Charter of Incorporation of The Vicksburg & Yazoo River Packet Company

Section 1. Charles M. Kain, Carroll V. Kain, Joseph J. Powers, A. F. Nintz, and M. D. Landau, and those who may hereafter become Stockholders, their Successors and assigns, are hereby Created a body Corporate under the name and style of The Vicksburg and Yazoo River Packet Company, and as such shall have Succession for fifty years, and said Corporation is hereby authorized and Made Capable to have and to Hold, purchase, receive and enjoy real estate and personal property Necessary and proper for its purposes, Not exceeding Two Hundred and fifty Thousand Dollars. ($250,000.00) in Value, and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate, in fee simple or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, or the said personal property to sell, Rent, lease, Convey, Mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue Notes, bonds, debentures and other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to Contract and be Contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a Common Seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure; and the said Corporation shall have all of the rights, powers and privileges Created or Conferred by, or enumerated in Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are Necessary and proper for the purposes of said Corporation.

Section 2 The said Corporation shall also have, and it is hereby authorized and invested with the right and power to build and Construct, purchase, Charter, hire or otherwise acquire, and thereafter to use, Operate, own and enjoy, Sell, Mortgage, Charter, lease encumber and dispose of, Steamboats and other Water Craft; Construct docks, dry docks, Marines, landings, Warehouses, Wharfboats, and elevators for its own use, or for elevating, storing and handling the freight of other Steamboats, or Transportation Companies, or for any person; to Carry the United States Mail, to transport freight and passengers by Steamboat or other water craft on the Mississippi River, and on the Yazoo River, Tallahatchie River, Yalobusha River, and on their and each of their tributaries, and to receive therefor such Compensation as shall, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officers of the said Company, or by law of the State, or officers authorized thereto by law of the State; to receive for safekeeping, and to store, Merchandise and property in its yards or Warehouses, and to receive such Compensation therefor as may, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officers of the said Company; or by law of the State, or officers authorized thereto by law of the State; to make advances of Money or Credit upon

Merchandise or property for Charges by other transportation lines, or any person, to be transported by its boats or to be Stored in its Yards or Warehouses to such extent and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officers of said Company may, from time to time establish or authorize; and further to do all other acts Necessary and Convenient, in the Judgment of the officers and Directors of said Company for the welfare and busines of the said Company. The domicile of the Said Corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time, by a Vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock of the said Company.

Section 3 The Capital Stock of the said Corporation shall be Twenty five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.00) divided into Shares of one Hundred dollars, ($100.00) each, and may be increased, or diminished, from time to time, by a Vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock of the said Company.

Section 4 The Management of the business of the said Corporation shall be Confided to a Board of Directors to Consist of not less than three, who shall be Stockholders of the said Corporation, and who shall be elected annually by the said Stockholders, and the holders of a Majority of the Stock of the said Corporation shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President, and may elect or appoint a Secretary or Treasurer, but the two last named offices may be held by one person, and the said Directors may also elect or appoint such officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The number of Directors may, at any time, be increased or diminished, by a Vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock of the said Company, but the Number of Directors shall never be less than three. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their Successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all Vacancies in their number, Caused by death, Resignation or otherwise,

Section 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make all Needful rules, Regulations and by Laws for the Control and Management of the business affairs and property of the said Company, and may from time to time, alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Section 6. At all Stockholders Meetings a Vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock there present, in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions Submitted at such Meetings. Each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote for each Share of Stock held by him, her or It.

Section 7 No Stockholder of the said Company shall be in any wise personally liable for the debts of the said Company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid Subscription to the said Capital Stock.

Section 8 All Subscriptions to said Capital Stock shall be paid in Cash or in property at its actual Cash Value.

Section 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the Capital Stock of the said Company, and as soon as Five Thousand Dollars, ($5,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid in Cash or in property, said Corporation may organize, elect directors and Commence business.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
December 22d 1897

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss.
December 22d 1897.

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

This within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg and Yazoo River Packet Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 22d day of December 1897.

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Cottage Charity Hospital Association

1 The following Named persons, and their Successors, are made a Corporation to exist for fifty years under the Corporate Name of "Cottage Charity Hospital Association," Namely; Mary F. Millsaps, Virginia Carlisle, Fannie E Gordon, Minnie Julian, Mamie Shingluer, Mary N. Sentter, Tina May Applgate, Ida M. Robinson and Nannie Calhoon.

2 The Corporate Domicile shall be the City of Jackson, Hinds County, State of Mississippi.

3 The purpose of this Corporation Shall be purely charitable, and to erect, or lease, a building or buildings for, and Conduct, a Hospital in, for sick or disabled persons, and furnish and equip the same suitably, employ Nurses and Physicians, assistants, and purchase Necessary Medicines and Supplies, and buy and own so Much real estate as may be suitable and Necessary to effect the purposes of the Corporation as above set forth.

4 Until said incorporators organize and determine which offices they will have and elect them, they shall Constitute the Board of Directors and said Ida M. Robinson Shall be President, Fannie E Gordon Vice President and Nannie Calhoon Secretary and Treasurer.

5 This Corporation shall have all the powers Conferred by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of said State and the amendments thereto.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
January 7th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
January 7th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
atty. General

Executive office Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Cottage Charity Hospital Association is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 11th day of January 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Debenture Company.

Section 1. Be it known of all men that S.N. Aby, W.A. Gardner, Dan. A Gardner and J.L. Ramsey, who have associated in business, are hereby incorporated and a Corporation is hereby formed, and is authorized and empowered to do business.

Sec II This Corporation shall be known as the Mississippi Debenture Co., by which name it shall Contract and be Contracted with, sue and be sued, and transact all its business.

Sec III The purpose of this Corporation is the accumulation, disbursment and loan of Money.

Sec IV The domicile of said Company shall be in the City of Jackson, Hinds County, State of Mississippi.

Sec V. The officers of said Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, Attorney and such other officers as the Stockholders May determine and elect.

Sec VI. The following persons shall be the officers of the Company until their Successors are elected in the Manner provided for in its by laws, Namely, S.N. Aby, President; W.A. Garner Vice-President; Dan A. Garner, Secretary and Treasurer and J.L. Ramsey Attorney.

Sec VII. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be $10,000.00 but May increase the same from time to time as may be deemed Necessary, This Corporation shall have Succession for thirty five Years from this date. = S.N. Aby, W.A. Garner, Dan. A. Garner, J.L. Ramsey.

The forigoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully refured to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Mis.
January 6th 1898

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
January 6th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Debenture Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have Hereunto Set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed This 13th day of January 1898.

A.J. McLaurin

By the Gov
J.L. Power
Sec. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Rosedale Hunting Club.

Chas. Scott, Fred Clark, J.M. Kirk, W.A. Stone, S.L. Thomas, F.M. Scott, R.J. McGuire, N.B. Scott, O.G. McGuire, Fontaine Jones, R.M. Edwards, C.L. Jones, J.E. Williams, A.N. Davis, W.N. Fitzgerald, T.A. Harris, J.L. Gill, Jr, C.E. Bryant, R.B. Eggleston, A. Lafrisco and E.N. Woods desire to form a Corporation, the Corporate name of which is to be "The Rosedale Hunting Club." Said Corporation being formed for the purpose of protecting game, and for more effectually enforcing the game laws provided for the protection of the same, and for acquiring hunting and fishing privileges for the benefit of the Shareholders of said Corporation.

Said Corporation, when organized, shall exist for a period of twenty five years from the date of its Charter. It shall have the power of purchasing land for hunting and fishing purposes or either or of acquiring hunting and fishing privileges on land for the benefit of its shareholders; and when said Corporation acquires by deed or written instrument from the owners of land, the exclusive hunting or fishing privileges on same, the rights so acquired by said Corporation shall be protected as is provided for the protection of the rights of the owners of land under Section 1918 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and said Section is made applicable for the protection of said Corporate rights.

The above named parties shall meet for the purpose of organizing said Corporation within thirty days from the time of the approval of this Charter by the Governor, the time and place of meeting to be fixed by agreement; and they shall organize by the election of such officers as they may deem necessary; and said Corporation when organized, shall have all the rights and powers given by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, to Corporations Created in accordance with the provision of said Chapter, which are Necessary for Carrying out the purposes of this Corporation. The officers elected at the organization of said Corporation, shall hold until the election of their Successors. There shall be an annual Meeting of said Corporation for the purpose of electing officers at a time to be fixed by the By Laws of said Corporation.

Each Member of said Corporation shall be entitled to one share of the Stock in it, and the Cash of Membership shall be $10 00. which amount may be increased by the By Laws of the Corporation. The terms of Membership, Number of Members and all the rules and regulations governing the affairs of said Corporation shall be fixed and determined by the By Laws adopted by it.

The domicile of said Corporation shall be the Town of Rosedale, Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 12th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
January 12th 1898.

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson. Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Rosedale Hunting Club is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 13th day of January 1898

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of The "Merchants & Planters Packet Co."

Section 1. S. A. Lowenburg and E. Samuels, Compasing the firm of S. Lowenburg & Co; B. Pastlethwaite and B. S. Chase Compasing the firm of Pastlewaite & Chase; S. Geisenberger; R. Veiner and E. W. Blankenstein Compasing the firm of R. Veiner & Co; N. Frank; B. Kullman; Jonas Marx and Monroe Scharff, Compasing the firm of Marx and Scharff; L. L. Geisenberger and A. J. Geisenberger, Compasing the firm of Geisenberger Bro; Julius Lemkowitz; Oliver N. Wilds; George Scott; Joseph Reale, George Keller; E. Lacoure, N. Smith; J. Moebius and M. Moebius Compasing the firm of J & W. Moebius; M. L. Guenshi; B. Mouch; E. J. Stricker; Charles Schrader, N. L. Baker and S. McDowell, Compasing the firm of Baker & McDowell and their associates and Successors is hereby Created and Constituted a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of the "Merchants & Planters Packet Company" and by that name shall have existence for a period of Fifty Years; May sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of law and equity; May Contract and be Contracted with; May hold, acquire, alien encumber and otherwise dispose of personal property, ~~such~~ real property, ~~necessary for the purposes of this Corporation~~; and shall possess all the powers, rights and privilegis Conferred by the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi upon Corporations organized thereunder.

Section 2. The domicile of said Company shall be in the City of Natchez, County of Adams and State of Mississippi.

Section 3. The purposes for which said Corporation is Created are the Navigation of the Mississippi River and its affluents and tributaries, by boats, run by steam, electricity or other Motive power, Subject to the rules and Regulations of the United States; and the establishment and Maintenance of such boats as Carriers of freight and passengers for hire, to and from such points in this State or other States, along said River or its affluents and tributaries, as said Corporation may select; and said Corporation is hereby authorized to provide and establish all such agencies and means as may be Necessary and proper for the Conduct of such a transportation busines, and to use the same in the ~~Management thereof~~.

Section 4. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.), divided into Two Hundred (200) shares of the par value of one Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each. Said Capital Stock may be increased to an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.) by a Majority Vote, in amount of the stockholders.

Said Corporation may Commence business when Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($12500) is subscribed and paid for.

Section 5. The Management of the affairs of the Corporation shall be Confided to a Board of Five (5) Directors, all of whom shall be Stockholders in same, and they shall be elected annually. Said Directors shall annually elected from their Number a President and a Vice-President, and also a Treasurer, who shall not be a Member of the Board of Directors. Their terms shall expire with the terms of the Directors by whom they are chosen. Said Board of Directors may elect and appoint such other officers or agents for said Corporation as they may deem fit, and may make and adopt such rules, regulations and by-laws for the Government of said Corporation, and the Management and Transaction of its business, as they may deem expedient, which shall not be contrary to the laws of the State of Mississippi and the United States. The number of said Directors may be increased to nine (9) by a Majority in amount of said Stockholders. In all elections for Directors, or in all other Meetings of the Stockholders of said Corporation, every Stockholder shall have the right to vote, in person or by proxy, the number of shares of Stock owned by him, for as many persons as there are Directors to be elected, or to Cumulate said shares of Stock, so as to give one Candidate as many votes as the Number of Directors Multiplied by the number of his shares of stock shall equal, or to distribute them on the same principle among as many Candidates as he shall see fit; and such Directors and officers shall hold office and serve until their Successors are elected and qualified.

Section 6. The first Meeting for organization of the Incorporators herein named, and their Associates, may be held upon written Notice to each of them delivered one day before Meeting, which Notice may be signed by any two of said Incorporators.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
December 16th 1897.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss, December 16th 1897.

Wiley N. Nash
Atty-Genl.

Executive office Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Merchants & Planters Packet Co. is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 14th day of January 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

(Seal)

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the W. F. Zimmerman Lumber Company.

The purposes for which this Corporation is created are the Manufacture and sale of lumber together with all Matters in any wise incident to or Connected with said Manufacture and sale:
The Names of the persons desiring to form this Corporation, are W. F. Zimmerman, N. Zimmerman and P. J. B. Kellin, together with such other persons as may hereafter associate themselves with said persons.
The Corporate Name by which, this Corporation is to be known is the W. F. Zimmerman Lumber Company: The period for which this Corporation is to exist is fifty years.
The Capital Stock of this Corporation is to be the amount of Fifty Thousand ($50.000.) Dollars and the Number of Shares into which it is divided is Five Hundred of the par Value of One Hundred dollars each:
The powers to be exercised under this Charter are all those set forth in Section 836, in Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi so far as the same is applicable to a Corporation for those purposes under the provisions of which said Section these incorporators Voluntarily associate, in order to be declared a body Corporate or politic:
The place where the principal business of this Corporation is to be transacted is Handsboro, Harrison County, Mississippi: The Number of directors of said Corporation shall be not fewer than Three, to be determined and the directors to be Chosen, by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders at their first Meeting for organization, and said directors shall thereafter be chosen annually, the term of office of said directors being fixed at one year. Such, it is understood that the directors shall Elect a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary and Treasurer, to Conduct generally the business of the Corporation, and that these officers may be chosen from the Members of said board of directors the duties of said Officers to be prescribed by the by-laws enacted for the purpose
The books of Stock Subscription together with Minutes of the Meetings of Stockholders and directors, shall be kept at the Company's office at Handsboro, where also shall be kept a copy of the by-laws open to the inspection of all Stockholders.
Witness our Signatures this 1st day of December A. D. 1897

attest.
F. S. Mewes Clerk Chancery Court
Harrison Co. Miss.

W. F. Zimmerman
N. Zimmerman
P. J. B. Kellin

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss.
December 29th 1897

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss.
December 29th 1897

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the W. F. Zimmerman Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 20th day of January 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the United Quartett.

Section 1. Be it known that, Mason Lawson, Lucius Hall, Myers Taylor, Frank Thomas, Richard Blair, Wm Parker, King Hardaway, Thomas Dueller and Wm Burns, and such other persons as they may associate with them, are hereby created and constituted a body Corporate by the name and style of the "United Quartett" a Benevolent Society, and by that name they and their Successors may and shall be Capable of Suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in any Court of law and equity, and may have a Common Seal, and alter and change the same at pleasure, Shall be Capable of acquiring real estate Necessary for places of busines of the Corporation, and personal estate; may Make such By-Laws for the rule and governance of said Society as to them may seem right, Not Repugnant to the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

Section 2. The object of this Society is for the moral and religious training of the Young Men of the Country, for the upbuilding of their Character and the Making of better Citizens.

Section 3. That said Society Shall have authority to make donations, afford relief, and grant assistance to any and all persons whom by their By-Laws and Rules shall be entitled thereto.

Section 4. That said persons named in the first Section of this Charter and their associates and Successors, Shall annually elect any officer or officers provided for in the By-Laws of said Society, and in the manner provided for therein, Said office or officers shall hold their offices one year, or until their Successors are duly elected and qualified

Section 5. That this Charter Shall be limited to the period of twenty five years.

The forgoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 5th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the forgoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
January 5th 1898.

Wiley N. Nash
attorney General

Execution office Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the United Quartett is hereby approved. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 20th day of January 1898.

By the Governor
J. L. Power Sec. State

A. J. McLaurin

The Charter of Incorporation of the Day Brook Planting Company.

a Corporation created under the laws of the State of Mississippi
1 Mary P. Crane, K.S. Hutson, L Lippman and such others as may be associated with them are hereby Created a Corporation under the Name of the "Day Brook Planting Company" and as such can exist for Ten years.
2 The purpose for which said Corporation is created is that of planting and said Corporation is empowered to acquire lands by lease and not otherwise, and can exercise all powers necessary, proper, or incident to said business and the disposition of the product raised.
3 The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Six Thousand Dollars, but it can commence when Stock to the amount of not less than Three Thousand Dollars is subscribed.
4. Said Corporation shall acquire and hold personal property not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars and may dispose of the same.
5 The Capital Stock of said Corporation may be increased or reduced by a Majority Vote of Stock at a regular Stockholders Meeting, but the Capital Stock shall at no time be decreased when the effect of such decrease would make the Corporation insolvent.
6 The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Belzoni. Washington County. Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
December, 16th 1897

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violations of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss
December, 16th 1897.

Wiley N. Nash
attorney-General

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the "Day Brook Planting Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 20th day of January 1898.

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of The Meridian Sash and Door Company.

Be it known that G. W. Meyer, C. W. Robinson, G. W. Staples, R. V. Carson, E. J. Gallagher, N. M. Strut, L. A. Duncan, N. M. Threefoot their successors, associates and assigns are hereby created a body Corporate under the name of The Meridian Sash and Door Company whose domicile shall be in or near the City of Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi.

This Corporation is created for the purpose of Manufacturing, Manipulating and dealing in lumber, doors, Sash, blinds and other articles of use and for that purpose may hold such real estate as may be Necessary for Carrying on their business and such as they may secure in payment of debts due them, May build and own houses for their use, and may build for others and take Mortgages or deeds of Trust to secure payment for the same and for other debts due them. They shall have Succession for thirty years and have all the rights and powers prescribed in Section 836 of Chapter 26 of the Revised Code of 1892, and amendments Thereto and all the powers Necessary to Carry out the purposes for which this Corporation is created.

The affairs of the Corporation shall be Managed by a board of Directors Composed of not less than three Nor more than seven Stockholders. The directors shall elect one of their number President and shall elect a Secretary and such other officers or agents as the by-laws may provide and may require bond of any officer or employee. Land obtained for debts shall be Conveyed by the Corporation within ten years, and shall not be thereafter acquired by the Corporation.

The Capital Stock of this Company shall be five thousand dollars divided into Shares of Fifty dollars each.

The Company May organize and Commence business when one thousand dollars is subscribed and paid up. The Capital may be increased from time to time by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders to any amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. No Stockholder shall be liable for the debts of the Company except for unpaid Stock subscribed by him.

This Charter shall be in force from the date of its approval by the Governor and acceptance by the incorporators.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 12th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
January 19th 1898.

Wiley H. Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Sash and Door Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 22d day of January 1898

A. J. McLaurin

(Seal)

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy State

The Charter of Incorporation of C.L. Gross Company.

Section 1. This Corporation is organized for the purpose of Conducting and Carrying on a general Merchandise business. To buy and sell for Cash or Credit at Wholesale or Retail or both all Classes of goods and wares and Merchandise, and lands that may be Necessary for the Conduct of the business.

Section 2 The incorporators are C.L. Gross, A.N. Lehman and such other persons and their Successors as may be associated with them for the purpose herein named.

Section 3. The Corporate Name of this organization shall be The C.L. Gross Company.

Section 4 This Corporation may sue and be sued, acquire and hold or sell personal property and real property necessary for the transaction of its business and Conduct a general Merchandise business, borrow and loan Money, give or take Securities, adopt and use a Corporate Seal at its pleasure, and generally may have and possess all rights, powers and privileges Conferred by the laws of this State or Corporations, of this Kind Created under the Laws of this State.

Section 5 This Corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years from it beginning unless sooner dissolved and its domicile shall be at Canton, Miss,

Section 6 The Capital Stock of this Corporation may be Twenty thousand Dollars. The shares of stock shall be one Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, par value, and the Certificates representing such shares when issued shall be Numbered and Signed by the President and Secretary of the Board of Directors, and this Corporation shall be authorized to begin business when ten (10) shares of such stock has been Subscribed for and the sum of One Thousand Dollars ($100.00) is paid in Cash into the Treasury thereof.

Section 7 The business of this Corporation shall be Managed by a Board of Three (3) directors, two (2) of whom shall Constitute a quorum. Charles L. Gross, and A.N. Lehman and one other Stock holder whom they can elect, shall be directors until the 1st Tuesday of February 1899 & thereafter the Members of said board shall annually be elected as provided by law. The Board of Directors can elect one of their Members President and another Secretary and Treasurer and in case of a Vacancy on said Board it can be filled by the Vote of the remaining director or directors. Said Board of Directors can Make Such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of this Corporation and Conduct of its business as it sees proper Not inconsistent with this Charter or the laws of this State,

Section 8 The liabilities of each Stockholder is limited to the amount unpaid by him upon his Stock Subscribed for.

Section 9. The Stockholders shall Meet on the first Monday of February 1899 and Annually thereafter for the Purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of other business that may come before them, but they can be called together at any time for the transaction of any business by order of the President of the Board of Directors. Each Stockholder can Vote as many times as he has shares of Stock at all Meetings of the Stockholders and a Majority of the Votes Cast shall elect or govern. A Stockholder can Vote by Written proxy.

Section 10 Books of Subscription may be opened at any time after the approval of this Charter, by two of the incorporators. Any Stockholder wishing to dispose of his Stock and sever his Connection with this Corporation shall be permitted to do so.

Section 11. This Corporation can be dissolved at any time that a Majority of its Stockholders may vote therefor and its affairs may be administered for final distribution in such Manner as they elect, Not inconsistent with the law.

Charles L Gross } Incorporators
A W Lehman

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully refered to the Honorable Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 24th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
Jany 24th 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive office Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the C L Gross Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 31st day of January 1898.

Seal

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Hospital Post Graduate Medical School

Section 1. J. D. Robbins, M.D. J. N. Burnell M.D. A. P. Mitchell M.D. T. G. Birchett, M.D. W. B. Pierce M.D. L. A. K. Birchett, M.D. and those who may be, or may become associated with them, their Successors and assigns, being desirous of Securing the benefits set forth in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, of Mississippi are hereby Created a body Corporate under the name, and style of the Vicksburg Hospital Post Graduate Medical School.

Section 2 The domicile of this Corporation shall be in the City of Vicksburg Warren County Mississippi.

Section 3. This Corporation shall have the right to own Real and Personal Property to the Value of $50,000.

Section 4 The Corporation hereby Created shall have the power to establish and maintain in the City of Vicksburg and State of Mississippi a Post Graduate Medical School and they are hereby Empowered to perform all acts which may be Necessary to the establishment and Maintenance of the said School, provided such acts are not in Violation of the laws of this State.

Section 5 The above named incorporators shall meet in the City of Vicksburg in this State within Sixty days after the approval of this act of incorporation, and perfect their organization by the election of a Dean, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and a Board of Trustees which Board of Trustes shall Consist of 6 Members and the Dean of the faculty shall be Ex officio the President of the Board of Trustees.

Section 6. All elections for officers, and Trustees of the above named Corporation shall be held Annually at the Office of the Dean of the faculty in the City of Vicksburg in this State, on the Second Tuesday of March in Each Year, and shall be by ballot.

Section 7. The period of time for which this Corporation may exist shall be fifty years.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
February 1st 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Wiley N. Nash — atty Genl.

Executive office Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Hospital Post Graduate Medical School is hereby approved.

Geo. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 2nd day of February 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power — Secy. State

The Carter of Incorporation of the Big Creek Male and Female Institution of Learning in Calhoun County, Mississippi

That E. E. Smith, J. N. Denley, R. F. Brooins, P. L. Bradley and M. M. Baland trustees, be and they are hereby Constituted a body Corporate & politic by the Name and Style of the Trustees of the Big Creek Male and Female Institute of Learning, and by that Name they and their Successors shall be empowered to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all actions at law and equity whatever, and may have a Common Seal and alter the same at pleasure. Shall also be authorized and empowered to purchase and hold real and personal property as provided by law, not exceeding $50.000.00 the same being exclusively for the use and benefit of said institution of learning and borrow money to be used for the purpose of improving, building, rebuilding, repairing, or for paying off any incumberance that may now be or hereafter be on the property of said institution, and to secure the payment of same may execute a Mortgage or deed in Trust upon the property, Real and personal, or both, of said institution, Said Mortgage or deed in Trust to be under the Corporate Seal and the signature of the President of the board of Trustees of said institution, Said officer acknowledging same, as now provided by law, and shall have all the powers conferred by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and the amendments thereto, so far as may be necessary to carry out and into effect the objects and purposes of said Corporation, to Continue for fifty years

That the Successors of said Trustees named in this Charter, and their Successors, and so on, may be elected by the patrons of the institution at the time and in the manner prescribed by law for the election of Trustees for free public Schools, The board of trustees shall, as soon as practicable after this Charter takes effect, Meet and organize by electing a President, Secretary, and such other officers as they may deem Necessary, and annually thereafter, after the election of trustees. The time, Manner, and place of Meeting of the said Trustees, and the Manner of Calling said Meetings, may be regulated by themselves,

The board of trustees shall not exercise any of the powers herein given them except upon a Majority vote of all of said Trustees

That this Charter be in force from and after its passage.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 28th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson Miss. January 28th 1898.

Wiley N Nash Atty Genl

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Big Creek and Female Institute of Banning, in Calhoun County, is hereby approved.

Executive office Jackson, Mississippi

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 5th day of February 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Blaske & Nelson Co.

Be it known that Arthur Blake, J.E. Nelson, J.J. Jacobs, A.J. Locke and E.E. Evans, and their associates and assigns are hereby Created a body politic and Corporate for a term of fifty years from Febuary 1st 1898, under the name and style of the Blaske & Nelson Company. That the object of said Corporation shall be to buy and sell at wholesale and retail general Merchandise; to buy and sell and deal in such real and personal estate as may be necessary to the successful prosecution of said Mercantile business, and they shall have power to buy and sell Cotton and other farm Products. The said Corporation shall have power and privileges enumerated in Chapter 38 of the revised Code of 1880 of Mississippi and in the act extending the provisions of said Chapter, approved March 7th 1892, and it may exercise all other powers necessary and convenient to the transaction of its business and other powers and privileges as may be granted from time to time to similar Corporations by the Legislature. The principal place of business shall be in Vernon Montgomery County Mississippi.

The Capital Stock may be Fifty Thousand Dollars divided into Shares of One Hundred Dollars each. Said Capital Stock may be increased or diminished as the Stockholders may at any time determine and when Twenty Thousand Dollars shall have been paid in the said Corporation, hereby Created is authorized to Commence business and exercise all the powers duties and franchises hereby Conferred. The Capital Stock shall be transfered only on the books of the Company and no Stockholder shall sell or transfer any share or shares of Stock until he shall have offered the same at Market or actual value to the other Stockholders. No Stockholder shall be individually liable for the debts of the Company beyond the amount of unpaid stock held by him. The incorporators, or a Majority of them, may meet at such time after the 1st day of February 1898, and at such place as they wish and organize under this Charter. The affairs and business of this Company may be Conducted by such officers and agents as shall then be selected and by such officers and agents as may thereafter be elected as the by-laws may provide.

The Company may adopt such regulations and by-laws as they may deem Needful & proper for their own government not in Conflict with this Charter, the laws of Mississippi and the laws of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
Feby 5th 1898.

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
February 5th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of The Flaska and Kulsna Company is hereby approved.

Executive office Jackson Miss

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand & Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of February 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Anderson & Baker Company.

Section I. L.L. Anderson and W.M. Baker and their associates and successors, are hereby Created a body politic or Corporation, to be known as "The Anderson and Baker Company" with all the rights, powers and liabilities incident thereto under the laws of the State of Mississippi, with right of Succession for a period of fifty Years from the approval of this Charter.

Section II. The purposes of said Corporation shall be to engage in, Manage and Conduct a general Mercantile business in the town of Shuqualak in the County of Noxubee State of Mississippi, and their domicile shall be in said town of Shuqualak in said County and State, and to that end said Corporation May deal in all lawful Merchandise, buy and Sell the same in the same manner and to the same extent as any Merchant, Mercantile Company or Mercantile Corporation.

Section III. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, and shall be divided into Shares of Five Hundred Dollars each; but said Corporation May, at any time it deems proper, Necessary or desirable increase its Capital Stock to an Amount Not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars, and it may Commence business as soon as this Charter is approved and said Capital Stock Subscribed for, with fifty per cent thereof paid up.

Section IV The officers of said Corporation shall Consist of a President, and Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be the directors of said Corporation, and Manage the business thereof.

Section V. A Majority of the Stockholders of said Corporation shall Constitute a quorum at any Meeting that May be Called by the officers and a Majority in interest of said Stockholders May at any such Meeting, make any Necessary by laws for the Government of said business, May provide for the election of all Necessary Officers, prescribe the duties, Salaries and tenure of all officers. Said Corporation May Sue and be sued, prosecute and be prosecuted to Judgement & Satisfaction before any Court, May have a Corporate Seal, May Contract & be Contracted with, Within the limit of its Corporate powers, May own Real estate Necessary for the transaction of its business and personal property, Not exceeding Two Hundred and fifty thousand dollars, May Sell and Convey Real estate, May sue their personal property or any part thereof, May borrow Money and Secure the same by Mortgage or otherwise Not inconsistent with law, May buy bonds Not inconsistent with the terms of this Charter and the provisions of law, May issue bonds and Secure them, May hypothecate its franchises, and

May invest its Capital Stock in Mississippi State bonds, United States bonds or other Security

Section VI The individual liability of the Stockholders of said Corporation shall not exceed the amount of the unpaid Capital Stock subscribed by them, and shall not exceed the liability now fixed by said Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, the provisions of which, as far as applicable, shall extend to and apply to this Corporation.

Section VII Said Corporation, may at its pleasure, invest its earnings or any part thereof in personal property, Notes, bonds, Mortgages, Mississippi State bonds United States bonds or other Securities. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be kept intact for the protection of Creditors, until all the debts which might be legally Contracted by said Corporation shall be paid up. No debt shall be Contracted beyond the amount of the Capital Stock, Nor shall any director, officer or Stockholder be bound for any debt in excess of the unpaid Stock Subscribed for unless such debt be Contracted by said director, officer, or Stockholder, or with his knowledge, Consent and Approval.

We hereby Subscribe to the foregoing Charter of incorporation and affix our signatures hereto, this the 4th day of January 1898

L.L. Anderson

W.M. Baker

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

H.J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson Miss
January 26th 1898

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Wiley N Nash
atty General

Jackson Miss.
January 26th 1898

Executive office Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Anderson & Baker Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 8th day of February 1898.

H.J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Gov
J L Power
Secy State

Statement of the Organization of the Pearl & Leaf Rivers Rail Road Company.

The Board of Directors of the Pearl & Leaf Rivers Rail Road Company Make the following Statement for filing in the office of the Secretary of State, in Compliance with the requirements of Section 3576 of the Annotated Code of the General Statute Laws of the State of Mississippi Setting forth:-

I. The date of organization is December twenty fourth, 1897.

II. The amount of the Capital Stock is fifty thousand ($50,000.00) dollars, divided into five hundred (500) Shares, of the par Value of one hundred ($100.00) dollars per share.

In Witness Whereof, We the undersigned Directors of said Pearl & Leaf Rivers Rail Road Company, have hereunto set our hands, this 29th day of December, 1897.

D.W. Oakford
J.N. Watkins
C.P. Davidson
D.B. Hand
C.D. Jones
F.L. Peck
Henry Palmer Jr
W.T. Smith
J.J. Newman

State of Mississippi }
County of Perry }

Personally appeared before me, the subscriber, G.C. Robertson a Justice of the Peace duly Commissioned and Sworn, J.J. Newman one of the above Named Directors of the Pearl & Leaf Rivers Rail Road Company. Who being duly Sworn, says the foregoing Statement is True and Correct.

G.C. Robertson J.P.

Endorsed: Recorded February 16th 1898
Seal
J.L. Power
Secy. of State

Charter of Incorporation of The "Ashton Land Company of Clarksdale Mississippi

This corporation digitized and its charter surrendered to the State of [illegible] Office of the Chancery Clerk of Coahoma County, Mississippi, dated May 27, 1957. Certified copy of Said decree filed in this office this the 25th day of May, 1957. Helen Sadler, Secretary of State.

By Virtue of the authority of the laws of the State of Mississippi, Guy P. Clark, Paul Clark, Charles W. Clark and Mrs Blanche Clark Cutrer, and their Associates and Successors, are hereby Created a body Corporate and politic, under the name of the "Ashton Land Company," of Clarksdale, Mississippi, which place shall be its Situs; and by their Corporate Name shall have Succession for fifty years; May Contract and be Contracted with; and generally, may enjoy, defend, transmit and dispose of all the rights, privileges, interests and immunities, Created by this Charter, and they may have a Common Seal, to be used or altered at pleasure.

The rights and powers of the said Company shall be as follows:

Section 1 The Capital Stock of said Company shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into Shares of one hundred dollars each. At all elections, the holders of Stock, shall be entitled to Cast one Vote for each Share of Stock held by them.

Section 2 The Stock holders shall not be liable, individually, beyond the amounts of their unpaid Stock.

Section 3 The Officers of the said Company shall Consist, of a President, Vice President, and Secretary and Treasurer, to be Chosen from the Stockholders thereof, and all such other Officers as its Board of Directors may provide for; Each the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, may be filled by one person.

Section 4 The affairs of the said Company shall be Managed by a Board of Directors, Not exceeding five in Number. The number which shall Constitute said Board, shall be determined by the Stockholders at their first, and Succeeding annual Meetings. All Vacancies in the Board shall be filled by Elections, to fill the unexpired terms, by the remaining Members of the Board.

Section 5 The Board of Directors shall have power to make all rules, regulations and by laws, for the Conduct of the business of the Company, and may change the same from time to time. They shall have power to elect and appoint all officers, agents and employees of the Company, and may remove the same at pleasure.

Section 6 The Stock holders shall hold their annual Meetings on the first Monday of January, at the principal office of the Company, at Clarksdale, Mississippi, and the Stockholders may hold such other Meetings, as may be provided for by the by-laws of the Company. The incorporators shall Meet at Some place in Clarksdale, as soon as practicable, after the approval of this Charter, and they shall then open books, for the Subscriptions to the Capital Stock, and organize

under this Charter, by adopting the same, and choosing a Board of Directors of such number, as they may determine upon.

Section 7 The said Company shall have power to have, hold, own and acquire real estate and personal property, of any and all kinds and discriptions, whether the same be situate or be held in the State of Mississippi, or elsewhere; but except for offices for the transaction of the Company's business, no certain real estate in this State, shall be held by the Company more than ten years, and thereafter such piece of real estate shall not be again acquired by the Company; and may use, rent, lease, sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of any property, at any time held or owned, by it; to operate plantations for the production of Cotton or other Crops, and to operate and conduct Mercantile establishments in connection therewith; and to own and improve town and City property, and may make all Contracts and agreements incident to the Conduct of its Corporate business.

Section 8. The said Company shall further have power to execute bonds, bills, Notes, and other paper, and to secure the same or any part thereof, by Mortgage or other pledge, of any of its property; but no Notes, bonds or bills of the said Company, nor any instrument of Mortgage, or other Character for the Securing of the same, or any part thereof, shall be valid and binding, except the same be signed personally, by the President, Vice President, and Secretary and Treasurer, of the said Company.

Section 9 The said Company shall have the right to accept from Stockholders, Conveyances of real and personal property, and other Convertible Assets, at such Valuations as the Board of Directors may agree upon, with Subscribers, in full payment and satisfaction of any and all Subscriptions to the Capital Stock.

