Duncan	J. D. Bishop
J. H. Estill	John A. Wragg	J. S. Thomas	John D. Fish
R. J. Munn	E. C. Hough	J. S. Paine	J. S. Brown
John Williamson	Ed. C. Anderson	J. A. O'Brien	Ed. H. Mayer
J. F. Chantton	J. McPherson	W. W. Smedley	J. H. Johnson
Thos. B. Lloyd	G. F. Jones	B. Philley	Jas. B. Read
W. H. Kirkham	C. H. Wray	James Stewart	Henry Nelson
J. H. Holcombe	J. H. Beck	J. H. Shaffer	J. Cunningham
J. H. Christian	J. F. Wheaton	W. Smedley	J. C. Lehardy
John H. Perkins	M. J. Solomon	James Stewart	S. Gardner
W. M. Walsh	J. H. Waring	J. H. Hunter	Ad. W. Low
Geo. L. Gray	R. D. Dickinson	J. P. Gorman	John L. Sullivan
P. C. Atkins	W. S. Wells	Fred Adams	C. F. Lane
E. W. Cabridge	John R. Smith	Ralph B. Taylor	W. Branch
Geo. F. Freedland	G. A. Braton	C. W. Bramer	Jas. F. Powell
E. S. Lathrop	E. W. Lifford	J. H. Rhodes	J. M. Williams
J. H. Lancaster	Jas. McPherson	J. Buckenheimer	W. S. Bryan
Ignatius Newburg	Lo. Rosenberg	Jas. Haywood	A. G. M. Arthur
J. Crotty	J. Meinhart	J. Meinhart	John D. Davis
Simon Dexter	W. H. Hensbury	W. M. Davidson	Jas. Smith
Alex. Campbell	Geo. Hawkins	J. M. McCormick	J. M. Farn
C. H. Alister	J. H. Hensbury	M. H. Hensbury	Rich. Street
John F. Hamilton	Lo. Hull	Scott Mylly	And. Hattley
J. E. Byck	W. H. Hensbury	L. F. Hensbury	J. H. Chatterton
J. Freedland	Chas. Hill	L. E. Byck	John C. Hensbury
Morris Brown	Levi Levy	Solomon Beer	Ed. Wall
J. Mitchell	C. H. Hensbury	J. W. Hensbury	Levi Rayton
W. Hensbury	C. E. Byck	M. F. Hensbury	Chas. Hensbury
Jas. F. Hensbury	John H. Johnston	J. D. Martin	John M. Hensbury
W. P. Hardy	R. H. Hensbury	R. W. Miller	C. H. Hensbury
John Smith	W. H. Johnston	A. Cunningham	W. S. Hensbury

Savannah Feb 8. 1869

A meeting of the managers elect, of the S. S. Hospital was held this day at the office of Dr. Duncan & Johnston present,

R. D. Arnold, W. Duncan, Charles Green, N. B. Knapp, J. W. Nevitt & J. H. Johnston.

Col. Knapp was called to the chair & J. H. Johnston was appointed secretary. The report of the election as recorded in the book on 1st inst, was laid before the managers and the same certified by ^{supervisors} ~~the~~ resulting in the election of seven Managers, viz W. Duncan, R. D. Arnold, Charles Green, N. B. Knapp, J. J. Kelly, & J. H. Johnston. The same was received.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of a president, when W. Duncan was unanimously elected. Mr. Knapp laid before the board now organized, a letter from D. S. L. Waring in relation to the medical direction of the Hospital, which was read, and on motion made & seconded, the same was laid on the table.

The president laid before the board a communication from E. C. Anderson & others (copy of same on the foregoing page) which was read, as also the answer thereto which was approved.

The president presented to the board a communication which he sent to the medical society in his own & individual capacity, asking them to make any suggestions for the better management of the medical department of the Hospital & saying that any suggestions they might make would be presented to the managers, & that no doubt the same would be respectfully considered. He said that no response had been made.

The president was authorized to have inside blinds placed in the windows on the south side of the Hospital up stairs. Mrs

Knapp & Mr. Green were appointed visiting Committee for February & March.

The board then adjourned to meet at the call of the president.

J. H. Johnston

Secy

Savannah Feb 16. 1869

A meeting of the board of managers was held this day at the office of the president.

Present Mr. Duncan, Mr. Charles Green, N. B. Knapp, R. D. Arnold, J. W. Nevitt & J. H. Johnston. The minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed. The president announced that the first business in order was the election of attending physicians. Several plans were suggested for the medical department of the Hospital. After discussion, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Green, seconded by Dr. Arnold, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the following arrangement be adopted, in reference to the medical department at the Hospital, viz That there shall be for this year, three attending physicians - one for the medical department, one for the surgical department, & one for the female ward, as follows for the medical department, from 1st March next till 1st November, for the surgical department one for the same time & for the succeeding months of Nov: dec: Jan & February. The professor of practice of medicine ^{of the Soc. Med. & Surg.} shall be the attending physician for the same months.

and for the surgical department, the professors of surgery shall be the attending physicians, & for the female ward the professor of obstetrics shall be the attending physician for the same four months with the privilege in each department for giving clinical lectures by said professors. New appointments may be made to act from the 1st March 1870. The same to be governed by the experience of the working the present year. In the event of the vacancy occurring in either of the appointments the president with the visiting committee shall have power to fill the same.

The same was unanimously adopted. Dr Arnold moved that Dr Haber-sham be elected attending physician of the medical department & Dr Charlton for the surgical department to serve from March 1st 1869 till Nov 1st 1869 - and that Dr J. M. Johnston be elected for the female ward for the same time - and the same was adopted. - Letter from Dr Haber-sham & Dr Johnston tendering their services having been presented to the board and also a verbal tender of same from Dr Charlton.

On motion Dr Duane was elected to the position he held last year as General Superintendent.

Mr George Holbrook asked the privilege of his son being allowed to go daily to the Hospital & assist the apothecary with the patients which was granted.

The president asked advice as to investment of \$1500, alluded to at the annual meeting, when after discussing various securities bonds, stocks &c the

same was left to the president to act according to his judgment - the general impression seeming to favor S. W. R. Road Stock.

The board then adjourned
W. Duane pres

J. H. Johnston Secy
Feb 18th in accordance with the foregoing resolution adopted at the meeting of Feb 15th I purchased then day Twenty shares S. W. R. R. Stock at \$104 Amount \$2080 - I same entered in Cash Book. W. S. Morgan

Sarannah Feb 27 1869
A meeting of the board was held then day at the call of the president - present W. Duane, R. D. Arnold, Charles Green, N. S. Knapp, J. H. Johnston & J. W. Norritt. The president laid before the board a communication from a Committee of the Medical College, expressing the views of the faculty with regard to the medical service of the Hospital.

The board proceeded to act on the several suggestions in that communication, and after some modifications the following were adopted.

1st. - To establish in the Hospital the offices of Senior & Junior Pupils or Interns. The same to be filled by graduates or under graduates of the Savannah Medical College or other respectable college, each of these to be elected by the managers of the Hospital from Pupils recommended by the faculty of the College to serve for twelve months, unless removed for cause.

entire

2^d The duties of the Senior House pupil, (accompanied by the Junior when practicable) shall be to take down the prescriptions of the attending physicians & Surgeons and also the Senior shall in the absence of the attending physician & Surgeon, shall prescribe for any new cases admitted, if he deems a prescription necessary, and shall prescribe in any emergency that may arise day or night, being careful to report the same to the attending physician. He shall keep a "case book."

3^d The duties of the Junior House pupil will be to carefully distribute the medicines to the various patients, to personally superintend as closely as possible, the administration of the same, to apply Cataplasms, blisters or cups, and administer enemata; and to perform all proper services required of him by the attending physician, or surgeons. He shall see that the nursing is faithfully done, and shall give personal attention to the thorough cleansing of the wards, the removal of deleterious or offensive matter and to the use of disinfectants and cloths, when required.

4th The compensation to be the necessary lodging, washing & fuel, together with Hospital fare, and one hundred dollars to each - Dr. Annam - viz - twenty five dollars, at the end of each quarter.

5th The interns, Senior & Junior, will be required to give to the Hospital their whole time and attention, and to sleep every night at the Hospital - at no time shall both

Senior & Junior be absent at the same time.

The above rules & regulations were unanimously adopted, and the President was requested to notify the Faculty of the action of the Board.

The President reported, that he had notified the physicians elected at the former meeting of their election - and that he had received from each a note accepting the appointment.

The board then adjourned =

J. H. Johnson Secy

March 2, 1889.

Board met call of the President, who laid before them, the acceptance of Dr. S. E. Newman, of the office of Senior pupil in the Hospital, and if elected promised to discharge the duties which have been devolved over to him, to the best of his ability. The Board proceeded to the election and he was duly elected Senior pupil for 12 mos from March 1st inst. The President, plastering the paper round - and the same was agreed to.

The President reported, that Dr. Collins, recommended by the faculty

Resd. Wm Driscoll, M.D. Knapp Charles Green & J. H. Johnson

for J. J. Smith had stated that he was compelled to go home to Lady C. to attend to some business, and said he hoped he would be able to return by 1st April, when he would be a candidate for the position.

A. B. Buchanan

REPORT.

That the Savannah Poor House and Hospital is the only institution in the City of Savannah, which affords charitable relief to the sick poor within its limits. It is also the only institution which is able to and does afford relief to sick seamen, a class of relief very important at a commercial port of the magnitude of Savannah.

The Hospital is under the charge of a President and six Directors, who are elected by the City Council, and are subject of removal from the office by a vote of the ward.

The number of patients admitted into Hospital from January 1st, 1868, to January 1st, 1869, was 468.

Number remaining in Hospital, January 1st, 1869, was 68.

Total, 536.

Number of patients treated since the restoration of the Hospital by the United States authorities, July 1st, 1866, to February 1st, 1867, was 468.

To February 1st, 1868, was 675.

To February 1st, 1869, was 68.

Total, 1151.

Of these—

Paupers, 1060.

Seamen, 90.

The income for the present year has been:

Interest on stocks and bonds, \$3,234 90

Paid by the Collector of the City, 7,562 22

Paid by British Consulate for the Seamen, 1,212 85

Paid by State tax (auctioneer's fees), 27 80

Total income, \$12,037 77

A charity in this city, with an annual income of \$12,000, must be admitted to be a subject of congratulation to the people.

Real Estate Property—Five lots, fronting on Gaston street, and between Drayton and Abercorn streets.

Improvements—A large hospital building, its exterior and plain, its interior, however, very inferior in accommodation and aspect to modern requirements or expectations.

FUNDED PROPERTY.

370 shares Central Railroad stock, \$37,000 at \$100

60 shares Savannah R. R. stock, 5,200 at 100

9 city lots, 4,500 at 50

10 shares Augusta and Savannah Railroad stock, 1,000 at 90

Total, \$47,700

Market value, \$47,216

Market value of buildings and lots, \$2,040

Total, \$49,256

In few words, the Savannah Poor House and Hospital is a charity of the value of \$49,256. It has an income of \$12,037 77. And in two years admitted and treated 1000 paupers.

The charter of this hospital admits any person whatever to the privileges of corporators or donors by the annual payment of a subscription of \$5 00.

For the present year, the number of subscribers is 115.

These corporators have just held an election (February 1st) under the charter, and elected the following gentlemen as Directors viz: W. Duncan, R. D. Arnold, Charles Greene, J. W. Davis, John A. Kelly, N. B. Knapp, S. H. Johnston.

This interesting charity existed anterior to 1827, but all its early records are lost. (The Book of Records and minutes date back only to 1830). It originated as a private charity, but as no one God-fearing man, who embodied themselves to this end, is not positively known. In 1827 the Association underwent reorganization, and at that time their building was a long and unwholesome building, built in the woods without shade or fence.

It is very plain by the records of 1827, that the city erected this building and set apart the grounds South of it for Hospital purposes. In 1830 Joseph Knitting was President. In February, 1836, Thomas Tupper was President, and in April, 1839, William Duncan became President. From that date to this our father has been continuously President, and his ability, devotion and assiduity is attested by the present prosperous condition of the Hospital.

Upon first taking charge in 1839, he set to work to give the Hospital an air of comfort, he surrounded it with a fence and put up the necessary buildings. It was at a later date, 1856, that the present Hospital, which was given to the city, was erected. Up to August 1st, 1857, the lot on this property was needed for the city, but he saw that an enclosure of ground to the people, 20 feet in diameter, was made, and thereby gave it right and title to the lot and all improvements in the Association, which had been incorporated in 1830.

The charter of 1857, giving the corporators and the purposes and terms of incorporation, is found in Wilson's Digest.

In 1857 the Legislature gave to the Hospital the same tax on Auctioneers and provided that the city should collect the said tax and turn it over to the Hospital.

At some previous time, in 1835, Thomas Young gave \$5,000 to the Hospital, and 1841, James Wallace, by resolution became, gave \$12,000.

The report of a training in accordance with a resolution of City Council is attached. I remark again as I did to the board at a recent meeting, that when training called on me, I said to him, that the board does not recognize any right that the city has to call for a statement of its condition of affairs, but the same would be cheerfully granted, as the board has nothing to conceal. The facts were given to him as embraced in his report. No objection to one conclusion in the report, viz. that it is very plain by the records of transfer that the city owning this building &c. stock is not plain, nor is such the fact. The Hospital was built by private subscription, and never vested in the city. The transfer alluded to in 1857, was a transfer of all the land lying South of the Hospital, & the property of the Hospital, for the grounds North of the Hospital now with in the brick walls, say from Huntington to Gaston street. & of course included the improvements. The land North of the Hospital, &c. belongs to the city, & was transferred for the consideration stated.

W. Duncan

Savannah June 27. 1869.

Board met at office of the president

present Dr. Webb W. Drapp

John Kelly W. Duncan

The minutes of last meeting read
and approved.

The president reported that Dr. W. Drapp who has been acting as apothecary at the Hospital for some time had left to reside in Baltimore - & that he had appointed Dr. Keomace to that position temporarily out of staff, and finding him competent, he recommended his appointment be confirmed - and on resolution, it was so affirmed & that his salary shall be thirty ^{half} dollars per month for that duty. The same to take effect from 1st July next.

The president reported the repairs alterations and plastering of the male pauper ward at an expense of \$500. He also reported similar improvements in progress in the female ward at about the same expense which was approved.

He reported, that he had reason to believe that Dr. Webb had applied for & had obtained the contracts with the Government for American Seamen, but he has had no notification of this from Col. Hobbs the collector. The board adj. W. Duncan pres.

Savannah August 10. 1869

The Board of managers met at the call of the president - present W. Duncan R. S. Arnold & Dr. John Drapp

The president laid before the board, a letter from Dr. W. G. Bullock, Dean of the Savannah Medical College recommending Mr. Geo. Skollock, an under graduate of the college, for "Junior Intern" in the Hospital - Mr. Skollock has been attending at the Hospital since March last in that capacity, by courtesy of the board, and has now become well acquainted with the duties of Junior and has given great satisfaction by his close attention & assiduity, and the managers now present, all the not a quorum cheerfully endorse the recommendation of the faculty and agree to appoint Mr. Skollock, "Junior intern" at the salary determined on at meeting 27th of Feb. last viz at the rate of \$100 per annum, the same to commence on 1st Sept. next, and the president was directed to notify him of the same.

The president reported the female ward completed in a good & substantial manner at an expense of \$480. which was approved. He also reported that he knew that the contract for American sick & disabled seamen, has been given to a private physician, who he hears proposes to establish a hospital

at Fairlawn - and takes the seamen at a recreation of \$5. per week on our charge -
Of this, we have no notification from the Collector, altho we have a contract with the department - The American seamen are still sent to our Hospital at our contract price of \$10. per week, and I suppose will continue, till the "death-hole" at Fairlawn, shall be repaired -
I say "death-hole" because it is a notorious fact, that Fairlawn, is the most sickly spot in the city, being immediately subject to the malaria from the river & swamp adjoining -

J. H. Johnson

The board adjourned
W. Dracut per

Savannah Sept 25, 1867

The Board has called together several to Dracut R. B. Arnold, & J. H. Johnston - There not being a quorum no business was transacted - The president reported the Hospital in condition some fifty patients, and no serious illness - The president suggested a heating stove for the female ward, which was approved -

The board adjourned
W. Dracut per

J. H. Johnson

Savannah Sept 30, 1867

A called meeting of the board was held this day. present W. Dracut R. B. Arnold & J. H. Johnston - A letter from Dr. Bullock was read, asking the board to state their understanding as to what position he & Dr. Arnold & Dr. Kellogg were elected as attending physicians at the Hospital from Nov 1st 1867 to March 1st 1870 - And the following resolution on that subject was adopted -

Whereas, Dr. Bullock has addressed a letter to this board respecting their views as to the respective duties of the attending physicians of the Hospital for the winter in the professions of Obstetrics, of surgery & theory & practice of medicine

Resolved, that in making these appointments the board was actuated by a desire to afford facilities for clinical instruction to those several professors in their respective branches, & that it was in their understanding that the duties should be as follows - That the professor of Obstetrics, should take charge of all obstetric cases, & all cases of disease peculiar to women; that the professor of surgery should take charge of all surgical cases, that the professor of theory & practice of medicine should take charge of all medical cases without reference to cases.

The president was requested to furnish Dr. Bullock with a copy of the above resolution -
The Board adj.

J. H. Johnson

W. Dracut per

W. Duncan
R. Arnold
H. Neoville
J. J. Kelly
Charles Green.

Resolved that no action
in this matter for the present
same was unanimously

~~inspired~~ The Board then adjourned
J. Robinson,
Secy.

I send you a copy of the charter of the Syracuse Poor House and Hospital, which I respectfully ask that you will publish for the information of the public. And it will be remembered that the question of reform as pertaining to this institution was agitated by many of our best citizens last year. The agitation of the subject at that time was conducive to much good, but it is evident to any one who knows the history and workings of the institution, that much yet remains to be accomplished before it reaches up to the full measure of our city's present requirements. It is, perhaps, not known to all those who generally feel benevolently interested in such things, that up to last year this institution has been what is properly designated a "dissempowered" one from almost its first organization (about forty years ago) and, also, that this disempowerment has originated more from neglect than the nature of its charter. Indeed, it is evident from the terms of its charter that it never was intended to have been what has been marked out by its quiet, constructive, not to say secret history. If the public will inquire into its history they will find that from its earliest inception it has been conducted by a body of men exceeding largely in number than that of the board of trustees, and having no report, financial or otherwise, to be made to the public. The board of managers has perhaps been kept up to the full quota authorized by the charter; but these managers have almost always neglected, and, therefore, of course paid little or no attention to, its affairs, and it has been nothing along under the nominal control of one or two persons, whilst the public, who are so deeply affected by such institutions, and who, when such bodies are formed, are bound to care for them as if one way or another. It is palpable this should never have been and certainly should be allowed no longer. Large sums of money, which certainly cannot be spent in such private ways, have gone into this corporation, and for aught we know have been properly used, for to the contrary we would not for one instant; but we do contend, and that most earnestly, that the time has arrived when this truth should be spread out, in its influence for good. This growing city demands it—humanity equally demands it—every consideration demands it. Now the question comes up, how is this to be accomplished? The charter says that every citizen who shall pay five dollars annually, for its support shall be considered a corporate citizen, with any other corporate citizen, and it is this that has been the basis for seven managers, who shall hold office one year. This was one means contemplated by the organizers to raise means to keep up the institution, beside other mentioned, such as donations, &c., &c. It was based on the very foundation upon the policy (and that policy should never have been abandoned) of having at least a number of corporators as possible. Five hundred corporators would give two thousand five hundred dollars annually into the treasury, and we venture the assertion that this number can be easily obtained if proper steps are taken. Then, perhaps, has not been a time for many years, when a very large number might not have been added to the list. This large sum would go a great way towards providing eggs, milk, &c., for the sick poor, who become so from dire living necessity—its inmates. Besides, imagine the increased vitality that would be infused into it by such a body of intelligent citizens. What a vast amount more of energy would mark its progress. And, again, if its influence was thus spread out how much more likely legacies would be left to it. This is solely the history of all such charities. This institution is guilty in no respect, but as its character is explained, but that this impression has been the effect in keeping the public from visiting it and