Section 10. The said Company shall have, and may exercise all other powers, privileges, rights and immunities, now or at any time hereafter Conferred upon, or exercisable by such Corporations Created or organized under the General Laws of the State of Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin — Governor

Executive Office. Jackson Miss. The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Ashton Land Company of Clarksdale Miss. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 21st day of February 1898

(Seal)

A J McLaurin — Governor

By the Gov
J L Power

Charter of Incorporation of the Indianola Cotton Oil Company.

Affidavit showing corporation out of existence.
Filed July 1, 1928
Secretary of State.

Sec 1. G. W. Faison & Sons, A. B. Smith, J. Holmes Baker, G. K. Smith, W. B. Martin, A. E. Anderson Jr. R. A. Ball, H. D. Miller, H. B. Haynes, R. B. Watts D. A. Sledge, R. B. Faison, A. H. Green, A. R. Madin, J. W. Lewis, J. B. Chatfield Joe Watkins, G. F. Redd and M. B. Clark, their associates and successors are hereby Constituted a body politic and Corporate under the Name and Style of the Indianola Cotton Oil Company, for the purpose of Manufacturing and refining Cotton Seed oil, Cake and other Seed products, ginning and packing Cotton and charging a reasonable Compensation therefor, grinding all Kinds of grain and Making all Kinds of Stock and preparing the same for Market and Sale.

Sec. 2. Said Corporation shall exist and have succession for a period of fifty years, and it may have and adopt a Common Seal and alter and change the same at pleasure, and it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and it may acquire, by purchase or otherwise, all Kind of property, Real, personal and Mixed Necessary for its business and hold or sell same, and it may borrow money and make all needful Contracts, in the interest of the business and not prohibited by law, and it may make all needful by laws for the regulation and government of its affairs and do all other acts incident to a Corporation within the scope of its business and not in violation of the Constitution or the United States or of the State of Mississippi, nor Contrary to the laws thereof.

Sec. 3 The Domicile and place of business of said Corporation shall be at or near the town of Indianola, in the County of Sunflower, in the State of Mississippi, but it may acquire and hold Houses, grounds and buildings for storing Seed or any other purpose Connected with its business at any other place or places, and sell and dispose of the same at pleasure.

Sec 4. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be twenty five thousand Dollars, ($25.000.00) with a right to increase it on a Vote of its Stock-holders from time to time to an amount Not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars. ($50.000.00) in amount, and said stock shall be divided into shares Amounting to one hundred Dollars each. ($100.00)

Sec 5 The officers of this Corporation shall be a president, Vice president, Secretary and Treasurer, and five Directors and shall be elected annually by the Stockholders. The President and Vice President may be also Directors, and all officers and Directors shall be stockholders of this Corporation. In the event of any Vacancy occurring in any office, the same may be filled

by the Board of Directors, but only to fill the unexpired Term, The offices of Secritary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person, The President and Vice President, shall be ex-officio Directors and shall have the right to Vote in all Directors Meting,

Sec 7. When Seventeen Thousand, five Hundred Dollars, ($17,500.00) in Cash shall have been subscribed to the Capital Stock of said Corporation, it may Commence Business.

Sec 8. In Conducting the affairs of said Corporation, and in all Voting for Directors, or any other purpose whatever, each Stockholder shall be entitled to as many Votes as he has Shares of Stock, and no Meting of Stockholders shall be Voted as a quorum for Business, unless, the holders of a Mafority of the Shares of Stock shall be present in person or by proxy, after one Notice given as shall be prescribed in the by laws of said Corporation.

Sec 9. No Change of ownership of the Capital Stock in said Corporation shall in any way bind said Corporation until such Stock shall have been first offered to the Company which shall have the refusal of the same, and such Change entered on the books of said Corporation.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality & Legality of the Provisions thereof.

January 28 1897

A J McLaurin
Governor

The Provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

January 28th 1897

Wiley Nash
Atty. General

Adopted by the Stockholders July 15th 1897

The Indianola Cotton Oil Co
R W Brasher, Secy & Treas

Executive office Jackson Miss!

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Indianola Cotton Oil Co. is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. this 21st day February 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Gov,
J L Power Secy State

The State of Mississippi Adams County.

To his Excellency A. J. McLaurin, Governor of Mississippi,
The undersigned Citizens of the State of Mississippi hereby apply for the creation and Organization of a Railroad Corporation under the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of 1892. We declare the names, residence and post office address of each of the applicants to be as follows —

(a) Louis Botto Natchez, Mississippi.
J. W. Lambert Natchez, Mississippi.
W. N. Shields Natchez, Mississippi
J. A. Clinton Natchez Mississippi.
F. B. Postlethwaite Natchez Mississippi.
E. E. Brown Natchez, Mississippi
Abe Mases Natchez, Mississippi.
S. H. Lowenburg Natchez Mississippi.
John Raole Natchez, Mississippi.
W. H. Hardy Meridian Mississippi.
E. H. Wentworth Madeville, Mississippi.
W. B. McGehee Little Springs, Mississippi.
J. J. White McComb City, Mississippi
O. B. Quin McComb City Mississippi
W. E. Lampton Columbia, Mississippi
H. A. Camp Lumberton, Mississippi
W. H. Hungerford Gulfport Mississippi

(b) The terminal points of the proposed railroad are Natchez in Adams County, Mississippi, and Gulfport in Harrison County, Mississippi.

(c) The line of the proposed railroad will be the most practicable route between Natchez and Gulfport, to be determined by the Surveys of the Company, running through or partly through the Counties of Adams, Franklin, Pike, Marion, Pearl River & Harrison.

(d) The name by which said Corporation shall be known is, "Natchez & Gulf Rail Road Company."

e The time in which it is hoped to build said Railroad is five years from the date of the granting of this application.

Witness our signatures this 14th day of February 1898

F. B. Postlethwaite, J. A. Clinton Louis Botto,
Jas. W. Lambert Sim H. Lowenberg, W. N. Shields,
Ernest E. Brown, John Raole, Abe Mases, E. H.
Wentworth, W. B. McGehee, J. J. White, O. B. Quin by
W. B. Mixon, W. H. Hardy, W. H. Hungerford
H. A. Camp, W. E. Lampton by W. H. Hardy.

The foregoing application to organize a Railroad Corporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to whether or not it conforms to law.

Jackson Miss.
February 19th 1898.

A J McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing application to organize a Railroad Corporation conforms to law.

Jackson Miss. February 19th 1898.

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

The State of Mississippi
Executive Department

To all to whom these presents shall Come -- Greeting:-

Whereas, Louis Botto, J.W. Lambert, W.H. Shields J.A. Clinton, F.B. Postlethwaite, E.E. Brown, Abe Moses, S.H. Lowenberg, and John Rawls of Natchez, Mississippi, W.N. Hardy, Meridian Mississippi, E.H. Wentworth, Madrid, Mississippi. W.B. McGehee Lotto Springs, Mississippi, J.J. White and O.D. Quin, McComb City, Mississippi, W.E. Lampton, Columbia, Mississippi. H.A. Camp, Lumberton Mississippi, and W.W. Hungerford, Gulfport Mississippi, did on the 14th day of February, 1898, forward to me their application declaring their desire to organize a Railroad Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi;

Now Therefore, I, A.J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi by virtue of the authority in me Vested by Chapter one hundred and twelve of the Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi, entitled "Railroads," do issue this my proclamation authorizing the said Louis Botto, J.W. Lambert, W.H. Shields, J.A. Clinton, F.B. Postlethwaite, E.E. Brown, Abe Moses, S.H. Lowenberg, John Rawls, W.N. Hardy, E.H. Wentworth, W.B. McGehee, J.J. White, O.D. Quin, W.E. Lampton, H.A. Camp and W.W. Hungerford, and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, to organize a railroad Corporation with the terminal points of the proposed railroad as follows, to wit:- Natchez, in Adams County Mississippi, and Gulfport in Harrison County Mississippi, and the line of the said proposed railroad shall be the most practicable route between Natchez and Gulfport, running through or partly through the Counties of Adams, Franklin, Pike, Marion, Pearl River & Harrison, The said proposed railroad Corporation to be known as the Natchez & Gulf Railroad Co,

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set My hand, and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the Capital in the City of Jackson, this 21st day of February in the Year of our Lord, 1898.

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
H L Bruer - Secy State.

Ordered Recorded Feby 22d 1898 H L Bruer Secy of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Corinth Clothing Mfg. Co. of Corinth Mississippi.

Be it Known, that W.T. Adams, S.H. Curlee, T.D. Duncan, J.R. Curlee, and J.W. Taylor are hereby Constituted and Created a body Corporate under the name and style of "Corinth Clothing Manufacturing Co." Said Corporation is to have its principal office, domicile and place of busines in the City of Corinth, County of Alcorn and State of Mississippi, and for its object and purpose the Manufacturing of Cotton and Woolen articles or goods of all discriptions, and the Manufacturing and selling of Woolen, Cotton and Textile fabrics, and all or either of them; also the Manufacturing and selling of Clothing and Wearing apparel and Garments of all discription and the buying or Manufacturing of whatever Material is used in the Manufacture of such Clothing or the Operation of said business. Also the buying and selling on Commission, or otherwise of any and all the Material and articles, Goods, Wares and Merchandise used in Connection with the above Manufacturing business. Also to buy and sell, lease or rent all Kinds of Machinery, goods, Wares and Merchandise Necessary to the operation and running said business. Said Corporation shall have the power to Contract and be Contracted with, to sue and be sued, and plead and be impleaded by its Corporate Name. Said Corporation shall have existence for fifty years. It shall have a Common Seal, which it may change at pleasure. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be to Commence with placed at the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars; and said Capital stock, by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders, may be increased to as much as One Hundred Thousand dollars, and by a two thirds Vote of the Stockholders to any amount they may see proper. Said Corporation shall have the power to acquire, hold, own real estate and personal property to any amount not to exceed One Million dollars and may sell, exchange and encumber the same as it may deem best for the interest of the business. It May borrow Money and secure the payment of same by a Mortgage or deed of trust upon its property and franchise, or may issue bonds and secure the same by Mortgage or deed of trust upon its property. The government of the Corporation and the Management of its business shall be determined and directed as a Majority of its Stockholders may provide therefor, by by-laws or otherwise so there is nothing in said Government that will Conflict with the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi. This Charter is prayed for and granted under and by Virtue of the laws of the land with the power and restrictions above set forth.

Witness our Signatures at Corinth, Miss. on this July 17th 1877.

W. T. Adams, S. M. Curlee
T. D. Duncan, J. R. Curlee
J. W. Taylor,

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss,
January 12th 1898

H. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
January 12th 1898.

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Corinth Clothing Manufacturing Co. of Corinth Miss. is hereby approved. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23d day of February 1898.

(Seal)

H. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Deacons Movable Association of Vicksburg, Miss.

Be it known that A.J. Brown, P.C. Downs, Andrew Jackson, T.D. Darden, J.F. Mason, William Baker, Jeff Outlaw, Henry Baird, Mose Richardson, Elick Stevenson, Williams Walker, Cap Royster, Frank Rose, Paul Gilmore, Mack Williams, Henry Clark, Emanuel McGregor, and such persons as they shall associate with them, and their Successors are hereby incorporated into a body politic under the name and style of the Deacons Movable Association of Vicksburg, Miss., and as such, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Court of the State.
This Association shall have succession for fifty years.
The domicile of this Association shall be Vicksburg, Miss., and it may establish such branches as may be Necessary for the Carrying out of the purpose of its Creation. This Association May establish such homes for the aged and infirm, such schools for indigent and worthy Childrens, Maintain such relief association as it may see fit. The Association may own property personal in the State of Mississippi to an Amount Not exceding twenty five thousand dollars, and real property Necessary for the transaction of its business, and such property shall be deemed and held to be for charitable uses and purposes. And the said Association may buy, sell, Mortgage and otherwise encumber the same under its Seal and the Signatures of such persons as shall thereunto be authorized by the Members of the Association. The said Association may admit to its Membership any person of good moral Character upon payment of such admission fee as shall be provided for by the Laws of said Association. There shall be a Board of Directors elected by the Members of the Association at their first Meeting after the Approval of this Charter, who shall hold offices for such time as the Constitution of said Associations may allow. The Associations may adopt such by-laws as a Majority of its Members may adopt at any Regular Meeting, and may alter the same at will. The Associations may have a Seal which it may break or alter at will. The said Associations may enter upon the purpose of its Creation as soon as this Charter shall be approved by the Governor and Attorney General and properly recorded as required by Law.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
January 10th 1898.

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson Miss.
January 10th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Deacons Movable Association of Vicksburg, Miss is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 26th day of February 1898.

Seal

By the Governor.
J L Power
Secretary of State

A J McLaurin

State of Mississippi

In the Matter
of the
application of
John W Fewell and
others to create and
organize the Memphis
and Charleston Railway
Company as a Railroad Corporation

To the Governor of the State of Mississippi.
The undersigned present this their application for the creation and organization of a railway corporation in the State of Mississippi, pursuant to the laws thereof, and they respectfully state and show as follows, to wit:

First.

On or about the second day of August, 1875, The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, Trustee, as Complainant, filed it bill of Complaint, in equity, in the Circuit Court of the United States of America for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, against The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, a Corporation created by or existing under the laws of the State of Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, and others, as defendants, in which suit in equity it was sought to foreclose the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company's Consolidated First Mortgage, dated the 20th day of August, in the year 1877, and upon or about that day duly executed, acknowledged and delivered by said railroad Corporation to said The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, in which suit it was proposed to sell the whole of the mortgaged property and premises, being the railroads, property, privileges and franchises of said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, as more specifically described in said Consolidated First Mortgage, which was executed by said railroad Corporation under and by virtue of the powers in that behalf possessed by it under the laws of the respective States of Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi.
Such proceedings were had in the said cause that on the 2d day of March 1897, a decree of foreclosure and sale was entered therein by the said Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, at Memphis, and on November 24th 1897, a decree supplemental thereto was entered therein by said Court in pursuance to the mandate of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.
Similar decrees foreclosing such Mortgage, ancillary to said

decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, entered on March 2nd 1897. were made and entered, on or about April 5. 1897. in similar suits brought by the Farmers Loan and Trust Company, Complainant, against the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company and others, as defendants, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the several districts hereinafter mentioned—that is to say. the Eastern District of Tennessee, Southern Division, the Northern District of Alabama, Northern Division and the Northern District of Mississippi, Eastern Division.

Ex and by the said decrees, and said supplemental decree. Louis B. McFarland, Esq. was appointed Special Master to execute the said foreclosure decrees, and to make the sale of property therein provided for and directed.

In pursuance of such appointment the said Special Master afterwards, to-wit— on the 26th day of February, 1898— after due advertisement and notice of sale, as prescribed in the said decrees and said supplemental decree, at public auction, at the railroad Station upon said railroad of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, in the City of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, on the day and at the hour fixed by the said Special Master in his Notice of Sale, in accordance with the request of the Solicitors for the Complainant, and in the manner specified and directed in the said decrees and said supplemental decree, did sell all and singular the railroad, equipment, property, premises, rights, privileges and franchises, which the said Special Master was directed by the said decrees to sell, upon the terms and conditions in said decrees and said supplemental decree, fully and at large set forth, to which decrees and supplemental decree reference is hereby specially and expressly made.

At such sale Your Petitioners, or their assignors, became the Purchasers of all such railroad, property and franchises, offered and sold as a single parcel, for the sum of $2,000,000. Said Purchasers, in part discharge of their said bid therefor, paid to the Special Master the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) in a Certified Check upon the National Union Bank of New York City, and delivered to him the Certificate of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York that it held, duly endorsed to the order of said Special Master, 2,257 of Consolidated First Mortgage Bonds of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, for the principal sum of $1,000 each, with all unpaid coupons attached to said bonds, out of a total issue of 2,264 of such bonds, for endorsement of partial

payment thereon; and, as authorized by said decree and said Supplemental decree, the said Special Master did duly make his report of said sale to the said Circuit Courts of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, the Eastern District of Tennessee, Southern Division, the Northern District of Alabama, Northern Division, and the Northern District of Mississippi Eastern Division, and the said sale has been by decrees entered of record duly approved and confirmed by the said Courts, subject to the Compliance by the Purchasers, their Successors or assigns, with all the terms and Condition of said foreclosure decree and said Supplemental decree, and sale, and the said several decrees of Confirmation.

Pursuant to an order made by said United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, that being the Court exercising original Jurisdiction in said foreclosure suit, the said Louis B. McFarland, Esq., as Special Master, upon the terms and Conditions set forth in the said decrees of Confirmation, has executed, acknowledged and delivered a Conveyance, in form approved by the said Court, Conveying all and singular the property, premises, rights, privileges and franchises, so sold, subject to the following liens, Mentioned and described in the said decrees of foreclosure — that is to say:

1. A Certain Statutory Lien in the nature of a Mortgage originally Created and existing in favor of the State of Tennessee, and Mentioned and described in said Mortgage of August 20th 1877.
2. The lien of a Certain Mortgage or deed of trust, dated May 1st 1854, made by the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to James Bunnett, G. B. Lamar and Thomas Fearn, as Trustees, Mentioned and described in the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877, and known as the First Mortgage, and extended by an indenture dated September 7, 1880, to which indenture The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, as Trustee under the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877, was a party, and duly executed the same in accordance with Certain provisions to that end in the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877 Contained.
3. The lien of a Certain other Mortgage or deed of trust, dated January 1st 1867 made by the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to Gustavus L. Masten, George W. Neal, and William C. Rehren, as Trustees, Mentioned and described in the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877 and known as the Second Mortgage, and extended by an indenture dated September 7, 1880, to which indenture The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, as Trustee under the said Mortgage

of August 20th 1877, was a party, and duly executed the same in accordance with Certain provisions to that end in the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877 Contained. The Purchasers also agreeing to take the said property subject to the performance by them, or their Successors or assigns, of all pending Contracts in respect thereto and therefore lawfully Made by the Receivers; and also upon the express Condition that, to the extent that the assets or proceeds of assets in the Receivers hands should be insufficient, such Purchasers, their Successors or assigns, should pay, Satisfy and discharge (a) any unpaid Compensation which should be allowed by the Court to the Receivers; (b) any unpaid indebtedness and obligations or liabilities which should have been duly Contracted or incurred by the Receivers before delivery of possession of the property sold; and (c) also any unpaid indebtedness or liability Contracted or incurred by said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company in the Operation of its railroad which is prior in lien or superior in equity to said Consolidated First Mortgage of August 20, 1877, and except such as should be paid and satisfied out of the income of the property in the hands of the Receivers, or out of such other assets upon the Court adjudging the same to be prior in lien or superior in equity to said Mortgage, and directing payment thereof; but no obligation was imposed upon, or was required to be assumed by, the Purchasers, their Successors or assigns, to pay or discharge either the said Statutory Lien or the said First Mortgage Bonds, or the said Second Mortgage Bonds, of the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, described in said decree and subject to which such property was sold.

A Certified Copy of such Conveyance is herewith presented.

All of the interests of the said Purchasers at said sale have been duly assigned to your Petitioners, with the view of organizing the Corporation herein proposed.

Second.

The amount of Money paid for the property by the said Purchasers was, as above stated, a Certified Check upon the National Union Bank of New York City for $50,000, in addition to the Surrender of Mortgage bonds for endorsement of partial payment thereon, as above stated.

The real Value of the property so purchased is about $10,000,000 and the Value of the railroad and real estate, within the State of Mississippi, so purchased and Conveyed to said Purchasers, is $1,000,000, and it is proposed to Capitalize such railroad and real estate in Mississippi at the sum of $100,000 divided into one thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, and also to issue bonds, secured by

Mortgage thereon, for the principal sum of Nine Hundred Thousand dollars.

Third

The Name of such former railroad Company or Corporation is The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company.

The termini of such railroad are Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, and Stevenson, in the State of Alabama, with a branch in the State of Tennessee, known as the Somerville and Moscow Branch, extending from Moscow on the Main line to Somerville; and also a branch in Alabama, extending from Tuscumbia on the Main line to Florence; and also a branch known as the Washington Street Branch, in the City of Memphis, extending from the depot of the Main line in the City of Memphis, through Washington Street and Centre Landing, to the Mississippi River.

The location of the said railroad is on a Continuous line extending from the City of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, Via Corinth, in the State of Mississippi, and Huntsville, in the State of Alabama, to the terminus thereof in Stevenson, in the State of Alabama, connecting there with the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad, being a distance of two hundred and Seventy-two Miles; and also a branch of said railroad in the State of Tennessee, known as the Somerville and Moscow Branch, extending from Moscow on the Main line to Somerville, a distance of about fourteen Miles; and also the branch of said railroads in the State of Alabama, extending from Tuscumbia on the Main line to Florence, a distance of about five miles, including the bridge across the Tennessee River near Florence; and also the Washington Street Branch, so-called, of said Railroad, extending from the depot of said Main line, in the City of Memphis, through Washington Street and Centre Landing, to the Mississippi River, and the depot grounds and Wharves on said River, being in all about thirty-five Miles in length within this State; being the same railroad referred to in an Act of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, entitled "an Act to grant the right of way to The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and for other purposes," approved March 1st 1854.

Fourth

The names, residence and post-office address of each of the Applicants is as follows: John W. Fewell, Meridian Mississippi
George N. Gardiner, New York City, New York
Melville E. Ingalls Jr. New York City. New York

Fifth.

The terminal points of the proposed railway in Mississippi are at a point on the Northern boundary of Mississippi, near Wenasoga

in the County of Alcorn, and at a point on the eastern boundary of Mississippi, between Dulla, in the County of Tishomingo, and Margerum, in the State of Alabama, where the Memphis and Charleston Railroad crosses the same on its way to its termini, without the State, at Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, and Swenson, in the State of Alabama.

Sixth

The line of the proposed railway in this State is the present line of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company now actually located therein, as above set forth.

Seventh.

The name by which the Corporation is to be known is the "Memphis and Charleston Railway Company."

Eighth

The railway is already completed.

Ninth.

And Whereas, to expedite the recording of this application several Counterparts thereof have been simultaneously executed, acknowledged and delivered.

This is further to Certify that although several Counterparts are so simultaneously executed and delivered, to the end that all or any one or more things may be recorded, any one or more of such Counterparts, when executed, shall severally or collectively be deemed to be an original and for all intents and purposes to be one instrument.

And your Petitioners respectfully pray that Your Excellency will as provided by law, issue your Proclamation authorizing Your Petitioners, their successors or assigns, to organize a railway Corporation as herein before set forth.

(Words "payment to" and "inclusive, in line 24 & 25 on page 5 Stricken out before execution)"

John W. Fewell
George N. Gardner
Melvin E. Ingalls Jr.

State of Mississippi, City of Jackson } ss
County of Hinds

John W. Fewell, George N. Gardner and Melvin E. Ingalls Jr. being duly sworn, depose and say, each for himself and not for the other, as follows, to Wit: I am one of the Petitioners named in and who subscribed the forgoing application, which has been made in good faith and with the bona fide intention on our part to operate the railway as defined in the application.

Sworn to before me this 28th day of Feby 1898 — A. C. Jones
Notary Public

Seal

John W. Fewell
George N. Gardner
Melvin E. Ingalls Jr.

State of Mississippi }
City of Jackson. County } ss
of Hinds }

Personally appeared before me A. B. Jones a Notary Public in & for the City of Jackson and for the Co. of Hinds State of Mississippi the within named John W Fewell, George N. Gardiner and Melville E Bigelow Jr who severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 28th day of Feby. A.D. 1898.

Seal

A. B. Jones
Notary Public

The foregoing application for the incorporation of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney-General for his opinion whether the same be in conformity to law.

Jackson Miss.
Feby 28th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing application in my opinion conforms to law.
Jackson Miss. Feby 28th 1898.

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

The State of Mississippi }
Executive Department }

Whereas, John W. Fewell, George N. Gardiner & Melville E Bigelow Jr desiring the creation and organization of a railway Corporation, to be known by the name of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, have presented to me an application, which is here to attached; and Whereas, On the receipt of the said application I submitted the same to the Attorney-General and obtained his opinion in writing endorsed thereon, whether or not it be in conformity to law; and Whereas, The Attorney-General's opinion is that said application conforms to law, and I believe the same is made in good faith, and with bona fide intention on the part of the Projectors to operate a railway as defined in said application and there is no valid objection thereto.

Now, Therefore, I, A. J. McLaurin Governor of the State of Mississippi, by virtue of the authority invested in me by the Constitution and laws thereof, do issue this my proclamation, authorizing the said John W. Fewell,

George N. Gardiner and Melvin E Bigelow and their assigns, to organize the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, as a Railway Corporation, in accordance with the application attached hereto, as aforesaid.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at Jackson, this the 28th day of Feby, 1898.

By the Governor
J L Power
Secretary of State

A. J. McLaurin

Office of Secretary of State
Jackson Mississippi

I, J. L. Power Secretary of State, do hereby Certify that the within and foregoing application for the organization of a Railway Corporation to be known as The Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, together with the Governor's Proclamation authorizing the organization of said Company, was pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, entitled "Railroads," recorded in the Book of Incorporations of this office.

Seal

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereunto affixed, this, the 28th day of February 1898

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Memphis and Charleston Railway Company.

To all to whom these Presents May Come:

Whereas, On or about the 28th day of February, 1898, John W. Fewell and others, Purchasers, or their Successors or assigns, of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, under decree of the Circuit Court of the United States in and for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, the Eastern District of Tennessee, Southern Division, the Northern District of Alabama, Northern Division, and the Northern District of Mississippi, Eastern Division, duly presented their application to the Governor of Mississippi, in Conformity to Law, praying that he would issue his Proclamation authorizing them and their assigns to organize a railway Corporation under the name of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company; and Whereas, In Conformity with the provisions of Law, the Governor of Mississippi did, upon or about the 28th day of February 1898, issue his Proclamation authorizing the Applicants to organize a railway Corporation as aforesaid; and Whereas, Such Application and Proclamation have been duly recorded in the office of the Secretary of State.

Now, therefore the undersigned, being the said Purchasers and Petitioners or their assigns, and being the Proprietors of the said proposed railway Corporation, having duly met for the purpose of organization of such Corporation, this 28th day of February 1898, do hereby organize a railway Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi, to own, maintain and operate within said State the railroad, formerly known as The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, from a point on the Northern boundary of said State, in Alcorn County, near Wenasoga, and running thence easterly through Tishomingo County to a point between Iuka, in said last Mentioned County and Margrum, in the State of Alabama, on the easterly boundary of said State of Mississippi, and with such branches and extensions as from time to time may hereafter be built or Constructed in accordance with Law. And thereupon we do hereby declare and Certify as follows, to-wit:

First. The name of the said railway Corporation shall be "Memphis and Charleston Railway Company."

Second The purposes of said Corporation shall be to have, hold, enjoy, possess and exercise the said railway and franchises of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company in Mississippi, which passed to the Purchasers, their Successors or assigns, at the sale herein before referred to, and to be invested with all the estate, rights, title and interest in and to such railroad, and all the franchises, rights and privileges pertaining thereto,

or to The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and generally and from time to time to have, hold, enjoy, possess and exercise any and all of the rights, powers, privileges and franchises Conferred upon such railroad Company, or upon railroad Companies generally by any act or law of the State of Mississippi of which such Corporation may lawfully claim the benefit.

Third, The Capital stock of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company shall be one Hundred thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of the par value of one Hundred dollars each.

Fourth, The Memphis and Charleston Railway Company from time to time may issue bonds to the amount of Nine Hundred thousand dollars, secured by a Mortgage or Mortgages of the property and franchises of the railway Company, in addition to prior liens thereon assumed, extended, renewed or any substitution therefor.

Fifth. The first Board of Directors shall Consist of three Members, who shall hold office until a New board shall be elected by the Stockholders of the Company at their first annual Meeting, and if either of the Members of the Board of Directors hereinafter named shall resign the remaining two Members may elect his Successor. The said Board of Directors may at any Meting by resolution, increase the number of Directors and elect the additional Members of such Board.

Sixth. We have this day elected, and do hereby Certify that we have elected as such Board of Directors:

John W Powell
George N. Gardiner
Melville E Ingalls Jr

And Whereas, in order to expedite the recording of this Certificate five Counterparts thereof have been simultaneously executed, acknowledged and delivered. This is further to Certify that, although five Counterparts are so simultaneously executed and delivered, to the end that all or any one or more thereof may be recorded, any one or more of such Counterparts, when executed, shall severally or Collectively be deemed to be an original and for all intents and purposes to be one instrument.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands this 28th day of February 1898

John W. Powell
George N. Gardiner
Melville E Ingalls Jr

In line 29 on page 2 word "five" stricken out and word "three" substituted before execution. and in line 32 after word "Meting" words "and" to "Board" inclusive, added before execution.

State of Mississippi City of Jackson
County of Hinds

Personally appeared before me E. M. Parker a Notary Public in and for the City of Jackson County of Hinds in the State of Mississippi the within-named John W. Fewell, George N. Gardiner and Melville E. Ingalls Jr. who severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal this 28th day of Feby. 1878.

Seal

E. M. Parker
Notary Public

Office of Secretary of State
Jackson Mississippi

I, J. L. Power, Secretary of State, do hereby Certify that the within and foregoing Projectors Organization and Statement of Organization of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company was pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, entitled "Railroads" recorded in the Book of Incorporation of this office.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereunto affixed, this the 28th day of February 1878

Seal

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Memphis and Charleston Railway Company.

Statement of the Board of Directors.

The undersigned, being the Board of Directors of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, duly elected as such directors by the Projectors of such railway Corporation at their Meeting for organization held on the 28th day of Feby, 1898, as appears by the Certificate and Statement of such Projectors dated the date, and herewith recorded, do hereby State and Certify as follows, to-wit:

First- The Board of Directors, having Met, have elected the following officers, to wit:

President -	Melville E Ingalls Jr
First Vice President,	Alexander B. Andrews
Second Vice President,	W W. Finley
Third Vice President	Frank S. Gannon
Secretary	Geo. H. Gardiner
Treasurer	Harris C. Ansley

Second. The date of the organization of the said railway Corporation is February 28th - 1898.

Third The amount of the entire Capital Stock of the said Railway Corporation is one hundred thousand dollars.

Fourth The entire Capital Stock of the said railway Corporation is divided into one thousand Shares of one hundred dollars each.

And, Whereas, in order to expidite the recording of this Certificate Several Counterparts thereof have been simultaneously executed, acknowledged and delivered, This is further to Certify that, although Several Counterparts are so simultaneously executed and delivered to the end that all or any one or more thereof may be recorded, any one or more of such Counterparts when executed, shall Severally or Collectively be deemed to be an original, and for all intents and purposes to be one instrument.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto subscribed our names as of the 28th day of February eighteen Hundred & Ninety Eight

Melville E Ingalls Jr
John M. Farrell
Geo. H. Gardiner.

State of Mississippi }
City of Jackson, County of Hinds }

On this 28th day of Feby. 1898. before Me personally appeared Melville E. Ingalls Jr to me known, and known to Me to be one of the directors of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, described in and who subscribed the foregoing Statement. Who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say as follows: I am one of the directors of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, described in and who subscribed the foregoing Statement,

and I do depose and aver that the same is true to my own knowledge

Melvile E. Bigelow Jr

Sworn to before me this
28th day of Feby. 1898.

E.M. Parker
Notary Public in and for the City of Jackson

State of Mississippi
City of Jackson County of Hinds

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the City of Jackson, County of Hinds in the State of Mississippi, the within named John W. Harrell, George H. Gardiner and Melville E. Bigelow Jr who severally acknowledged that they signed and delivered the foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned,

Given under my hand and official seal
this 28th day of Feby. 1898

E.M. Parker
Notary Public in and for the City of Jackson

Office of Secretary of State
Jackson Mississippi

I, J. L. Power Secretary of State, do hereby Certify that the within and foregoing Director's Certificate of Organization of the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, was, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 entitled "Railroads", recorded in the Book of Incorporations of this office,

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereunto affixed, this 28th Day of February 1898

(Seal)

J.L. Power
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Library Association

1 Be It Known that Samuel Lloyd. W.W. Wilmer. Miss Grace N. Christian Mrs. Fannie L. Solomon. A.C. Hunter. N.S. Meyers. Mrs A.S. Means. S. Easterland. Mrs M.M. Montgomery. S.A. Nevill. N.V. Wall. W.J. Hilderth. Dr. C.S. Andrews. Miss Lula Godbold. John A. Lewis. E. Cahn. & C.M. Robichaux, their Associates, Successors and assigns are hereby Constituted and Created a body Corporate under the Name and style of the Meridian Library Association, "to be domiciled in the City of Meridian County of Lauderdale, and State of Miss.

2° This Corporation is Created for the purpose of buying books. Magazines. periodicals. for the use of its Members and for hire to others.

3 The Capital Stock of this Company shall be one thousand dollars ($1.000) but may be increased by a Majority Vote of the Stock holders to twenty-five thousand dollars $25000 Said Capital stock shall be divided into shares of twenty five dollars ($25.00) each.

4 Said Corporation may exist and Continue in business for fifteen years from the date of this charter.

5 This Corporation may sue and be sued in its Corporate Name in all the Courts of the State of Mississippi; May have a seal and may alter the same at pleasure; May own property, real and personal or both the the amount authorized by Section 838 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892. and may sell or incumber the same at pleasure; may determine the Manner of Calling and Conducting its Meetings. the Number of shares that shall entitled a Member to Vote. the Modes of Voting by proxy. May elect all Necessary officers and prescribe their duties. Salaries and Incomes; May Contract and be Contracted with within the limits of its Corporate powers; May borrow Money and secure the same by Mortgage or otherwise; May issue bonds and secure them in the same way and may hypothecate its Franchise and May make all Necessary by-laws for the Government Not Contrary to Law.

6 The business Matters of said Corporation shall be Managed and Conducted by a board of directors to be Chosen by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders and all of said directors shall be Stockholders of this Corporation. Said board of directors shall Meet as soon after election as practicable and shall organize by the election of one of their number as President; and shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as may be Necessary and Useful in the Management of the affairs of said Corporation. Said directors shall hold their offices for the term of one Year. and until their successors are Elected and qualified.

unless otherwise provided by a Majority Vote of the Stock-holders the Secretary and Treasurer of said Corporation may be ran and the same firm if the same be deemed advisable; the directors and officers shall be Stockholders of the Company.

7. For the purpose of organizing, a Majority of persons herein named as incorporators may, upon approval of this act of incorporation by the Governor, and after it shall have been recorded as required by law give three days written Notice to the other persons named therein as incorporators of the time and place of meeting. If there be a Majority of the incorporators present at said Meeting they may proceed to organize by the opening of books for subscriptions to the Stock and to provide for a meeting of the Stockholders thereof and to do all such other things as may be Necessary for the full and Complete organization of this Corporation.

8 All other powers, rights and privileges of Corporation embraced in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892. not enumerated in this Charter, are hereby conferred upon this Corporation

9. This Corporation may own such real estate as may be Necessary for the purposes of its organization. and it may receive donations of books, Money, real estate and may accept any sum or sums of Money or real estate as an endowment fund.

This Charter to take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor and recorded as provided by law.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Feby 25th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Wiley N. Nash
Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Library Association is hereby approved. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss to be affixed: this 8th day of March 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Gov.

J. L. Power

The Charter of Incorporation of the Corinth Coal and Ice Company.

Section 1. G. T. Heard T. B. Miller and those who may be or may become associated with them, their Successors and assigns, being desirous of securing the benefits set fourth in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi, are hereby created a body Corporate under the name and style "Corinth Coal and Ice Company" and by that name may Carry on business hereinafter provided for.

Section 2. The domicile of this Corporation may be in Corinth or in such other place as may appear advisable to the said Company to locate.

Section 3. The Capital Stock of the said Company shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of one hundred Dollars each.