Why talk of another hospital with such a nucleus as we have, and building, owned by the people? For this is a legitimate idea, for whose private funds have built up to what it now? Certainly no individual can say that it was by their private contributions that it has been made. Certain deceased benevolent parties have given life legacies, but this was to the public, and it now becomes the public to utilize these bequests. These things bring to you, what becomes our duty at the present but to all alike, and around this nucleus form a nucleus and end enduring charity? Then, let all feeling, if there be any, be laid aside, or buried in the common realm, and let us by one great principle, that of charity, should be. To start a new hospital, that is, to start a new hospital, is not in proper style with the present. The managers should call a meeting of the present corporation, and all of them, there to become corporations, and from this new step and proceed with any following act now in conclusion? More than any following to this outset? More again. CRISIS.

Assented to December 26th. 1835

I. That Joseph Cuzzing, S. C. Dearing, Ralph King, John Gardner Matthew Hopkins, Francis Serrell, R. D. Arnold, P. M. Kollock, Wm. & Waring Charles S. Hester.

Samuel Philbrick, and Nicholas J. Bayard, and all other persons who shall annually pay the sum of five dollars or more, towards the support of the said institution, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate, under the name and style of the Savannah Poor House and Hospital, with all the powers, rights, privileges and liabilities incident to a corporation.

II. That for the due conduct of the said corporation there shall be elected by ballot, on the first Monday in February next, and on the first day of February annually thereafter, seven managers; and that at each election a plurality of voters shall elect; and each person who shall have contributed the sum of five dollars or more to the purposes of said institution shall be entitled to vote.

III. That from and after the passing of this act
 tion duties, payable to the State in the county of
 Van Buren, be, and the same are hereby given and
 appropriated to the support of the said institution;
 and the same shall be collected by the corporation
 of Van Buren, and paid over to the managers of the
 said institution: Provided, That the said appropria-
 tion may be by any future legislature with-
 drawn and withheld when considered proper.

Savannah July 22. 1870

A meeting of the managers, was held
at the house of Dr. Arnold at 7 1/2 p.m.
Present W. Duncan Dr. R. D. Arnold
Charles Green Dr. Merrill J. Kelly &
J. H. Johnston -

absent Mr. B. Knapp, sick
The president said he had called the
Board together to recommend a
public meeting of the Corporation
for some evening next week, say
Wednesday, at which time he pro-
posed to lay before the meeting the
financial condition of the Hospital
and a list of its assets, examined &
certified by the board. He also pro-
posed to present to the meeting a
statement of the working of the
Hospital since the war. - Agreed to.
Dr. Arnold proposed that the pres.
go farther back & state how the
funds have been built up - Agreed to.
It was determined that the meeting
be called for Wednesday evening
next at the Council Chamber in
the Exchange - (The Mayor moving)
at 7 1/2 o'clock / Adjourned -

W. Duncan (pres.)
The president was requested to ask Mr. M. J.
Solomon to take the supervision of the apothecary
department at the Hospital -
and now report that has cost the same.

January 26, 1870 -
In accordance with the resolutions adopted
at the last meeting on 22^d inst, a meeting of
the Corporation of the Hospital was advertised
for this Evening and there were present
at that meeting which was held in the
Council Chamber in the Exchange -

On motion Mr Duncan was called to the
chair, but begged to decline as he had a
report to present, & he nominated Rev Solomon
Cohen which was on motion carried & he
took the chair, and on motion L. H. Johnston
was appointed secretary.

After the report was presented, the following resolution was unanimously adopted - offered by Judge W. S. Chisolm and seconded by Dr J. G. Thomas -

There being no further business

On January 25, 1961, the President reported to the Board of Managers a study from James Watson, one of the members of the research and planning staff, on the effects of the implementation of the four-point

At a meeting of the Corporation of the Savannah
City of Savannah and Hospital, at the Exchange Ed-
town, on Thursday evening, January 28th, Mr. Wm.
C. Smith, President, was called to the Chair, but hav-
ing a report to read, nominated Hon. Solomon
C. Smith, seconded by Hon. J. A. Kelly. Mr. James H.
C. Smith was requested to act as Secretary.

The President then read a statement of the work of the institution from its commencement, with a report of its financial condition. At its conclusion Judge W. S. Churchill made a few remarks and moved the following resolution, seconded by Dr. J. O. Threlkeld:

Resolved, That the report of William Duncan, President of the Savannah Poor House and Hospital, be received, be printed, and that the thanks of the Corporation be tendered to him and the managers for the able, faithful and judicious manner in which the financial affairs of the Corporation have been conducted during their administration.

The resolution was unanimously carried.
There being no further business, on motion of Dr.
D. Argold the meeting adjourned.

A. B. JONES, Secy.

In accordance with the wish of the Managers, I have endeavored to collect some information in reference to the early history of the Poor House and Hospital. There was a Poor House and Hospital in Savannah in 1733, and it was kept in a small ward in 1817.

At this time the present Hospital was projected, and was issued a charter by private enterprise. In the year 1837, Mr. Joseph Cummings a gentleman of the name of the Hospital, was elected and succeeded on a basis of honest dealing and for increased usefulness, and to that end he took the necessary steps to have the Hospital an appropriation from the treasury of the State amounting to \$100,000, estimated at \$700, and which, as far as I can ascertain, had previously been collected by the State, and was placed in the hands of the Hospital, and in reference to the Hospital, in the month of December, 1841, when the present charter was obtained, it having been previously obtained in the month of December of last year. On the 20th of December, 1841, the Hospital was incorporated, and forty citizens became members by the payment of \$5 each by thirty, and the Hospital was organized, and the Hospital, of the original Corporation, only one of the present President, continued his connection as a member of the Hospital, and six others of the original forty were also members.

On the first Monday of February, 1896, an election was held at the office of Joseph Cummings, Esq., and the following gentlemen were elected: Managers: Joseph Cummings, Ralph King, John Gardner, Matthew Jones, Wm. Duncan, Chas. S. Henry, C. B. Carter, and on the following day the Managers met and elected J. Cummings, President.

The Hospital Managers, then elected, commenced negotiations with the sum of \$250.

On the 5th of April the Managers met and accepted for the government of the Hospital, according to a draft presented by Mr. Cumming, the President, a subsequent meeting on 11th May 1836. The business report was presented showing a balance sheet of \$25,844. On 21st June it was \$191,851. On 10th August was \$35,500. At the meeting in May there is mention made of a legacy of \$3,000 from Thomas Young, Esq., the same being a bond of James Hamilton of South Carolina, which was ordered to be called for by being in the hands of his executors, and that legacy is the first to the Hospital, and has been the nucleus of the Hospital fund, and from that small beginning the Hospital has attained its present condition.

that Mr. Chumming declined re-election as President, and Homes Tupper, Esq., was duly elected, and Wm. P. Hunter and Wm. P. Clark were elected Managers at a subsequent meeting on the 12th. February, 1871.

A special meeting of the Managers, held May 1, 1878, Thomas Tupper resigned the Presidency on May 1, 1878, and was succeeded by Wm. P. Hunter in the city, and at the same meeting Wm. Durston was duly elected President. At a meeting on the 25th following, Charles Green, Esq., and T. M. Turner, Esq., were elected in the stead of the late Ralph and Homes Tupper, resigned.

In the 12th February, 1887, 25 customers made up a \$5,000 fund, and the same was named "H. S. C. Fund" in honor of the late Hon. Judge Charles C. Chase.

On the 14th of March, 1890, Benjamin Sibley and A. A. Tupper, were elected Managers.

On January 30, 1961, the President reported to the Board of Managers a study from James W. Thompson, Jr., of "some things of the past, some of our problems and of his plans for the future." The report was presented to the Board of Managers.

and his two daughters, of Savannah, and the late
cardinal, who had been admitted into the
cardinal's society, and the female academy
the widow's society, and the remaining equal share
of the residuum of his estate to be paid to the
St. Andrew's Society, and it is his will that the profits
of income thereof be forever applied to the purposes
of such institutions, and that the "capital sum be in-
vested in the national bank." That legacy proved to
amount to \$23,375.00, received in February, 1842.
Dr. Arnold and Dr. Kohn were the attending physi-
cians in the years '33, '37, '38, '39, and in 1840 Dr.
Tinsley was attending, viz:

In 1942, the fund noveltized the permanent fund of the Hospital amounting to \$26,000. At the meeting of the Managers held on January 17, 1942, the permanent fund was stated to be \$28,550.66. In 1933 at the meeting of the Managers, the permanent fund was reported as being \$27,500. On February 1, 1934, N. B. Nanny became a member of the Board of Managers, and the permanent fund is reported at that time as being \$27,500. The following year, 1935, Central Railroad stock, Central Railroad bonds, and Government Bonds were sold by the Managers at February, 1937, J. W. Nevitt was elected as Manager. At this time the permanent fund was reported as being \$28,000. In 1938, the permanent fund was \$33,500; in 1939, \$34,500; in 1942, \$37,500; in 1943, \$40,500. In that year J. Kelly was elected a member of the Board of Managers. In 1944, the permanent fund was reduced, and is reported at \$35,000—being a reduction in market value. In 1945, the permanent fund was again reduced, and is reported at \$34,000. At the meeting of the Managers held on February 29, 1946, the permanent fund is \$34,000.

Forty-four shares Bank of Georgia.....	\$4,400
Twenty-five shares Bank of Commerce.....	2,500
Negro's value of land sold to the Federal and occupancy by the Federals.....	2,500
Claim against the United States for services to American seamen from November, 1860, to June, 1861; and which claim is now in the pneumonic of the committee on Commerce, at Washington.....	3,500

The present condition of the Hospital from, viz.: the permanent fund is \$48,311.67, as certified by the Manager, which is here presented, besides the sum of \$2,001.87 in cash, a portion of which, say \$400 or \$1,000, may be required for this month's expenses.

I have thus given an outline of the affairs of the Hospital to the commencement of the war, with its

I would here state that the admissions into the Hospital from 1836 to 1861 amount to 14,420, of which there died 1,345. During the first ten years the deaths were greater than in later years—increased comforts, improved ventilation, &c., contributing to the same.

The admissions from July, 1866, to February 1, 1867, were 432; from February 1, 1867, to February 1, 1868, 673; from February 1, 1868, to February 1, 1869, 627.

I have thus presented a statement of the management and financial condition of the Hospital, and it remains for the corporators to say whether they are satisfied with the same; and they will have an opportunity of expressing their opinion at the election for managers on the first day of next month. If, in their judgment, the interests of the Hospital will be promoted by their removal, they will respectfully bow to that judgment, and will not consider their removal as a disgrace, but as a means of putting more active men in their places.

I cannot close without bearing testimony to the cheerful aid and assistance which has been given by each of the managers in all matters relating to the Hospital, and I deem it but proper here to say that Dr. Arnold has been indefatigable, both as physician and manager, and his counsel, at all times, has been of great benefit, and always to be given. He and Dr. Bulloch have been long, identical workers in the Hospital, without fee or reward, other than their consciousness of having done their part in that charity.

W. DUNCAN, Pres't.

The following exhibit shows the assets of the Saranah Poor House and Hospital, January 25, 1870:

	Value.	Value.
70 shares Central N. R. stock.....	\$27,000	\$31,053
72 shares S. W. R. R. stock.....	7,200	6,480
19 shares Savannah and Augusta R. R. stock.....	1,900	1,808
10 City of Savannah bonds, \$300 each.....	4,500	3,843
1 State of Georgia bonds, \$1,000 each.....	6,000	4,800
1 State of Georgia bond, \$500....	500	400
1 Atlantic and Gulf R. R. bond.....	500	420
Total.....	\$47,100	\$49,503

The undersigned, Managers, have examined the above statement of assets belonging to the Hospital, and the same have this day been exhibited to us by JOHN J. KELLY,
N. E. KNAPP,
CHARLES GREEN,
J. B. JOHNSON,
R. M. ANDREWS.

Yamamoto Jan 31. 1870.

In the board of Managers of the Sannin-h
House Hospital - Gentlemen - In accor-
dance with past practice they leave to
present a report of the Hospital and its
financial condition for the year closing
this day.

On the 1st July 1869 we had in the
Hospital proper patients 57.

Seamen 33
and we have admitted from 1st July
1869 to 1st July 1870 429

of which Paupers 265

Am. Seamen 73

Young 76

Pay patients 12 429

We have discharged, cured in most
cases during the year, 238 paupers

96 Seamen, 100 Am.

77 Foreign Seamen

8 Pay Patients.

There died during the year

Paupers 35

Am. Seamen 2

Young 5

Pay Patients 4 46

There remain in the Hospital at the close of

In the month of July last, the certificate
for Am. Seamen was taken from 100, and
given to L. H. H. The cause, that led to that
movement, did not arise from any dissatis-
faction with the Hospital, inasmuch as
it seems to have grown out of a dispute
between H. H. H. and some of those connected with
the Custom House - The latter some
of the Foreign Seamen, but L. H. H. was

get most of them away by certificates in the shape of dining & warming the Captains which Sawtold is a prevailing practice.

At the meeting a year ago I stated the probable cash out hand to be in the following year to be \$2400 - and it was recommended that \$1000 be covered in some good stock - The cash proved to be \$1000 and I invested in 20 shares S.W. RR Stock \$2000.

I have nothing of value to report in reference to our claim of \$671.97 for the U.S. for services to seamen from Nov. 60 to June 61.

The claim submitted to our representative Hon. Nelson Jeff and I have several letters from him in reference - He could get the claim no farther advanced than to get it before the Committee of Commerce where like many other claims before Congress it will probably be laid aside - A time may come when it may be raised to notice.

Agreeably to instruction that the two apertures walls plastered & otherwise improved at an expense on the Male House.

\$77.50 viz - for plastering	\$ 511.52
framing	35.00
whitewashing & coloring	
of the Hospital & repairs	107.00
in kitchen	
blinds to South windows	77.00
and for the female ward	
paid for iron columns	145.42
plastering	117.15
carpenters bill (Butler)	
repairing windows floors &	
furnishing for plasterer	174.03
plastering & paint	92.10
	\$ 532.20

We have then expended outside of the support of the Hospital for Stock \$2150.

for repairs to	1302.70
expending apothecary room	15.40
repairing light house	14.00
	\$414.10

and we have cash & a fund \$5939.87 of which about \$600 may be required to pay off the last months engagements. I think we may invest \$500 or \$2000 with the understanding that it may be necessary to raise from savings so much as may be found necessary to meet the years coming years expenses. We can hardly hope to get enough for that purpose, now that our income from American seamen has been withdrawn. Our expenses will probably be increased somewhat, but not in proportion to our loss from seamen.

There has been an item of expense heretofore being an appropriation by the Inferior Court of Spain that has failed since 1868. - I did not apply for it for by us I apprehended it would open the door to the question of a dwelling house, and that I have always been unwilling to do so. I would be pleased to have the advice & instructions of the managers in this matter.

The nursing of the Hospital the past year has been quite satisfactory. We agreed upon 10 years ago we have used no physic, &

The president stated that the funds on hand would allow of an investment

Savannah Feb 1. 1870

An election for 7 Managers was held
this day - at which 34 votes were cast
by the following gentlemen as a payment
of \$5 each -

J. D. Robinson	A. Antakhofer	D. J. Smith
C. O. Tally	W. B. Knapp	W. J. Lathrop
J. W. Neiritt	Chas. Green	L. Macdonald
J. M. Johnston	J. J. Low	W. B. Mace Jr.
W. Maclean	A. D. Bell	D. R. Munroe
W. Duncan	A. Haymond	J. Gainer
C. F. Miles	E. J. Lathrop	J. E. Byckel
J. Thomas	C. W. Brunner	
J. A. Magg	W. H. Chaplin	We certify that the
A. Austin	J. K. Johnston	above is the original list of
D. C. Rhine	W. C. Casen,	votes at the above election
Chas. D. Hopkins	W. M. Walsh	J. W. Neiritt
J. J. Stewart	Geo F. Mills	W. B. Knapp
	W. Duncan	J. K. Johnston
		J. M. Johnston
		Feb 1 - 1870 -
		and me

certify that on counting the votes, the following gentlemen were duly elected I have the votes set opposite to their names

W. Dineen 34 votes

R. D. Arnold 34 "

Chas. Green 34 "

W. H. Moore 34 "

J. Kelly 34 "

W. H. Knapp 34 "

J. H. Johnston 34. and we declare them managers till 1st Feb. 1871.

W. H. Moore

W. H. Knapp

J. H. Johnston

W. H. Johnston

In addition to the foregoing names the following are incorporators by payment of \$5. Ea-

Solomon Cohen

John Sermon

Salim Kattabi

W. L. Chisolm

Wallace Cummings

J. Rancis

A. M. Dineen

R. D. Arnold

J. P. Allen

James McMahon

These are not votes

Subscribed by

1871 12 1st

Feb. 1, 1871

Savannah Feb. 7 1870

A meeting of the managers elect was held this day at the office of the president present Chas. Green W. H. Moore J. H. Johnston J. Kelly W. H. Knapp & W. Dineen

The president read the report of the managers of the election on 1st inst. & they were all present

Before proceeding to the election of a president, W. Dineen stated that as the recent opposition towards the management of the Hospital & its assets had been disposed of and as he believed to the satisfaction of all interested, it was his wish & desire to declare a reelection as president; this did not meet the views of the board as he was again unanimously elected its president

J. H. Johnston was elected to the position of superintendent which he has held heretofore.

The president stated that with the approval of the board, the donation of \$100 to Mrs. Calder was decided between the W. H. Moore & J. H. Johnston and the board unanimously confirmed this action.

The appointment of physicians for the year commencing March 1st next, was postponed till a future meeting.

Board adjourned

J. H. Johnston

W. H. Moore

Savannah Mar 5, 1870

A meeting of the managers was held this day at the office of the president.