Section 4. The powers to be exercised by the Company are to invest their Capital or credit in Machinery or material of any and every kind requisite to the Manufacture and sale of Machinery and of other goods, Wood or Textile fabric, of ice, of articles of earth of Stone, of light, heat or Power, or the Manufacture of food products, from Vegetables, fruits or Cereals, or the Conversion of any, or all Raw Materials in Manufactured products, or Mortgages or other evidences of debt, or Credit or of Property or Money of any and every Kind that May appear to the Company to be useful or advisable for the successful prosecution of its business and the Company May sell, incumber, transfer or Convey any of its property or evidences of debt or Credit in such a manner as it shall deem to be for the interests and shall possess all powers Conferred by Chapter 25 Annotated Code of Mississippi upon like Corporations.

Section 5. The period of time during which this Company ~~may exist~~ shall be fifty years.

Section 6. The management of the business of this Company shall be vested in a board of directors not less than three, to be stockholders of the Company, to be elected annually by the Stockholders of the Company, to be elected annually by the stockholders of the Company and No Member of the directory shall receive any salary or Compensation for Services rendered as a director. The directors shall elect all such officers and agents as may be necessary, prescribe and fix salaries of same, and may adopt all necessary by laws.

Section 7. This Company may Complete its organization and Commence business when a Hundred shares of Stock have been subscribed and not less than fifty per Cent of same paid in Cash or Property and fifty per Cent. More in Notes with not less than one year to run, the Certificates of stock to be attached to the Notes Collateral and left in the hands or Custody of the Company until the Notes are fully paid.

a Meeting of the Stockholders for the purpose of organization may be held — the 189.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully returned to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State.

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Summit Coal and Ice Company is hereby approved

In Testimony whereof, I have, hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss to be affixed this 8th day of March 1898

A. J. McLaurin
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Seal

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

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Charter of Incorporation of the Commercial Bank, of Gloster, Miss

Sec 1 That G. N. Barney, W. S. Johns, N. S. McLean and their associates and those hereafter associated with them and their successors be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the "Commercial Bank" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of Law and equity and have a common seal the same to break or alter at pleasure. May contract and be contracted with, may acquire hold alien and encumber and otherwise dispose of property necessary for the transaction of its business, both real and personal, and shall possess and enjoy all the powers, rights and privileges prescribed by chapter twenty-five (25) of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and existing amendments thereto for fifty (50) years so far as the same are applicable

Sec 2 This corporation is authorized to carry on a general banking business including both the business of a bank of discount and deposit, with all the powers express or implied, incident thereto; to receive and hold on deposit and in trust, and as security, estates personal, including notes, bonds, obligations and mortgages, choses in action of individuals, corporations, municipalities, States and of the United States, and the same to purchase, collect and supply, sell and dispose of in any manner, with or without its guarantee or endorsement to make title to its real estate; to receive and loan money on pledges and securities of all kinds, including securities on real and personal estate; to receive upon deposit for safe keeping, jewelry, plate, stocks, bonds and valuable property of every description upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

Sec 3 The capital stock of this corporation shall be Twenty five Thousand ($25,000.00) dollars, which may be increased from time to time by the stock holders owning more than one half of the stock, to one hundred thousand dollars, and when the sum of Twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) of the Capital Stock is paid in, the corporation is authorized to commence business and shall be regarded as organized under this charter. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. The management of said corporation shall be confined to a board of not less than three directors nor more than five, selected annually from among the stockholders and by those owning more than one half the stock. A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum and the stockholders owning more than one half of the stock shall have power to make, adopt and alter such by-laws, rules and regulations for the election of officers and government of the business as they shall deem proper, provided said by laws, rules and regulations shall not be contrary to this chapter, the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States

Sec 4 The said corporation shall be authorized to charge and collect any rate of interest on any of its contracts, that may be agreed upon between the said corporation and the other

contracting party or parties, provided said interest shall not be more than at the rate as the law directs

Sec 5 The officers shall be a president, vice president and a cashier to be elected by the Board of sirectors to hold for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified and until officers are elected. G. N. Barney, N. D Johns and N. B. McLean shall be the board of directors and G. N. Barney, shall be president and N. D. Johns vice president and N. B. McLean, cashier

Sec 6 The stock holders of said Corporation shall not be liable for any amount exceeding the unpaid portion of par value of the stock subscribed by them respectfully.

Sec 7 The domicil of said corporation shall be at Glaster, Amite County, Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, February 14, 1898. N. J. McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 14/1898

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Commercial Bank of Glaster, Mississippi is hereby approved:

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 12th day of March 1898

(Seal)

By the Governor. N. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Star Publishing Co

Section 1 — Be it known that C. P. Dement, N. S. King, Sr. N. S. King Jr. J. H. Dement, their associates successors and assigns are hereby constituted and created a body corporate under the name and style of the Meridian Star Publishing Company, to be domiciled at the city of Meridian in the county of Lauderdale and State of Mississippi.

Section 2 — This corporation is created for the purpose of publishing either weekly or daily newspapers, doing job work, book binding, lithographing, and any and all work usual and appertaining to newspaper publication, book printing and binding and job work and lithographing.

Section 3 — The capital stock of this corporation shall be two thousand dollars, but may be increased by a majority vote of the stockholders to twenty-five thousand. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, but the stockholders by a majority vote, may make the shares fifty or twenty-five dollars each.

Section 4 — Said corporation may exist and continue in business for fifty years from the date of this charter.

Section 5 — This corporation may sue and be sued in its corporate name in all the courts of the state of Mississippi; may have a seal and may alter the same at pleasure; may own property, real and personal, or both to the amount authorized by section 838 of the Annotated code of Mississippi of 1892, and may sell or incumber the same at pleasure; may determine the manner of calling and conducting its meetings; the modes of voting by proxy; may elect all necessary officers and prescribe their duties, salaries and tenure; may contract and be contracted with within the limits of its corporate powers; may borrow money and secure the same by mortgage or otherwise; may issue bonds and secure them in the same way and may hypothecate its franchise; and may make all necessary by-laws for its government not contrary to the law.

Section 6 — The business matters of said corporation shall be managed and conducted by a board of directors, consisting of not more than seven, to be chosen by a majority vote of the stockholders, and all of said directors shall be stockholders of this corporation; said board of directors shall meet as soon after election as practicable and shall organize by the election of one of their number as President, and shall elect a secretary and treasurer and such other officers as may be

necessary and needful in the management of the affairs of said Corporation; said directors shall hold their office for a term of one year, and until their successors are elected and qualified, unless otherwise provided by a majority vote of the stockholders; the secretary and treasurer of said Corporation may be one and the same person, if the same be deemed advisable; the directors and officers shall be stockholders of said company

Section 7 For the purpose of organization a majority of persons herein named as incorporators may, upon approval of this act of Incorporation by the Governor, and after it shall have been recorded as required by law, give three days written notice to the other persons named herein as incorporators of the time and place of meeting. If there be a majority of the incorporators present at said meeting they may proceed to organize by the opening of books for subscription to the stock and to provide for a meeting of the stockholders thereof and to do all such other things as may be necessary for the full and complete organization of this corporation.

Section 8 All other powers, & rights and privileges of corporations embraced in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, not enumerated in this chapter, are hereby conferred upon this corporation.

Section 9 This charter to take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor and recorded as provided by law.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Feb 28. 1898, N. J. McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 28, 1898

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Meridian Star Publishing Company is hereby approved

(Seal) In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 8th day of March 1898

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

A. J. McLaurin

O B Quin, C Atkinson, T. A. James, P. E. Quin, J. W. Price, C. C. Jarvis, A. Spies, W. W. Reaber, Wm Traxton, F. C. Lueg, F. M. Lee, F. L. Veriable; their associates successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Citizens Bank" and by that name shall have succession for fifty years; may sue and be sued and prosecute and be prosecuted, and plead and be impleaded, in all the courts of law and equity; may contract and be contracted with; may acquire, hold, alien, encumber and otherwise dispose of property of every description necessary for the transaction of its business, real and personal; may have a common seal and shall have all the powers, rights, and privileges prescribed for such institutions by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, and all amendments thereto, that may be necessary to fully carry out the objects, powers and purposes of this charter.

The object of this Corporation are to do and carry on a general banking business, including a bank of deposit and discount, as well as a savings bank, with all the powers, rights and privileges express or implied, incident thereto.

To receive and hold on deposit, and in trust and as security, estates personal, including notes, bonds, obligations of every description, mortgages, deeds of trust, and choses in action of both individuals and corporations and to collect, purchase, adjust, settle, sell and dispose of the same in any manner whatsoever either with or without its endorsement; to receive and loan money on pledges and securities of every description and of all kinds, to receive on deposit and safe keeping valuable property of every kind, upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

This corporation is authorized to act as assignee or receiver and to execute trusts of any kind and every description, not inconsistent with law.

This corporation is further authorized to act as agent or trustee for any purpose and for any individual, corporation, municipality, State or public authority. To receive and manage any sinking fund and to act as agent for the investment of money for any person or corporation, and to act as brokers and receive therefor

such compensation as may be agreed upon.

The capital stock of this Corporation shall be twenty-five thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which may be increased at any time by a resolution of the stockholders, but this Corporation is hereby authorized to begin business with all its objects, powers and privileges when fifteen thousand dollars of its stock shall have been subscribed and paid in. No stockholder in this Corporation shall be individually liable for any of the debts of the Corporation or otherwise in excess of the amount of unpaid stock subscribed for by him.

The management of this Corporation shall be confined to a Board of Directors of not more than seven, each of whom shall be a stockholder and shall be elected annually, and the Board of Directors shall have power to make, adopt and alter such by-laws, rules and regulations for the election of officers and for the government of said Corporation and the management of its business as they shall think proper, provided same shall not be contrary to the law now in conflict with the provisions of this charter.

The domicile of this Corporation shall be in the town of McComb City, Pike County, Mississippi with such branch offices in the State of Mississippi as may be established by the board of directors.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Jan 31, 1898 N. J. McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Jan 31. 1898, Wiley N. Nash, Atty Gen'l

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Citizens Bank, of McComb City is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of March, 1898

N. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secy of State

In the Circuit Court of the United States.

The Farmers Loan and Trust Company against The Memphis and Charleston Rail Road Company. The Central Trust Company of New York and Samuel Thomas. } In Equity } Special Master's Deed Dated February 26, 1898

This Indenture, Made the twenty sixth day of February, 1898 by and between Louis B. McFarland, Special Master, duly appointed in said in equity hereinafter Mentioned, party of the first part and Southern Railway Company and Adrian Iselin Jr. Melville E. Ingalls, Jr, and John W. Fewell (the said Iselin Ingalls and Fewell receiving this Conveyance as joint tenants and not as tenants in Common, and hereinafter being Called the Purchasers) parties of the second part.

Witnesseth:

Whereas, On or about the second day of August 1895. The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, Trustee as Complainant, filed its bill of Complaint, in equity, in the Circuit Court of the United States of America for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, against The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, a Corporation Created by or existing under the laws of the State of Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi, and the Central Trust Company of New York and Samuel Thomas as defendants, in which said in equity it was sought to foreclose The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company's Consolidated First Mortgage, dated the 20th day of August in the year 1877, and upon or about that day duly executed, acknowledged and delivered by said Railroad Corporation to said The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, in which said it was proposed to sell the whole of the Mortgaged property and premises, being the railroads, property, privileges and franchises of said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, as more specifically described in said Consolidated First Mortgage; and

Whereas, Such proceedings were had in the said Cause that on the 2nd day of March 1897, a decree of foreclosure and sale was entered therein by the said Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, at Memphis, Tennessee, and upon November 24th 1897, a decree supplemental thereto was also entered by said Court pursuant to the Mandate of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit; and

Whereas Similar decrees foreclosing such Mortgage

ancillary to said decree of said Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, made on March 2 1894, was subsequently entered on or about the fifth day of April 1894, in similar suit brought by The Farmers Loan and Trust Company, Complainant, against the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, the Central Trust Company of New York and Samuel Thomas, as defendants, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the several districts hereinafter mentioned that is to say: The Eastern District of Tennessee, Southern Division; the Northern District of Alabama, Northern Division, and the Northern District of Mississippi, Eastern Division; and

Whereas, by and by the said decree the said Louis B. McFarland, party of the first part, was appointed Special Master to execute the said foreclosure decree and to make the sale of property therein provided for and directed; and

Whereas, in pursuance of such appointment the said Special Master afterwards, to wit, on the 26th day of February, 1895, after due advertisement and notice of sale, as prescribed in the said decree, and in said Supplemental decree, at public auction at the railroad station upon the railroad of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, in the City of Memphis and State of Tennessee, on the day and at the hour fixed by said Special Master in his advertisement of sale, in accordance with the request of the Solicitors for the Complainant, and in the manner specified and directed in the said decree and in the said Supplemental decree, did sell all and singular the railroad, equipment, property, and premises, rights, assets, privileges and franchises, which the said Special Master was directed by the said decree and Supplemental decree to sell, upon the terms and conditions in said decree and said supplemental decree fully and at large set forth, to which decree reference is hereby specially and expressly made and

Whereas, At such sale the said Adrian Iselin, Jr. Melville E. Ingalls, Jr. and John W. Fewell became the purchasers of all such railroads and property and franchises, offered and sold as a single parcel, for the sum of two Million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) the said Purchasers having made such purchase joint tenants and not as tenants in common, for the purpose and with the intent of having the title of all the said railroad, property, rights, assets and franchises vested in and held by the Southern Railway Company, a Corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of Virginia, by an Act of Assembly, approved February 20th 1894, as to all said railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State of Tennessee and Alabama, and, also, as to all equipment, chattels and

Chasis in action sold, wherever situate, said Corporation having Complied with all Conditions of law precedent to the transaction of business within the said State; and Vested in and held by the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, a Corporation to be organized by that name in the State of Mississippi, as to all of the railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State Mississippi; and

Whereas, The said Purchasers, in part discharge of their said bid, have paid to the said Special Master the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) in a Certified Check upon the National Union Bank of New York City, and have also delivered to him the Certificate of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York that it holds, subject to his order, and entitling him, or his Successor, or Surrender thereof to receive the sum, 2,257 of the Consolidated First Mortgage Bonds of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company for the principal sum of $1000.00 each with all unpaid Coupons attached to said bonds, out of a total issue of 2,264 of such Consolidated First Mortgage Bonds, to be Canceled or Credited, as provided in said foreclosure decree, and in said Supplemental decree; and

Whereas, On the 26th day of February 1898, the said Special Master did duly make his Report of said sale to the said Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, that being the Court exercising original jurisdiction in said suit, which said Report, and the said sale, were by decree of said Court, entered of record, duly approved and Confirmed, subject to the Compliance by the Purchasers with all the terms and Conditions of said foreclosure decree, and sale, and the said decree of Confirmation; and

Whereas, An order has been made in and by said United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, authorizing and directing the said Louis B. McFarland, party of the first part, as Special Master, upon the terms and Conditions set out in the said decree of Confirmation, to sign, Seal, execute, acknowledge and deliver a Conveyance of all and singular the railroad property, premises, rights, assets, privileges and franchises so sold to the said Purchasers thereof subject, however, as recited in said decree of foreclosure and said Supplemental decree, to a Certain Statutory Lien in favor of the State of Tennessee and to the Mortgages, as set forth in said decree of foreclosure and said Supplemental decree, and upon the Condition that to the extent that the assets, or the proceeds of assets, in the Receivers hands should be insufficient, such Purchasers, their Successors or assigns, should pay, satisfy and discharge (a) any unpaid Compensations which should be

allowed by this Court to the Recievers; (b) any unpaid indebtdness and obligations or liabilities which were duly Contracted or incurred by the Recievers before delivery of possession of the property sold; and (b) also any unpaid indebtdness or liability Contracted or incurred by said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company in the operation of its railroad, which is prior in lien or Superior in equity to such Consolidated First Mortgage of August 20th 1877 except such as had been paid and satisfied out of the income of the property in the hands of the Recievers, or out of such other assets upon the Court adjudging the same to be prior in lien or Superior in equity to said Mortgage. and directing the payment thereof, no obligation, nevertheless, being imposed upon, or being required to be assumed by, the Purchasers to pay or discharge either the Statutory Lien in favor of the State of Tennessee, or the said First Mortgage Bonds, or the said Second Mortgage Bonds, of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, mentioned and described in said decree and in said Supplemental decree, and subject to which the property was sold; and subject, also, to all and singular the terms and conditions in said decree of foreclosure and said Supplemental decree set forth; and subject, also, to pay into the Registry of the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, all such sums as had been, or might be, ordered by said Court for the payment of such claims and liabilities which are entitled to preference in payment out of the proceeds of sale prior to the bonds secured by said Mortgage of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and subject, also to all other claims filed in the said cause, but only when and as the said United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, should allow such claims and adjudge the same to be prior in lien to the Mortgage foreclosed in said Cause, and in accordance with the order or orders of the Court allowing such claims and adjudging with respect thereto; and

Whereas, At the time of said order of the said United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, this indenture and the form thereof was submitted to, approved by, and filed with, said Court; and

Whereas, The said Purchasers have Complied with and fulfilled all the terms and Conditions of the said order and decree, so far as the same are now ripe for performance; and are entitled to a conveyance of the property so purchased by and Confirmed to them;

Now, Therefore, This Indenture Witnesseth: That the said party

of the first part, to wit:
Louis B. McFarland, as such Special Master as aforesaid for and in Consideration of the premises and of the sum of two Million and five Hundred thousand dollars ($2500.000) paid and to be paid in accordance with the terms of the said decree, and in Consideration that the said parties of the second part, their successors or assigns will in all respects Comply with the Conditions of said decree of foreclosure and sale; Has granted, bargained, transferred, sold Conveyed, and by the presents does hereby grant, bargain, transfer Sell and Convey
(1) Unto the said Southern Railway Company, its Successors and assigns forever, the said railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State of Tennessee and Alabama, and also all estate, equipment, personal property and Choses in action wherever situate; including also all income, proceeds of income, bills and accounts receivable, Cash and other property received by the said Receivers, and all Causes of action, and Judgments, by them acquired or obtained in the Management or operation of the said Mortgaged premises, to be embraced in the Conveyance thereof or pertaining thereto; and also any and all property of the said Railroad Company, appertenant to the premises, and required for use in Connection with or for the purpose of said railroad or the business of said Railroad Company and Vested in or standing in the name of the Receivers, or to which the said Receivers in any Manner have acquired title; (Not including, however the said railroad, real estate and franchises within the State of Mississippi which hereinafter are Conveyed to the said Purchasers, or to their Successor, the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, their or its Successors or assigns) The said property Conveyed to the said Southern Railway Company being more particularly described as follows, that is to say: All and singular the rights, privileges, interests, franchises, lands, tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances, and property, of every discription, whether real, personal or mixed, embraced or included in the said decree of Sale and the Sale pursuant hereto, that is to say; The following railroads of The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company in the States of Tennessee and Alabama. All and singular the main line of Railroad, formerly of the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, extending from the point of Commencement thereof in the City of Memphis, in the State of Tennessee, via Corinth, in the State of Mississippi, and Huntsville, in the State of Alabama, to the terminus thereof in Stevenson, in the said State of Alabama, Connecting there with the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad, being a distance of two Hundred and Seventy-two Miles, or the same more or less (excepting the portion of said railroad which lies in the State of Mississippi;) and also the branch

of said Railroad, situate in the State of Tennessee, known as the Somerville and Mascow branch, extending from Mascow, on the main line, to Somerville, a distance of about fourteen miles, be the same more or less; and also the branch of said Railroad, situate in the State of Alabama, extending from Tuscumbia, on the main line, to Florence, a distance of about five miles, be the same more or less, and including the bridge across the Tennessee River, near Florence; and also the Washington Street Branch, so called, of said railroad, extending from the depot of said Main line in the City of Memphis, through Washington Street and Cotton Landing to the Mississippi River, and the depot grounds and wharves on said river, and all the rights and privileges of said Railroad Company in respect of the use of the Levee and Wharves and Levee on the Mississippi River; and also, all and singular the right of transportation of the passenger Cars and freight Cars of the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company on and over the railroad between Stevenson in Alabama and Chattanooga in Tennessee, which said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, at the date of the execution of said Mortgage - namely, August 20th 1877. - had or was entitled to, or could then, or since then, claim under or in Virtue of the Contract of the date of June twenty-third and July twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, May between The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company and the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad Company, and all the rights and privileges whatsoever, for or in respect to the use of, or transportation over, the line of railroad between Stevenson and Chattanooga, now belonging to the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway, which the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company holds or is in anywise entitled unto, or could, at the date of execution of said Mortgage - namely, August 20th 1877 - or at any time since then, claim either under or in Virtue of the before-mentioned Contract of June and July, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, or otherwise howsoever, together with all and singular the roadway or track of the aforesaid Main line of railroad extending from Memphis to Stevenson (except the portion thereof in Mississippi) and of the said several branches respectively, and the superstructure and rails laid or to be laid thereon respectively, and all the appurtenances thereof, and all the sidings, turnouts, bridges, Wharves, Viaducts, Culverts, walls, fences, ways and rights of way, depots, Station-houses, engine-houses, Car houses, freight-houses, Wood-houses, depot grounds and lands procured, provided, or intended for use for such purposes; building and repair Shops, Machine shops, and lands used or procured, or intended for Sites thereof and other buildings, Structures, lands and improvements whatsoever, leases and leasehold interests, Contracts, easements and privileges belonging or appertaining to, or used or

procured, or designed to be used for, the purposes of or in connection with the said Main line of railroad and branches, respectively, or the Maintenance or operation thereof, or of any part thereof, at the date of the execution of said Mortgage - Namely, on the 20th day of August, 1877, or at any time thereafter; and also all the Locomotives, tenders, passenger Cars, baggage Cars, freight Cars and other Cars, and all other rolling-stock or equipment, and all Machinery, tools and implements, Rails, Chairs and Spikes and other Materials Whatsoever, owned or possessed by the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company at the date of the execution of said Mortgage - Namely, on the 20th day of August, 1877 - or at any time thereafter, for the uses or purposes of or designed for use in Connection with, or for the Operation, Maintenance or reparation of, the said Main line of railroad and branches respectively, or the equipment or appurtenances thereof, any all the engines, Cars and rolling stock or equipment of and kind, Machinery, tools, implements, rails and other Materials, which now belong or appertain to, or are in use or on hand, designed for use for the purpose of said main line of railroad and branches, respectively, or any part thereof, or have belonged or appertained to, or been in use, or on hand, designed for use for the purposes of said main line of railroad and branches, respectfully, or any part thereof, or have belonged or appertained to, or been in use, or on hand, designed for use for the purposes of said main line of railroad and branches, respectively or any part thereof, at any time or times after the date of the execution of said Mortgage - Namely, August 20th 1877 and all the lands and real estate Whatsoever, of any and every kind Whatsoever, and all improvements thereon, situate in the States of Tennessee or Alabama, respectively, which are owned or possessed by, or which belonged to, the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company at the date of the execution of said Mortgage - Namely, August 20th 1877 - and also all and singular the rights, privileges and franchises Whatsoever, which the said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company has acquired or become possessed of or entitled into, since the said date of the execution of said Mortgage, for or in respect of, or for the uses or purposes of, the said Main line of railroad and branches respectively, or the operation or Maintenance thereof, and also all the tolls and income of the said Main line of railroad and branches respectively, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances unto the premises aforesaid, or any of them, or any part thereof belonging or in any wise appertaining; and the reversion or reversions remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand Whatsoever, as well at law as in equity, of the said The Memphis

and Charleston Railroad Company, of, in and to the same, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances. Subject, however, to a Certain Statutory Lien in the Nature of a Mortgage, originally Created and existing in favor of the State of Tennessee, and mentioned and described in the said Mortgage of August 20th 1877; and also subject to the lien of a Certain First Mortgage or Deed of Trust dated May 1st 1854, executed by said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to James Bunnett, G.B. Lamar and Thomas Yeaw, as Trustees and also subject to the lien of a Certain Second Mortgage or Deed of Trust, dated January 1st, 1867, made by said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company to Gustavus L. Mastin, George W. Neal and William C. Rehren, as Trustees, said first Mortgage and said Second Mortgage having been extended by Certain indentures, both dated September 7th 1880, and being more particularly described in said decree; Together with all the Corporate estate, equity of redemption, rights, privileges, immunities and franchises of said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and all the tolls, fares, freight, rents, income, issues and profits of the said railroads, and all interest and claims and demands of every nature and description, and all the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders thereof, including all the said Mortgaged premises and property, in said decree directed to be sold, at any time owned or acquired by and now in the possession of said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, or the Receivers thereof, and including also all income, proceeds of income, bills and accounts receivable, Cash and other property received by the Receivers, and all causes of action, and judgments, by them acquired or obtained in the Management or operation of the Mortgaged premises embraced in this Conveyance or pertaining thereto, and also any and all property of the said Railroad Company appurtenant to the premises and required for use in Connection with or for the purposes of said Railroad, or the business of said Railroad Company, and Vested in or standing in the name of the said Receivers, or to which the said Receivers in any manner have acquired title; excepting, however, all such leases and Contracts and with the said property as the parties of the second part shall within Ninety days after the delivery of this deed elect not to assume and adopt and.

2 Unto the Purchasers and to their Successor, the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, when organized, their or its Successors and assigns;

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Mumphis and Charleston Railroad Company, in the State of Mississippi, beginning at a point on the Mississippi State line, near Wenasoga, a point in Alcorn County, upon the Northern boundary of Mississippi, and thence running easterly, through Alcorn County and Tishomingo County, to a point upon the eastern boundary of Mississippi, between Iuka, in said last-Mentioned County, and Margerum, in the State of Alabama, being in all about thirty-five miles in length within the said State of Mississippi; being part of the same railroad referred to in "an act to grant the right of way to the Mumphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and for other purposes, approved March 1st 1854, a more full and particular description of the property intended to be conveyed by this instrument being contained in said decree of the 2nd day of March 1897, and in the Supplemental decree of November 24th 1897, respectively, to which reference is hereby made: To Have and to Hold, all and singular, the above-mentioned railroads, premises, rights, privileges, interests, franchises, lands, tenements, hereditaments, appurtenances and property, of every description, whether real, personal or mixed, herein conveyed or intended to be conveyed, unto the said Southern Railway Company, its Successors and assigns, as to all the railroads, real estate and franchises, within the State of Tennessee and Alabama, and as to all the equipments, chattels and choses in action wherever situate; and unto the said Purchasers, and their Successors, the Mumphis and Charleston Railway Company, when organized, their or its Successors and assigns, as to all of the railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State of Mississippi; and the said Southern Railway Company is, and the said Mumphis and Charleston Railway Company, when organized, shall be, hereby invested with the same (the said Southern Railway Company, as to all said railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State of Tennessee and Alabama, and as to all said equipment chattels and choses in action, wherever situate; and the said Purchasers, or their Successors, the Mumphis and Charleston Railway Company, as to all the railroad, real estate and franchises, within the State of Mississippi) as fully and completely as said the Mumphis and Charleston Railroad Company, one of the defendants in said suit in equity, or said Receivers, held or enjoyed, or were respectively entitled to hold or enjoy, or were seized of or entitled to, at the time of the entry of the said decree, or at the time of the Commencement of said suits, or which said Receivers or

either of them have since acquired; freed and discharged from the lien and encumbrance of the said Mortgage or deed of trust foreclosed or barred by the said decree, and freed from all equity of redemption of said Mortgagor, the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, and of all equity of redemption and of all other claims of all persons whomsoever, claiming or to claim by, under or through the said Company, except as mentioned and reserved in said decree, as fully and absolutely as the said Louis B. McFarland, as Special Master, may or ought by Virtue of said decree, to bargain, sell, release, assign or convey. Subject, however, to the said Statutory Lien in favor of the State of Tennessee and to the said two Mortgages, as set forth in said decree of foreclosure, and said Supplemental decree, and upon the Condition that to the extent that the assets, or the proceeds of assets, in the Receivers hands should be insufficient, the said Southern Railway Company and the said Purchasers, its or their Successors or assigns, should pay, satisfy and discharge (a) any unpaid Compensation which should be allowed by the Court to the Receivers; (b) any unpaid indebtedness and obligations or liabilities which were duly Contracted or incurred by the Receivers before delivery of possession of the property sold; and (c) also any unpaid indebtedness or liability Contracted or incurred by said The Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company in the operation of its railroad, which is prior in lien or superior in equity to the Consolidated First Mortgage of August 20th 1877. except such as has been paid and satisfied out of the income of the property in the hands of the Receivers, or out of such other assets upon the Court adjudging the same to be prior in lien or superior in equity to said Mortgage, and directing the payment thereof, all payments for any such purpose made by the parties of the Second part, their Successors or assigns, in advance of the accounting and discharge of the Receivers, to be treated as advances, and subject to final adjustment upon such accounting; No obligation, Nevertheless, being imposed upon, or being required to be assumed by, the Southern Railway Company, or by the Purchasers or their Successors, the Memphis and Charleston Railway Company, its or their Successors or assigns, to pay or discharge either the said Statutory Lien, or the said First Mortgage Bonds, or the said Second Mortgage Bonds, of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad Company, hereinbefore referred to, and subject to which the property was sold, and subject also to all and singular the terms, Conditions, Reservations and obligations in said decree of foreclosure, and said Supplemental decree, and said decree of Confirmation, set forth; and the grantees, parties hereto of the Second part, agreeing to take the property so sold as aforesaid,

subject to the performance by them, or by their Successors or assigns, of all pending Contracts in respect thereof, theretofore lawfully made by the Recievers, the said grantees, and their Successors or assigns, having, Nevertheless, the right, Within ninety days after the Completion of the sale and delivery of this deed, to elect Whether or not to assume or adopt any lease or Contract sold with the railroads and other property and franchises, Whether they, Nor their Successors Nor assigns, to be held to have assumed any of said Contracts or leases, which they shall so elect Not to assume; Provided, however, that upon publication by the Special Master, when ordered by the Court, as provided in said decree, of a Notice, requiring holders of any claims to present the same for allowance, any such claims which shall not be so presented or filed within the period of six Months after the first publication of such Notice, shall not be enforceable against the property sold, or against the said grantees, or their Successors or assigns; and, subject, also, to the payment by said grantees, their Successors or assigns, of all such sums in Cash as may be required in order to pay all Costs and Expenses of the sale, the Compensation of the Special Master, and all charges, Compensations, allowances and disbursements, payable out of the purchase price bid for the premises, as the same shall be fixed and allowed hereafter by the Court. And subject also to all the Conditions and Reservations of said decree of sale, and of said Supplemental decree, and of said decree confirming said sale, entered in said United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, that being the Court exercising original jurisdiction of said foreclosure suit, including the reservation to said Court of the power to retake and to resell the premises conveyed, or any parcel thereof, in case the said parties of the second part, their Successors or assigns, shall fail to pay any sum required to be paid by them under said decree within the time specified in said decree, respectively, after the entry of an order requiring such payment. It is hereby understood and agreed that no personal Covenant or liability is to be implied from this deed against the said party of the first part as Special Master, except that he has not in his official Capacity made any prior Conveyance of the property herein Mentioned or of any part thereof.

And Whereas, In order to expedite the recording of this deed, eight Counterparts thereof are, by order of the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, Simultaneously executed, acknowledged and delivered by the party of the first part to the parties of the second part;

Now, Therefore, This Indenture further Witnesseth, that although eight Counterparts are Simultaneously executed acknowledged

and delivered by the party of the first part to the parties of the second part, to the end that all or any one or more thereof may be recorded, any one or more of such Counterparts, when executed, acknowledged and delivered, shall severally or Collectively be deemed to be an original, and for all intents and purposes be one instrument. In Witness Whereof, The party of the first part hereto has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Words "payment" to "and" inclusive in lines 20, 21. and 22 on p. 4, and also in lines 30 and 32 on p. 11. Stricken out before execution.

L. B. McFarland
Special Master
[L.S.]

Signed, Sealed and delivered in presence of
Francis Lynde Stetson.
W. A. Henderson.

H. S. Hayley
Notary Public for the County of Shelby, State of Tennessee.
[Official Seal]

State of Tennessee } ss
Shelby County

Personally appeared before me, H. S. Hayley, a Notary Public of the said County of Shelby, in this State of Tennessee, duly and legally appointed, Commissioner and qualified Within my said County, Louis B. McFarland, the within Name grantor and bargainor, with whom I am personally acquainted, being the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he then and there being informed of the Contents of the Conveyance, acknowledged before me that he Voluntarily Signed, executed and delivered the within and foregoing, instrument on the day the same bears date for the purposes therein Contained. and I, at the same time, at his request, Witnessed his execution, Signature and delivery of said Conveyance and Signed my name as one of the attesting Witnesses thereto. And I Hereby Certify that I am a duly appointed Notary Public in and for said County and State; that I was appointed on the 26th day of October, 1894, and that my Commission as such Notary Public expires with the 26 day of October, 1898

Witness my hand and official Seal, at office this 26th day of

February, 1898.
[Official Seal]

N. S. Hayley
Notary Public
Shelby County, Tennessee

State of Tennessee }
Shelby County }

I, R. A. Speed, Clerk of the County Court of said County, do hereby Certify that N. S. Hayley is a duly appointed Notary Public in and for the said County; that he was duly appointed on the 26th day of October, 1894 and that his Commission as such Notary Public expires on the 26th day of October, 1898.

I further Certify that I believe the signature of said N. S. Hayley as such Notary Public to the instrument here to attached is genuine, and that he is authorized to take acknowledgements and administer oaths under the laws of Tennessee.

In Witness of all which I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of this Court this the 26th Day of February 1898.

R. A. Speed
Clerk of the County Court
of Shelby County
By J. M. Speed
Deputy Clerk

Mississippi }
State of Mississippi }
Office of Secretary of State }
Jackson, Mississippi }

I, J. L. Power Secretary of State, do hereby Certify that a Copy of the within and foregoing deed of Conveyance from Louis B. McFarland, Special Master, to Adrian Iselin Jr. Melville E Ingalls Jr. John W. Power which Copy is duly Certified as true, full and Complete by J. B. Clough Clerk of the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Tennessee, Western Division, under the seal of said Court, has been duly filed in My office this day pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, of 1892, entitled Railroads.

Given under My Hand and the great Seal of the State of Mississippi hereunto affixed this the 11th day of March A.D. 1898

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of The Hunter and Maharis Telephone Company

L. Q. Wright, M. M. West, W. F. Fruschus, Joe D. Mays, L. P. Miss, J. S. Dillard, A. B. Carter, R. W. Hall, J. J. Hall, J. M. Coen, A. R. Liggett, J. R. Harris, N. B. Harris, E. M. Cook, E. B. Conn, Dr. J. M. Catchings, P. B. King, W. M. Robertson Jr. & other such persons as may become associated with them are hereby incorporated & created a body Corporate under the Name and style of Hunter & Maharis Telephone Co. & said Corporation Composed of said Members, or persons & their Successors shall have Succession for a period of fifty years & shall have all powers incident to such Corporation under Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code

Sec. 2 The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be five hundred dollars & the same shall be divided into Shares of five dollars each. Said Corporation may organize & Commence business, as soon as the sum of One hundred & Seventy five dollars shall have been subscribed & paid in. The Stock holders of Said Corporation shall be liable for the debts or demands against said Corporation except to the Amt. of stock subscribed by them respectively

Sec. 3. Said Corporation shall have power to erect telephone lines from Hazlehurst in Copiah County to Hunter & Maharis & may extend to Hooker place & other points or places within the State of Mississippi & to establish & Carry on the business of Telephone exchanges & to charge & collect for Messages transmitted over it lines & said Corporation may own all manner of personal & real estate Necessary for the transaction of its business & dispose of same at pleasure & may own such real estate rights of way grants or leases as may be Necessary for the proper Carrying on of its business. The executive office shall be at Hunter, County of Copiah, State of Mississippi, but said Corporation may have branch offices at any Town in the State of Mississippi & through such may transact business in any part of the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 4. The Stock-holders may adopt all Necessary by Laws, rules and Regulations for the Government of said Corporation & the Management of its business, election of all officers, issuance of its Stock, Sale & Transfer of Stock & all other matters which come in their Judgment, promote the interest of said Corporation

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality & legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
February 11th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
Feby. 11th 1897

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Hinds & Madison Telephone Company is hereby approved

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Gov.
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of The Frolis-Priestly Company.