Present: Mr. Bruce, R. Donald, W. H. Norton, Charles Green, Dr. Johnston.

The board proceeded to the appointment of physicians for the coming season.

On motion resolved that the term of service of the physicians shall be for 4 months but subject to the board deems it advisable.

Dr. Quomans' application was read and he was elected for 4 mos as one of the attending physicians.

Dr. W. H. Elliott was elected for 4 months as one of the attending physicians, and say for March April May & June, and Dr. Myers for July Aug & Sept & October. Dr. John Johnston was elected for 8 months to the female ward.

On motion it was resolved that one Intern for the present will be sufficient as the number of patients has been reduced by the introduction of deamen to another hospital.

The following were the applicants for Intern: G. S. Kollock, Ben. S. Pease, Valentine H. Washburn and on motion Dr. Kollock was elected for one year, on till March 1, 1871.

On motion the president was authorized to pay Harlowe & Chisholm \$100. for their opinion in the matter of the Hospital.

W. H. Norton
pres.

Dr. Johnston

Savannah Mar 19, 1870

A meeting of the Managers held this day at the office of the president. Present: W. H. Norton, C. Lee, Dr. Johnston, W. H. Norton, H. B. Knapp, J. Kelly, T. D. R. Donald.

A communication from the Medical College, through its president, Dr. Dean Dr. Charters & Dr. Bullock, was read to the board, urging the appointment as "Interns" of Dr. Pease & Dr. Kollock as a matter of contract between the College and Managers, growing out of their recommendation of Feb. 27, 1869 (see minutes of that date), which recommendations were acted on, after modifications, and in accordance therewith Dr. Newman & Dr. Collins were elected "Interns".

The latter never occupied the position he was elected to, after having accepted it, waiting some weeks for his return to the City. Dr. George Kollock was appointed to discharge his duties of Junior Intern. At a meeting of the Board on 5th Mar 1870, it was resolved that in the present circumstances of the Hospital, one Intern only is necessary, and the board appointed Dr. Kollock to serve for one year. This action of the Managers is protested against by the Medical College.

after carefully reviewing the whole ground spring to the communication of the Medical Faculty and consideration the following was offered by Mr. Green seconded & unanimously adopted, viz. On the reading of the communication from the Savannah Medical

It was resolved that the President of the Savannah Hospital Express the regret of this board, that an action made by it in Feb'y 1869 should have been considered one of propriety, when in the interim changes in the Condition of the Hospital were transpiring compelling modifications in the rules the most prominent one being, the entire loss of the inmates of the Hospital and the care of which from the general surgical nature of the cases was the most important in the Institution.

The President is further requested to show that as under the circumstances, mature deliberation suggested that one Intern only was necessary & was then, by just to the high character and approval & usefulness of Dr. Hollock, who was appointed in the place of Dr. Collins, to continue him in the position he had filled with so much credit to himself & a benefit to the Institution.

The President is further requested to apprise the Faculty of the Savannah Med. College, that the gentleman they nominated in 1869 to act with Dr. Newman & who was appointed with him as Co. Intern, never assumed his duties, all of which devolved on Dr. Hollock.

Finally the President is requested to take occasion to correct a position taken by the Sav. Med. College, to wit, that an agreement was entered into between the Medical College & the Savannah Hospital binding the latter to elect their Internes exclusively from the Sav. Med. College. The actual Resolution of the Managers of the Hospital, being

as follows "The office of Intern shall be filled by graduates and under graduates of the Savannah Medical College, or other respectable College; the same to be filled by the Managers of the Hospital."

On motion the President was requested to furnish a copy of this action to Dr. Chas. W. Dr. Hollock Dean of Med. College. The Board adj^d.

W. B. Duncan Secy.

N.B. a copy of the above action was sent as directed by the board on March 21st 1870 - N.B. same signed by Charles W. Secretary pro tem.

At this meeting the President was authorized to dispose of the State Bonds, if 80% or more be obtained.

Savannah July 4th 1870

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Savannah Poor House and Hospital was held this day, present W. Duncan President, Dr. H. L. Arnold, J. M. Nevitt & H. Johnston. The President laid before the Board a communication from a Committee of the Faculty of the Savannah Medical College asking for action in relation to the appointment of Cassius S. Bates. After due consideration it was resolved that the President be authorized to furnish the Faculty of the College with a copy of the resolution passed 27th Feb. 1869 viz x x x x, which after the experience of a year was so modified as to read as follows.

It was further resolved that the Faculty may recommend one of their graduates or non-graduates for this position, and that their recommendation shall have a decided preference with the Board.

It was further resolved that the Professors of Practice of Surgery and Obstetrics or the Clinical Professors of these chairs respectively as they may choose to arrange it will be elected the Attending Physicians of the Hospital during the four months of the Medical College Exercises.

The meeting then adjourned
W. Duncan Pres.

The President addressed the Faculty of the Med. College July 4, 1870 conveying to them the above recited action of the Board = W. D. Pres. I.

Savannah July 6, 1870

The President contemplating absence for sometime, W. James Johnston was requested to act as President. = W. Duncan

August 17th 1871

The President returned to the city ^{for three days} and found all right at the Hospital. W. Johnston expecting to be absent for six weeks Dr. Arnold was requested to act as President. = W. D.

Savannah Jan'y 12/71

A meeting of Managers held this day present Oliver Johnston & Kelly W. B. Knapp W. Nevitt R. D. Arnold & W. Duncan Pres.

The President reported the Hospital in good condition, every department moving satisfactorily.

He reported having finished the two unfinished rooms 3rd floor of the Female Ward, to be used as private rooms for obstetrical cases, at an expense of \$115 amount of Butler Bill done plastering & painting yet to be done will cost probably twenty dollars.

He reported a conversation with Dr. Newman who said he hoped the Board would make him a present of a set of Medical books. = On motion of Newman that the President be authorized to appropriate as far as one hundred dollars if so much

shall be necessary for that purpose, but the same shall be the property of the Hospital, and no marks be on the books. And this investment only to be made if Dr. Newman remains at the Hospital - it being made for his especial benefit.

Dr. Arnold moved the placing of a library at the Hospital to which end, a case, or shelves, shall be made, and donations of books solicited - the same to be for the use of the patients.

The president reported sale of four thousand dollars of State bonds as authorized at meeting of March 5th last sold with coupons for \$400. See cash book May 6 1870.

The president notified the members that the annual election will take place on 1st of February ensuing - the managers intimated their willingness to serve for another year.

There being no further business the court adjourned. W. Duncan Secy.

An election of 7 Managers of the Savannah P.H. Hospital was held this day Feb. 1. 1871 at the office of Duncan Johnston between the hours of 10 & 1 o'clock agreeably to public notice under the supervision of the undersigned and on counting the votes the following gentlemen were ^{voted} elected.

N.B. Knapp
John Screven
J. P. Stewart
John Schwartz
Dr. R. L. Nunn
J. W. Nevitt
S. A. Byrds
J. I. Low
J. J. Kelly
Dr. J. S. Thomas
Charles Green
W. Duncan
Dr. R. D. Arnold
J. H. Johnston
A. Dutcher.

Geo. W. Mylly

And on counting the votes the following gentlemen were duly elected by seven votes each.

W. Duncan
R. D. Arnold
C. Green
N.B. Knapp
J. W. Nevitt
J. J. Kelly
J. H. Johnston

to all which the undersigned certify as superintendents
Feb. 1. 1871 A. Dutcher John W. Nevitt
Rel. W. Mylly

Savannah Feb. 11 - 1871

A meeting of the board of Managers was held this day at the office of the President. Present:

W. West, N. B. Knapp, Charles
Lynn, J. H. Johnston, W. Duncan & R. D. Arnold.
The President laid before the board
the proceedings at the election of managers
held on 1st inst. showing that W. Duncan,
R. D. Arnold, C. Lynn, W. West, N. B. Knapp,
J. H. Kelly, & J. M. ^{J. Johnston} were unanimously
elected to serve for one year.

The Board was organized by
the election of W. Duncan president
after which the minutes of the last
meeting were read & confirmed.

The president then presented
the following report which was received
& ordered to be inserted in the minutes
"Report." According to Custom I

present to the Board a report of Hospital
Matters for the past year viz from Feb. 1. 1870
to Feb. 1. 1871. The Hospital is in good con-
dition - the accommodation ample for all
proper patients. On the third floor, two
rooms have been fitted up for private
obstetrical cases, each capable of accommo-
dating four beds. - The same has been done
at an expense of about \$150. -

The expenditures for the
year have amounted to \$14,193.³² but
of that sum \$2410.⁰⁰ have been paid
for the City board, & 14 Sh. C. R. R. stock
having as outlay for the Hospital including
ordinary & extraordinary expenses \$11,783.³²

which is something less than seventeen dollars
for each patient of seven hundred treated
during the year. - This seems quite moderate
when compared with some hospital reports
in England & Scotland which I have seen.
Some of them as high as £10 & £12
for each patient equal to \$60 or \$70 a year.

The Treasurer's account for the
year, having been examined by a committee
of your board viz W. West & C. Lynn
and the same have been found cor-
rect & supported by the proper vouchers
showing a balance in hands of the
Treasurer of \$1900.⁰⁰ A small sum
to begin the year with; but look for
a handsome appropriation by the
County, through the Board of the
Ordinary, and with State auction
tax, dividends on stocks & bonds
and from foreign seamen and contri-
butions, will probably carry us through
the year, unless we should have some
extraordinary expenses, from epidemic
or other cause, in which event we
might have to realize on some of our
assets. - The loss of the American
seamen deprives us of a valuable
source of income; I have the plea-
sure to say however that we get much
of the foreign seamen, and will we
may, when I tell you that of 125 of
such treated during the year, only
3 died & 2 of them were brought to
the Hospital moribund. - I have
heard that the seamen prefer our
Hospital and when they have the choice
come to us, saying the treatment there

better than elsewhere -

Tappan to the report, a report from the Superintendent of admissions, discharges and deaths for the Year, which I consider a very favorable index of the good management of the Hospital, in all its departments.