Be it remembered that Peter Frolis and David Wendell Priestley and their Successors and Associates in interest, be and they are hereby incorporated into a body Politic and Corporate under the Name and style of Frolis-Priestley Company, and by that Name shall have Succession for the period of 50 years.

The purpose for which this Corporation is created is the Carrying on of a general Mercantile business in all its branches

The domicile of this Corporation shall be in Canton, Madison County Miss.

This Corporation shall have the power to acquire, hold and sell property of every discription as may be Necessary and proper in prosecuting and Carrying on its said business and may exercise all the powers Conferred upon such Corporation by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi.

The Capital Stock of this Corporation May be Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00) divided into Shares of $500.00 each, and it May Commence business under this Charter Whenever the sum of $6000.00 has been subscribed and paid in.

The Stockholders may through by-laws adopted by them determine what offices are Necessary for the Conduct of the business and Management of its affairs and may provide for their election and Salaries and may prescribe their duties.

When this Charter shall have been approved and said sum of $6000.00 paid in, said Peter Frolis and David Wendell Priestley may Commence business under this Charter and shall manage and Control the affairs of this Corporation, the said Frolis as President and said David Wendell Priestley as Secretary and Treasurer, until the Stockholders shall by proper Proceedings Otherwise provide.

Canton, Miss, Jany 1st 1898

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
February 17th 1898.

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the state.

Jackson, Miss
Feby. 17th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
atty Genl.

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Frolis-Priestley Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power - Secy. state

The Charter of Incorporation of Laurel Improvement Company.

Section One. Know all Men by these presents, that Eastman, Gardiner & Company S. G. Clark, W. B. Rogers, C. E. Newcomer, John McDuffie, Earl Johnson, S. A. Eger, W. F. Rumble, Lyman Kirkwood, Dr. J. N. Cook, J. D. Warren, Dr. J. R. Jackson, A. C. Lewis, John Bird, C. W. Morgan, C. C. Warren, P. A. Rogers Elmer Bonney, M. C. Bowen, Gus Vick, J. A. Brickley, and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, their Successors and assigns are hereby Created a body, Corporate under the name and style of "Laurel Improvement Company."

Section Two. The purposes for which said Corporation is Created, are to purchase, Construct, erect, lease, or acquire in and near the Town of Laurel, in Jones County in the State of Mississippi, an opera house or houses, Office buildings or buildings and store houses, to use and operate the same or lease them to others, to build, Construct, or acquire Electric light and gas work plants, telephone lines and systems, on and along the Streets and public thoroughfares of said Town of Laurel; Water works and Street Car lines, to be operated by horse, Steam, Electric, Compressed air, or other power; to build, purchase or acquire and operate Manufacturing establishments, or financially aid and encourage others so to do. and to lay out additions, Streets and parks, in and about said Town of Laurel, and to Maintain, improve and ornament the same, and generally to do and perform any and all things Necessary and proper, in and about said before Mentioned enterprises, for their Successful Maintenance and encouragement, within the purview and scope of this Charter, and not Contrary to the Statutes in such Cases made and provided.

Section Three The said Corporation, shall have Succession for a period of fifty years; may determine the Manner of Calling Meetings and the Mode of Voting by proxy; may elect all Necessary officers; and prescribe the duties, Salaries and terms of officers; and by its Corporate Name, may sue and be sued, prosecute and be prosecuted to Judgment and Satisfaction, before any Courts; may have a Corporate Seal; may Contract and be Contracted with, Within the limits of its Corporate powers; may purchase, acquire and hold Real and Personal property, Necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding in Value, the amounts limited by Statute; and may lease, Convey and dispose of the same; may borrow Money and secure the payment of the same, by Mortgage or otherwise; may issue bonds and secure them in the same way, may hypothecate its franchises and make all Necessary by-laws, not Contrary to law, and may have all other powers, privileges and immunities Consistent with its objects and purposes that are, or may be granted to Corporations, by the General laws of the State, while in force.

Section Four The domicile of said Corporation, shall be at Laurel, in Jones County, in the State of Mississippi

Section. Five. The Capital Stock of said Company, shall be Three thousand five hundred dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to such amount, Not exceding One Hundred thousand dollars, as the Stockholders by a two-thirds Vote may determine, and the said Capital Stock, shall be divided into Shares of twenty-five dollars each, which shall be deemed personal property, Soh said Corporation, may Organize and Commence business whenever as much as one-half of its Capital Stock shall have been Subscribed for, and after the approval of this Charter by the Governor.

Section. Six. The Management and Control of the affairs of said Corporation shall be Vested in a board of Nine directors, whose number may be increased or diminished by a Vote of the Stockholders and who shall be Chosen annually by the Stockholders of the Company, and by a Majority Vote thereof, and in the Manner provided by law, and said directors, shall hold their offices for the space of one year or until their Successors are elected and qualified, and no person shall be a director of the Corporation, unless he is a Stockholder. A Majority of said boards, shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, and they shall elect one of their number to be President of the Corporation, and one to be Vice-President thereof, and one of their number, or one of the Stockholders, to be Secretary, and one to be Treasurer, Soh the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, may be held by one and the same person. Said board, may also, require the Secretary and Treasurer to give bond in such Sum as may be determined by said board, Conditioned for the faithful discharge of their several duties and the safe Keeping of the Moneys of said Corporation, Coming into their Hands. Said board of directors, may appoint from time to time such other officers and agents, as the business of the Corporation may require. They may fix the powers, duties, Compensation and terms of officers of said officers, and may remove them at any time, by a two-thirds Vote of said board. Said board, may hold its Meetings at such times and places in said Town of Laund. agree upon by a Majority thereof, and shall have power to make all Necessary by-laws, rules and Regulations, Not Contrary to the laws of the State, for the proper Management and Control of said Corporation and its officers, and may amend and Repeal the same at pleasure.

Section. Seven. This Charter, shall be in force and effect from and after its approval by the Governor, and the first Meeting for the Organization of the Corporation, may be held at such time and place, as may be named by Written Notice, to all such subscribers, Signed by Three of the incorporators, named in this Charter, such Written Notice shall be Mailed to said subscribers at their Post-office,

in said Town of Laurel, at least three days prior to the time of the holding of such Meeting, or such Notice may be published in some Newspaper, published in said Town of Laurel, three days prior to the holding of such Meeting.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss
February 28th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Laurel Improvement Company, is hereby approved.

(Seal)

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of March 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Long Beach Canning & Manufacturing Company.

The purposes for which this Corporation is created are the Manufacture of fertilizer and the Conducting of a general business of Canning Vegetables, fruit, fish, shrimps, oysters and &C.
The Name of the persons desiring to form this Corporation are David M. Casey, John R. Nevers, Warren B. Stevenson, together with such persons as may hereafter associate themselves with them by purchase of Stock.
The Corporate name by which this Corporation is to be known is The Long Beach Canning and Manufacturing Company.
The period for which this Corporation is to exist is to be twenty five years. The Capital Stock of this Corporation is to be the amount of ten thousand dollars and the number of shares into which it is divided is One hundred of the par value of one hundred dollars each, but it is understood that this Capital Stock may be increased to the sum of twenty five thousand dollars by a vote of two-thirds Majority of the Stockholders thereof to be Cast at a regular Meeting of the Stockholders, Called in the Manner prescribed by Law.
The powers to be exercised under this Charter are all those set forth in Section 836 in Chapter 26 of the annotated Code of Mississippi so far as they are applicable under the provisions of which these incorporators Voluntarily associate in order to be declared a body Corporate or politic.
The place where the principal business of said Corporation is to be transacted is Long Beach Harrison County, Miss.
The Number of directors of said Corporation shall be three of Whom one shall be President and another Secretary and treasurer to be chosen by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders at their first Meeting for organization and annually thereafter, the term of office of said officers being fixed at one Year. The books of Stock Subscription together with the Minutes of Stockholders and directors Meeting shall be Kept at the office in Long Beach as also shall be Kept a Copy of the by-laws.
Witness our Signatures this 5th day of January A.D. 1898

D. M. Casey
J. R. Nevers
W. B. Stevenson

State of Mississippi }
Harrison County }

Personally appeared before me H. L. Thornton a Notary Public of Harrison County in said State, the within named D. M. Casey, J. R. Nevers and W. B. Stevenson who each acknowledged that they signed the within and foregoing instrument for the purposes therein Mentioned as their act and deed.
Given under my hand and Notarial Seal at Pass Christian Miss

this 5th day of January 1898

K. L. Thornton
Notary Public

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss
January 5th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss.
January 5th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Long Beach Canning and Manufacturing Company. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 12th day of March 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of Carpenter Grocery Company of Starkville in Oktibbeha County State of Mississippi

M. B. Carpenter, J. H. Carpenter, and such others as may be associated with them are hereby incorporated under the terms and provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of the year 1892 and the acts of the Legislature of said State amendatory thereto, as a Mercantile association and do hereby declare;

1st That it shall be known as Carpenter Grocery Company, and its domicile and place of business shall be Starkville, Mississippi.

2nd That said Mercantile association shall have Succession for the space of fifty years from the date of the approval of this Charter by the Governor of the State of Mississippi; may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded in all Courts of law and equity; may have a common Seal and may break or alter same at pleasure; and by the said Corporate name may Contract and be Contracted with acquire and hold property, Real Necessary for its business, and personal and mixed to an extent not greater than the limitations imposed in Section 838 of the said Code of 1892 and may alien the same or any part thereof; and may perform all other acts incident to bodies Corporate; and may buy and sell Merchandise, goods, and Chattels for Cash and upon such other terms and Conditions as to time of payment and Security therefor as may be agreed upon by the authority of the said Mercantile Association; and it shall have all the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities conferred by Chapter 25 of said Code of 1892.

3rd That the Management shall Consist of a President and Secretary to be elected annually by the Stock-holders; and they shall hold their offices until their Successors are duly elected and qualified; and the said offices shall have full power and authority to make all necessary rules and Regulations and by laws for the government of said Mercantile association and for the Transaction of the business thereof and to make such Changes and Modifications and to adopt such new Regulations as they may Consider expedient and not being in Conflict with the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States.

4th The Capital Stock of said Mercantile association shall be One thousand dollars divided into shares of ten dollars each and as soon as the entire sum of one thousand dollars shall have been paid in, the association may commence to do business, provided that said Capital Stock may be from time to time increased or diminished by a two thirds Vote of the Stock-holders, but at no time shall said Capital Stock be increased to an amount in excess of ten thousand dollars nor decreased to an amount less than five hundred dollars.

5th This Charter shall go into effect when approved by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss,
February 26th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
February, 26th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Carpenter Grocery Company of Starkville Miss is hereby approved. In Testimony Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of March 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power

The Charter of Incorporation of Mississippi Central Normal School.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 20. Annotated Code of 1892. G.S. Ellis. B.D. Bishop. N.A. McClendon, S.A. Ferguson and J.W. Friston are hereby created a body politic and Corporate under the name "Mississippi Central Normal School" and under that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all actions and suits in law or equity, may have a common seal and shall have the right to receive, acquire and hold property both real and personal by purchase, donation or otherwise for the use and benefit of said College, and may sell, convey or otherwise dispose of the same. and shall have power to appoint all Professors and teachers for said institution upon the recommendation of the of the principal thereof. and pay them such Salaries, out of any of the funds held or accruing as may be agreed upon. May make such by laws as may be deemed expedient for the government and Management of the affairs of said institution and in fine do all acts that are generally incident to bodies Corporate, such as Conferring degrees, giving diplomas &c. for the encouragement of education and the building up of said institution which are not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this State nor of the United States. Said Trustees shall have power to select such times and places of Meetings as they may deem proper and to transact such business as may be necessary. One of said Trustes, Viz- G.S. Ellis shall hold the office for four years from date of the approval of this Charter – two. Viz- B.D. Bishop and N.A. McClendon, shall hold the office for two years from date of approval of this Charter and two Viz- J.W. Friston and S.A. Ferguson shall hold the office for one year from date of approval of this Charter at the expiration of their respective terms of office. The Patrons of said School shall elect a like number for four years. If a Vacancy shall occur by death or otherwise, the Patrons shall elect to fill such Vacancy, and in all cases the Trustes shall hold over until their Successors are qualified- and a Majority of said Trustes shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, and their acts shall be binding. This Charter shall take effect from and after the approval by the Governor, and thereafter shall exist for fifty years.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office Jackson, Miss.
The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Central Normal School is hereby approved.

(Seal) In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 12th day of March 1898.

A.J. McLaurin
By the Gov.
Sec of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Bohlen-Huse Ice Company of Clarksdale Miss

By Virtue of the laws of the State of Mississippi. R.B. Graves, W.A. Crawley John J. Stephens, J.S. Butt and J.T. Hogan and their Successors and Associates are hereby created a body Corporate under the name of the Bohlen-Huse Ice Company of Clarksdale Mississippi, and shall have Succession for a period of Fifty Years from the date this Charter becomes Operative; Said Corporation shall have the power to sue in its Corporate name, and may be sued in the same, may Contract and be Contracted with in all Matters, and for the purpose hereinafter Mentioned, and Generally may enjoy, defend, transmit and dispose of all its Rights, Privileges and Franchises granted by this Charter, or acquired under the same, and may have a Common Seal to be used at pleasure, the location of the said Corporation and its Plant shall be in Clarksdale in the County of Coahoma, in the State of Mississippi.

Art 1st. The said Corporation shall enjoy, possess and exercise the rights and privileges following to-wit: to purchase or lease real estate in the town of Clarksdale for the purposes set out in article 2, and thereon to build or erect Suitable and proper houses, dig or bore wells or make Cisterns in or above the ground, lay pipes or other Means of Conveying Water and Electricity for public or private uses in the said town, and in or on the said grounds so leased or purchased, to place or erect plants Steam engines or other Means for Generating power and any and all Kinds of Machinery necessary or proper to operate Carry out and effect the purposes and objects of this Corporation in all particulars.

Art-2.nd The purposes and objects of this Charter and Corporation are that it shall have the right, power and privileges under its Corporate Name to Manufacture ice, generate Electricity for lighting and for power purposes for private and public uses, and Water Works for private and public purposes, and also Bottling Works for the purposes of bottling Mineral Water and temperance drinks, Not intoxicating, The said Corporation is hereby Vested with all and every right, power and privilege belonging to or which may be incidental to operating performing and Carrying out the purposes of this Charter as aforesaid.

Art. 3. In the event that this Corporation shall not desire to put in operation all the purposes of the same at one time, then it shall have the right power and privilege to do the same at any Subsequent time or times that may be desirable. determined by the Board of Directors

Art 4 This Corporation shall have the right and power by its Board of Directors to Negotiate and borrow Money and to Secure the same by Mortgages or Trust deed upon its plants Real Estate and franchises, and sell and Convey the same or any part thereof as may be determined by its board of directors. and may also purchase or lease any personal property which the said board may desire for the purposes of the business Mentioned herein and may sell, Negotiate Convey or ship the products of the said business.

Art. 5. The Capital Stock of this Corporation shall be Twenty thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) and be divided into Two Hundred shares each worth One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) to be at par Value when the same is issued, but this Corporation may increase its Capital Stock to Fifty thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) at any time by a Vote of the board of directors, and on the increased Stock issue Certificates for the same each of the said Certificates being for the sum of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) which shall be at the time of par Value of one hundred Dollars ($100.00) and no Certificate shall be issued until the full Value thereof is paid into the Corporation.

Art. 6 The Certificates shall be in form and to the effect as may be determined by the board of directors, and signed by the President and Countersigned by the acting Secretary with or without the seal as may be directed by the board of directors.

Art 7. The offices of this Corporation shall Consist of Five Directors to be elected by the Stock Holders at a regular Meeting thereof which shall be on the 1st Monday of March each year, and the said Five directors may elect One of their number President and one Vice-President, and the said Five directors may if they so wish elect one of their number Secretary, which last office may be held by same director, the powers of these offices so elected by the board of directors shall be such as are usual and incidental to deliberative bodies of like character, none of the said officers shall be required to give bond, and should it happen, from any cause that the said board of directors should not be elected on the first Monday in March the present or any subsequent year, then the old board shall hold over until the New board is elected, and in such case a Call Meeting may be had for such purpose upon 6 days written notice by three of the Share Holders.

Art 8. The said board of directors shall have the right and power through any one of the said board, the said board having first so directed to Negotiate, bargain and Contract for labor employees and all Necessary and proper Material, Machinery, Houses, land and leases, and any and all other things act or acts Necessary or proper about or Concerning in incidental to the objects of this Corporation and its progress and development according to its objects and ends

Art. 9. At all regular Meetings and for all purposes each Stockholder shall have one Vote for each Share of Stock by him held which he may hold at the time of Voting, and any Stock or Share holder, may sell or hypothecate his Certificate in any manner not inconsistent with the Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Miss. and any Stock Share holder may Vote by proxy by appointing some one in writing to vote his share or stock at any and all elections and on any question to be Voted for. All Meetings of the Stock holders or board of directors may be had at the law

office of Butt & Butt in Clarksdale Coahoma Co. but the board of directors may change the place of Meeting at any time they desire. and it further is provided that the Meetings of the stockholders for the adoption of this Charter may be at any time and place upon Notice in writing by any one or more of those proposing to take Stock herein.

Art 10. All Salaries of officers or employes shall be determined and the amount fixed by the board of directors at any Call or regular Meeting of the said board.

Art 11. The said Corporation shall have power to purchase all real and personal property not needful in its business by way of collecting or securing debts which may be due it, and hold and operate the same for a period of 5 years and may sell and convey the same within said time.

Art 12 The said Board of directors may at such time they deem proper adopt all by-laws and change the same at pleasure which they may deem expedient or proper, Not inconsisting with this Charter and the laws of the State of Miss Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code 1892 is hereby accepted in reference to all rights and remedies herein

We hereby adopt the foregoing Charter this the 2d day of Feby, 1898

R.C. Graves
W.A. Crawley
John J Stephens
J.S. Butt
James F. Logan

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss. A.J. McLaurin
February 28th 1898. Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss. Wiley N. Nash
February 28th 1898 Atty General

Execution office Jackson, Miss,

The Within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Bohlen-Hasse Dev Company of Clarksdale, Miss. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 8th day of March 1898.

(Seal)

By the Governor A.J. McLaurin
J.L. Power
Secretary of State

Suspended by State tax Commission on February 8, 1964 for non-payment of franchise tax Heber Ladner Secretary of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Lumber Company.

Section 1. Be it known of all men that John B. Natty, A.G. Little and W.L. Chandler, who have associated in business are hereby incorporated, and a Corporation is hereby formed and is authorized and empowered to do business.

Section 2 The purposes for which said Corporation is created are these; Viz;- To carry on the Manufactur and dealing in lumber of all Kinds and the buying and selling of all Kinds of Wooden Manufactured articles and buildings Materials, and the exercise of such powers as are by this Charter Conferred on said Corporation.

Section 3. The persons desiring and seeking and who hereby are granted this act of incorporation are those Mentioned and named in the first section hereof.

Section 4. The name by which said corporation is to be known is the "Jackson Lumber Company"; and said Corporation is to have Succession and exist for forty-nine years from and after the first day of January A.D. 1878.

Section 5. The Capital Stock of said Company shall never exceed forty thousand dollars, and it shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, but the said Corporation may begin business when and as soon as two thousand five hundred dollars shall have been Subscribed and actually paid in; and payments for Stock may be made in cash or in property at it's actual cash Value. The said Corporation may at any time increase its Capital Stock, by a Vote of two-thirds of it Stock, within the limits thereof herein named. The Stockholders of said Corporation shall not be personally liable for it's debts or liabilities beyond what, if any, thing, may be due from them respectively for Subscriptions for Stocks.

Section 6 The officers of said Corporation shall be a President a Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers as the Stockholders may determine upon and elect; and the Stockholders may make by-laws and therein provide for the Management of the business of said Company in any way they see proper, Not Contrary to, or inconsistent with, the laws of this State or of the United States or Violative of public policy or good Morals.

Section 7. The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, and it shall there maintain an office but it may do business elsewhere in this State.

Section 8 The Corporation hereby Created shall have powers to purchase and own, lease, rent, Mortgage and sell Real Estate Necessary for the Transaction of its business and all Kinds of personal property but the Value of its property, other than Money, shall never exceed One Hundred thousand dollars; the said Corporation may borrow and loan money, may Manufacture lumber of all Kinds, may make, Manufacture and deal in all manner of articles and things which can be made, in whole or in part, of Wood; it may Contract and be Contracted with, may sue and be sued, may and shall

have a common Seal and the same break and alter at pleasure; it shall have the right to establish and maintain Mills, factories, shops and other Manufacturing plants in its place of domicile in this State; may establish and maintain lumber yards, stores and other places for the sale of its products; and may deal in Merchandise of every kind and discription, And it shall have and exercise all the powers, rights and privileges conferred by law and specified by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, 1892, in so far as the same may be within the Scope and purposes of its Creation, object and purposes.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss
December 30th 1897.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss,
December 30th 1897

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. at General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Returned 3/18/98

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Charter of Incorporation of the African Order of Good Samaritan.

Sec. 1. The purpose for which this Corporation is created are to unite fraternally all acceptable Men and Women of every profession and occupation; to give all posible Moral and Material aid in its power to its Members by holding Moral, instructive and Scientific lectures, and by encouraging each other in business, and by assisting each other to obtain employment; to promote benevolence and charity by creating a Sick and burial funds from which, on a Satisfactory evidence of the illness of a Member of the Corporation who has Complied with its lawful requirments, a sum not exceding $3.00. a week shall be paid to him or to his family for sick benefits and upon the death of a member, the sum not exceding $50,00 May be paid for funeral expenses and to provide for creating a fund to defray Sick and burial expenses.

Sec. 2. The Corporation shall be Composed of A.W. McDonald, T.N. Scott, J.A. McDonald, and S.N. Strawinger, and such other persons as may become associated with them for the purpose named in Sec. 1. of this Charter, to be incorporation under the name of The African Order of Good Samaritans, Whose domicile shall be at Durant, Miss., until otherwise changed, and shall have power of instituting Subordinate lodges, as it may see fit, under such laws, Rules and regulations as the Corporation may enact, not in Conflict with the laws of this State and the United States.

Sec. 3. This Corporation shall have and exercise all the powers, rights, and privilges authorized by Chapter 25, of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, which may be Necessary and Proper for Carrying out the objects and purposes of this Charter and is to exist for a period of 50 years unless sooner dissolved by the Stockholders or otherwise.

Sec. 4, The business of the Corporation shall be Managed by a Council, and to be Composed of four incorporators who shall hold office until their Successors are Chosen under regulations to be adopted by the Corporative.

Sec. 5 The Council, a Majority Whom shall Constitute a quorum may elect such officers as may be Necessary for Carrying out the purposes of this Corporation, prescribe their duties, fix their Compensation and may require bonds and approve the same. One person may hold More than one office; and said Council shall have power to Make and adopt such by laws as it may deem Necessary and which are not repugnant to this Charter and of the laws of the State.

Sec. 6. The first Meeting of the incorporators may be held at such time as they may agree upon.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to

the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss,
December 16th 1897

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson Miss
December 16th 1897

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the African Order of Good Samaritan is hereby Approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of Wellman Lodge No. 1. United Brotherhood of Laborers.

Sec. 1. Know all Men by these Presents, That W. J. McCraw, J. N. Carlisle, Harris Mitchell, Nelson Lloyd, Moses Furlow, T. J. Gibson, J. M. Perry, George Fuller, and John Liggett, of Wellman, Lincoln County, Mississippi, and their associates and Successors, be, and they are hereby Constituted and Created a body Corporate by the name and style of "Wellman Lodge No. 1. United Brotherhood of Laborers, with perpetual Succession for the term of fifty years, and, as such, said Corporation may have a Common Seal, and shall have power to sue and be sued, defend and be defended, and possess all the powers and privileges of a body Corporate, and shall do all such acts as pertain to a body Corporate.

Sec. 2. The said Corporation is created for benevolent, Charitable, and friendly purposes, and for Social and Economical advantages, and for Mutual aid and Assistance to its Members, and the Care and support of such of its Members as may become sick, infirm or disabled by disease or otherwise, their Widows and Orphans.

Sec. 3. The said Corporation shall have power to Make and Adopt a Constitution and by-laws and prescribe rules and Regulations for its own Government, for the Election of all Necessary Officers, for the admission, Suspension or expulsion of its Members, and all other rules and Regulations Whatever for the proper Control and Government of said Corporation Not Contrary to law, and may Change, alter, amend, or repeal the same at pleasure.

Sec. 4. The said Corporation shall have power to purchase real and personal property Necessary and proper for the Purposes of said Lodge, and the same may hold for the benefit of said Lodge and its Successors, and the title to all property of whatever description now held or owned by trustees or any Member or Members of said Lodge, for the use and benefit thereof, is hereby Vested in the said Corporation.

Sec. 5. That any two of the persons named in the first Section of this Charter, are hereby authorized, when the said Charter has received the written approval of the Governor of this State, to call a Meting of the Members of the Lodge, in such way and Manner, and at such time and place as they may appoint, and the Meting, when so assembled, may proceed to organize the Corporation under the provisions of this Charter.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson. Miss
February 22nd 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss,
February 22d 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Millman Lodge No. 1. United Brotherhood of Laborers is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed. this 8th Day of March 1898

Seal

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

A. J. McLaurin

The Charter of Incorporation of the Leaf River Lumber Company.

Know all Men by these Presents That D. J. Batchelder Jr, C. W. Rich and F. L. White and such other persons as may become associated with them, be and they are hereby Created a body politic and Corporate under the name of The Leaf River Lumber Company, by which name said Corporation shall be known, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all the Courts of law and Equity in this State. Said Corporation is Created for the purpose of buying lands and timber, and erecting saw Mills and lumber factories, and to buy and sell and Manufacture lumber, and sell Lands. It shall have Succession for a period of Fifty years. Its Capital Stock shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars, and may be increased to One Hundred Thousand dollars - to be divided into Shares of One Hundred Dollars each. It shall have all the powers Conferred on such Corporations by Chapter 26 of the Revised Code of Mississippi of 1892, and the power to build and operate lumber Rail Roads, and Tram Ways for its private use, and all other powers Necessary and Convenient to the execution of the purposes of its Creation, and may have a Common Seal.
The Domicile of said Corporation shall be at Hattiesburg, Perry County Mississippi. No Stockholder shall be liable for any debt of the Corporation beyond the amount of Stock Subscribed for by him or her, except as provided in said Chapter of the Revised Code aforesaid

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
December 16th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitutions or Laws of the State,

Jackson Miss,
December, 16th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Leaf River Lumber Co. is hereby approved.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Organization of the "Natchez & Gulf Rail Road Company"

Natchez Miss. March 8th 1898

The undersigned directors of the "Natchez & Gulf Rail Road Company" elected by the Charter members of said Company Certifify, that said Company was organized in the City of Natchez on the 8th day of March A.D. 1898 and fixed the Capital Stock of same, at Two Million Dollars, divided into Shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

W. N. Hardy
W. N. Shields
W. B. McGehee
A. A. White
N. A. Camp
Louis Botto
Abe Mayer
Jas M. Lambuth
Sim N. Lowenburg

State of Mississippi }
County of Adams }

Personally appeared before me John F. Junkins Chancery Clerk of said County W. N. Shields one of the directors of said Natchez & Gulf R.R. Rail Road Company, who on oath says that the Matters and facts set forth in the above and foregoing Statement are true & correct

W. N. Shields

Sworn and Subscribed before me this 17th day of March 1898.

Seal. John F. Junkins
Clerk.

Recorded this 22d day of March A.D. 1898.

J. L. Power
Secy. Hall

The Charter of Incorporation of The Summit Telephone Company.

Section I. Be it known, That J. N. Stevens Jr. and his associates and successors, be and they are hereby created a body politic and Corporate, with succession for a period of fifty (50) years, under the name and style of The Summit Telephone Company, and by such name may Contract and be Contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgement and satisfaction in all the Courts of law and equity; make and adopt a Corporate Seal and the same change, alter or break at pleasure.

Section II That said body Corporate is hereby empowered to Construct, maintain and operate telephone lins, for the transmission of Messages for public use, traversing any and all of the Counties in the State of Mississippi; and in the erection, Maintenance and operation of said telephone lins the said Corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to Construct the same, and to set up and erect its post and fixtures along and across any of the public highways, streets or Natus, and along and across all turnpikes, Railroads and Canals, and also through any of the public lands of or Contained in said State, as far as may be Necessary.

Section III That said body politic may buy, own, sell, lease and Convey property, real and personal Needful to its purposes, provided that it shall Not at one time own property of a greater Value than fifty thousand dollars, and May borrow and lend money and secure the payment of the same by Mortgage or otherwise.

Section IV. That the said Corporation in Conducting and operating its said telephone lins may fix, exact and Collect rates and Charges for the use of its telephone lins.

Section V. That said Corporation may Construct, maintain and operate in said State such telephone exchanges as it may see fit, and in the Construction, Maintenance and operation of said exchanges said Corporation may exercise all the powers and rights indicated in the preceding Section with reference to its said Telephone lins.

Section VI That the domicile or principal place of business of said Corporation shall be in the town of Summit, in the County of Pike, in the State of Mississippi.

Section VII That the Capital Stock of said body Corporate shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars, divided into shares of One hundred dollars each; ^Said Corporation may organize when five (5) shares of the said Stock have been subscribed for and paid in and no Stockholder shall be liable in any Manner as a Member of said Corporation beyond the Amount of any unpaid balance upon any share held by him.

Section IX That said Corporation may establish and Maintain all needful offices and fixtures and adopt such by-laws as may be essential to its proper Conduct and may elect such officers and directors as may be necessary for the Management of said

Corporation.

Section X That said Corporation may exercise all of its said powers and rights in other States of the United State of America to the extent that it may be permitted or empowered to act by the laws of such other States.

Section XI That this Charter take effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

Section XII. That said Corporation may enjoy all the rights and privileges, Consistent with its purposes, as given by Chapter 25 of the Code of Mississippi of 1892 and the amendments thereof.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
January 12th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss
January 12th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Summit Telephone Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898

Seal

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Oil Mill.

Sec. 1. Ben. L. Jones, A. Henderson, C.E. Wright, J.N. Fraiser, D.S. Jones, C.L. Townes, R.N. Hitt, M.M. Bardwell, and Ed Jones, their associates and successors are hereby Constituted a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of the Greenwood Oil Mill for the purpose of Manufacturing and refining Cotton Seed Oil, Cake and other Seed Products, ginning and packing Cotton and Charging a reasonable Compensation therefor, grinding all Kinds of grain and Making all Kinds of Soap and preparing the same for Market and Sale.

Sec. 2. Said Corporation shall exist and have Succession for a period of fifty years and it may have and adopt a Common Seal and alter and change the same at pleasure, and it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and it may acquire by purchase or otherwise, all Kinds of property Necessary for the transaction of its business real, personal and Mixed, and hold or sell same, and it may borrow and lend Money, and Negotiate loans for others and Charge a reasonable Commission therefor and make all Needful Contracts in the interest of its business and not prohibited by law, and it may make all Needful by-laws for the Regulation and government of its affairs and do all other acts incident to a Corporation within the scope of its business and not in Violation of the Constitution of the United States, or of the State of Mississippi, Nor Contrary to the laws thereof.

Sec. 3 The domicile and place of business of said Corporation shall be in or near the City of Greenwood, in the County of Leflore State of Mississippi, but it may acquire and hold Houses, grounds and buildings for Storing Seed or any other purpose Connected with its business, at any other place or places and sell and dispose of the same at pleasure.

Sec. 4 The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Sixty thousand dollars with the right to increase it on a Vote of its Stockholders from time to time to an amount Not exceeding One Hundred thousand Dollars and said Stock shall be divided into shares amounting to $100.00 each but one Certificate for the whole number of shares held by one person or firm may be issued instead of a Certificate for each share, and no Stock Holder shall be liable for the debts of said Corporation, beyond the unpaid amount of his Subscription.

Sec. 5 The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, Vice President Secretary and Treasurer and five directors who shall be elected annualy by the Stockholders of this Corporation. In the event of any Vacancy occuring in any office the same may be filled by the Board of directors, but only to fill the unexpired term. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person. The President and Vice President shall be Ex-officio directors and shall have the right to Vote in all directory Meetings.

Sec. 6. When $40,000. has been subscribed to the Capital Stock of said Corporation it may commence business.

Sec. 7. In Conducting the affairs of said Corporation and in all Voting for Directors or any other Purpose whatever, each Stockholder shall be entitled to as many Votes as he has Shares of Stock, and no Meeting of Stockholders shall be Voted as a quorum for business unless the holders of a Majority of the Shares of Stock shall be present in Person or by Proxy, after due Notice given as shall be prescribed in the by-laws of said Corporation,

Sec 8. No Change of ownership of the Capital Stock of said Corporation shall in any way bind said Corporation until shall have been first offered to the Company, which shall have the refusal of the same. Such Change shall have been entered on the books of said Corporation,

Sec. 9. Said Corporation shall also have the right, if its Stockholders or a Majority of them so desire to operate Coal yards, buy and sell Coal and wood, Manufacture ice, Soda Water and Mineral Water, and sell same, to Conduct and operate a System of Water Works and Electric lights and to Pasture Cattle for sale; and shall also have the right to Construct and operate any and all such Tramways and Steamboats and barges as its directory may deem expedient or desirable to enable it to handle and Control Cotton Seed and if they desire so to do they may Carry on such Tramway and Steamboats passengers, freight or other Product for a reasonable Compensation; and shall have all the powers and privileges granted by the provisions of Chapter XXV of the Annotated Code of 1892

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and Legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss,
January 26th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution and Laws of the State

Jackson, Miss.
January 26th 1898

Riley R. Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office Jackson Miss } The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Oil Mill is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss, to be affixed this 12th day of March 1898,

By the Governor
J L Power — Sec of State

A. J. McLaurin

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Commerce of Durant Mississippi

Section 1. Be it remembered, That W.W. Mayfield, W.S. McLellan, M.N. Mullen, Ag. B. Owen, Wm Childs, J.R. Cargill, J.A. McDonald, W.P. Trushare, J. Marsalles, E.C. Mayfield, J.G. Hamilton, M.P. Lightfoot, J.B. Sweeny, F.M. Sutton, G.F. May, W.M. Lockhart and Mrs C.M. Hayes and their associates and Successors be and they are hereby Constituted a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of the Bank of Commerce, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded at any Court of law or equity in the State of Mississippi or elsewhere, May have a Common Seal, the same to be altered at pleasure, and shall Continue for fifty years, unless sooner dissolved by the Stockholders said Bank shall have the rights and exercise the privilege appertaining to a general banking, exchange and brokerage business, and loan Money and take Security therefor in any Kind of property, or otherwise, with all the powers of a body Corporate, and to operate said Bank or such body Corporate with its offices and Headquarters in the town of Durant Holmes County Mississippi.

Section 2 That the Capital Stock of this Corporation shall be Twenty five thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred dollars each, with power to increase the same from time to time by a majority vote of the stockholders to a sum not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars, but this Corporation may organize and be in operation Whenever the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars is subscribed.