Dr. Newman who has been acting as apothecary at the Hospital, has been elected to the position of Superintendent of the Georgia Infirmary for Colored people, and has retired on his duties there. Dr. Kollock in the meantime attends to the apothecary department as well as to his regular duties, as intern - and - in addition to these, he has in great measure discharged the duties of Mr. Bowen late Steward, since he left the Institution. I would cheerfully recommend a liberal compensation to him for these extra services more our finances in a condition to warrant it. I leave it with the board to suggest what under present circumstances they may deem right.

Dr. Duncan at my request, gives his attention also to the apothecary department, as well as to some of the duties of Steward.

Dr. Kollock, term of service expires on 1st March next, and I am not advised of his views for the future, all which is respectfully submitted.

P.S. I beg to suggest that I be authorized to publish the statement of admissions, discharges & deaths for the year

as furnished by the Superintendent.

The Board then proceeded to the election of Superintendent and Dr. Duncan was duly elected.

It was on motion of Mr. Green resolved that a donation of fifty dollars be made to Dr. Kollock at the close of his term for his faithful discharge of duties during the past Year.

Mr. Green moved & the same was adopted, that the sum appropriated at a previous meeting for the purchase of medical books for use of Dr. Newman in Hospital practice, now rendered unnecessary by his appointment to an other Institution, be presented to Dr. Duncan as an evidence of the high appreciation of the board of his valuable services in the Hospital -

H. Johnston Secy

Feb. 9. 1872. Edwin Knapp
Paid \$5. Subscription for
One Year -

CAUSES OF DEATH OF PORT-ORCH PATIENTS IN SAVANNAH POOR HOUSE AND HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1ST, 1871.	
Dropsy of heart	5
Bronchitis	1
Chronic Diarrhoea	5
Dropsy	1
Apoplexy	1
Congestion of brain	2
Marasmus	1
Acute dysentery	1
Gastro enteritis	1
Cancer of stomach	1
Pneuro pneumonia	1
Fever	1
Consumption	5
Obtuse hepatitis	2
Trismus nascentium	1
Secondary syphilis	1
Parvovirus	1
Peritonitis	1
Albuminuria	1
Congestive chill	1
Convulsions	1
Manic fever	1
Presupposed peritonitis	1
Died from shock	1

SAVANNAH POOR HOUSE AND HOSPITAL.	
Through the courtesy of the Board of Managers of the Savannah Poor House and Hospital, we have been favored with the following extract of a report made to them of the number of patients treated in this institution during the official year from February 1st, 1870, to February 1st, 1871:	
REMAINING IN HOSPITAL FEBRUARY 1st, 1870.	
Paupers	42
Foreign Seamen	2
Total	44
ADMITTED INTO HOSPITAL FROM FEBRUARY 1st, 1870, TO FEBRUARY 1st, 1871.	
Paupers	403
American Seamen	25
Foreign Seamen	12
Private pay patients	1
Total	441
REMAINING IN HOSPITAL FROM FEBRUARY 1st, 1871, TO FEBRUARY 1st, 1871.	
Paupers	403
Foreign Seamen	25
Private pay patients	1
Total	429
DIED IN HOSPITAL FROM FEBRUARY 1st, 1870, TO FEBRUARY 1st, 1871.	
Paupers	403
Foreign Seamen	25
Private pay patients	1
Total	429
REMAINING IN HOSPITAL FEBRUARY 1st, 1871.	
Paupers	403
Foreign Seamen	25
Private pay patients	1
Total	429
MORTALITY PER CENT. OF HOSPITAL.	
Mortality per cent. of Paupers	4.75
" " Foreign Seamen	1.66
79 Total mortality per cent. of Hospital	3.20

Savannah March 4. 1871

A meeting of the board was held
this day present W. Duncan pres.

J. Kelly

W. Herbert

W. B. Knapp

Chas. Lucca

W. Johnston

The minutes of last meeting were read
& approved.

The president presented the names of
Dr. Johnson for the Medical department in
the Hospital for March April May & June
Surgeon for the Surgical department
& Dr. Duncan for the female ward for same
period, and the same were approved.
Dr. Kollock was elected apothecary for the
Year, & Mr. Day, a student at the Medical
College & recommended by its faculty, was
elected intern till March 1. 1872

The president reported that
he is now overwhelmed with application
for admission of paupers from other States
chiefly from S. Carolina & Florida, and that
he deemed it proper to refuse permits to
all such, unless in case of emergency - &
the same was approved by the board.

A visiting committee for much & a part
was appointed viz. W. Lucca & W. B. Knapp
The president reported the number of
patients now in the Hospital to be 95.

There being no further business
the meeting adjourned

W. Duncan pres.

J. J. McKim

Secy.

Sav. June 5. 1871

Board met, no quorum present
The president asked permission of the board
to make an offer of contract to the
Collector for the care of American sea-
men at Eighty Six Cents per diem
and the same was granted.

The president reported certain
repairs of the interior of the Hospital &
reported it in good condition, and
patients generally doing well.

W. Lucca

Dr. B. Jones - made offer of contract
to Robt. Collector - and also wrote a
private letter to Mr. Boutwell Secy of the
Treasury - telling him that I had made
the offer as above

Sav. July 5. 1871

A meeting of the board present
W. Duncan Dr. Johnston W. Herbert -

President reported his success at writing
on 5th inst. in obtaining the contract
for American Seamen for one year viz
till 1st July 1872 - Also reported certain
repairs & improvements at the Hospital

There being no quorum adj.
W. Duncan pres.

July 28th The awarded contract was this day rescinded by order of the Secretary because the Hospital was also a Poor House. This was done after Mr. Johnston & Dr. Duncan visited Washington & made proper representations to the Secretary of the Treasury - These however were of no avail - It was found that Walsh, one of their own class, was easily prevailed & rather than disappoint him, Bontrell went back, & cancelled his order.

Sept. 20th 1871

At a called meeting of the board present Wm Duncan, Roanoke, H B Knapp, Gloucester, Chas. Green & J H Johnston. The president gave the board an account of his doings in the matter of contract for American Seamen, stating that after the contract had been awarded to the Savannah Hospital, the same was rescinded by the Secretary of the Treasury, for the reason that the Hospital was called a Poor House, which he thought incompatible with the dignity of American Seamen as a Hospital for them, in as much as they are paid for by the Government. And the president now suggests that an amendment of the charter be asked for, by the legislature, so as to remove the objectionable term of Poor House, & also to amend the charter, by making the election of Managers to take place on the first Monday of February, instead of the first day of February of each year. & also to make the fee of membership ten dollars instead of five dollars. and after discussing the

various suggestions of the president

Mr. Green offered the following resolution, which being seconded by (Chas. Green) was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the suggestions of the president in relation to application to the legislature for an amendment of the charter of the Hospital be approved and that he take measures to move in the legislature through our representatives in conformity and that he be authorized to employ William E. Hardin to draft the amended charter.

The meeting then adjourned

Wm Duncan
Pres.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution an amended charter was prepared by John Hardin, and was forwarded to our representative, Hon. J B Kelly at Albany, but has not yet for action, as the House had determined to consider no new business. And at the adjourned session held on 10th inst (January) the same difficulty prevailed. At Mr. Kelly tells me, that Mr. Lester had the bill ready once in the Senate, where it lies over till the session in July next, the vote therefore go on under the existing charter, in the hope of all doing a court to our wishes at the next session. J B

Savannah Jan 25th 1872

A meeting of the Board was held this day.
Present W. Duncan, J. H. Johnston, J. Kelly,
W. Nevitt, W. B. Knapp, Green.

The president's reported in reference to the proposed amendment charter and that it was not acted on by the Legislature in consequence of its being sent too late for action, but it will be acted on at the session in July next.

He read a letter from a lady in Monticello and his action thereon, which was approved.

A communication was read from the Dean of the Savannah Medical College asking the use of the upper room (this floor of the Hospital) to be used by the Medical College for medical lectures. The subject was fully discussed and on motion it was resolved to postpone action on the subject till the annual meeting to be held next week.

The members of the board were reminded the annual election of managers for the ensuing year will take place on Thursday next the first of February.

The board then adjourned.
W. Duncan Secy.

Savannah Feb 1. 1872

An election of seven managers for one year was held at Duncan & Johnston's office was held this day, and the following gentlemen appeared, paid \$5. Each and voted and are members of the Corporation for one year: W. B. Knapp, W. Nevitt, John Duncan, W. Duncan, J. Kelly, J. H. Johnston, J. H. Johnston, C. H. Holst, Charles Green, W. B. Arnold and A. O. Thomas. The polls were open from 12 to 2 o'clock, when they were closed, and the following were elected managers.

W. Duncan, W. B. Arnold,
Charles Green, W. Nevitt,
John J. Kelly, W. B. Knapp,
J. H. Johnston.

We certify that the above gentlemen were unanimously elected this day.

John H. Johnston
J. H. Johnston

Savannah Feby 6 1872

A meeting of the managers elect, was held at the office of Duncan & Johnston this day present Dr Arnold W Duncan W R Knapp W M Nevitt J S Kelly & J R Johnston C Green

The accounts of the precedent were examined by J M Nevitt & J S Kelly, and they reported the same correct and supported by proper vouchers, showing an expenditure of \$10,115- and advised of some outstanding bills, to make the amount 10,400-

leaving a balance for next year of \$2381³¹ After this examination and report, the managers proceeded to elect a president and on nomination W R Knapp was unanimously elected.

The president read a report of the Hospital for the past year, which was accepted & approved - said report compiled by Dr. Duncan, & addressed to the board.

Some remarks were made by the president in reference to the British & Norwegian Consuls patronizing the Hospital by sending their seamen to it, & thought that some acknowledgment should be made to these gentlemen. When Dr. Arnold offered the following which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the thanks of this board are eminently due to the Hon Com^r Jackson Smith H B M Consul at this port & to the Hon Carl Holst-bice Consul for the Kingdom of Norway & Denmark, for the confidence they have shown in the management of the Savannah Hospital, by placing the sick seamen under their care in its wards.

Resolved that the president be

and hereby is directed to convey the thanks and compliments of the board to these gentlemen for their past action in relation to the Hospital.

The board took up the unfinished business from the meeting of Jan'y 25 last, in reference to the application from the Medical College, - and being fully discussed, the Dean of the College offered to plead the cause of the College before the board - it was on motion of Mr. Kelly

Resolved - to lay the subject on the table for the present. Dr. Arnold at his own request & nomination was excused from voting - The same officials at the Hospital were continued for another year - The board adjourned -

W R Knapp pres.

Savannah February 1st 1872.
W. Sweeney Esq President Board of Managers
S. P. H. and Hospital.

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the usual custom, I beg leave to hand you a report of the Admissions, Discharges and Deaths S. P. H. and Hospital for the official year ending February 1st 1872. Also a comparative exhibit of the same with the two previous years.

No of Patients Remaining in Hosp Feb 1 st 1871	Discharges from Hosp from Feb 1 st 1871 to Feb 1 st 1872
Paupers = 80	Paupers = 510
Foreign Seamen = 9	Foreign Seamen = 107
Private Pay Patients = 2	Private Pay Patients = 16
Total = 91	Total = 633
Admitted with Hosp from Feb 1 st 1871 to Feb 1 st 1872	Admitted in Hospital from Feb 1 st 1871 to Feb 1 st 1872
Paupers = 535	Paupers = 47
Foreign Seamen = 107	Foreign Seamen = 4
Private Pay Patients = 20	Private Pay Patients = 5
Total = 662	Total = 56

Remaining in Hospital Feb 1st 1872

Paupers = 58
Foreign Seamen = 5
Private Pay Patients = 1
Total = 64

Total Number treated from Feb 1st 1871 to Feb 1st 1872.

Paupers	Foreign Seamen	Private Pay Patients	Total
615	116	22	753
Deaths	Discharges	Deaths	Deaths
764	544	22, 72	7, 43

Largest Number of Patients in Hospital at any one time 92

Smallest " " " " " 48

Daily Average Number " " " " " 70

Causes of death of Fifty Six (56) Patients in S. P. H. and Hospital during the official year ending February 1st 1872.

Congestion of Lungs	1	Apoplexy	1
Pneumonia	2	Traumatic Congestion	1
Typhoid Pneumonia	1	Spinal Meningitis	1
Consumption	9	Chronic Rheumatism	1
Scarlatina	1	Suppurative Rheumatism	1
Congestion of Brain	4	Cerebral Trauma of Skull from Fall	1
Malerial Fever	5	Traumatic Tetanus	2
Typho Malerial Fever	1	Acute Dysentery	1
Anaemia	2	Chronic Diarrhoea	2
Congestion of Prostate	1	Cancer of Stomach	2
Convulsions	1	General Debility	1
Trismus Procerus	1	Old Age	2
Paralysis	1	Surgery	1
Paralysis from Fall	1	Fall (Herdsmen)	1
Swine of Heart (Infant)	1		
			56

Comparative Exhibit of Admissions, Discharges and Deaths in S. P. H. and Hospital between the years 1869-70, 70-71, 71-72.

Remaining in Hospital February 1 st 1871	Admissions	Discharges	Deaths
Paupers = 80	Foreign Seamen = 9	Private Pay Patients = 2	Total = 91
1869-70 Paupers = 268	Foreign Seamen = 75	Private Pay Patients = 72	Total = 415
1870-71 " = 515	" = 0	" = 15	Total = 530
1871-72 " = 535	" = 0	" = 107	Total = 642
1869-70 Paupers = 238	Foreign Seamen = 96	Private Pay Patients = 8	Total = 342
1870-71 " = 443	" = 0	" = 115	Total = 558
1871-72 " = 510	" = 0	" = 107	Total = 617
1869-70 Paupers = 35	Foreign Seamen = 2	Private Pay Patients = 4	Total = 41
1870-71 " = 38	" = 0	" = 3	Total = 41
1871-72 " = 47	" = 0	" = 4	Total = 51

Remaining in Hospital February 1st 1872.

Paupers = 58	Foreign Seamen = 5	Private Pay Patients = 1	Total = 64
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Mortality per week

1870-71	Deaths = 13.06	Am. Seamen = 2.74	Foreign Seamen = 6.58	Days Invalid = 53.33
1871-72	" 6.79	" 0.85	" 2.40	" 0.00
1872-73	" 7.64	" 0.80	" 3.44	" 22.72

Mortality per week of Hospital on total number treated from February 1, 1871, to February 1, 1872 = 7.43

Total Expense for year 1871-72	\$10,415.00
" per diem "	\$28.54
Expense for Captain per diem "	36 "
Average Number of Patients daily	70
" " " Attendants "	8

During the past year, a large number of applicants other than residents of Savannah have asked for admission into the Hospital, some of them coming from adjoining States, and others from adjoining countries in this State for the express purpose of seeking Hospital privileges. While I have endeavored to exercise a proper discrimination in granting permits, I have found it very difficult to refuse a helping hand to many of these applicants and have granted them admission into the Hospital. It is proper that I should call the attention of the Board to this matter, as I can readily perceive that the Hospital is being used as a Home and Asylum for the sick poor of the surrounding country. In July of last year, I made strenuous exertions to secure the contract with the U. S. Government for the care and comfort of sick and disabled American Seamen. In this, I was assisted by strong certificates from the British Consul Mr. Tucker Smith Esq., and the Norwegian Consul C. Holst Esq., both of whom continue to send the sick of their respective countries to the Savannah Hospital, and thereby assist materially in maintaining the Institution. The Hospital building is in good condition and at present amply adequate to meet the demands upon it. The Attendants generally during the past year have been apathetic.

in the discharge of their duties and have given much satisfaction.

Very Respectfully

W. S. S. Esq.

Superintendent

Savannah, March 25th 1872

Board met at office of S. S. S. Esq. President. W. S. S. Esq. President. C. S. S. Esq. Secy. A. B. Smith. P. H. Johnson. R. B. Arnold. W. W. Knapp. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The President reported compliance with a resolution of compliment at last meeting to the British and Norwegian Consuls. The President reported the following names, Candidates for the appointment to the different departments at this Hospital.

Dr. J. P. S. Houston M.D.	Medical Department
" J. Charlton Esq.	Surgical
" J. F. Rollock Esq.	Female

Dr. Houston was elected to Medical Department for four months.
Dr. Charlton was elected to Surgical Department for four months.
Dr. Rollock was elected to the Female Ward for four months.
Dr. J. W. Norton was elected "Intern" for one year, viz. till Decr. 1, 1873.
No further business the board adjourned.

W. S. S.

Pres.

Savannah April 17th 1872

Board met at 5 P.M. This day. Present
 W. Duncan President. Dr R. S. Arnold S. W. Nevitt.
 Charles Green. Dr R. Knapp S. H. Johnston.
 Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.
 The President reported that a private day patient
 Mr Edwin Knapp had been admitted into the Hospital
 and that an application had been made by his brother
 Mr Champin Knapp to allow Dr F. M. Schley to act as
 his Medical Advisor. After some discussion on the part of
 the Board the following was offered by Dr Arnold and
 passed unanimously. Whereas application has been made to

this Board to allow a Physician not on the regular
 Medical Staff of the Hospital to take charge of a Patient
 now there, Resolved: That it is the opinion of this Board
 that the responsibility for proper Medical, Surgical and
 Obstetrical case rests solely on the Medical Staff
 elected by this Board and that it cannot properly be
 delegated to any one not on this Staff.
 There being no further business the Board adjourned.

W. Duncan Pres^{nt}

Read & approved May 25/72

Savannah May 25 1872

A meeting of the Board was held this
 day present W. Duncan R. S. Arnold W. Knapp
 W. Nevitt & Charles Green. The President read
 the following communication to the Board

To W. Duncan Esq

Sav May 23/72

Resd J. P. H. H.

Dear Sir A meeting of the Faculty
 of the Sav. Med College held May 14th it was resolved
 that a committee consisting of Dr Linn Haines
 Wm Smith & Mr Duncan be appointed & that they be
 requested to ask a conference with the board of
 Managers of the Sav. Hospital in relation to the ap-
 plication of the Faculty for the temporary use of
 the 3rd story of the main Building.

In furtherance of that resolution
 will you do me the favor to present this conference as
 early as practicable I am very respectfully

W. Duncan M.D.

Dean of Faculty

After discussion, the above named committee
 of the Faculty being present, & having been heard.
 It was a motion of

Dr R. S. Arnold unanimously

Resolved that in compliance
 with the request of the Faculty of the Sav. Medical
 College the use of the 3rd floor of the central building
 of the Sav. P. H. Hospital be granted to the Sav.
 Medical College for the term of one year from 1st of June
 prox: provided that no dissections of dead bodies
 shall be made on the premises of the S. P. H. H. & that the
 authority of the officers of the S. P. H. Hospital
 shall at all times be exercised in full so far as
 regards the police of the Hospital.