Section 3 That said Banking Company shall be and hereby is authorized to invest the Capital in gold or Silver Coin, bullion, bank Notes, bonds, Mortgages, bills of exchange (foreign or Domestic), or other evidences of debt, May buy, own, rent or lease Real Estate at its pleasure necessary for and in the management of its business, and may loan Money and discount paper, and have General Banking Powers.

Section 4. That the business of said Bank shall be Confided to and Controlled by the Stockholders under such rules, and by laws, and regulations as said Corporation may see fit to adopt, provided the same be not in Conflict with the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi. Each Stockholder shall be entitled to as many Vote as shares owned by him or her in all proceedings of the Stockholders, and may authorize in Writing only any other Stockholder to Vote for him or her.

Section 5 That said Bank shall be authorized to receive or deposit any amount of Money or Valuables, and to receive such rate of interest as may be Mutually agreed upon by said Bank and its Customers, provided such rate shall not exceed the rates allowed by law in the Case of others.

Section 6. No Stockholder shall be liable in any event or in any Manner at law or equity as a member of said Corporation beyond the amount of stock held by him or her therein, and then only to the extent of any unpaid balance

upon the Shares held by him or her.

Section 7 That in all Mitings and procedings of the Stockholders a Majority of the Stock represented either in person or by proxy being present at the Miting shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business that may come before them; and a Majority of the Stock so present and Voting shall determine all Mottors and Questions. Each Stockholder shall be entitled to as many Vots as Stock owned by him or her, one Vote for each share.

Section 8 That there shall be a general Miting of the Stockholders on the Second Thursday in January 1898, and on that day annually thereafter for the purpose of electing officers and Directors for the ensuing Year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them. Should there be a failure of the Stockholders to Met on the said Second Thursday in January 1898, then said Miting may be held as soon thereafter as possible, And in the event of the failure of the stockholders to Met on Second Thursday in January in any of the after Years, then the Board of Directors shall Call a Miting as soon thereafter as practicable, and to continue to call such Miting until a Miting is had. The time, Mode and Manner of electing, selecting, or employing a Cashier and officers other than President, Vice President and Board of Directors May be prescribed by the By-Laws of said Corporation.

Section 9. The officers of said Bank shall be a President, Vice President, Cashier, and a Board of Seven Directors, and such subordinate officers as may at any time be Considered Necessary, and the duties and powers of said officers shall be prescribed by the By-laws of said Corporation; provided that the President and Vice President each shall Constitute and be one of said number of 7 Directors. Said By-Laws shall also prescribe how Many Member of said Board of Directors present at their Mitings, Procedings and Transactions shall Constitute a quorum. And within two days after the general election or at the earliest practicable time after such election, the Newly elected Board of Directors shall Met and elect one of their number to act as President, and another as Vice President for the ensuing Year. Each officer shall serve and perform the duties and functions of his respective office until his Successor is elected, and installed or qualified.

In case of the death, resignation or Removal of the President, Vice President or other Member of said Board of Directors, the Vacancy for the unexpired term shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 10 No one person or firm, as a firm shall hold More than fifty Shares in this Corporation, provided, that Parents or guardians may hold Stock for Minors.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson. Miss.
January 13th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State,

Jackson Miss
January 13th 1898

Wiley H. Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Commerce, of Durant, Mississippi is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of March 1898.

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mch 15th 1898

To the Honorable Governor of the State of Mississippi
The undersigned, A. T. Averill, W. N. Durin, George T. Hodges, Glenn M. Averill, and Harry T. Hodges all of whom resides in the City of Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa, and the post office address of each and all of whom is Cedar Rapids, Iowa, desire to organize themselves and their successors into a Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi, for the purpose of Constructing, Maintaining, and Operating a railroad within the State of Mississippi, as follows, to-wit:
From the town or City of Indianola in Sunflower County, Mississippi, running thence in a Northerly direction to the town of Dockery in said County, and thence Continuing in a Northerly direction to the Northern boundary of said Sunflower County. Also a line of railroad from the town of Dockery Westerly to the town or City of Boyles in Bolivar County, Mississippi, and thence Westerly to the Mississippi River, with the privilege of purchasing and using the railroad now partially Constructed on the last named line from Dockery to Boyles and on Westerly.
Your applicants attach hereto a map or plat showing the lines of the proposed railroad, lying between the points herein named. The name by which said Corporation shall be known, is the Memphis & Sunflower River Railroad Company.
The time within which it is hoped said railroad can be Completed is two years from the organization of the Corporation.
The railroad line which it is proposed to purchase for said Corporation is now owned by private individuals, and the purchase which is expected to be made will be at private sale.
And we respectfully ask that proclamation be issued by the Honorable Governor of the State of Mississippi, authorizing the Creation and formation of a Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi, for the purposes herein set forth.

Name	Post-office address
A. T. Averill	Cedar Rapids Iowa.
Glenn M. Averill	" " "
W. N. Durin	" " "
Geo T. Hodges	" " "
Harry T. Hodges	" " "

The foregoing application to organize a railroad Corporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his opinion as to whether it be in Conformity to law
Jackson Miss
March 29th 1898

A. J. McLaurin

The foregoing application to organize a Railroad Corporation Conforms to law.
Jackson Miss
March 29th 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

The State of Mississippi
Executive Department

To all to whom these presents shall come—Greeting:

Whereas, A.T. Averill, W.H. Davis, George T. Hodges, Glenn M. Averill, and Harry T. Hodges, all of whom reside in the City of Cedar Rapids, Linn County Iowa, did on the 15th day of March A.D. 1898, forward to me their petition declaring their intention of organizing a Railroad Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Now Therefore, I, A.J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi by Virtue of the power in me vested by the Constitution and laws of the State, including Chapter 112 of the annotated Code of Mississippi 1892, entitled "Railroads" do issue this my

Proclamation

authorizing the said A.T. Averill, W.H. Davis, George T. Hodges, Glenn M. Averill and Harry T. Hodges to organize a Railroad Corporation with the terminal points of the said proposed railroad to be from the town of Indianola, in the County of Sunflower, Mississippi, running thence in a Northerly direction to the town of Dockery, in said County, and thence Continuing in a Northerly direction to the Northern boundary of said Sunflower County. Also, a line of railroad from the town of Dockery, Westerly to the town of Boyles, in Bolivar County, State of Mississippi, and thence Westerly to the Mississippi River with the privilege of purchasing and using the railroad now partially Constructed on the last named line from Dockery to Boyles, and on Westerly to the State Line. And the name of the said proposed railroad Corporation shall be known as the Memphis & Sunflower River Railroad Company.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand, and Caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, this the 29th day of March in the year of our Lord, 1898.

(Seal)

A.J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J.L. Power
Secy. State

Recorded March 29th 1898. J.L. Power — Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Old People and Orphans Home."

Sec. 1. S. R. Gipson, S. F. Gipson, A. D. Hays, T. W. Davis, Miles Brown, A. R. Rush, G. B. Brown, L. E. Washington and A. Wood and thass who may be or may hereafter become associated with them, their Successors, and assigns being desirous of securing the benifits and privilages Confurred by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 are hereby created a body Corporate, and are hereby incorporated under the Name of "The Old People and Orphans Home" and by said Corporate Name may sue and be sued, Contract and be Contracted with, and do and perform any and all things not inconsistent with its Charter or the laws of the land.

Sec. 2 The domicile of this Corporation shall be within the State of Mississippi at such place as shall be determined upon by said Company.

Sec. 3. The object and design of this Corporation is for charitable purposes, that is for the purpose of establishing, building, and Maintaining a home for "Old People and Orphans," and in order to do so it may issue Stock in shares of One, Two, Five, Ten and Twenty Five Dollars each, and sell the same and use the Money or property received for same for above purpose, it may receive gifts in money or in property, it may buy land and lease and deed to same, it may buy personal property and own same, and it may sell, incumber, transfer, and Convey any of its property or evidences of debt or Credit, borrow Money, Execute Mortgages or Trusts deeds on its property to secure loans, and do any and all things which it may deem best for the interest of the Corporation, and possess all the powers Confurred by Chapter 26 of Annotated Code of Mississippi upon like Corporations.

Sec 4. This Corporation may exist fifty years.

Sec 5. The Management of this Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Control, and the Incorporators named herein shall Constitute the first Board of which Board A. D. Hays shall be President. A. Wood, Vice-President, S. F. Gipson Treasurer, and S. R. Gipson Secretary. This Board of Control and said officers shall remain in office for One year, and thereafter until their Successors are elected, and Organized. The Board of Control may be elected annually by the Stockholders of this Company. or the time, Manner of their election, and term for which they shall serve, may be fixed in the by-laws or Constitution, and the Corporation shall have power to Make any by-laws or adopt any Constitution for the Management and Control of this Corporation not inconsistent with its Charter or the law of the Land.

Sec. 6. The Incorporators or Stock-holders shall not be liable personally for the debts of this Corporation further than any balance which

they may owe on any stock subscribed for by them, and the Stock May be transferrd by endorsement on the back, and delivery of the Certificate of Stock, and it shall be transferrd on the Company's books.

Sec. 7 This Corporation is authorized to begin business immediately upon the granting of this Charter.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is hereby submitted to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
March 14th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson. Miss
March - 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson. Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Old People and Orphans Home is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 29th day of March 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secretary of State

Amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the Capital Shoe Company.

That the heading of said Charter be so amended as to read as follows, to-wit:-

The Charter of Incorporation of the Capital Shoe and Men's Furnishing Goods Company, and wherein the words "Capital Shoe Company" appears in said Charter the same is hereby changed to read "Capital Shoe and Men's Furnishing Goods Company." That Section 4 be so amended as to read "The Corporation is hereby authorized to carry on in Jackson a general shoe and Men's furnishing goods business, which said City shall be the domicile of the Corporation and to keep and sell such other articles of Merchandise as may be beneficial to the shoe and Men's furnishing goods business

Signed

L. N. Applegate, President.
J. B. Lusk, Secty & Treasurer

The foregoing amendments to the Charter of incorporation of the Capital Shoe Company are hereby submitted to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the same.

Jackson Miss
March 29th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing amendments to the Charter of the Capital Shoe Company are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
March 29th 1898.

Wiley Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the Capital Shoe Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 30th day of March 1898.

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of The Bodman & Pettit Lumber company.

Section 1. F. D. Bodman, Hugh Pettit, R. E. Bodman, W. L. Pettit & W. A. Percy, with such other persons as may become Stockholders in this Corporation, and their Successors, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Bodman & Pettit Lumber company, with perpetual Succession, for fifty years and the domicile of said Corporation shall be Lake View, Desoto County, State of Mississippi.

Section 2. Said Corporation is created for the purpose and is hereby authorized to Carry on the business of buying and selling real Estate, and may own, use, improve, Cultivate, occupy, rent, lease and enjoy the same, and may acquire the title thereto by gift, grant or purchase, and Mortgage, sell absolutely, or otherwise Convey the same.x The said Corporation is also hereby empowered to engage in the business of Milling, log running, booming and Manufacturing lumber, and other Material, and to erect and Maintain all buildings, factories Store-houses and appurtenances it may desire to Carry on its business, and to sell and dispose of all articles and Commodities produced and Manufactured by it, and to engage in the buying and selling of lumber, logs at Wholesale or retail, and to operate tram roads, in connection with its other business, by horse or Steampower

x Lands acquired by the Corporation, except that Necessary for its offices, shall be Conveyed by the Corporation within ten years and shall not thereafter be owned or Controlled by the Corporation.

Section 3 The Corporation shall have all the rights, privileges and immunities Conferred upon such Corporation by the Constitution and laws of Mississippi Now in existence or which may hereafter be passed, and be applicable to this Class of Corporations.

Section 4 The persons named in this Charter, or a Majority of them, may Meet in the town of Lake View, or any time or place they May Meet, and organize under this Charter, and Spreading this Charter on the Minuts of said Company shall be evidence of its acceptance, and organization thereunder.

Section 5. The Name, Number, duties and tenure of all Officers of the Corporation, and the Conduct and Management of its business, and the amount of Capital Stock, and amount of Shares of same, may be fixed by By-laws to be adopted by the Corporation, but its officers when elected shall hold their offices until their Successors are elected and qualified.

F. D. Bodman
Hugh Pettit
W. L. Pettit
W. A. Percy
R. E. Bodman

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Atty. General for his opinion as to the Constitutionality and Legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
March 21st 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Execution office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Bodman & Pettit Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set My hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Union.

J. W. Steward, Allen Drumgro, C.E. Edgar, and T.S. Mure, and such others as may be associated with them under Chapter 26 of the annotated Code of Mississippi, and the acts of the Legislature of said State, Amendatory; are hereby incorporated as an agricultural Society for the promotion of the Colored Farmers of Attibbeha County, do hereby declare.

1st That said association shall be known as the Farmers Union.

2d That the domicile of said association shall be Attibbeha County Mississippi. That said Farmers Union shall have Succession for the duration of 26 years. Its object is for scientific instruction, and for the Moral Social, Elevation of it Members. That the Capital Stock shall be $25,00 which may be increased to $500,00 by two thirds vote of the Stockholders. That it may Sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Court of law and equity. That the Shares of the Capital Stock shall be one dollar each. and When the Sum of ten dollars shall be subscribed, and paid in the said Farmers Union, may proceed to organize by the election of a board of officers. Consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and other officers as may seem necessary and proper for the good of the order. That each Share of One Dollar shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote at each Stockholders Meeting. That said Shares only be assignable and transferable on said books of said Association.

The Farmers Union may have and use a Common Seal.

And that the said Farmers Union may hold, own, possess real personal and mixed property, Choses in action to the amount of one Thousand Dollars, and the same to encumber and dispose of according to such rules and resolutions as shall be formed and adopted by the said Members as they shall direct, not inconsistent with this Charter, and the laws of the State of Mississippi.

3d That the officers of the said Farmers Union shall be elected annually the term to be fixed by the Farmers Union. Said Farmers Union shall have power to make and prescribe by-laws and rules for the government of said Corporation as it may deem proper, not inconsistent with the Charter and the laws of Mississippi.

4th That said Farmers Union shall be organized when this Charter is approved by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss,
March 30th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Union is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 7th day of April 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Amendment of the Charter of Incorporation of the A.B. Smith Company.

Article. 1. The Corporate Name of the A.B. Smith Company. is hereby changed to that of The G.K. Smith Company, with all of its right, powers, privileges, immunities, property, and liabilities conferred to it, and Continued under its new name of The G.K. Smith Company, as under its former name, and without changing its Corporate existence or identity.

Article 2. The Capital Stock of said Corporation, whether authorized or paid in, may be increased, to any sum not less than Ten Thousand Dollars, by the Stockholders thereof, at any regular or called Meeting.

I. W.N. Carothers, Secretary & Manager of the A.B. Smith Company. A Corporation duly authorized under the law of the State of Mississippi, whose place of business, is Indianola Sunflower County, Do Hereby Certify, that the foregoing amendment, was unanimously adopted by all of the Stockholders of said Company, At a regular Meeting held at their office on the 17th day of February 1898.

Witness My signature, and official seal of the A.B. Smith Company, (Indianola Mississippi) This the 26th day of March A.D. 1898

W.N. Carothers
Secretary & Manager

The foregoing amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the A.B. Smith, Company are hereby submitted to the Hon. Atty General for his opinion as to whether the same be in Conformity to the Constitution and laws of the State.
March 29th 1898

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing amendments are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
March 29th 1898.

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the A.B. Smith Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898

(Seal)

A.J. McLaurin

By the Governor.
J.L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Producers Cotton Oil Co.

Section 1. B.S. Ricks, R.V. Powers, S. Castleman, S.D. Irwin, N.B. Hooker, G.A. Wilson, J.F. Powell, D.N. Gilruth, D.H Barnwell, W.D. Pugh, W.N. Sliter, H. Wise, Wm Warmack, Brown & Fox, C.A. Clark, Warren & Montgomery Bros, M.C. Howard their associates and successors are hereby Constituted a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of "The Producers Cotton Oil Co," for the purpose of Manufacturing and refining Cotton Seed Oil, Cake and other Seed Products, ginning and packing Cotton and charging a reasonable Compensation therefor, grinding all Kinds of grain and Making all Kinds of Soap and preparing the same for Market and sale.

Section 2 Said Corporation shall exist and have Succession for a period of fifty years and it may have and adopt a common seal and alter and change the same at pleasure, and it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and it may acquire by purchase or otherwise, all Kinds of property, real, personal and mixed Necessary for its business, and hold or sell same, and it may borrow and lend Money and Negotiate loans for others and charge a reasonable Commission therefor and Make all Needful Contracts in the interest of its business and not prohibited by law. and it may Make all needful by-laws for the regulation & Government of its affairs and do all other act incident to a Corporation within the Scope of its business and not in Violation of the Constitution of the United States or of the State of Mississippi Nor Contrary to the laws thereof.

Section 3 The domicile and place of business of said Corporation shall be, in or near Yazoo City in the County of Yazoo, State of Mississippi, but it may acquire and hold Houses, grounds and buildings for storing Seed or any other purpose Connected with its business, at any other place or places and sell and dispose of the same at pleasure.

Section 4 The Capital Stock of said Corporation Shall be One Hundred Thousand dollars with the right to increase it on a Vote of the Stockholders from time to time to an amount not exceeding Two Hundred Thousand dollars and said Stock shall be divided into Shares amounting to $100 each, but one Certificate for the Whole Number of Shares held by one person or firm may be issued in stead of a Certificate for each share, and no Stockholder shall be liable for the debts of said Corporation beyond the unpaid amount of his Subscription.

Section 5 The officers of this Corporation shall be a President, Vice-President Secretary and Treasurer and five directors who shall be elected annually by the Stockholders. The President and Vice President

and directors shall be Stockholders of this Corporation. In the event of any Vacancy occuring in any office the same may be filled by the board of directors, but only to fill the unexpired term. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person. The President and Vice-President shall be ex officio directors and shall have the right to vote in all directors Meetings. The Board of Directors shall have such powers in the Control and Management of the business of said Corporation as usually pertains to a board of directors, and shall receive only the sum of $2.50 per day for such time as they actually engaged in the business of said Corporation, and such amounts as they may actually expend in going to and returning from Meetings of said Board.

Section 6. When $75,000 has been Subscribed to the Capital Stock of said Corporation it may commence business.

Section 7. In Conducting the affairs of said Corporation and in all Voting for directors or any other purpose Whatever, each Stockholder shall be entitled to as many Votes as he has shares of stock and no Meeting of Stockholders shall be held for business unless the holders of a Majority of the shares of stock shall be present in person or by written proxy, filed with the Secretary, after due Notice given as shall be prescribed in the by-laws of said Corporation.

Section 8 Should any Stockholder at any time wish to sell his Stock he shall first offer it in writing for thirty days to the Company stating in his offer what he will take for it, and it shall Not be sold for less than first offer without giving the Company opportunity to buy it.

Section 9 Said Corporation shall also have the right, if its Stockholders or a Majority of them desire, to operate Coal Yards, buy and sell Coal and wood, Manufacture it, and sell same, to Conduct and Operate a System of Water Works and electric light and to buy and fatten Cattle for sale; and shall also have the right to Construct and operate any and all such Tramways and Steam boats and barges as its directors may deem expedient or desirable to enable it to handle and Control Cotton Seed and if they desire so to do they May Carry on such tramway and Steamboats passengers, freight or other product for a reasonable Compensation, and shall have all the powers and privileges granted to such Corporations by the provision of Chapter twenty-five of the Annotated Code of 1892.

Section 10 A Meeting of the Subscribers to said Corporation May be Called for purpose of effecting an organization by Written Notice Signed by 5 of the incorporators to be held in Yazoo City, Mississippi, as soon as this Charter is approved by the Governor, by giving five days Notice to the incorporators.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
April 1st 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State,
Jackson Miss
April 1st 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Producers Cotton Oil Co is hereby approved,

Seal

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 1st day of April 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi

Section 1. Be it known, That D.A. Elliott, W.R. Lacy, W.N. Turner, J.D. Rimmer, R.N. Ousley and such other persons as may become associated with them under this Charter are Created in a body Politic and Corporate under the name of "The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi," for a period of fifty years under that name shall have all the powers, privileges and franchise incident to such Corporations under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Section 2. That the said Corporation shall have the right to Mutually insure the respective dwellinghouses, barns and other property of its Members in the State of Mississippi against loss by fire, wind or lightning upon such terms and under such Conditions as may be fixed by the by-laws of said Corporation. It may sue and be sued in any Court in this State, and may have and use a Common Seal.

Section 3 That said Corporation may Make by-laws fixing the number of its Board of Directors for each branch and offices and defining the duties and powers of the Directors and officers, also Making rules and regulations governing the Corporation and the Conduct with its business not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi.

Section 4 That every Member of any branch of said Corporation shall be and is hereby bound to pay his or their portion of all losses and expenses accruing to said branch of Corporation

Section 5 Every Member of the said Corporation shall be liable as herein provided until all outstanding losses shall have been paid and until the owner thereof shall have withdrawn his insurance in the manner prescribed by the by-laws of said Corporation.

Section 6 That the aggregate amount of insurance by said Corporation in any one County shall not exceed One Million dollars.

Section 7 That the principal office of said Corporation shall be at the town of Kosciusko, in Attala County, State of Mississippi, but it may have branch offices in any other County in the State of Mississippi that it sees fit.

Section 8 That the insurance business of said association shall be Conducted by and through branches thereof, which said branches shall Consist of fifty or more persons, who have applied for Membership and shall be organized in the Manner set out in the by-laws of said association.

Section 9 That the territorial limit of any branch of said association shall not Comprise more than five Counties nor less than one County

Section 10 That Membership in said association shall be acquired only through some regular organized branch thereof.

Section 11 That all losses accruing to the association shall be paid by a pro rata assessment of all the Members of the branch of the

Associations in which the said losses may occur, according to the amount of insurance held by said Member and no Member of the association shall be liable for any loss accruing outside of the branch of which he is a Member.

Section 12 That said Association may annually assess and collect from each and every Member of the association without regard to the different branches thereof for the payment of Contingent expenses the sum not exceeding one-tenth of one per Centum upon the amt of the insurance held by said Member.

Section 13 That the Board of Directors of said Association shall Consist of one Member from each branch of said Association elected by a Majority of the Members of said branch and until said Directors have been elected the incorporators named shall be and Constitute the Board of Directors for said Association.

Section 14 That any member of any branch of this Association may after thirty days written Notice to the President of the association resign his membership and from the date of his resignation shall in no way be liable as such for any losses which may thereafter occur.

The foregoing application to organize the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to whether it be in Conformity to law.

Jackson Miss,
April 8th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing application to organize the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi Conforms to law and that there is nothing therein Violative of the Constitution or laws of this State

Jackson Miss
April 8 1898

Welby T Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 9th day of April 1898

Seal

A J McLaurin

By the Gov.
J L Power
Secy State

Suspension set aside & ruled by letter from Tax Com 7/28/1936

Suspended by State Tax Commission as Authorized by Section 15, Chapter 121, Laws of Mississippi 1934 SEP 14 1936

Suspended by State Tax Commission as Authorized by Section 15, Chapter 121, Laws of Mississippi 1934 DEC 9 1935

The Charter of Incorporation of The Rosalie Cotton Warehouse & Compress Company.

Section 1. Be it Known, That S.E. Rumble, T.V. Wensel, G.O. Kondorffer, S.B. Stewart, and T.V. Wensel, Jr., and their associates and Successors, are hereby Created and Constituted a body politic and Corporate, under the name and style of "The Rosalie Cotton Warehouse and Compress Company," and by that Name shall have Corporate Succession and existence for a period of fifty years, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any Court, May Contract and be Contracted with, may acquire and hold, alien, encumber and otherwise dispose of property real and personal to the limit allowed by law Necessary for the purposes of this Corporation, may have a Corporate seal and the same alter or break at pleasure and shall possess all the powers, rights and privileges Conferred by the Constitution and laws of this State upon Corporations organized thereunder.

Section 2. The domicile of said Corporation shall be in the City of Natchez, State of Mississippi.

Section 3. The purposes for which said Corporation is Created are to establish, Maintain and Conduct a general and public warehouse and storage and Cotton Compress business.

Section 4. Said Corporation shall have the right and power to build, erect, equip Operate and maintain Storehouses, Warehouses, Sheds, presses, Compresses and other buildings, with usual and proper Machinery and fixtures, to Carry on its business; to Conduct a general warehouse and storage business; to receive and store in its Warehouses and sheds all Kinds of goods, wares and Merchandise, upon such terms and Conditions as it may fix Consistent with law and the provisions of this Charter; to press and Compress Cotton, Weigh, transfer, transmit and deliver the same at such times and places and upon such terms and Conditions as may be agreed upon with the owners or bailees thereof; to issue warehouse receipts for goods, wares, Merchandise and Cotton stored with it, which receipts shall by endorsement and delivery be transferable and assignable to pass such title to the articles Mentioned therein as is Vested in the persons to whom such receipts shall be issued, and which receipts may be endorsed and delivered be pledged as Security for debt in which case said Corporation shall hold the articles Mentioned therein as the agent or bailee of such pledgee, and such receipts shall in the hands of lawful holders thereof be prima facie evidence as against said Corporation that the articles named therein have been received by and stored with said Corporation.

Section 5. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Twenty five Thousand Dollars divided into Twenty-five Shares of the par value of One Thousand Dollars each which Capital Stock may be increased to an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars by a Majority Vote in amount of said Capital Stock

Section 6. The Management of the affairs of said Corporation shall be Confided to a Board of Three Directors, all of whom shall be stockholders shall be annually elected and shall hold their offices until their Successors are elected and qualified. The officers of said Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President and a Secretary, who shall by the Directors be elected annually from their number, and such other officers as the Board of Directors in their discretion shall name and which Said Board of Directors shall have the right to make and adopt such rules, regulations and by-laws for the government of said Corporation and its affairs as they may deem expedient which shall not be inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States.

Section 7. The first Meeting of said incorporators and their associates for the purpose of effecting organization hereunder, may be held after two days written notice to each of them, which notice may be signed by any two of said incorporators.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
April 7th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution and laws of the State

Jackson Miss
April 8th 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Rosalie Cotton Warehouse and Compress Co. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898

(Seal)

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of Bank of Bay St Louis

We the undersigned hereby associate ourselves and together with such others as may hereafter become associated with us for the purpose of forming a Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Article First.

This Corporation is to be known under the name of Bank of Bay St Louis, its domicile shall be the City of Bay St Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and shall exist for a period of fifty (50) years unless sooner dissolved by a two thirds (2/3) Vote of the Stockholders, each share representing one Vote.

Article Second.

This Corporation is created for the object and purpose of doing a general banking business and it shall have the power to do all acts Necessary for that purpose.

Article Third.

That Capital Stock of this Corporation is fixed at Twenty-Five Thousand ($25.000) Dollars divided into Two-Hundred & fifty (250) shares of One Hundred ($100) Dollars each. Said Capital Stock may be increased by a (2/3) Two thirds Vote of the Stock each share representing one Vote.

Article Fourth.

This Corporation shall be Managed by a board of directors elected by the Stockholders which said directors shall elect from their Number a President & Vice President and also elect a Cashier.

Article Fifth.

The board of directors of this Corporation are: E.J. Bowers, Jas F. Cazeneuve, John Asonisch, E.N. Hoffman, John Carroway, O.M. Nelson, Jas G. Fayard, August Keller, Charles Saeger.

Article Sixth.

This Corporation shall Commence business within Three (3) months after the approval of this Charter by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

Article Seventh.

At least One Fourth (1/4) of the Capital Stock shall have been paid in before this Corporation shall begin business.

In Testimony Whereof We have hereunto sign our names and affix our Seals this 28th day of February 1898.

John Asonisch. R.F. O'Brien. Joseph F. Cazeneuve
R.B. Eugmas. W.W. Boullemet. Mrs. C.E. Boullemet.
Per W.W. Boullemet. M.V. Gex. John V. Poulme. O.M. Nilson.
Aug. Keller John Carroway. Per pro O.M. Nilson.
Miss Teresa Lopez, Per pro O.M. Nilson, Mrs Mary Carroway
Per pro O.M. Nilson, Jas. G. Fayard, E.F. Fayard, Joseph Corpus
Thos L Evans. L.A. DeMontluzin M.J. Breath.
E.J. Bowers. E.J. Demarest. Chas Saeger

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
March 31st 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson Miss
March 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty-General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Bay St. Louis is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 7th day of April 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secretary of State

Charter of Incorporation of the Zion Chapel Willing Workers.

The Zion Chapel Willing Workers is a benevolent and charitable Association, organized for the mutual Benefit of its Members. Its chief object is to Care for the sick and distitute among it Members and to depray their funeral expenses. The Corporate Name by which this association shall be known is the "Zion Chapel Willing Workers," and shall be composed of the following Members:—
Martha Bailey, Elizer Brakefield, Charlie Bradley, A. Davis, Sippie Davis, Covington Davis, Emma Gilmer, Maggie Gilmer, N. Jones Sr, Lidia Jones, Alice Jones, Anna Triplett, Hercules Jones Jr, Junius Jones, Bettie Thomas, Wm Jones, E. A. Jones, Elvira Jones, Crecy Jones, Laura Luckett, Sarah Luckett, Robert Luckett, Sallie Pritchard, Belle Pritchard, James Pritchard, Jerry Payne, J. R. Love, Eliza Jones, A. Brooks, Jane Tillman, Wm Blackman, J. L. Lane, A. R. Lane, Susan Brooks, Lula Fulton, T. F. Luckett, Amanda Luckett, Daniel Reid, John Sanders, Martha Sanders, Amanda Stovall, Frank Stovall, Nell Thomas, Martha Watts, Master Brooks, Lidia Blackman, Amanda Jones, Johnson Bradley, Amanda Tillman, Charlotte Wilkinson, T. B. Smith, Johnnie Jones, Caroline Stovall, Sallie Lane, Crecy Tillman, A. N. Brown, Caroline Brown, E. A. Coming, Ann Smoot, Sylvester Smoot Jr. Isabella Love, Willis Hardon, Mary Smith, James Foster, O. L. Payne, K. T. Thomas, Albert Jones, John Fulton, Henry Luckett, H. Halbert, Murphia Hayes, Mattie Hayes, Sallie Jones, Amanda Watts, E. A. Hicks, Buck Bailey, Addie Love, Mahalia Washington, Willie Comins, G. W. Perry, Harriet Halbert, Willis Williams, Mrs E. A. Hicks, P. L. Sims, Henry Stovall, Willis Lane, Kittie Lane, Thomas Stovall, Annie Brown, George Brown Sr, George Brown Jr, Carrie Brown, Evalina Thomas, Hattie Lee, Ed Coleman, Lenil Coleman, Anna Hardin, James Sims, Henderson Watts, Sallie Hardin, Albert Sims, Sarah Sims, Willie Reid, Lula Reid, Annistead Riley, Sylvester Smoot Sr. and such others as may become hereafter associated with them, and said association shall exist and perpetuate itself for 50 years, it may sue and be sued, may prosecute and be prosecuted, to Judgement and satisfaction before any Court of Competent Jurisdiction. It may have a Corporate seal, by which its acts, Contracts and orders, with the signatures of the President may be authenticated. It may Contract and be Contracted with, within the limits of its Corporate power. May own, sell & Convey real & personal property necessary for its use, may borrow Money and secure the payment of the same by Mortgage or otherwise upon said property.

Section 2 It May Make all Necessary rules and by laws for its government, not inconsistent with and Contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

May determine the Manner of Calling and Conducting Meetings. The Manner of Voting by proxy. May elect all Necessary offices and prescribe the duties, Salaries and tenure of said offices.
Its offices shall Consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer and Board of Directors, to be elected annually by a Majority of the Members. The first Meeting shall be held on the —— day of —— 1898 and this Charter of incorporation shall go into effect and be operative whenever adopted by a majority of the Charter Members before Mentioned herein.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
Feby. 28th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson Miss
Feby 28th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Zion Chapel Milling Works is hereby approved In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss to be affixed this 8th day of March 1898.

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By the Gov.
J L Power
Secy. State

A. J. McLaurin

Proposed Amendment to City Charter of the City of Columbus.

"Amend Section Seventeen (17) of the City Charter, by adding the following: "Also at the same time, the City Council shall designate some Member thereof to be Vice President thereof, Protempore, who, during the absence of the Mayor and President thereof, Protempore, shall have the powers, and discharge the duties prescribed for said office.

I Hereby Certify that at a regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Mayor & City Council, held January 4th 1898. a quorum being present that the appended amendment to the City Charter, was duly offered, seconded & adopted, I further Certify that same has been published in a City paper for the length of time prescribed by the law and ordinance governing such publication.

Seal

H. M. Waddell
City Clerk

The foregoing proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Columbus is hereby submitted to the Hon. Attorney General for his opinion as to whether it conforms to the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the State of Mississippi.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson Miss
March 22d 1898

There is nothing in the foregoing proposed amendment of the Charter of the City of Columbus Violative of the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi.

Wiley A Nash
Atty General

Jackson Miss.
March 22d 1898

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the City of Columbus Miss is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Gov
J L Power
Secy State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Independent Order of Knights and Ladies of Honor.

We the undersigned Citizens of the State of Mississippi Most respectfully petition your to grant us the following Charter of incorporation, for the incorporation of the Independent Order of the "Knights and Ladies of Honor,"

Section 1. That W.E. Mask, J.W. Parker, Warren McDonald, A.L. Henderson, N.E. McDonald, R.M. Boyce, J.P. Minnis, E.E. Pettibone, P.S. Galden, J.T. Stroy and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, be and they are hereby Constituted and Created a body Corporate with right of succession under the Name and Style of the Independent order of the Knights and Ladies of Honor, that may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of law and equity may adopt a Corporate Seal and the same to alter or break at pleasure and may Contract and be Contracted with.

Section 2. The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Winona in the County of Montgomery and State of Mississippi, with power and right of establishing subordinate branches or lodges elsewhere in said State as said Corporation may desire or as they may deem best for the interest of the Corporation.

Section 3, The purpose of the incorporation shall be the Mutual aid of its Members, by the payment of an endowment to Members of the families of deceased Members or the legal representatives of such deceased members, and to donate Necessaries or money to pay for necessaries for sick or distressed members and to pay doctors bills and burial expenses of Members, said endowment to accrue from a direct assessment or taxation of each Member.

Section 4 Said Corporation shall be Controlled, governed and managed by such officers as the grand lodge from time to time may elect or designate. Said grand lodge to be Composed of Members or representatives who shall be elected by a Majority of the Members of said Corporation or shall be elected by a Majority of the Members of subordinate lodges. Each Subordinate lodge shall have the right to select One representative to the Grand Lodge.

Section 5 The grand lodge as Constituted in Section 4 of these articles of incorporation shall have the right and power from time to time to enact and adopt such rules, regulations and by-laws for the government and Management of the business of said Corporation as they may deem for the best interest of said Corporation not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of the State of Mississippi or the United States. Said Corporation shall have the right of Succession and to exist for the period of fifty years and shall have the right to purchase and own Real & Personal property.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully
referred to the Hon. atty. General for his advice as to the
Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson Miss
December 16th 1897

A J McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation
of the Independent Order of Knights and Ladies of Honor is
hereby approved. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the Great Seal of
the State of Miss. to be affixed this 12th
day of March 1898.

Seal

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Land and Investment Company of Vicksburg, Miss.

Section 1. I. R. Foster, Peter J. Schaefer, Frank W. Schaefer, Frank W. Mills together with their associates, Successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated and declared a body politic and incorporate, under the name and style of the Southern Land and Investment Company of Vicksburg, Mississippi, for a time not to exceed fifty (50) years, and by that name may sue and be sued, Contract and be Contracted with, and generally may do any and all acts Necessary or proper to perform the business and purposes of the Corporation not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States; and it may have a Common Seal and alter the same at pleasure.

Section 2 The domicile of said Company shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi but it may establish branch offices at any other places in this State or in any of the United States.

Section 3. The object of this Corporation shall be to acquire by purchase or otherwise, real estate or personal property, and the development of lands on its own account and for "others," in buying and selling such land at its discretion, to own in value, property not to exceed the amount of two Hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00), to borrow Money on its own account and for others, with the exception of that Necessary for its offices the land acquired by the Corporation shall be Conveyed by the Corporation within 10 years after its acquisition and not thereafter owned or Controlled by the Corporation.

Section 4. The said Corporation shall have the power to engage in the development of lands and other property, may induce immigration, and may do a general real estate agency and brokerage business, may Survey and lay out plats of its land into lots and sell the same as it may provide by its Constitution and by-laws, and as such real estate agency and brokerage business may acquire and dispose of all Kinds of personal property and real estate on its own account and for others, and shall have the power to Make and take Mortgages or deeds of trust, to secure loans or other debts, and may borrow and lend Money, and may Make and take bonds, bills, Certificate or promissory Notes and shall have the power to establish an advertising Bureau or Newspaper, and may Circulate pamplet or other descriptive Circulars touching the interest of the Corporation, of its own or entrusted to it, and may offer inducements to dispose of its property and to further emigration to properties acquired or entrusted to it, to improve its property as in such a way it may deem fit. Said Real estate to be Conveyed by said Corporation

Within ten years as aforesaid, and not thereafter owned or Controlled by said Corporation.

Section 5. The Capital Stock of the said Company shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00) divided into shares of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each, but the Capital Stock of said Company may be increased at any time by a Vote of the Majority of its Stockholders at a general Meeting, or at any Call Meeting for that purpose.

Section 6. Immediately upon the approval of this Charter, any one of the above named incorporators may without further Notice open books of Subscription for said Stock, and as soon as ten thousand dollars ($10,000.) thereof shall have been subscribed and paid for in Money, the Company may organize without further Notice, Commence business and elect a Board of Directors for the first term, A Majority Vote shall Control in all Meetings of Stock-holders and each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote for each Share of Stock held by him, and all Stock of said Company shall be Transferrable as provided by law.

Section 7. The affairs of the said Company shall be managed by a Board of Directors to Consist of not less than three, to be selected from among the Stock-holders who shall hold their office for a term of one year from their election and until their Successors are elected and qualified, and said Board of Directors shall have power to fill Vacancies in their office Caused by death, Resignation or otherwise. The Board of Directors shall elect from their number a President, a Secritary and also a Treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem proper. Any Director may hold one or more offices: all of said offices being subject to the Control of the Board of Directors, who shall have the general Control of the business of this Company. A general Stockholders Meeting for the election of a Board of Directors, may be held at any time upon due notice to the Stock-holders thereof, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in March of each year.

Section 8 The Said Corporation shall have full power to Make or alter any and all by-laws, Rules and Regulations for the Conduct and Management of its business and the Control of its offices, that it may see proper, so long as the same are not inconsistent with the Constitution of this State or of the United States and may appoint or employ all Necessary officers or agents in addition as they may deem proper.

Section 9. No Stock-holder of said Corporation shall ever be held liable for any debt of such Corporation, beyond the unpaid balance of Subscription due Stock held by him, her or It.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
March 12th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss,
March 12th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Land & Investment Company of Vicksburg Miss, is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg & Yazoo City Telephone Co.

Section 1. Be it known, that J.L. Thibodeaux, L. Kling, T.J. Nash, J.R. Lacy, F.P. Smith, A.W. Legg, T.A. Hallomau, W.W. Cooley & Co. L.V. Russell, E.J. & W.T. Bell, W.A. Hundermark, R. Middleton, Vicksburg and Yazoo River Packet Company, Haller Nutt, A.E. Richards, J.N. Norman, L. Kline, Dick Harris, C.J. Dubuisson, J.B. Taylor, Yazoo City Transportation Company, A.K. Barrier, C.J. Miller and Gibson & Roach and their associates and Successors be and they are hereby Created a body politic and Corporate, with Succession for a period of fifty years, and under the name and style of the Vicksburg and Yazoo City Telephone Company and by such Name May Contract and be Contracted with, Sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, Prosecute and be Prosecuted to Judgement & Satisfaction in all the Courts of law and equity, Make and adopt a Corporate Seal, and Change the same at pleasure, and

Section 2 That said body Corporate is empowered to Contract, Maintain and operate a telephone line for transmitting Messages for public use, the line to traverse the Counties of Yazoo and Warren, in the State of Mississippi from the City of Vicksburg in Warren County to Yazoo City in Yazoo County, and to Construct, Maintain and operate spur lines in said Counties and for the purposes of Connection may extend its spur lines into adjoining Counties, and in the erection, Maintenance and operation of said telephone line or spur lines, the said Corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to Construct the same and to set up and erect its posts and fixtures along and across any of the public highways, Streets or Waters and along and across any turnpike railroads and Canals, and also through any of the public lands of or Contained in said Counties as far as it may be necessary, Subject however to the regulations provided for in Section 806 of the Code of 1892.

Section 3. That said body politic may buy, own, sell, lease and Convey property real and personal Needful to its purposes, provided it shall not own property at any one time of greater Value than Twenty thousand dollars, and it may borrow and lend money and may secure the payment of the same by Mortgage or otherwise and,

Section 4 That the said Corporation in Conducting and operating its said telephone line or Spur or Connections, may fix, Exact and Collect Rates and Charges for the use of said line or its Spurs or Connections and

Section 5 That said Corporation may Construct Maintain and Conduct Telephone Exchanges in such Cities, towns and Villages in the said Counties of Yazoo and Warren or in adjoining Counties where its Spur lines or any of them shall extend into such Counties, as it may see fit; and in the Construction, Maintainance and operation of said exchange or exchanges said Corporation shall exercise all the powers and rights indicated in the preceding Sections with reference to telephone lines and

Section 6 That the franchise, real estate, lines, instruments and other fixtures incident to said telephone line, spurs and exchanges, shall not be sold, conveyed, hypothecated, Mortgaged or otherwise encumbered except with the Consent and Concurrence of the Majority of the Stockholders evidenced by writing filed with the President or Treasurer of the Corporation,

Section 7 That the domicile or principal place of business of said Corporation shall be at Santantia, Yazoo County and State of Mississippi.

Section 8. That the Capital Stock of said Corporation shall not exceed Ten thousand dollars divided into Shares of One Hundred dollars each but such Corporation may organize when twenty shares of Stock have been subscribed for and paid in. No Stockholder shall be liable in any manner in law or equity as a Member of said Corporation beyond the amount of the Stock held by him and then only to the extent of any unpaid balance upon the shares held by him and

Section 9. That said Corporation may establish and maintain all needful offices and fixtures and adopt such by laws as may be essential to its proper Conduct, and may elect such officers and directors as may be necessary for the Management of said Corporation,

Section 10 That this Charter to take effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

Santantia, Miss. Mch 14th 1898

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
April 9th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
April 9th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The Within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Vicksburg and Yazoo City Telephone Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 19th day of April 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of The Holmes County Telephone Company

Section 1. The purpose for which this Corporation is hereby created are to purchase or Construct and operate telephone lines between the town of Lexington, Miss., and the following towns and Villages along the public road between said points Namely; Ebenezer, Richland, Franklin, Goodman, Durant, Bowling Green, Ziglerville, Acona and Black Hawk or between said places and Lexington; and to purchase real or personal property necessary for the Construction and operation of said telephone lines or either of them.

Section 2 The Corporation shall be Composed of E. F. Noel, J. Gibson, J. B. Cunningham, J. E. Stanfield, A. M. Pepper, S. N. Sample, B. A. Shepherd, G. W. Farr, G. W. Stigler, W. H. Sutton, R. H. Baker, Baxter Wilson, C. Altenberg and R. A. Povall, and such other persons as may be associated with them for the purposes named in Section 1. of this Charter to be incorporated under the Name of the Holmes County Telephone Co, whose domicile shall be at Lexington, Miss.

Section 3. This Corporation shall have and exercise all the powers, rights and privileges Authorized by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, which May be Necessary and proper for Carrying out the objects and purposes of this Charter and is to exist for a period of fifty Years unless sooner dissolved by the Stockholders or otherwise.

Section 4 The Stock of this Corporation shall be $500.00 to be divided into Shares of such denominations as the Stockholders may decide, and the said Stock May be increased or diminished as a Majority of the Stockholders May determine

Section 5. The business of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors, to be Composed of five Stock-holders, who shall be elected by ballot by the Majority of the Stockholders present, Said directors shall hold office for one year and until their Successors are elected.

Section 6. The board of directors, a Majority of whom shall Constitute a quorum, shall as soon as practicable after first election, and annually thereafter, within five days after their election, Choose a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary, all of whom shall be stockholders, and from time to time such officers, as to them may seem proper, and May, by by-laws, prescribed the duties and fix the Compensation of all officers and may require bonds and approve the same. One person may hold More than one office.

Section 7 The board of directors shall have power to make and adopt such by-laws as they may deem Necessary and which are not Repugnant to this Charter or the laws of this State.

Section 8. The first Meting of the Stockholders may be held upon 5 days previous Notice published once in the Lexington Advertiser,

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss,
April 15th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Holmes County Telephone Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set My Hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 19th day of April 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Biloxi Street Rail Road Company.

Section 1. Be it Known that L. G. Daniels, J. C. Bradford, L. Lopez, George C. Russell, W. K. M. DuKate, William Gorenflo, J. W. Smitman, W. A. White, J. N. Nevills, T. P. Dulion, William Wachenfeld and such other persons as may be hereafter associated with them, are hereby Created and Constituted a body Corporate, under the style and name of The Biloxi Street Rail Road Company, which Corporation is hereby Vested with all the powers granted to Corporations of like nature, by Virtue of Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi.

Section 2. The domicile of the said Corporation, hereby Created, shall be at the City of Biloxi, in the State of Mississippi.

Section 3. This Corporation is Created for the purpose of owning, Maintaining and Operating a System of Street railroads in the City of Biloxi, Mississippi and it shall have the power to buy, Construct, own and Maintain lines of Street railroad in, on and along any and all Streets in the said City, and to Operate the same, either by animal power or by electricity Provided, said Corporation shall have Authority from the said City of Biloxi so to do, either by deriect grant or by purchase from some other Corporation or person having such Authority.

Section 4. Said Corporation shall have the power to own such property, real and personal, not in excess of the limit fixed by Section 838 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, as may be necessary to enable it to Carry on the business and purposes for which it was Created and shall have all lawful power Necessary to enable it to Carry out the purposes for which it was created, and all other lawful purposes incidental thereto.

Section 5. The said Corporation shall have the right, under its Corporate name, to Condemn, by eminent domain proceedings, private property, in order to secure any Necessary right of way on which to Construct, Maintain and Operate any line or lines of railroad which it may desire to own, Maintain, Construct or operate in, along or Contiguous to such Streets in said City, as it may have the Authority from the said City to run its line or lines of road along, through or over.

Section 6. This Corporation shall Continue for a term of fifty (50) years, unless sooner dissolved by a Vote of two thirds of the Stock-holders, and this Charter may be amended, at any time, by a vote of two-thirds of the Stock-holders; such amendment to be approved by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

Section 7. The Capital Stock of this Corporation shall be Seven Thousand, Five hundred ($7500.00) Dollars, divided into three hundred (300) Shares of Twenty-five ($25.00) dollars each. The Capital Stock may be increased to any sum not to exceed Fifty Thousand ($50.000) Dollars by a Vote of two thirds of the Stockholders at any Regular Meeting or Special Meeting Called for that purpose, on ten days Notice.

Section 8 The business of said Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, Consisting of Seven (7) Stockholders, to be elected annually on the 1st. Wednesday of January, or as soon thereafter as practicable in the Manner prescribed by Section 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi. The Directors, when so elected, shall elect from their Number, a President and Vice-President, and shall elect a Secretary and Treasurer and a Superintendent or General Manager, and Such other offices as the Board of Directors may deem Necessary. Four of the Members of the Board of Directors shall Constitute a Quorum, with full Power to transact business, and no person shall be eligible as a Director who shall not own at least two shares of the Capital Stock of Said Corporation.

Section 9. The first Board of Directors of this Corporation shall Consist of P.P. Dickson, W.K.M. Dunkate, J.C. Bradford, Wm Gorenflo, J.W. Stutsman, George C. Russell and L. Lopez, who shall hold their offices and perform the duties of the Board of Directors of this Corporation until the election of Directors in 1899.

Section 10 All transfers of the Stock shall be made on the books of the Corporation, and as otherwise provided by the laws of the State.

Section 11. The Board of Directors shall enact Suitable By-Laws for the government and Management of the business of this Corporation.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provision thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
April 6th 1898

A.J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Biloxi Street Railroad Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 14th day of April 1898

(Seal)

A.J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J.L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Vaiden Telephone Company.

Section 1. That Jas. Somerville, W. P. Stuckey, Dr. T. W. Tullitove, T. N. Armstrong, A. N. Harris, J. R. Bigham, Dr. Sam Hark, Fred Attmave, W. W. Cain, W. S. McBride, Dr. L. S. Rogers, G. B. Cloyd, Jno E. McClung, J. P. Nabors, Willie Bacon, W. N. Brewer, S. W. Harvey, S. Armstrong, C. N. Tillman, D. C. Brewer and S. E. Turner, and their Associates and Successors and assigns, be and they are hereby created a body Corporate with perpetual Succession for the period of fifty years, under the name and style of Vaiden Telephone Company, with all the rights, powers and franchises vested in such Corporations by Chapter 25. Code 1892.

Section 2. That said Corporation shall have authority to build and construct Telephone Lines from Vaiden, Miss, to Carrollton, Miss., to Black-Hawk, Miss., and to West, Miss., Said telephone lines to follow the general route of the public roads Connecting Vaiden with the other said towns, and the entire length of same to be about Fifty Miles.

Section 3. That the domicile of said Corporation shall be in the town of Vaiden Carroll County, Mississippi.

Section 4. That the Capital stock of said Corporation shall be One thousand Dollars, represented by one hundred shares of ten dollars each. But the Capital stock may at any time be increased to not more than Five Thousand Dollars by a Vote of two third of the share-holders in interest,

Section 5. The officers of said Corporation shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, and a Board of Directors, Composed of five Share-holders, their duties and tenure of office to be prescribed by by-laws.

Section 6. That said Corporation may make all Necessary by laws not Contrary to law.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
April 6th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
April 6th 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty General

Executive office Jackson Miss
April 6th 1898

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vaiden Telephone Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 19th Day of April 1898

A J McLaurin

By the Gov
J L Power - Sec of State

This Company Dissolved Charter Cancelled

Charter of Incorporation of the American Ginner and Cotton Reporting Agency.

Be it known that C. M. Spinks, E. A. Spinks, N. M. Threefoot, L. A. Duncan, A. Pete Culpepper, A. B. Amis, A. J. Dossett, A. R. Hogshead, E. A. Foster, John M. Murphy, T. L. Farmer, their associates, assigns and successors are hereby constituted a body corporate under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Mississippi.

The purpose for which said body Corporate is formed shall be the collection, classification, sale and manufacture of the American Cotton Crop, and to that end may publish and circulate such journals periodicals or other printed matter as may be necessary or proper in the collection and dissemination of such information.

Said Corporation shall have all the powers, rights and privileges enumerated in Section 836 of Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi and the amendments thereto, and shall be in the City of Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi, but it may establish at any other points or places such subordinate offices or agencies as may be necessary to the proper transaction of its business. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be $5,000,00 divided into Five hundred shares of $10.00 each, and may begin business when two thousand dollars of said Stock has been subscribed and paid for. And no stockholder in said Corporation shall be liable for the debts thereof beyond the amount of his unpaid subscriptions for the Capital Stock thereof.

The affairs of said Corporation shall be managed by a board of directors to consist of not less than three nor more than five stockholders who shall be elected annually at a regular Stockholders Meeting for that purpose. All rights, privileges, benefits and liabilities of the Stockholders in said Corporation shall be governed by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of Miss. and the amendments thereto. This Charter shall be in force and effect from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi and its acceptance by the Corporation.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson Miss. April 6/98

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution and laws of the State — Mckay & Mask
Atty Genl

Jackson Miss. April 6/98

Executive Office Jackson Miss } The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the American Ginners & Cotton Reporting agency is hereby approved

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 22nd day of April 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Gov
D. L. Power — Sec of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Rail Road Power & Manufacturing Company.

Section 1. Percival Stulo, J. C. Shaffer, Jesse E. Roberts, R. L. Roberts, Thomas E. Owens, and David R. Lamoth, Murray F. Smith, M. J. Mulvihill and those who may hereafter become Stockholders, their Successors and assigns, are hereby Created a body Corporate, under the name and style of the Vicksburg Rail Road, Power and Manufacturing Company, and as such shall have Succession for fifty (50) years, and said Corporation is hereby authorized and Made Capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy, real and personal property, Necessary and proper for its purposes, Not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000,00) and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate, in fee simple or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, or said personal property to sell, rent, lease, Convey, Mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue Notes, Bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to Contract and be Contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a Common Seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure. The domicile of the said Corporation shall be Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Section 2. The said Corporation is hereby Vested with full power and authority to Construct, erect, Maintain, use and operate a plant, establishment or factory, with the right to Manufacture and generate electricity or gas or both, and may supply the same, and electric light, heat and power, or any other Kind of light, heat or power, including Water to be used for power or otherwise to individuals, Corporations or Companies in the City of Vicksburg and in the County of Warren, in the State of Mississippi, and May Construct, erect, and use such poles, wires, Conduits, and pipes as may be deemed Necessary and proper for its business. And said Corporation is hereby Vested with full power and authority to lay down, Construct, Maintain, use and operate such railways on any of the public Streets of the City of Vicksburg and on the public roads and high ways in the County of Warren, in the said state, as may be deemed proper for the accomodation of the public and the transaction of its business, and to erect, Maintain and use such tracks, switches, turn-outs, turn-tables, poles, Cables, Wires, pipes and Conduits in, under and about said Streets and highways, as may be proper for the Convenient use and operation of such railways, and may run and use Cars and Vehicles on such railways; and to demand and receive pay and Compensation at such rates as it may from time to time fix and determine, and in the operation of said railway, may employ electricity, Gas, Compressed air, Steam, Water or other approved Motive Power; May erect, Construct, own and Maintain such power houses, Stations, relay-Stations, and other Structures, as may be Necessary for the Conduct of its business; and shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers

and privileges Created or Conferred by, or enumerated in Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are Necessary and proper for Carrying out the purposes of this Charter.

Section 3. The Capital Stock of the said Corporation shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00) divided into Shares of One Hundred dollars ($100.00) each and may be increased or diminished, from time to time, by a vote of the Holders of a Majority of the Stock in the said Corporation.

Section 4 The Management of the business of the said Corporation shall be Confided to Not less than three, nor more than seven directors, who shall be Stockholders of the said Company and who shall be elected annually by the Stockholders, and Majority of the said Directors shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall elect from their number a President, Vice-President, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and May appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their Successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all Vacancies in their number Caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Section 5. The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all Needful rules, by-laws and regulations, for the Control and Management of the business affairs and property of the said Company, and May from time to time, alter or renew the same, as they see fit.

Section 6. At all Stockholders Meetings a vote of the Holders of the Majority of the Stock then present, or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at said Meetings. Each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote for each Share of Stock held by him, it or her.

Section 7 No Stockholder of the said Corporation shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said Company beyond the Amount of his, its or her unpaid Subscription to said Capital Stock.

Section 8. All Subscriptions to said Capital Stock shall be paid for in Cash or in Property.

Section 9. Any two of said Incorporators may open books of Subscriptions to the Capital Stock of said Company, and as soon as One thousand dollars ($1000.00) shall have been Subscribed and paid in Cash said Company may organize, elect directors and Commence business.

The foregoing Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss. April 14/98

A. H. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
April 14th 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Vicksburg Rail Road, Power & Manufacturing Company is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 19th day of April 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy State.

The Charter of Incorporation of The Young Folks Improvement Society of Church Hill County of Jefferson, State of Miss.

Section 1 This Society is organized for the following purposes Namely. The dissemination of the principles of the Christian Religion, the relief of afflicted and destitute Members thereof, whether their Condition arise from Sickness or other Causes, and for the moral, intellectual and Religious Education and advancement of its Members, and of our people generally.

Section 2. The following persons are hereby Constituted and declared to be the Corporators of said Society - Namely. H.D. Ford, J.D. Smith, R.F. Smith, H.C. Thomas, J.C. Hawkins, W.D Rummels, and A.J. Ford, and their associates, and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, and their Successors.

Section 3. This Society shall be known by the Name and style of the Young Folks Improvement Society

Section 4. This Society, shall have the power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, in all the Courts of Law and Equity in this State, and shall have the power to Contract and be Contracted with, they may hold real estate not exceeding in Value the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, and may sell and Convey the same. They may have a Common Seal, and may break and alter the same at pleasure, They may have all Necessary by-laws and adopt such rules and regulations not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Mississippi. as they may deem Necessary for their government and the accomplishment of the objects of this Incorporation, and may do all acts incident to Incorporations of like Nature.

Section 5 This Society shall have Succession for fifty years.

Section 6. The officers of said Society shall Consist of a President a Vice-President, a Secritary, a Treasurer, a Chaplain and a Marshal and such other officers as may be deemed Necessary.

In Testimony whereof. We the above Named Corporators have hereunto Set our Hands and Seals this 19th day of March A.D 1898

H.D. Ford, J.C. Hawkins, W.D Rummels
R.F. Smith, J.D Smith, H.C. Thomas, A.J. Ford

The State of Mississippi }
Jefferson County } This day personally appeard before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace, in and for the said County, H.D Ford, J.D. Smith, R.F. Smith, H.C. Thomas, J.C. Hawkins, W.D Rummels & A.J. Ford, who respectfully acknowledged that they Signed, Sealed & delivered the foregoing Charter of Incorporation, as their Several acts & deed.

Witness My hand and official Seal this 19th day of March 1898

R.O. Baker
J.P.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
March 29th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Young Folks Improvement Society of Church Hill is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 7th day of April 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

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Renewal of Charter for (45) years. 4-7-1948.

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 11 PAGE 109-113

The Charter of Incorporation of the Valley Dry Goods Company.

Section 1 Be it known, John H. Hanna, W. T. Dixon, Felix Hoerner, and F. Switzer, and their associates, Successors and assigns are hereby Created a body Corporate under the name and style of "Valley Dry Goods Company" and as such shall have the right to purchase, own and Control both real and personal property Necessary for the transaction of its business, and to assign, transfer, Mortgage or otherwise dispose of the same; to sue and be sued; to Contract and be Contracted with and to do all things proper for the Conduct of its business and affairs; and under said name shall Continue, exist and have succession for the period of fifty years unless sooner dissolved.

Section 2. The domicile of said Corporation shall be the City of Vicksburg, Warren County, State of Mississippi.

Section 3 The purposes of this Corporation is hereby declared to be to engage in and Carry on a general Mercantile business, and to that end it is hereby empowered to buy and sell goods, wares and Merchandise of every kind and description and all other Kinds of personal property thereon and such buildings and real estate as it may need for such purposes and to do and perform all acts Necessary and proper for the Carrying out of its purposes which are Conferred upon such Corporation by Chapter 25 of the annotated Code of said State.

Section 4 The Capital Stock of said Company shall be Fifty Thousand ($50,000) Dollars, and shall be divided into shares of One Hundred ($100.) Dollars each but the said Capital Stock may be increased or diminished from time to time by the Vote of the holders of a Majority of said Capital Stock and said Company is authorized to organize and begin business when said Capital Stock shall have been subscribed for and paid in.

Section 5 The business and affairs of said Company shall be Managed and Conducted by a board of not less than three nor more than five directors who shall be elected by the Stockholders of said Company from among their Numbers at an annual Meeting Called for that purpose, said directors to hold office for the period of one year or until their Successors have been duly elected and qualified and they are hereby empowered to fill all Vacancies in said board which may occur by death, Resignation or otherwise.

The owners of a Majority of the said Capital Stock shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and all elections of directors and all other Matters and questions which Come before a Meeting of the Stockholders shall be decided by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders present and Voting, each Stockholder

to have one vote for each share of stock represented by him.
The said directors shall elect a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer (which two last named offices may be held by the same person) and such other officers, agents or employees as may deem proper who need not be Stockholders in said Company and whose term of office shall not be longer than that of the Members of the board which elects them.

Sec 6. Any two of said incorporators may open books for subscription to the Capital Stock of said Company and may receive cash in payment thereof.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
April 12th 1898

A J McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson Miss
April 1898

Wiley Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Valley Dry Goods Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 19th day of April 1898

A J McLaurin

(Seal)

By the Gov
J L Power
Secy State

Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Dispatch Company.

Article No 1 Be it Known that Charles E. Wright, W.M Harris, and Anna M. Duncan and such others as may hereafter become Stockholders or Members, and their Successors and assigns, are hereby Constituted a body Corporate under the Name and Style of "The Vicksburg Dispatch Company," and under said Name shall Exist and have Succession for a period of fifty years.

Article No 2. The purpose of said Corporation is hereby declared to be as follows: to Carry on and Maintain a general Newspaper, printing, publishing and Job office business in the City of Vicksburg and its Contiguous Commercial territory, and it may perform any and all acts, and is to have all the powers and privileges given to Corporations by the laws of this State that may be necessary and proper for carrying out the purposes of this Corporation.

Article No 3. The domicile of this Corporation shall be the City of Vicksburg, Warren County Mississippi.

Article No 4. The Capital Stock shall be divided into One hundred shares of the Value of One hundred dollars each, and when five thousand dollars of the Capital Stock shall have been paid in by the subscribers the said Corporation may begin business, and in payment for such Stock the subscribers may use either Money, used or to be used in operating the printing, publishing and Job office business of the paper (or personal property) the Value of same to be agreed on by the Stockholders.

Article No 5 In its said Corporate Name said Corporation shall have power to hold, buy, Mortgage, rent, lease, sell, and otherwise handle real and personal property, to borrow and loan Money, to give and receive Security therefor, to sue and be sued, to Contract and be Contracted with, and it shall have a Common Seal which may be altered, broken or Renewed at the pleasure of the Corporation, and it may adopt and make laws, rules and regulations for the Management of its business, and it may Change same at its pleasure.

Article No 6. The Corporators herein shall meet in pursuance to a written Notice to that end, designating the time and place of Meeting, signed by a Majority of the Stockholders, or by the Stockholders holding a Majority of the Stock, which shall be delivered to the other Stockholders at least One day previous to such Meeting, and when duly assembled shall proceed to organize said Corporation by the election of such officers to transact the business of the Corporation as they may deem proper, and at such Meeting they may adopt such rules and regulations for their future Meetings, and may authorize the officers selected to adopt such Minutes

rules and regulations as shall be necessary and advisable for the management of the interests of this Corporation.

Article no 7 Every Stockholder shall be intitled to Vote as many votes in such Meetings as he or she may have shares of stock, and said Votes may be Cast by proxy when authority for same is given in writing, and a Majority of Votes Cast Shall Govern.

Article no 8 The Capital Stock of this Corporation may be increased to any amount Not exceeding fifty thousand dollars at any time that the Stockholders may deem it advisable.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
April 16th 1898

H. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Dispatch Co. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of May 1898.

H. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Citizens Opera House Company of Yazoo City Miss

Section 1. B. S. Ricks, W. N. Kline, Barnwell & Barbour, J. N. D. Naverkamp. N. Nix. Wm Hamil, F. B. Craig, T. N. Craig, R. L. Bennett, J. P. Moore, J. S. Williams, W. C. Craig, B. J. Barrin, L. N. Gilruth, C. S. Hudson, John Lear, C. N. Clark J. W. George, W. A. Henry, L. G. Montgomery, Monroe Kling, N. E. Warren, T. E. Touchs, L. S. Griffin, R. R. Carlos, Susie Lynch, J. N. Naverkamp, W. G. Pinder, J. R. Lacon, R. V. Powers, S. D. Gwin, C. Livingston, N. L. Taylor, W. D. Pugh, Geo. G. Thompson, Brown & Fox and E. T. Clark, and such Others as may be associated with them are hereby created a Corporation under the Name of the Citizens Opera House Company, and as such can exist for fifty years.

Section 2. The purpose for which said Corporation is created is that of owning real estate in Yazoo City, Mississippi, and erecting buildings thereon with power to lease, Mortgage or transfer and sell the same, and to Manage and Control an opera house to be erected and owned by said Corporation and can exercise all powers Necessary, proper or incident thereto, and not in Contravention to the laws of the State of Mississippi

Section 3. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be $23,000, but it can Commence business when Stock to the amount of not less than $15,000 has been Subscribed.

Section 4 Said Corporation may acquire and hold real estate and personal property not exceeding $60,000 in Value, and may dispose of the same. But all real estate acquired by the Corporation except that upon which the opera house shall be erected, shall be conveyed by the Corporation within five years after such acquisition, and shall not thereafter be acquired, owned or Controlled.

Section 5. The Capital Stock of said Corporation may be increased or reduced by a Majority of Stockholders at a regular Stockholders Meeting, but the Capital Stock shall at no time be decreased when the effect of such decrease would make the Corporation insolvent.

Section 6. Said Corporation shall enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are Necessary and proper for Carrying out the purposes of this Corporation,

Section 7 The Subscribers to the Stock of said Corporation may meet and organize upon the written Call of five or more of the Subscribers to be issued five days before the date of such Meeting.

Section 8. The Control and Management of the business of this Corporation shall be vested in such officers and Board of Directors as may be provided for in the By-Laws of this Corporation hereafter to be adopted by the Stockholders thereof.

Section 9 The domicile of this Corporation shall be at Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi

April 29th 1898

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
May 14th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
May — 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Citizens Opera House Company of Yazoo City Mississippi is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this First day of June 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Chartir of Incorporation of the Crystal Springs Churn Company.

Sec. 1. Be it Known of all men, that W.N. Barron, L.W. Kithley, J.E. Suber, B.T. Bennett, W.J. Hampton, J.T. Johnson, E.M. Stockhouse, T.H. Kindall, L.M. Dampeer Sr and John J. Hyland, and such others as they associate with them, are hereby incorporated, created a body Corporate under the name and style of the Crystal Springs Churn Company, and such Corporation Composed of such persons, and their Successors, shall have Succession for thirty five years from date, and by such name, may sue and be sued in all the Courts of law and equity, and by such name may Contract, and be Contracted with, and shall have all powers, incident to such Corporation Necessary to Carry on the business, and effect the object of said Corporation.

Sec. 2. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be $2000. which may be increased to $5000. and the same shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars ($50) each. That said Corporation may organize and Commence business, as soon as $1,000 has been paid in, and the Stockholders of said Corporation shall not be held liable for the debts or demands against said Corporation, except to the amount of stock which may have been subscribed by them respectively.

Sec. 3 That the said Corporation shall have power to sell or exchange territory by Counties, and retail Churns throughout the State of Mississippi (except Copiah County) and also throughout the State of Alabama, May take deeds of trust or mortgages on real or personal Security, and may charge interest agreed on in writing, at the usual interest allowed by law to be Contracted for. Said Corporation may own all Manner of personal property, and dispose of same at pleasure, and may own real estate Necessary for the transaction of its business which it may acquire by purchase, or by any transaction in the regular Course of its business, and may dispose of same at will. The domicile of said Corporation shall be in the town of Crystal Springs, Copiah County, Mississippi

Section 4 The Stockholders of said Corporation may adopt all needful by-laws, rules and regulations for the Government of said Corporation, and Management of its business. May provide for the election of its officers Members, agents, Subscription of stock, sale (and transfer) of territory, and all other matters which will, in their Judgement, promote the interest of said Corporation

W.N. Barron. J.T. Johnson
L.W. Kithley. E.M. Stockhouse
J.E. Suber. T.H. Kindall
B.T. Bennett. L.M. Dampeer Sr
W.J. Hampton. John J. Hyland

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
May 9th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor.

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Crystal Springs Chemical Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 1st day of June 1898

A J McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of The W.L. Wells Company.

Section 1. Be it Known and remembered that, W.L. Wells, John T. Wells, and George Butterworth, their Associates and assigns, are hereby Created a body Politic and Corporate, under the name and style of W.L. Wells Company, and by that Name shall have Succession for fifty years, shall have power to sue and be sued Contract and be Contracted with, May have a Corporate Seal, and break and alter the same at pleasure.

Section 2. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of five hundred dollars each, and as soon as ten thousand dollars of said stock is subscribed and paid for, said Corporation shall have power to Commence business.

Section 3. Said Corporation is formed for the purpose of Conducting a General Cotton business, and may buy and sell Cotton, and May transact a Cotton factorage business. May advance Money or Supplies for the purpose of Controlling Shipments of Cotton, May take and receive Mortgages or deeds of trust upon property to secure said advances, and generally may have all powers Conferred by Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892 Necessary and requisite to Carry out the purposes of said Corporation.

Section 4. The Board of Directors of said Corporation shall Consist of three persons, whose numbers may be increased at any time by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders, and said directors shall have power to elect all Necessary officers, and prescribe the duties, Salaries and tenure of such officers.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss,
April 26th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the state,

Jackson Miss,
April — 1898

Wiley N Nash
atty Genl

Executive office Jackson Miss }
The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the W L Wells Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Caused the Great Seal of the state of Miss to be affixed this 1st day of June 1898

A J McLaurin

By the Gov
J L Power — Secy State

Charter of Incorporation of the Mayer Cotton Company.

Section 1 B. Mayer, Emil Mayer and O. J. Mayer, together with those who may hereafter become Stockholders their Successors and assigns, are hereby created a body Corporate under the name and style of the Mayer Cotton Company, and as such shall have Succession for fifty years and said Corporation its Successors and assigns are hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy personal estate not exceeding in Value Fifty Thousand Dollars, and real estate Necessary to transact its business in this State, or adjoining States, or in both and to hold use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple or otherwise and the same or any part thereof, and the said personal property to sell, rent, lease, Mortgage, or otherwise encumber or dispose of, to sue and to be sued, to Contract and be Contracted with to plead and be impleaded and to use a Common Seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure, to issue bonds, debentures or other evidences of indebtedness. The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Mayersville, Miss, but may be changed from time to time by a vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock. And the said Corporation shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights and privileges and powers Created or Conferred by or enumerated in Chapter 26 of the Annotated Code of 1892, Necessary and proper for Carrying out the purposes of this Charter.

Section 2. Said Corporation shall have the right, and is hereby authorized and empowered to buy and sell, trade and deal in goods, Wares and Merchandise and personal property of every Kind and description for Cash and on Credit at Wholesale or Retail, to Conduct a factorage and Commission business, to carry on a Cotton Brokerage business, to carry on the business of Cotton Buyers, and Conduct a general Mercantile business in the State of Mississippi, or Elsewhere, to execute and indorse Notes, bills Mortgages, bonds, Choses in action and other instruments of every Kind and description, to accept bills of exchange or drafts to become Surety or guarantors for any person or persons, Corporation or Corporations, for any purpose and further to do all other acts Necessary and Conducive in the judgment of the officers and directors of said Corporation for the Welfare and business thereof.

Section 3 The Capital Stock of said Company shall be Ten Thousand Dollars divided into shares of $100.00 each and may be increased or diminished from time to time by a vote of the holders of a Majority of the Stock.

Section 4 The Management of the business of the said Company shall be confided to three directors who shall be elected annually by the Stockholders and two of the said directors shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 6 The Stockholders shall elect a President and Vice President and also elect or appoint a Secretary and Treasurer which last two offices may at the option of the Stockholders be held by one person, and such Secretary and Treasurer or if held by one person need not be a Stockholder of said Corporation. And said Stockholders may at such election or at any time it may be necessary appoint or elect such other agent or Agents, Manager or employees as they may deem proper to carry on and Conduct the business of the Corporation. The said offices and directors shall hold their respective offices until their Successors shall be elected and qualified, and vacancies caused by death, resignation or otherwise shall be filled in the manner prescribed by Section 837 of the Annotated Code.