Resolved that a copy of the above resolution
 be furnished to the Dean of the Faculty.

The board then adjourned

W. Duncan Pres^{nt}

Sat May 28/72

The following communication has been
rec'd this day -

Savannah Medical College May 29/72
W Duncan Esq^r

Pres. S P H Hospital

Dear Sir, I am in receipt of your
favor of 25th inst in relation to the application
of the Faculty of the Savannah Medical College for the
temporary use of the third story of the center building
of the Savannah Hospital.

Your communication has been
placed before the Faculty but affords me pleasure
to advise you of their acceptance of the terms and
conditions under which the application has been
granted.

Trusting that the intimate connection
about to be established may result in mutual
benefits to both institutions I am very respectfully

W Duncan M.D.
Dean of Faculty

for the current year at \$1250. This year rent I believe will
be repaid by the Estate to settle its indebtedness, and under
the advice of Messrs Hartledge & Christman attys for the Estate
I cannot transfer the title until the year has passed.
Say about set Augth next.

I have to day renewed insurance on the property
with W Bringham for \$8000. Say \$8000 in the Southern
Insurance Co & \$3000 in North British which will expire
Jan'y 10th 1874

I expect to call a meeting of the legates
of the Estate during the present month and make an
exhibit of its condition.

Wm of S. Serv^t
C. C. Rhin d
Executor

Savannah July 2. 1872

At a called meeting of the board present
W Duncan M.D. Johnston W. North - there
being no quorum and no business of im-
portance on hand, the president reported
the Hospital in usual good condition
& the officials discharging their duties
in a satisfactory manner. And the
meeting adjourned. W Duncan
Pres

Savannah July 22. 1872

A meeting of the Board of Managers held
this day present W Duncan W. North
W B Knapp W. North S. Johnston

The meeting being called to order, the president
presented the amended charter of the Hospital
passed by the Legislature & approved by the
Governor Augth 23. 1872, which being ap-
proved was accepted by the board and a
copy to be entered in this minute book.

The president called to the notice of the board
the demise of our late respected associate Hon. J. S.
Kelly since our last meeting. He also read a letter
from C. D Rhind Executor giving an extract from
the will of the late John S. Kelly as follows:

"XXXX 1st I do the trustees of the said Poor House & Hospital Wm Duncan
" president for his successor or successors I give and bequeath the following
" as number (MS) forty eight Jackson tract on the north east corner of
" Jefferson and Liberty Street in the city of Savannah, together with the
" improvement thereon for the solution & benefit of the said Hospital,
" and with full power to sell, build on lease or transfer at the discre-
" tion of the trustees of said Poor House & Hospital XXXXXX XXXX

The property was rented last year at \$1400
but the tenant declined to remain at that rate and under
the advice of W. R. S. Munner who has been for years the real estate
agent of the late W. Kelly, I rented the property for the
year ending June

Dr. Arnold offered the following preamble and resolutions which was unanimously adopted.

Whereas—

this is the first regular meeting of this board since the death of Mr. John Skelly, for nearly twenty years our associate, it is proper that we should put on record our testimony as to his past services as a manager of "The Savannah Hospital."

It was in the period of our great distress in the terrible epidemic of Yellow Fever of 1854, that the genuine benevolence of his nature was exhibited. He was almost the only manager left in the city and on him devolved the entire duty of conducting the affairs of the Hospital the refuge & asylum of the destitute.

This duty he performed faithfully and efficiently visiting the Hospital daily, until in the last of the season, he was himself stricken down and came near to paying the forfeit of his life.

Since that time he has been an earnest worker with us.

His intense and good feeling in the cause of actual & practical benevolence which finds its highest expression in a well conducted Hospital culminated in his determination to leave to it a handsome legacy which he has done in his last will & testament.

Therefore

Resolved that we cherish his memory with feelings of genuine esteem and respect, and that in testimony of this and as a memento of his generosity, the board will obtain a portrait of him to be placed in some proper position in the Hospital building.

Dr. Arnold & the president were appointed a committee to procure the portrait.

The president was requested to publish the above resolutions—

On motion the president was authorized to represent this board as one of the legations of the late J. Skelly at the meeting of all the legations to be called by the Executive.

The president stated that the funds received & expended would not be enough to meet the current expenses for the coming year and would probably have to receive on some of our city boats.

On motion of Dr. Arnold it was

Resolved that the Hospital is open only to residents of Chatham County, and that the state of our funds requires rigid economy in their expenditures.

The board proceeded to elect a manager in the place of Mr. Skelly deceased—and Mr. John L. Hopkins was nominated and unanimously elected.

Mr. Knapp & Mr. North were requested to superintend the election of managers to be held on Monday 3^d February.

After which on motion the board adjourned.

J. H. Moulton
Secy.

Hon. John I. Kelly
 died
 at Savannah July 22^d
 1872

14th Oct

To amend an Act entitled an Act to
 incorporate the Savannah Poor House and
 Hospital assented to twenty Sixth day of Decr
 in the Year 1835

Section 1. The General Assembly of the State of
 Georgia do enact, that the ~~act~~ assented to
 the twenty Sixth day of December in the Year
 Eighteen Hundred and thirty five, entitled
 an act to incorporate the Savannah Poor
 House and Hospital be and is hereby so amend-
 ed as that the said Corporation shall hereafter
 be called, and known as the Savannah
Hospital, and not the Savannah Poor House
 and Hospital as heretofore, and further
 that the Annual Payment for membership
 in said Corporation shall be ten Dollars and not
 five Dollars as heretofore and further that the
 annual election of managers of said Corporation
 shall hereafter occur on the first Monday in
 February, ^{and not on 1st day of January} ~~as heretofore~~, and each and every person
 who shall have contributed the sum of ten dol-
 lars or more to the purpose of said Institution
 shall be entitled to vote.

Section 2. And it is further enacted by the
 authority aforesaid, that the act last aforesaid,
 and go into operation on immediately after
 its passage and that all acts and parts
 of acts so far as they militate with this act,
 are hereby repealed.

L. M. Drayton
 President of Senate

J. M. Hill
 Secretary of Senate

Jos. B. Cumming
 Speaker of House of Representatives

J. P. Maddell
 Clerk of House of Representatives

1872

Approved August 25. 1872

James M. Smith
Governor

Office Secretary of State
Atlanta Georgia Oct 9. 1872

This certifies that the above and
following two pages contain a true
copy of the Original of file in this
Office.

Witness my hand and official
Seal

David G. Cothing
Secretary of State



Savannah Feb 3. 1873

An election of seven managers of the
Savannah Hospital was held this day
in accordance with public notice, and
in accordance with the charter, and
we certify that on counting the ballots
the following gentlemen were duly
elected to serve for the ensuing twelve
months viz

W. D. Duncan, R. D. Arnold, Chas Green
J. W. Smith, John D. Hopkins, W. B. Knapp
J. H. Johnston.

J. H. Johnston }
John D. Hopkins } Superintendents
of election

The following gentlemen qualified, incorporation
by payment of \$10 Each for one year, and
(voted as above)

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1 W. D. Duncan | 7 John D. Hopkins |
| 2 J. H. Johnston | 8 Chas. Green |
| 3 C. F. Mills | 9 W. B. Knapp |
| 4 Charles Green | 10 R. D. Arnold |
| 5 Henry Lathrop | 11 J. G. Thomas |
| 6 J. W. Smith | 12 A. D. Johnston |
| | 13 Andrew Lorr |
| | 14 Edwin Knapp |

A meeting of the Managers elect was held this day Feb'y 11th at the usual place at 12 m -

The president reported the result of the election of 7 Managers held Feb'y 8th inst -

The president presented his report for the past year which was read and the board being organized by election of W. Duncan president, proceeded to the election of Superintendent & Dr. W. Duncan was duly elected. Elder Matson & Dr. Kellogg resident physicians & apothecary -

By resolution of Dr. Arnold the president was authorized to dispose of such an amount of of the City bonds as may be necessary to meet the Current Expenses of the Year.

The president reported the financial condition of the Hospital showing a balance due here on 1st Feb'y of \$216.¹³ Also a report from W. Merrill & H. Schumtanner that they had examined the treasurers a/c for the year & find the items therein supported by proper vouchers & a balance due the Treasurer of \$216.¹³ The president stated that there is no expectation of income till Centre CRR dividend in June next, & hence the resolution of Dr. Arnold stated above.

He reported the Hospital in good condition as usual - also that at the meeting in March next it will be the duty of the board to appoint physicians for the Year - it being understood that the professors of the Medical College will attend the four College months of the Year viz Nov^r dec^r Jan'y & Feb'y.

The daily average of patients for the Year has been 75 1/2. It was 70 for the previous year.

The report of the Superintendent for

the Year was ordered to be inserted in the minute book. He then adjourned.

W. Duncan pres.

Report

Admissions, Discharges & Deaths

Savannah Poor House Hospital
for official year
1872-73

Number of Patients Remaining in Hospital Feb 1st 1872 - Last Report

Paupers	58	
Foreign Seamen	5	
Private Pay Patients	1	64

Admitted into Hospital from Feb 1st 1872 to Feb 1st 1873

Paupers	537	
Foreign Seamen	92	
Private Pay Patients	24	
Total		653

Discharged from Hospital from Feb 1st 1872 to Feb 1st 1873

Paupers	473	
Foreign Seamen	86	
Private Pay Patients	22	
Total		581

Died in Hospital from Feb 1st 1872 to Feb 1st 1873

Paupers	50	
Foreign Seamen	7	
Private Pay Patients	2	
Total		59