Section 6 The directors shall have power and authority to make any and all Necessary by-laws rules and Regulations for the Control and Management and Conducting of the business affairs and property of said Corporation and may from time to time revoke, alter and amend the same as they may see fit, and shall also regulate and control any and all other questions in which the said Corporation shall be interested and all Matters which shall in any way pertain to the Concerns of the Corporation.

Section 7 The number of directors may be increased or diminished by the holders of a Majority of the Stock at any Meeting.

Section 8 At all Stockholders Meetings a Vote of the holders of the Majority of the Stock then present in person or by proxy shall decide all questions submitted at such Meetings, each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote for each share of Stock held by him, her or it.

Section 9 No Stockholder of said Corporation shall in any way be personally liable for the debts of said Corporation beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid Subscription to said Capital Stock.

Section 10 All Subscriptions to said Capital Stock shall be paid for in Cash.

Section 11 Any two of said incorporators may open books for Subscriptions to the Capital Stock of said Corporation and as soon as Twenty Five Hundred Dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in Cash or in property said Corporation may organize elect officers and directors and Commence business.

The foregoing proposed ~~amendment~~ to said Corporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. atty Gen. for his advice as to the Constitutionality & legality of the provisions thereof.

A J McLaurin
Governor

Seal

Executive office Jackson Miss: The within & foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Mayer Cotton Co. is hereby approved. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 1st June 1898

A J McLaurin

By the Gov
J L Power - Secy. State

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1st That it shall be known as Security State Bank.

2nd That it shall be domiciled at Starkville, in the State of Mississippi.

3rd That the said Banking Association by the name aforesaid shall have Succession for the Space of Fifty years, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all Courts of law and equity, may have a common seal and the same may break or alter at pleasure, and by that name may Contract and be Contracted with, acquire hold, and alien property both personal and mixed, and real property sufficient for the transaction of its business, and do all acts incident to bodies Corporate; may invest the Capital of said Bank in gold and silver Coin, bullion, bank Notes, Silver Certificates, Certificates of deposit and all moneys Current and uncurrent, bonds of the United States and bonds and warrants of any State, County, or Municipal Corporation and in any public or private Securities of Value; May invest in Mortgages, deeds of trusts, Notes, bills of exchange, bills Single, accounts, Choses in action, and other evidences of debt; May deal in exchange foreign and domestic, may discount Notes, bills Single, bills of exchange, and all other evidences of debt; may receive in trust or on deposit gold and Silver Coin, bullion, bank Notes, Current and uncurrent money, Silver Certificates, Certificates of deposit, or any other Valuable thing being personal property and may loan the same; May borrow and loan Money and other Securities for such periods of time as may be agreed upon; May Negotiate re-discounts; May buy and sell Notes, bills Single, drafts, accounts, United States bonds, and State, County, and Municipal bonds and warrants and all other Valuable public and private and Current and uncurrent Securities; May do a bank Collection, discount, and exchange business as is Customary with banks; May take deeds of trusts, Mortgages, bills of sale, pledges, and

deposit and other Conveyances of real personal, and mixed property as Security for Money loaned; May hold and possess personal and Mixed property and real property Necessary for the Transaction of its business, and May sell, Convey and dispose of Same at Pleasure; May receive on deposit trust funds, County, and Municipal funds, the funds of religious Charitable, educational, and benevolent associations, and the funds of executors, administrators, guardians, Commissioners in Court, and Married Women; May act as agent, May act on its own account and for investors and take Security for any investment by Mortgage, trust deed or otherwise and may guarantee the payment of same both principal and interest; and it May and shall have all the authority, rights, privileges powers, and immunities allowed and granted to such Corporations by the Constitution of said State and the said Code thereof and said amendatory act of the said Legislature;

4th That the Management of said Bank shall be Confided to a Board of not less than five nor more than Seven directors, all of whom shall be Stock-holders to be elected annually by the Stock-holders, and they shall hold their offices until their Successors are duly elected and qualified; and the directors shall Make such rules, Regulations, and by-laws for the government of said Bank and the transaction of its business as they may deem expedient and best and may change the same at pleasure, Provided they shall Make no Rule or by-law in Conflict with the Constitution or the laws of this State or the United States; and the said Directors May in their Judgment Provide for the Creation of proper offices and for the election and Salaries of proper and Suitable offices in their discretion for the Service of said Bank; and the said Directors shall have full authority for the appointment of all agents and employees, for filling any Vacancies in office that may occur and for removing at any time any officer or employee for inefficiency or Neglect of duty or dishonesty or for immorality or for any other just and reasonable Cause; and evidence Sufficient to Satisfy a Majority of the Directors present at any Meeting that any employee has been guilty of Speculation in futures, of playing at any game of Chance or hazard for Money or other Valuable thing, or of Wagering Money on an election or other uncertain thing shall be held and deemed Sufficient and Conclusive Cause for the immediate discharge of such officer or employee"

5th That the Capital Stock of said Bank shall be twenty Seven thousand five hundred Dollars ($27,500.00) divided into Shares of one hundred dollars each, and each Share shall entitle the holder thereof to one Vote in all Stock-holders Meetings; and so soon as the Sum of fifteen thousand dollars of the Capital Stock shall have been paid in, the said Bank may Commence to do business, provided that said Capital Stock may by a two thirds Vote of the Stock-holders be increased or decreased from time to time, but to be at no time less than ten thousand dollars nor more than one hundred thousand dollars;

6th That this Charter shall go into effect upon its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
April 25th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss.
April 1898.

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Security State Bank, of Starkville Mississippi is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 1st day of June 1898

(Seal)

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy State

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Havis Lumber Company

Be it Known and remembered that pursuant to an order of the Stockholders of the Havis Lumber Company, a Corporation Chartered by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, under the General Laws of the State, on the 11th day of November 1897, the Name of said Company is hereby changed from The Havis Lumber Company to The Enochs-Havis Lumber Company, and shall have all the powers, rights and privilegs granted to it under its original Charter aforesaid

The foregoing proposed Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of The Havis Lumber Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and Legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
April-1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of The Havis Lumber Company are not Violative of the Constitution and laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
April 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty Genrl

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Havis Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 1st day of June 1898.

A J McLaurin.

Seal

By the Gov.
J L Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo City Book and Stationery Company, a Corporation created under the Laws of the State of Mississippi.

1 I. Fox, L. Fox, W. Fox and M Bennett and those others who may be associated with them are hereby created a Corporation under the name of the Yazoo City Book and Stationery Co. and as such can exist for fifty years.

2 The purpose for which said Corporation is created is that of a general Mercantile business and said Corporation is empowered to buy and sell books, Stationery, and all other goods, wares, and Merchandise, for Cash or Credit, at Wholesale or Retail or both, and can exercise all lawful powers necessary, proper or incident to said business.

3 The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Three Thousand Dollars, but it can commence business when Stock to the amount of Not less than One Thousand Dollars is Subscribed.

4 Said Corporation shall acquire and hold personal property not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may dispose of the same.

5 The Capital Stock of said Corporation may be increased or reduced by a Majority Vote of Stock at a regular Stock holders Meeting, but the Capital Stock shall at no time be decreased when the effect of such decrease would make the Corporation insolvent.

6 Said Corporation shall enjoy all the rights, powers, & privileges Conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are Necessary and proper for Carrying out the purposes of this Corporation.

7 The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully refered to the Hon. atty General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson Miss
May 14th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss
May 4th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty. General

Executive office Jackson Miss 3

The Within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Yazoo City Book & Stationery Company is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 6th day of June 1898

(Seal)

A J McLaurin

By the Gov.
J L Power Sec of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Iowa Land Company.

article 1. For the purpose of acquiring title to lands in the State of Mississippi, and improving, Cultivating, letting or disposing of the same, We the undersigned, to-wit; A.T. Averill, George T. Hodges, E.E. Busby, W.H. Burris, S.G. Armstrong, Harry T. Hodges and Glenn M. Averill, desiring to form a Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi, hereby organize ourselves and our Successors into a Corporation, the Name of which Corporation shall be and is the Iowa Land Company.

article 2. Said Corporation shall have power to buy, or to acquire title to, lands in the State of Mississippi; to improve, lease, Cultivate or sell the same; to Cut off the timber from such lands and convert the same into lumber, or to sell to others the privilege of so doing; to acquire, lease or Construct Saw Mills, and to operate the same; to Manufacture Lumber, transport and sell the same; to engage in Merchandising, and to run Stores in Connection with its other business; to establish and lay out town Sites on its lands; and generally to improve the Country where its lands are Situated.

article 3 The domicile of the Corporation shall be in the County of Sunflower in the State of Mississippi, and its principal office for the transaction of business shall be at Indianola, in said County; but the Board of Directors may from time to time change the place for such principal office. The Corporation may also maintain an office at the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and its Board of Directors may there Meet for the Transaction of business; and Special Meetings of the Stockholders may also be held there.

article 4 The authorized Stock of the Corporation is One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) and the same shall be divided into Shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, which shall be issued from time to time as the Board of Directors may direct. Each Share of Stock shall be entitled to one Vote at any Stockholders Meeting.

Article 5 The Corporation may Commence doing business as soon as Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) of its Capital Stock is subscribed for by responsible parties, and shall exist for a period of ten years

article 6. The business of the Corporation shall be Controlled and in a general way Managed by a Board of Directors Consisting of Seven Members, a Majority of whom shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The following individuals, to-wit; A.T. Averill, George T. Hodges, E.E. Busby, W.H. Burris, Harry T. Hodges, Glenn M. Averill & S.G. Armstrong shall Constitute the

Board of Directors until their Successors are elected at the first annual Meeting hereafter held.

Article 7 The general officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer; but the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. All officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors, and shall hold their offices until their Successors are elected.

Article 8. The officers of the Corporation shall receive such Compensation for their services as may be fixed by a prior Vote of the Board of Directors.

Article 9 The Treasurer of the Corporation shall give such bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, and for the faithful accounting for all money or property that may come into his hands, as the Board of Directors may from time to time require. Lands acquired by the Corporation may be held by it for ten years and no longer, but must then be Conveyed by it and shall not afterwards be acquired, owned or Controlled by the Corporation.

Article 10 The private property of the Stockholders shall be exempt from liability for Corporate debts after the Stock has been paid for in full.

Article 11 The annual Stockholders Meeting of the Corporation shall be held at the principal office of the Corporation on the Second Thursday of February of each year.

Article 12 The Board of Directors may by an affirmative Vote of the Majority of all the directors, adopt and promulgate By-Laws in which they may prescribe the Manner of Calling Special Meetings of the Stockholders and the directors, the notice to be given of such Meetings, and the rules which shall govern them.

In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands this the 16th day of March 1898

A. J. Merrill. Geo. T. Hodges.
Glenn M. Merrill. Harry T. Hodges.
W. H. Lauria. S. G. Armstrong. E. E. Busby.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality & legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
May 14th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive Office
Jackson Miss,

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Iowa Land Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 10th day of June 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Cotton Oil Company.

Section 1. This Act of Incorporation Witnesses that J. J. Culbertson, J. W. Broad, S. J. Hamon, J. S. LeClerque and William Thompson, are hereby declared to be a body politic and Corporate under and by Virtue of the general laws of the State of Mississippi, by the name of the Jackson Cotton Oil Company, and in that Name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and may acquire, use, own, enjoy, Convey and Mortgage real estate reasonably Necessary or proper for the Conduct of their business, and May Contract and be Contracted with, and may acquire, use, own, enjoy, sell, and Mortgage personal Property, and May have and use a Corporate Seal and alter the same at pleasure, and may Make all such by-laws as shall be reasonable and proper for the Conduct of their business, and shall have Succession for the term of fifty years from the date hereof, and may do all such other things and have all such other rights and powers as shall be reasonably Necessary or proper to the Conduct of their business during such time.

Sec 2 The business of said Corporation, and the purposes of its organization, shall be and is, the Manufacturing and selling and otherwise disposing of, of all finished products of Cotton Seed, and of all finished by products thereof and thereto.

Sec 3 The Capital stock of said Company shall be the sum of One Hundred and twenty-five Thousand dollars, divided into shares of one Hundred Dollars each.

Sec 4 The domicile of said Company shall be in the City of Jackson State of Mississippi

Sec 6 This Charter of Incorporation shall be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of said State.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson Miss.
June 3rd 1898

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Jackson Miss
June 3rd 1898

Executive Office
Jackson Miss,

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Cotton Oil Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 11th day of June 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mutual Saving & Investment Company of Grenada County, Mississippi.

This corporation suspended by order of Board of Savings & Loan Association this the 28th day of October 1927.
Heber Ladner, Secretary of State

Section 1 David C. Clark, D. E. Eskridge, Joseph N. Phillips, John W. Seals, Sam Schuler, Walter N. Holiday, Wm Ross, Robt S. Bostic and Thos H. Gause, their associates, assigns and successors are hereby created and constituted a body Corporate, under the name and style of the "Mutual Saving and Investment Company" and as such shall have Succession for the period of fifty years; and are hereby authorized and made Capable to purchase, sell, receive, lease and hold and enjoy real estate sufficient for the business of the Corporation and personal estate to the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) in fee simple or otherwise, the same to sell, lease, Mortgage or otherwise dispose of or to incumber; to Contract and to be Contracted with; to sue and to be sued; and to adopt and have a Common Seal. The domicile of said Corporation shall be in the City of Grenada, State of Mississippi.

Sec. 2 The objects and purposes of this Corporation shall be to Carry on the business of a building and loan association; to issue shares of stock; to levy and Collect assessments thereon to impose and Collect fines and forfeitures, and to do and perform all acts authorized by this by-laws, rules and regulation not inconsistent with the laws of this State.

Sec. 3 This Corporation shall have all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities granted in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, and of all laws amended thereof, and of all other laws now in force in the State of Mississippi.

Sec. 4 This Corporation may begin business when the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200) shall have been paid into the Treasury for shares of stock.

Sec 5 The said Corporation may have such Officers and board of directors as the said Corporation by its by-laws, rules and regulations may direct, and the said Corporation may adopt such by laws for its Management and government as a Majority of its holders of stock may desire and deem advisable, provided the same be not inconsistent with this Charter and laws of the State

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality

and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
May 25th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation
are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson Miss
May 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of
the Mutual Saving & Investment Company is hereby approved
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the Great Seal of
State of Miss. to be affixed this 14th Day
of June 1898

Seal

A J McLaurin

By the Gov.
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Owens Gin & Ware-House Co.

Section 1. A.G. Owens, J.W. Rhyne, S. Bushark, C.C. Sweeney, J.H. Sweeney & A. Jackson their successors and assigns are hereby incorporated and created a body politic under the name of the Owens Gin and Ware-House Co, and under that name may sue and be sued in all the Courts of this Country, have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure & have succession for a period of fifty years.

Sec 2 The Capital Stock of said Corporation is fixed at Thirty five Hundred Dollars, to be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, but the same may be increased from time to time by a vote of the Majority of the Stockholders, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand Dollars. The domicile of said Corporation shall be at Owens, Holmes County Miss. At all Meetings of the Stockholders, each Stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each Certificate of stock held by him, and no Stockholder shall be liable for the debt of said Corporation beyond the unpaid balance of his subscription for Stock.

Sec 3 Said Corporation is authorized to build, equip, Operate and Maintain a ginnery, oilmill or Compress or either at or near its domicile, to build & own Cotton sud houses & other houses necessary or proper in the Conduct of their business, to buy & sell or exchange Cotton, Cotton sud & Cotton sud product, also to build & operate a Yarn or rope factory, and Manufacture & sell fertilizers and soaps, And may buy & own all lands necessary for the purposes of their business & sell the same at pleasure.

Sec 4 The offecers of said Corporation shall Consist of a President, a Secretary & Treasurer & a Board of Directors Consisting of three Stockholders - the Stockholders at their Meeting may prescribe the duties & Compensation of said officers or abolish them, or provide for other officers & may make all needful & proper by-laws for the regulation and Control of the business affairs of the Corporation not inconsistent with the law of this State or of the United States.

Sec 5. The first Meeting of the incorporators shall be called after the approval of this Charter by a written notice signed by three or more of the above named incorporators to the other incorporators stating the time & place of Meeting & likewise any subsequent special Meeting of the Stockholders may be called upon written notice signed by three of the Stockholders, or by the Board of Directors, or President or other elective officer

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is

respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss
May 21st 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson Miss
May 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Owens Gin & Warehouse Company of Owens, Holmes County, Miss. is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof. I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 15th day of June 1898

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Amendment to the Charter of the Indianola Cotton Oil Company.

Resolved, that Section 4 of the Charter of the Indianola Cotton oil Company be amended so as to read as follows: the Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars, with a right to increase it on a Majority Vote of its Stock-holders to an amount Not exceding $75.000 in amount, and in like Manner to decrease it to an amount Not less than $25.000. And said Stock shall be divided into Shares of $100.00 each

I Hereby Certify that the foregoing is a true and Correct Copy of a Resolution adopted by the stock-holders of The Indianola Cotton oil Company on February 22d 1898, as the same appears upon said Stockholders Minutes, and that said Resolution was duly adopted by an order of the Board of Directors of said Indianola Cotton oil Company at a Meeting held by said Directors on said 22d day of February 1898, as appears upon the Minutes of said Board of Directors.

Witness my Signature and the Seal of said Indianola Cotton oil Company this the 12d day of May A.D. 1898.

W. G. Berkhead, Secy

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of incorporation of The Indianola Cotton oil Company is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the same.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson Miss
May 14th 1898

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Indianola Cotton oil Company is Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Welby A. Nash
Atty Genl

Jackson Miss
May — 1898

Executive office Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of The Indianola Cotton oil Co. is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set My Hand & Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed. this 16th day of June 1898

A J McLaurin

(Seal)

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy State

Affidavit showing corporation out of existence.
Filed 189
Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of Eva Clare Lodge No 6. Knights of Pythias

Section 1 Be it Known that W. T. Adair, Hal. Hausman, C. B. Williams, W. S. Brady, N. F. Waller, E. J. Buford and L Reinbek, officers of Eva Clare Lodge No. 6. Knights of Pythias of the Grand Domain of Mississippi, and their Successors in office, and such other persons as may Now or hereafter be associated with them, are hereby Created a body politic and Corporate under the name and style of Eva Clare Lodge No 6 Knights of Pythias.

Sec 2 That the domicile of said Corporation shall be at Okolona, Chickasaw County, Mississippi.

Sec. 3 That the object of said Corporation shall be for Charitable purposes and Mutual assistance, such purposes to be executed in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the order of Knights of Pythias.

Sec 4 Said Corporation shall possess all the powers and privileges enumerated in Chapter 26. Annotated Code of Mississippi, and acts amendatory thereto, so far as the same may pertain to said Corporation, and the said purposes thereof; and may exercise all other powers Necessary and Convenient in the execution of its said purposes, Not in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi, and of the United States.

Sec. 5 Said Incorporation shall have the right to own property, real Necessary for its business and personal Not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Sec 6 That all the affairs of said Corporation, so far as the same may Concern the acquisition, disposition and use of it Real and personal property shall be Managed by Six Trustees who shall be, until the last Monday in June, 1898, the following Members, thereof, to-wit: N. B. Lacy, R. R. Huntington, J. M. Walton, M. Mecklenburg, E. J. Buford and W. J. Stockett, the aforesaid Trustees to hold their office, however, until their Successors are elected as provided by the Constitution and laws of the order. Each Succession Board of Trustees shall, as soon as practicable, organize by electing from among themselves a President, Vice-President and Secretary, and may prescribe their duty and tenure of office. Said Trustees shall never acquire, dispose of or use any real or personal property belonging to said Corporation except upon the Concurrent vote of a plurality of all the Members present at any regular Meeting of said lodge, nor expend any Money belonging to said Corporation, Except upon a like Vote, or in accordance with the Constitution and

laws of the order of Knights of Pythias, but they shall execute all resolutions in respect thereto upon such Vote being taken and ascertained, and any money which shall be raised by said Trustees shall be immediately paid over to the Master of Finance of said Lodge, if on account thereof, who shall receipt for same.

Sec 7 The Members of said Lodge shall have power to make by-laws for the Conduct and Management of said Corporation, and prescribe the duties and qualifications of said Trustees.

Sec 8 This Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor, and may be amended from time to time as provided for under the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provision thereof.

Jackson Miss
May 18th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Eva Clare Lodge No 6 Knights of Pythias is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 16th day of June 1898

A J McLaurin

By the Gov
J. L. Power
Sec. of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Home Enterprise

Pres
Louis Dixon
Wm Ramsey.

Vice Pres
Stephen Tobias
Guy Swafford (Bros)

To all of whom this may Concern Greeting,
That we the Colored people or farmers of Amite Co. and State of Miss. Six Miles South of Liberty, do hereby organize into a Society Known as the name of the Farmers Home Enterprise for (15) fifteen years, The purposes, are to Carry on a Trade of Speculation in the Co. among ourselves with such articles as the State & Co. will allow to us to Carry, And the Monies to Carry such articles shall be Collected by Membership fees, which shall be $5.00 (or one Share) and dues, fines & Such taxes not to exceed $1,00 Annually, The Initiation fee shall be $1,00, and such Candidate shall not be intitled to his Vote until he shall have paid $5.00 (or one share) which shall make him a legal member with rights, purposes also to Care for each other more morally, religiously & financially and to obey the Callings of Education in a Civilized Mood. for our well-being and future being as Citizens of the State, in which we live, and to make it Compulsive on each Member to obey the laws of the land with more Civility and to support them better, and such Compulsion and by-laws not to Conflict with the laws of the land, This Corporation shall have power to elect its officers, executive-board and Committee to transact such business as may be proper and to put under bond any officer, Committee or agent for transaction of its business of Securities, to place fines, taxes, assessments to support the sick and to bury the dead, also to give Securities, for articles bought, borrowed or invested, to borrow monies or lend monies, also, The Corporation claims such rights not Mentioned in "Charter" as the law allows Corporate Bodies to trade, or speculate governed by the State laws, provided for Corporations, Shall have power to draft a Constitution and by-laws, for its government and work, a right, to exclude Members, who Violate its Constitution or State laws, willingly and to admit others, or reject, to have agents & attorneys & to organize other Societies under a State right to be ruled by same laws. Shall donate & accept donations, also agreed that the Executive Board Should be elected by the Corporations vote, and to hold office two years, and Can be re-elected (as others) and that they 1st must be land holders; and 2nd they, if not land holders must be registered Voters in the Co. of Amite. the Corporation shall have power to amend its Charter as Necessary for Safety.

Executive Board: Louis Dixon. Wm Ramsay. Wm McKnight. Guy Sanford. Stephen Tobias. Dennis Moxam and T. T. Ramsay. Sup. Sec.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. attorney. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
May 9th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Home Enterprise is hereby approved. In Testimony whereof. I have hereunto set my hand & caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed. this 16th day of June 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Gov
J. L. Power

Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Athletic Association.

Section 1. D. C. Petit, W. S. Vardaman, S. R. Kusler, J. R Bass, & J. Austin. D. S. Humphreys, their associates, assigns, and Successors are hereby created a body Corporate under the name and style of the "Greenwood Athletic Association" and as such shall have Succession for the period of Twenty five years and are hereby empowered to purchase, lease, receive, and enjoy real and personal estate to the amount of $2500.00, in fee Simple or otherwise; the same to sell, lease, Mortgage or otherwise dispose of or encumber to Contract and be Contracted with; to sue and be sued; and to adopt a Common Seal. The domicile of Said Corporation shall be in the City of Greenwood, State of Mississippi.

Sec 2. The object of Said Corporation shall be to encourage athletic sports of whatever kind; and in furtherance of its object shall have the right to lease or own and provide a gymnasium, baseball park and other property both real and personal where athletic sport may be best engaged in; and Said Corporation shall have the power to make such by-laws for the control of its property and affairs and the Government of its members as a majority of the Stock-holders thereof shall deem expedient.

Sec 3 The Management of Said Corporation shall be Vested in Seven directors who shall be stockholders thereof, and Said directors at their first Meting and annually thereafter shall elect from their number a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, and Said directors and offices shall hold office until their Successors are elected and qualified; and Said directors may from time to time elect Such other offices and agents for the Government and Control of the business and affairs of Said Corporation as they may deem expedient, or as may be provided by the by-laws of Said Corporation.

Sec 4 The Capitol Stock of Said Corporation shall be twenty five hundred dollars divided into shares of one dollar each and may be increased or diminished at any time by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders to an amount not less than four hundred dollars.

Sec 5 The Stockholders of Said Corporation shall Meet annually on the first Monday of April, unless otherwise provided by the by-laws of Said Company, and the election of directors shall take place at such Meting, but a special Meting of the Stockholders may be called at any time on two days Notice in person or by written notice by the President

or by any three of said Stockholders, and no Meeting of the Stockholders shall be noted as a quorum for the transaction of business unless a Majority of the shares of Stock issued be represented in Person or by proxy, and at all such Meetings each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote for each share of Stock owned by him; and the Vote of a Majority of the Stock present in Person or by proxy shall decide all questions submitted to such Meeting.

Sec 6 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the Capital Stock of said Corporation, and when four hundred dollars shall have been subscribed said Company may organize, elect directors, and Commence Operations.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss
May 14th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of this State.

Jackson Miss
May - 1898

Wiley N Nash
atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Athletic Association is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set My Hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss to be affixed, this 15th day of June 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Gov
J L Power
Secy State

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Transportation Company

Section 3

Section 3 of the original Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Transportation Company is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be twenty five thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and may be increased or diminished at any time by a majority vote of the Stockholders to any amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, nor less than five thousand dollars.

The foregoing amendments to the Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Transportation Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the same

Jackson Miss
April 26th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Transportation Company is Not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson Miss
April 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Transportation Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 15th day of June 1898

Seal

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Sec'y State

A. J. McLaurin

The Charter of Incorporation of Fredric Douglas Tabernacle # 21 N.C. of B. & S. of L. & C.

Sec 1 George W. Miles, E. W. Benjamin, D. D. Foote, Victoria Bowman, Peter Forbes, Calvin Gibbs, Lina Callahan, Anna Faust, Wesley Hogan, Thomas Buckner, their associates and Successors are hereby Constituted a body Corporate by the Name of the Fredric Douglas Tabernacle No 21 of the United Order of Brothers & Sisters of Love and Charity, and by that Name may sue and be sued may have a Common Seal, which they may alter or break at pleasure. May acquire and hold personal estate, Not to exceed Ten Thousand dollars in Value and real estate Necessary for the transaction of its business. Shall have Succession for fifty Years, and may Make By-Laws for their government. Not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States.

Sec 2. The object and purpose of this Society shall be Charitable and Benevolent only and to that end it may assess and Collect dues, assessments and fines from its Members - the proceeds to be used for the relief of such persons as they may designate or for the funeral expenses of any deceased Member or other Charitable purpose.

Sec 3 The officers of this Tabernacle, shall be a Worthy Superior, a Worthy Vice Superior, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary Conductor, Assistant Conductor, Chaplain, Inside Sentinel and Outside Sentinel who shall be elected and hold their office according as is directed in the By Laws.

Sec 4. The domicile of this Tabernacle, shall be Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi but they are hereby empowered to organize branch lodges of this order in any other part of this State.

Sec 5 That when as many as three lodges of this order, shall be regularly organized and established, the power and privilege are hereby granted this Tabernacle, Should it see fit to proceed to organize and establish a Grand Tabernacle to which this Tabernacle and others of Similar rank, shall be subordinate.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
June 4th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of

incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson Miss
June 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Frederic Douglas No. 21 N.O. of B & S. of L & C. is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed this 16th day of June 1898

Ed

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of Rose Hill Tabernacle No 20 M.O. of B & S of L & C

Sec 1 M.D. Foote, Fannie Mitchell, R.N. Temple, L.C. Jefferson, Lizzie T. Gibbs, Sallie L. Taylor, Garnetta Chambers, Aurilla Burley, Joshua Williams, Henry Clay, their Successors and associates are hereby Constituted a body Corporate by the Name of Rose Hill Tabernacle No 20 of the Mission Order of Brothers and Sisters of Love & Charity, and by that Name may sue and be sued, may have a Common Seal, which they may alter or break at pleasure, acquire and hold personal estate not to exceed Ten Thousand dollars in Value and real estate sufficient to transact its business, shall have Succession for fifty years, and may Make By-laws for their government, not repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United State.

Sec 2 The object and purpose of this Society shall be Charitable only, and to that end, it may assess and Collect dues, assessments and fines from its members - the proceeds to be used for the relief of such persons, as they may designate or for the funeral expenses of any deceased member or other Charitable purpose.

Sec 3 The officers of this Tabernacle shall be a Worthy Superior, a Worthy Vice Superior, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary,

Conductor. Assistant Conductor, Chaplain. Inside Sentinel, and Outside Sentinel who shall be elected and hold their offices according as is directed in the By-Laws.

Sec 4 The domicile of this Tabernacle, shall be Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi, but they are hereby empowered to organize branch lodges of this order in any other part of this State.

Sec 5 That when as many as three lodges of this order shall be regularly organized and established the power and privilege are hereby granted this Tabernacle, should it see fit to proceed to organize and establish a Grand Tabernacle, to which this Tabernacle and others of similar rank shall be Subordinate.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
June 4th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive Office
Jackson Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Rose Hill Tabernacle No. 20. U. O. of B & S of L & G is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of June 1898

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor.
J. L. Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Planters Compress Company.

Section 1 T. R. Hudson, W. B. George, Ferdinand Berry, J. H. Barksdale W. P. Holland, R. W. Baird, F. M. Aldridge, B. J. Austin, B. L. Towles, E. R. McShane, R. T. Jones, A. Hudson, A. M. C. Kimbrough their associates, assigns, and Successors, are hereby created and Constituted a body Corporate under the name and style of "The Planters Compress Company," and as such shall have Succession for the period of fifty years; and are hereby authorized and made Capable to purchase, sell, lease, receive, hold, and enjoy real estate necessary for the business of the Corporation and personal estate to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, in fee simple or otherwise, the same to sell, lease, Mortgage, or otherwise dispose of, or to encumber; to Contract and be Contracted with; to sue and be sued; and to adopt and have a Common Seal. The domicile of said Corporation shall be in the City of Greenwood, State of Mississippi.

Sec 2 Said Corporation shall have the right and is hereby authorized and empowered to Construct, purchase, lease, and own one or more Cotton Compresses, and to operate the same, together with all buildings, Yards, platforms, and Machinery and appliances, and any other property Necessary or proper for the equipment and operation thereof; to erect, purchase, own, and lease, one or More Cotton Warehouses and to operate the same, together with all buildings, sheds, Yards, and appliances Necessary or proper for the Conduct thereof, and to provide and employ such other facilities for Compressing, storing, weighing, and handling Cotton as the Stockholders or officers of said Corporation may from time to time deem expedient; to purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire and own and operate transfer lines in the said City of Greenwood, for transferring Cotton and other freight and articles of whatever Nature; to press and Compress Cotton and weigh the same; to receive and store Cotton and to transfer the same in said City as often and in such way and Manner as may be Convenient and expedient; to receive Compensation for such pressing, Compressing, weighing, storing, and transferring Cotton, and other Services, as the proper officers of said Corporation may from time to time designate; and to do all acts and to acquire, own, and sell all property Necessary or Convenient to the proper Conduct and Maintenance of such Compress, Warehouse and transfer business, or which may be deemed Conducive to the welfare and Success thereof; and said Corporation

shall have and enjoy all the rights, powers, and privileges created or conferred by Chapter twenty-five of the Annotated Code of Mississippi on such Corporations.

Sec. 3 The Capital stock of said Corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of One hundred dollars each, and may be increased or diminished at any time by a Majority Vote of the stockholders to any amount not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars nor less than thirty five thousand dollars.

Sec 4 The Management of said Corporation shall be Vested in Seven directors who shall be Stockholders in said Corporation and who shall be elected annually by the stockholders of said Corporation. The number of said directors may be increased or diminished at any time by a Majority Vote of the Stockholders of said Corporation, and at all Meetings of the directors a Majority thereof shall Constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 5. Said directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice-President of said Corporation, and they shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, which last two offices may be held by the same person who may or may not be a Stockholder of said Corporation, and who shall not be a director thereof; and said directors may appoint such other officers and agents as they may deem proper and Necessary for the Management and Conduct of the business of said Corporation, or as may be provided by the by-laws thereof. The said directors shall hold office until their Successors are elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all Vacancies in their number caused by death or otherwise which said directors so elected shall hold office until the next regular Meeting of the Stockholders unless their Successors shall be elected at some Special Meeting of said Stockholders prior thereto.

Sec 6 Said Corporation shall have the power through its Stockholders to make any and all needful and proper rules and regulations and adopt by-laws for the Control and Management of the affairs of said Company and the business and property thereof; and may from time to time alter or revoke the same; and shall prescribe by by-laws the mode, manner, and terms upon which the Stock of said Corporation shall be issued and transferred, not to Conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi; and to regulate and Control all other questions in which said Corporation

may be interested.

Sec 8 The Stockholders of said Corporation shall meet annually on the first Monday of June, unless otherwise provided by the by-laws thereof, and at said Meeting the directors shall be elected. Special Meetings of the Stockholders may be called at any time on such Notice and in such Manner as may be prescribed by the by-laws of said Corporation. At all questions submitted to the Stockholders of said Corporation, each Stockholder shall be entitled to one Vote either in person or by proxy, for each Share of Stock owned by him or her, and no Meeting of the Stockholders shall be held as a quorum for the transaction of business, unless Holders of a Majority of the stock issued shall be present in person or by proxy, after such Notice given as the by-laws of said Corporation may require; and at all Stockholders Meetings, the Vote of a Majority of the shares of stock present in person or by proxy shall decide all matters submitted to said Meetings.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of Subscription to the Capital Stock of Said Corporation; and when thirty five thousand dollars have been subscribed, said Company may organize, elect directors, and commence business.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
April 25th 1898

A J McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violations of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss.
April 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Plantus Compress Company is hereby approved

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 15th day of June 1898

(Seal)

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Amendment to the "Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Savings Bank and Loan and Trust Company. Approved August 5th 1889

amend Section 1 of said Charter so as to make the name and style of said Corporation read as follows, to-wit; "The Merchants and Planters Bank," instead of "The Natchez Savings Bank and Loan and Trust Company."

The forigoing proposed amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Savings Bank and Loan and Trust Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the same.

Jackson Miss
June 3rd 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The forgoing amendment of the Charter of incorporation of the Natchez Savings Bank and Loan and Trust Company is not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss
June 3rd 1898

Wiley N Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and forgoing Amendment of the Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Savings Bank and Loan and Trust Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of June 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor.
J L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of The West Gin & Milling Company.

Section 1- This Corporation is organized for the purpose of Carrying on a Steam Gin, grist and Saw Mill business. To gin Cotton, grind Corn, and other grain, Saw logs, Lumber and timbers, Manufacture Handles, Spokes and other articles, and sell the same, To buy and Sell Cattle, Cattle-feed, all Kinds of grain, hay and timbers, and to do anything that may be done lawfully in the Carrying on of said business.

Sec 2 The Incorporators are, J.J. Cain, R.A. Cross, L.S. Rogers and W.H. Cain, and such other persons and their Successors as may be associated with them for the purposes herein named.

Sec. 3 The Corporate name of this organization shall be "The West Gin & Milling Company."

Sec 4 The Corporation May sue and be sued, acquire and hold real property Convenient for its business and personal property and Conduct a general business within the legitimate purpose and Scope of its Creation, borrow and loan Money, give or take Securities, adopt and use a Corporate Seal at its pleasure, and, generally, may have and exercise all rights, powers and privileges Conferred by the laws of this State, on Corporations of this Kind under said laws.

Sec. 5 This Corporation shall exist for fifty years from its beginning and its domicile shall be at West, Holmes County Mississippi

Sec 6 The Capital Stock of this Corporation may be Ten Thousand Dollars. The Shares of stock shall be one hundred Dollars each, par Value, and the Certificates of stock representing such Shares shall be Numbered and Signed by the President and Secretary of the Board of Directors, and the Corporation shall be authorized to begin business when forty shares of such stock has been subscribed for and the sum of Four Thousand Dollars is paid in Cash into the Treasury thereof.

Sec 7 The business of this Corporation shall be Managed by a Board of Four Directors, three of whom shall Constitute a quorum, J.J. Cain, R.A. Cross, L.S. Rogers and W.H. Cain, shall be Directors until the First Tuesday in September 1878, and thereafter the members of said Board shall be annually elected as provided by law. If another, or more shall become stockholders, that said Board shall Consist of Five.

Sec. 8. The Board of Directors Can elect one of their Members President and another Secretary and Treasurer, and in Case of a Vacancy on said Board it Can be filled by the Vote

of the remaining director or directors. Said Board of Directors Can make such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of this Corporation and Conduct of its business as it sees proper, Not inconsistent with this Charter or the laws of this state.

Sec 8 The Liabilities of each Stockholder is limited to the amount unpaid by him upon his stock Subscribed for.

Sec 9 The Stockholders shall meet on the First Monday in March and September, 1898. and annually thereafter to transact business, but they can be called together at any time for the transaction of any business by order of the President of the Board of Directors. The officers shall be elected at the September Meetings. Each Stockholder Can Vote as many times as he has Shares of Stock at all Meetings of the Stockholders and a Majority of the Votes Cast shall elect or govern. A Stockholder Can Vote by written proxy.

Sec 10 Books of Subscription may be opened at any time after approval of this Charter, by two of the incorporators, the balance agreeing thereto.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson. Miss.
April 28th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson Miss
April 1898

Wiley N Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The Within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the West Gin and Milling Company, is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 16th day of June 1898

(Seal)

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

Charter of Incorporation of the Pythian Publishing Company.

Art No. 1. Be It Known that N. M. Quin, R. Whitaker, Martin Rothchilds, P.B. Powell, N.B. Lacey and such others as May hereafter become Stockholders or Members, and their Successors and assigns, are hereby Constituted a body Corporate under the name and style of "The Pythian Publishing Company," and under said Name shall Exist and have Succession for a period of fifty years.

Art. No. 2. The purpose of said Corporation is hereby declared to be as follows: To Carry on and Maintain a Magazine, printing, publishing and Job office business in the town of Cutrowville, and its Contiguous territory, and it may perform any and all acts and is to have all powers and privileges given to Corporation by the laws of this State that may be Necessary and proper for Carrying out the purpose of this Corporation.

Art No. 3. The domicile of this Corporation shall be the town of Cutrowville, Wellkinson County, Miss.

Art No 4 The Capital Stock shall be divided into one Hundred Shares of the Value of ten dollars each, and when five hundred dollars of the Capital Stock shall have been paid in by the stockholders, the said Corporation may begin business.

Art No 5. In it said Corporate name said Corporation shall have power to hold, buy, Mortgage, Rent, lease sell and otherwise handle real estate Necessary for the transaction of its business and personal property, to borrow and loan Money, to give and receive Security therefor, to sue and be sued, to Contract and be Contracted with, and it shall have a Common Seal which May be altered, broken or renewed at the pleasure of the Corporation, and it may adopt and make laws, rules and regulations for the Management of the business, and it may change same at its pleasure.

Art No. 6 The Corporators hereof shall meet in pursuance to a written Notice to that end, designating the time and place of Meeting, Signed by at least two of the incorporators above Mentioned, which shall be delivered to the other stockholders at least one day previous to such Meeting, and when duly assembled shall proceed to organize said Corporation by the election of such officers to transact the business of the Corporation as they may deem proper and at such Meeting they may adopt such rules and Regulations for their future Meetings and may authorize the officers selected to adopt such minute, rules and Regulations as shall be necessary and advisable for the Management of the interests of this Corporation.

Art No 7 Every Stockholder shall be entitled to Vote as many Votes

in said Meetings as he may have shares of stock, and said Votes may be cast by proxy when authority for same is given in writing, and a Majority of Votes Cast shall govern.

Ark No 8 The Capital Stock of this Corporation May be increased to any amount Not exceding fifty thousand dollars at any time that a Majority of the Stockholders May deem it advisable.

The forgoing Proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney. General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provision thereof.

Jackson Miss.
May 25th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are Not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
May 1898

Welby N Nash
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Pythian Publishing Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set My hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss. to be affixed, this 18th day of June 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

Filed

By the Governor
T L Power
Secy. State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Florida Orange Co.

Section 1. Be it Known that W.H. Lee resident of Lowndes County State of Mississippi, G.W. Cox resident of Lowndes Co. State of Mississippi, Wm Winston resident of McLennon County State of Texas, A.C. Lee resident of Warren County State of Mississippi and their associates and Successors be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic under the name and style of "The Florida Orange Co." and by that name shall have succession for a period of fifty years subject to the Conditions and limitations of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi 1892.

Sec. 2 The place of domicile of said Company shall be Columbus, Lowndes County, State of Mississippi.

Sec. 3. The object & purpose of said Corporation shall be the raising & Marketing of Oranges and all other products of the soil both fructus Naturals and fructus industrials and to that end to acquire and dispose of property real & personal incident to and Necessary for the Conduct of such business and for the further purpose of exercising and using all the Corporate powers Mentioned and Authorized in & by Section Eight hundred & thirty six (836) of Chapter (25) twenty five of the Annotated Code of Mississippi 1892 hereby Specially referred to and incorporated herein as a part thereof.

Sec. 4. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be ten thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each and may increase the Capital Stock from time to time in any sums Not to exceed the sum of Twenty five (25.000) thousand dollars, and the Company may begin business whenever the sum of ten thousand dollars shall have been subscribed and paid.

Sec. 5. The Management and Control of the said Corporation shall be Vested in a board of directors of Not less than three, to be elected by the Stockholders of said Company each share of Stock entitling the owner to one vote under the regulations and restrictions Contained in Section 837 Annotated Code of Mississippi 1892 hereby Specially referred to as incorporated herein. The The directors to be governed by the by-laws enacted by the Stockholders and the stockholders shall elect such officers as they deem Necessary who shall hold their office for one year, and until their Successors are elected and qualified, unless such officers shall be sooner removed pursuant to the regulations therein Contained in the by-laws. The Compensation of and number of officers to be determined by the directors.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
May 27th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not Violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss
May — 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Florida Orange Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set My hand & Caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 18th day of June 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Gov.
J. L. Power
Secy. State

To His Excellency, A. J. McLaurin, Governor of Mississippi

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 112, Annotated Code of Mississippi, 1892, Section 3572 to Section 3600 inclusive. J.A. McArtur, resident and post-office address Woodland, Chickasaw County Mississippi; N.B. Crawford, resident and post-office address Atlanta Chickasaw County Mississippi, E.J. Hall, William Mosley, W.A. Tabb, B.F. Collins, J.W. Smith, Richard Thomas and N.W. Bradford residents and post-office address Houston, Chickasaw County Mississippi, and James B. Paden, resident and post office addres, Sparta, Chickasaw County Mississippi, would respectfully represent to Your Excellency, That they desire authority under your Proclamation to organize a Railroad Corporation to be known and recognized as "The Pontotoc and Starkville Railroad Company." That it is the purpose and object of the proposed Railroad Company to lay out, Construct, equip and operate or cause to be layed out, Constructed equiped and operated a line of railroad from the town of Pontotoc, Pontotoc County Mississippi, running in a Southeasterly direction to the town of Starkville in the County of Oktibbeha distant about Sixty-five Miles; the same passing through the Southern part of Pontotoc County aforesaid, thence through the forth Judicial District of Chickasaw County, Miss. the Western part of Clay County, Miss. through Oktibbeha County, Miss. to the town of Starkville aforesaid. That it is the Wish, that the Corporation hereby sought to be formed, be known and designated - "The Pontotoc & Starkville Railroad Company," as aforesaid.

That it is the purpose of petitioners, once organized as a Company to have Completed and in operation said line of Railroad within two years from this date.

Wherefore, they ask your Excellency to Make your Proclamation granting unto them a Charter to Create a Corporation for the purpose aforesaid.

Respectfully Submitted and earnestly Requested that the privileges herein Sought may be granted.

Houston, Miss. April 15th 1898

Wm S. Bates

Attorney for Petitioners

The State of Mississippi
Executive Department

To all to whom the presents shall Come—Greeting:

Whereas, J.A. McArthur, whose post office address is Woodlawn, Chickasaw County, Mississippi, N.B. Crawford whose post office address is Atlanta, Chickasaw County Mississippi, E.J. Hall, William Masley, W.A. Tabb, B.F. Collins, G.W. Smith, Richard Thomas and N.W. Bradford whose post office address is Houston Chickasaw County Mississippi, and James B. Paden, whose post office address is Sparta, Chickasaw County Mississippi, did, on the 15th day of April forward to me their application declaring their intention to organize a railroad Corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi:

Now Therefore, I, A.J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by virtue of the authority in me Vested by the Constitution and laws of the State, including Chapter 112 of the Annotated Code of 1892 entitled "Railroads," do issue this my

Proclamation

authorizing the said J.A. McArthur, N.B. Crawford, E.J. Hall, William Masley, W.A. Tabb, B.F. Collins, G.W. Smith, Richard Thomas, N.W. Bradford and James B. Paden, whose residence and post office address is as aforesaid, to organize a railroad Corporation with the Terminal points of the said railroads as follows; to-wit: The town of Pontotoc, in the County of Pontotoc to the town of Starkville, in the County of Oktibbeha. And the line of said proposed railroad Corporation to be from the said town of Pontotoc in a Southeasterly direction through said County to the town of Starkville, passing through the Fifth district of Chickasaw County, the Western part of Clay County, thence through Oktibbeha County to the town of Starkville. The said proposed railroad Corporation to be known as "The Pontotoc and Starkville Railroad Company."

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. Done at the City of Jackson, this 17th day of June A.D. 1898.

(Seal)

A.J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J.L. Power
Secy. State

Recorded - June 23rd 1898
J.L. Power, Secy. State

The foregoing proposed application to organize a railroad Corporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable attorney General for his opinion as to whether the same be in Conformity to law.

Jackson Miss.
April 19th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The foregoing proposed application to form a railroad Corporation in this State, Conforms to law.

Jackson, Miss.
June 14th 1898

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Articles of Incorporation of The Southwestern Cotton Seed Oil Company.

First. R. W. Jones, R. W. Jones Jr. Garland M. Jones, J. C. Hill, J. R. Dominick, N. B. Johnson, C. R. Jones, J. F. Ames, C. B. Ames, and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby Created a body politic and Corporate under the Name and style of the Southwestern Cotton Seed Oil Company.

Second Said Corporation shall have Succession for a period of fifty years.

Third The domicil of said Corporation is Macon, Noxubee County, Mississippi, but said domicil may be changed at any time by two thirds Vote of the Stockholders of said Company.

Fourth The Corporation shall have the power to purchase, erect, own, operate and Control all land, buildings, Machinery and Property of every Sort desirable and reasonably Necessary in Manufacturing the Products of Cotton Seed. It shall also have the power to own any species of property by which it can better dispose of said products, or by means of which it can cheapen the Cost of acquiring any property Necessary for its business, or by means of which it can keep in use the property it may legitimately acquire and thereby render it more profitable.

Fifth Said Corporation shall have all powers granted by Chapter 26 of Annotated Code of Mississippi and the Amendments thereof, applicable to such Corporations.

Sixth The Capital Stock of Said Corporation is hereby fixed at $250,000, divided into 2500 Shares of the par Value of $100. each. Said Capital Stock may be increased or diminished at any time by a Majority Vote of the Share-holders.

Seventh Said Corporation shall have the power to begin business when 1,000 Shares of said Stock have been Subscribed and 20% thereof paid up.

Eighth The first Meeting of the Share-holders of said Corporation for the purpose of organizing may be held at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

The foregoing articles of incorporation are respectfully referred to the Atty. General of Mississippi for his Opinion of the Constitutionality and legality thereof.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor of Mississippi

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Southwestern Cotton Seed Oil Company, is hereby approved. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Great Seal of the State of Miss— to be affixed, this 25th day of June 1898.

Seal

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Sec. State

The Charter of Incorporation of "The Woodville Gin & Manufacturing Company."

George J. Adams, Martin Rothschild, W. V. Morris, R M McGee, Henry Johnson, and C. W. Henderson, and their Successors are hereby Constituted and declared to be a body Corporate under the Name and style of "The Woodville Gin & Manufacturing Company." for the purpose as follows: to-wit: of ginning and baling Cotton, operating Oil Mill, grist Mill, etc and Manufacturing industries generally at Woodville, Wilkerson County, Mississippi, and by the said Name may have perpetual Succession for the period of Fifty Years from the Approval of this Charter, May sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded befor any Court, Contract and be Contracted with within the limits of its Corporate powers, may hold all real and personal property Necessary for Carrying out the purposes of its organization, within the limits prescribed by law; May sell, Convey, Mortgage or otherwise encumber its real and personal property, May purchase all real estate Necessary for Carrying on its business- May take lein on real and personal property in Conducting its business- may adopt and use a Common Seal and alter the same at pleasure and may generally do all things that may be Necessary for the Successful prosecution of the business of said Corporation Not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

The Capital Stock of said Corporation may be fixed at Fifty Thousand Dollars- divided into Shares of One Hundred dollars each and the liabilities of Shareholders shall be as now provided by law. Any three of the persons hereinbefore named may open books of Subscription to the Capital Stock of said Corporation, and when as Much as Six Thousand dollars of said Stock is Subscribed for, the Subscribers or those owning a Majority of the Stock may hold a Meeting at such time as they may agree upon and elect a President and Five Directors, who together shall Constitute a Board of Directors, three of whom shall Constitute a quorum- The said President and Directors shall hold office for such time as may be designated by the Stockholders and until their Successors are elected and qualified. They and their Successors shall Commence, Manage and Carry on the business of said Corporation, shall appoint such Agents & officers as they may deem Necessary, fix the amount of their Compensations, prescribe the necessary rules for the issue and transfer of stock, and adopt such rules and by-laws as they may deem proper and Necessary for the Conduct and Management and Security of said Corporation, provided the same are not in Conflict

with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi - After the expiration of the terms of office of the first President and Directors. The President and Directors shall be elected annually on the First Tuesday in March of each Year or at such time as may be designated by the rules and by-laws of the Corporation - The President and Directors shall be stockholders and in the election of President and Directors every stockholder shall have the right to Vote, in person or by proxy, the number of shares of stock owned by him for as many persons as are to be elected

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
May 9th 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Executive office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Woodville Gin & Manufacturing Company, is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 15th day of June 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

Seal

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy. State

 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 26 PAGE 489

The Charter of Incorporation of the Central Cotton Oil Company.

Section 1 M. Frank, E. Cahn, M. E. Cahn and C. N. Alexander, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, under and by virtue of the general laws of the State of Mississippi, by the name of the Central Cotton Oil Co., and in that name may acquire, own, enjoy, convey and mortgage both real estate and personal property necessary or proper for the conduct of their business; may contract and be contracted with; and, generally, shall have all the powers and privileges enumerated in section 836 of the Mississippi Code of 1892, incident to such corporations; and may do all such other things, and have all such other rights and powers as shall be necessary or proper to the conduct of their business. The corporation shall continue for a period of fifty years.

Section 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be the city of Jackson, State of Mississippi.

Section 3 The purpose for which this corporation is created are the manufacturing and selling and otherwise disposing of all finished products of cotton seed, and all finished by products thereof and therefrom, including ingredients in the manufacture of fertilizers; manufacturing and refining vegetable oils, soap and other saponaceous substances; manufacturing and selling ice; operating cotton compress, gins and compressing cotton, and manufacturing the same into any article of trade; and buying, selling and dealing in any of the articles produced or substances above mentioned or referred to.

Section 4 The capital stock of said company shall be the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000.00) in shares of One Hundred dollars ($100.00) each, and said capital stock may be increased by vote of the stock-holders, but not to exceed One Hundred Thousand dollars ($100,000.00). When there shall have been as much as Twenty-five Thousand dollars, ($25,000.00) of the capital stock subscribed and paid in, the said corporation hereby created is authorized to commence business, and to exercise all the powers, duties and franchises hereby conferred. The first meeting of the corporators shall be at such time and place as a majority of them may appoint, giving five days notice to each subscriber to the capital stock of the company organized under this charter

Section 5 This charter of incorporation shall be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor of said State.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General of the State for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, June 20, 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor of the State of Miss

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State of Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., June 20, 1898

Riley N. Nash
Atty-Genl of the State of Miss.

Executive Office
Jackson. Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Central Cotton Oil Co., is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 15th day of July 1898.

Seal

By the Governor.

A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 7/15/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the West Point Business College

Section 1 The purposes for which this corporation is created are the education of the white people of both sexes in book-keeping, shorthand, typewriting, penmanship, mathematics, telegraphy, commercial law, banking, english literature and business correspondence, and the conferring of diplomas for proficiency therein.

Section 2 The corporate name of said incorporation shall be "The West Point Business College," and shall be composed of G.A. Mason and A. A. Andrews and such others as may associate themselves with them, and their successors and assigns, and the said Incorporation shall have succession and existence for a period of fifty years unless annulled as provided by law.

Section 3 This corporation shall have power to sue and be sued in all the courts of this State; to contract and be contracted with; to have a common seal and change the same at will; to acquire and hold property not in violation of law; and necessary for the business of the corporation and to sell the same; to borrow and loan money; to make all necessary contracts, and shall have all powers, rights and privileges necessary for carrying out the rights and powers hereby conferred by the laws of this State as provided in chapter twenty-five of the annotated Code of Mississippi and the amendments thereto.

Section 4 The affairs of said incorporation shall be managed by a Board of two or more directors to be elected by the stockholders of said corporation, annually as provided by law, until as many as five become stockholders in said corporation. The business shall be managed and conducted by G.A. Mason, President and A.A. Andrews, Treasurer, who shall constitute the Board of Directors

Section 5 The capital stock of said incorporation may be $25,000.00 which may be increased from time to time by the Board of Directors hereof, and the said corporation is authorized to begin business when $4,000.00 of said capital stock has been subscribed and paid in. The shares of ~~stock-holders~~ shall be $25.00 each, and shall be transferable only on the books of the corporation as provided by law.

Section 6 The domicile of said incorporation shall be in the city of West Point, Clay County, Mississippi, but may be changed at any time by the Board of Directors.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions, thereof

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

Jackson, Miss. June 30/98

The provisions of the foregoing charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 30/98

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the West Point Business College is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 15th day of July, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy State

Recorded 7/16/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Opera House

Section 1 Be it known and remembered that R. A. Quin, M. G. Quin, and F. M. Searls, their associates, successors and assigns be and they are hereby created a body politic and incorporate under the name and style of The Vicksburg Opera House Company, and by that name shall have power to sue and be sued, to contract and be contracted with, to purchase, acquire, mortgage, sell and convey real and personal property, proper and convenient for the purposes of its creation, to an amount not exceeding $250,000 00, and may have a corporate seal and the same to break and alter at pleasure, and shall have succession for fifty years. The purposes for which said corporation is created being to build and operate an opera house in the city of Vicksburg, County of Warren and State of Mississippi, and for that purpose they may erect a building or buildings in the city of Vicksburg and said buildings in addition to the said opera house may have such other accomodations incident to the opera house business as the stock holders may from time to time decide upon. The domicile of said company shall be at Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi

Section 2 The capital stock of said Company shall be $20,000.00 and as soon as $5,000.00 is subscribed and paid in, either in money or in property as may be agreed upon by the incorporators, said corporation shall have power to commence business. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each and no stock holder shall be liable for any debts of the corporation, beyond his or her unpaid subscriptions to the capital stock. Said corporation shall have all the powers vested in corporations created under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 necessary and proper to carry out the purposes for which this corporation is created.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, July 16, 1898 N. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, July 16, 1898. Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of The Vicksburg Opera House Company is hereby approved.

Seal

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of July 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secretary State

Recorded 7/16/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Advance Gin and Milling Company

Section 1 R. A. Quin and R. Verdeyn and E. W. Atkinson, and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Advance Gin and Milling Company and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy, real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00), and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, or said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber, to issue notes, bonds, debentures, or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a common seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure. The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi

Section 2 Said corporation shall have the right, and is hereby authorized and empowered, to construct, own, operate and maintain a public cotton gin for the purpose of separating the lint from seed cotton, or to do what is generally known as ginning cotton, and to compress cotton and to charge and collect therefor such a toll as may be determined by the management of said company; to buy seed cotton and sell cotton and cotton seed, and cotton seed products; to manufacture cotton seed oil, cotton seed meal, cotton seed meal cakes, and all products or articles into which cotton seed, or the products of either, may be manufactured; to operate a warehouse, bonded or otherwise; to delint cotton seed; and to construct, own, operate and maintain all the plants, factories, establishments and machinery necessary and proper for such purposes. The said corporation shall also have, and it is hereby authorized and invested with the right and power to build and construct, purchase, hire or otherwise acquire, and thereafter to use, operate, own and enjoy, sell, mortgage, charter, lease, encumber and dispose of, steamboats and other water craft to be used for the aforesaid purposes of said corporation; to construct docks, derricks, wharves, landings, warehouses, wharf boats and elevators for its own use, or for elevating, storing and handling the freight of other steamboats or transportation companies, or for any person; to transport freight for said corporation by steamboat or other water

craft on the Mississippi river or on the Yazoo, Tallahatchie, and Yalobusha river and on their or each of their tributaries; to receive for safe Keeping, and to store, merchandise or property in its yards or warehouses and to receive such compensation therefor, as may, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officers of said Company; to make advances of money or credit upon merchandise or property for charges by other transportation lines, or any person, to be transported by its boats, or to be stored in its yards, or warehouses to such extent, and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officers of said Company may from time to time establish or authorize; and further do all other acts necessary and convenient, in the judgment of the officers and directors of said Company for the welfare and said business of the said Company, and shall have, posses and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in, Chapter 25 of the Annoted Code of 1892 applicable to such corporations.

Section 3. The capital stock of said Company shall be Seventy Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00), divided into shares of ($100.00) One Hundred Dollars each, and may be increased or diminished from time to time, by a vote of the holders of three fourths (3/4) of the stock, but no bonds of said corporation shall be issued at any time without the consent of all the stockholders.

Section 4. The management of the business of said Company shall be confided to not less than three nor more than five directors, who shall be stockholders of said Company, and who shall be elected annually by the stockholders, and the majority of said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a President and a Vice President, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and may appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The said directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number, caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Section 5. The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by laws and regulations, for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said Company, and may from time to time alter and renew the same as they see fit.

Section 6. At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of three fourths (3/4) of the stock, then present in person or by proxy,

shall decide all questions submitted at said meetings. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by him, it or her.

Section 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said company, beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscription to said capital stock.

Section 8 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid for in cash, said company may organize, elect Directors and commence business.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., July 18, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution and laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., July 18, 1898 N. V. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Advance Gin and Milling Co. is hereby Approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 28th day of July 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power

Secy State.

Recorded July 28/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Hill City Hotel Company.

Section 1. Henry Abraham, Isidor Hernsheim, Frank Hernsheim, Max Abraham, E. C. Carroll, J. Hirsh and E. S. Butts, and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, under the name and style of the Hill City Hotel Company, and as such shall have succession for fifty years; and said Corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have, to hold, purchase, receive and enjoy real and personal property, convenient and proper for hotel purposes and uses, not exceeding in value Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($250,000.00); and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, and the said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber, may issue bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt; payable in coin, without discriminating against any kind of legal tender money; may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with; may have and use a common seal, and the same may break, alter or renew at pleasure. The domicile of the said Corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Miss.

Section 2. The said Corporation shall have the right, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, maintain and own buildings for hotel purposes; to engage in and carrying on the business of keeping a hotel, or of providing food and lodging for hire for the public; and further to do all other acts necessary and convenient in the judgment of the officers and directors of said Corporation for the welfare and business of said hotel Company, and said Corporation shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights and privileges created or conferred upon such corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi

Section 3. The capital stock of said Corporation shall be Eighty Eight Thousand Dollars ($88,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars, ($100.00) and may be increased or diminished from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the said Corporation.

Section 4. The management of the business of the said Cor-

ration shall be confided to not less than five, nor more than eleven directors, who shall be stockholders of said Company and shall be elected annually by the stockholders, and a majority of the said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and may appoint or elect such other offices, agents or employes as they deem proper. The said directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation or otherwise

Section 5 The directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by laws and regulations for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said Company, and may from time to time alter and revoke the same as they see fit

Section 6 The holders of a majority of the stock of said Company shall alone constitute a quorum and it shall require the vote of the holders of a majority of the stock, in person or by proxy, to decide all questions submitted at such meetings, or to do anything binding upon the Company. A stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, it or her

Section 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said Company beyond the amount of his, its or her unpaid subscription to said Capital stock.

Section 8 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the Capital stock of the said Company, and as soon as Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid for in cash, the said Company may organize, elect directors and commence business.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality

of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., July 11/1898

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, July 11, 1898

Riley A. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Hill City Hotel Company is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 29th day of July, 1898

(Seal)

By the Governor

A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded July 30/98

Amendment of the Charter of Incorporation of the Wanisee & Menger Furniture Co

The charter of the Wanisee and Menger Furniture Co, which was incorporated and organized on the 13th day of September 1890, and domiciled in the city of Vicksburg, County of Warren, and State of Mississippi, under chapter 38 of Code 1880, is by the unanimous vote of the stockholders of said corporation hereby amended so as to change the name thereof from The Wanisee and Menger Furniture Co., to Wachenheim and Menger Furniture Co. Said charter in every respect is to remain as it was when originally granted.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Wanisee and Menger Furniture Co, is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to whether it conforms to the constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Mississippi

Jackson, Miss, June 14, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Wanisee and Menger Company is not violative of the Constitution and laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi

Jackson, Miss., June 16th 1898. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General.

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss,

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Wanisee & Menger Furniture Co, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 2d day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug. 2, 1898

Charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Molasses and Vinegar Company.

Section 1 Know all men that J. A. Ross, S. N. Lowenburg and their associates and assigns, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Natchez Molasses and Vinegar Company, and as such shall have succession for the full term of fifty years.

Section 2 The objects of said corporation are to make, manufacture, buy and sell Molasses, syrups, molasses compounds, glucose compounds, vinegar, cider, mineral waters, etc.

Section 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be ten thousand dollars, being 100 shares of $100.00 each, but said company may organize and commence business when $2,500.00 of said shares of stock is subscribed and paid for, in cash. The capital stock may be increased to an amount not exceeding $50,000.00 by a majority vote of the stockholders.

Section 4 The officers of said company shall be a president, vice president, and Secretary and Treasurer, to hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by the same person. The domicile of said company shall be at Natchez, Mississippi

Section 5 Said company shall have all the rights, powers and privileges and advantages given to such corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and all amendments thereto; may make by-laws for the Government of said company not inconsistent with law. The first meeting for organization may be called by any one of the stockholders, by written or verbal notice to each of the stockholders of the time, place and purpose of said meeting.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, July 19, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, July 19, 1898. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General.

Recorded Aug 3/98

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Molasses and Vinegar Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 2d day of August, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
L. L. Power Secy State

Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Industrial Association of Mound Bayou

Filed Aug 2 1898

We the undersigned, P. L. Jordan, C. A. Humphrey, E. L. Strong, J. G. Huddleston, C. M Blackstone, J. N. Turner, M. W. Winston, B. N. Byrom, R. A. Fausheа, Wm Jordan, S. Berkley, and our successors, assigns, heirs and administrators, do by these presents present to and in conformity with section 833 of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, associate ourselves together and form a body politic and corporate, and do hereby certify

1 That the corporate name of this company shall be the "Farmers Industrial Association of Mound Bayou, Mississippi.

2 The object of said association thus formed shall be as follows: To carry on a mercantile business in the State of Mississippi, governed by such by laws and articles of agreement as we may from time to time adopt, not to conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi.

3 The capital stock of said association shall be twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) to be raised by the sale of twelve thousand five hundred shares at two dollars ($2.00) each.

4 The said company may begin business on the 1st day of July, 1898 and continue in existence for the term of fifty years.

5 The number of trustees of said company shall be seven, viz: P. L. Jordan, C. A. Humphrey, S. Berkley, M. W. Winston, C. M. Blackstone, J. N. Turner, and Wm. Jordan, who shall manage said company for a term fixed in the articles of agreement.

6 That the domicile of said Corporation shall be Mound Bayou. ~~Mound Bayou and such other towns as the stockholders may deem best for the good of the company.~~ The operation of said company shall be carried on, wherein the name and the seal of the company its officers may sue and be sued under the corporate name.

In witness whereof, we and each of us hereunto subscribe our names, this 1st day of June 1898.

P. L. Jordan, C. A. Humphrey, E. L. Strong, A. Marr, S. Berkley, J. G. Huddleston, J. N. Turner, M. W. Winston, C. M. Blackstone, B. N. Byrom, Wm. Jordan.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully submitted to the Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, June 30, 1898 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., June 30, 1898.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Industrial Association of Mound Bayou is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, This 2d day of August 1898

By the Governor — A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Sec'y State

Recorded Aug 2, 1898

Charter of Incorporation of the Lexington Compress and Oil Mill Company of Lexington, Mississippi

Section 1 R. E. Wilburn, G. W. Stigler, G. A. Wilson, M. M. Rayner, W. L. Jordan, G. W. Farr, Morris Lewis, W. O. Barrett, J. W. Morris, R. B. Jenkins, W. P. Hammett, W. L. Young, I. Hyman, A. G. Orrn, W. K. Durden W. S. Hooker, Their associates, successors and assigns, be and are hereby constituted a body politic under the Corporate name of the Lexington Compress and Oil Mill Co., and by said name may sue and be sued in all courts of law and equity; have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure, and make all contracts necessary or proper in the conduct of their business.

Section 2 The capital stock of said Corporation shall be Sixty Thousand Dollars; divided into shares of $100.00 each, but the same the may be increased or diminished by a vote of majority of stock holders, to an amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars and said corporation may commence business when the sum of $30,000.00 has been subscribed In all elections and on every vote, before a meeting of Stockholders, each stockholder shall have the right to vote as provided by section 837 of Code, and a majority of the stock shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The stockholders of said Corporation shall not be liable for the debts of said Corporation beyond the amount of his unpaid Subscription for stock.

Section 3 Said Company shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary and such other officers or agents as may be prescribed by the by-laws of said Corporation, who shall perform such duties as may be required of them by their office and by said by-laws. Said Corporation shall have a board of Directors composed of five persons, who shall have the general management of the affairs of said Corporation and who shall be stock holders therein. Said officers shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. The stockholders at any annual meeting may increase or decrease the number of Directors. Said Board of Directors shall not receive any Compensation for their services except that the stockholders may at an annual meeting fix a Compensation at so much per day, and mileage for members of said Board whilst actually engaged in the service of said Company.

Section 4 There shall be an annual meeting of stock holders for the election of officers and directors and the dispatch of such business as may come before them. The annual meeting shall be fixed by said stock holders and may

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be changed. If for any reason there should be a failure to elect officers at the fixed Annual meting, then said officers may be elected at some subsequent meting and hold until the next regular annual meeting and until their successors are elected and qualified. A meeting of the stock holders can be called at any time by the president or board of directors, And at such meting can transact any and all business that comes before them.

Section 5 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Lexington, Miss, And said corporation shall have power to build, own and operate, in the town of Lexington and vicinity, one or more Compresses, for the compressing of cotton; to build and own sheds and warehouses for receiving and storing cotton and all other kinds of personal property; to build own and operate one or more Cotton seed oil mills, deal in the products thereof and establish agencies at different places; to buy, sell and exchange cotton seed and the various products of said oil mill, to lease, buy or in any way contract for all the lands or other property, necessary, proper or expedient for the successful accomplishment of the objects herein above specified and of this corporation, and to sell and dispose of said lands; to take all proper and necessary securities for all amounts due said Corporation and to make and execute All proper notes, due bills, checks, drafts, bills of sale, mortgages And deeds that may become necessary in the Conduct of said business enterprises

Section 6 After the approval of this charter a meeting of the incorporators may be called upon a written notice signed by any five of said incorporators, upon five days notice, at such time and place as may be deemed proper and at any subsequent time until the organization is effected by the election of the officers herein contemplated.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss, July 21, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, July 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Lexington Compress and Old Mill Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 3d day of August 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power.
Secy State

Recorded Aug 3/98

State of Mississippi }
Chickasaw County }

Be it remembered that on this the 5th day of June A.D 1898, J.A. McArthur, N.B. Crawford, E.J. Hall, Wm Mosley, N.A. Tabb, B.F. Collins, G.W. Smith, N.W. Bradford, R. Thomas and J.B. Paden, projectors and chaiter members of the Pontotoc and Starkville Railroad Company, by virtue of a proclamation issued by his Excellency A.J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi, authorizing them so to do, met at the court house in the town of Houston in said county for the purpose of organizing the Pontotoc and Starkville Railroad Company and proceeded to organize; whereupon the capital stock of said company was fixed at the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, divided into One Thousand shares of One Hundred Dollars each and proceeded to the election of the following Board of Directors of said company to wit: J.A. McArthur, N.B. Crawford, E.J Hall, Wm Mosley, N.A. Tabb, B.F. Collins, G.W. Smith, N.W. Bradford, R. Thomas and J.B. Paden, Whereupon said Board organized by electing N.B. Crawford, President of said Company, J.A. McArthur, Vice President and N.A. Tabb, Secretary and Treasurer thereof, Witness our signatures day and date above written, N.B. Crawford, N.A. Tabb, N.W. Bradford, J.B. Paden, B.F. Collins, G.W. Smith, R. Thomas, E.J. Hall, Wm. Mosley.

The State of Mississippi }
Chickasaw County }

This day came before me the undersigned clerk of the Chancery Court of said county, N.W. Bradford, one of the directors of the Pontotoc and Starkville Railroad Co, who makes oath that he was present and participated in the organization of said company as above set ~~forth~~ forth and that the above and foregoing record thereof is true and correct as stated

N.W. Bradford

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 6th day of July, 1898

E.J. Hall, Clerk

Recorded Aug 5 1898

An act to incorporate the Gem Fire Company No 2 in the City of Jackson and for other purposes

Section 1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That the officers and members of the Gem Fire Co #2, their successors and all others who may hereafter become associated with them be and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic under the name and style aforesaid and by that name may contract and be contracted with, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, appear, answer and defend in all courts and places as a natural person and shall be capable of receiving or acquiring by donation or purchase estate both real and personal to the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars and may hold the same in fee simple or by mortgage for the benefit and use of said Company may have and use a common seal and alter, change and renew the same at pleasure, may elect such officers and make such by laws as they may deem necessary for the management of said Company and the conducting of its business and affairs.

Section 2 Be it further enacted, That the members of said Company are hereby exempt from any and all military duty in time of peace.

Section 3 Be it further enacted, That the said Company shall not consist of more than one hundred and thirty members

Section 4 Be it further enacted, That this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage and continue in force for the term of twenty five years.

Approved June 30, 1870

Office Secretary of State
Jackson, Miss

I, H. R. Revels, Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original on file in this office

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi This 1st day of July, A. D. 1873

H. R. Revels, Secretary of State

I, Ansalem J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi do hereby grant and certify that I granted a renewal of the foregoing Charter, except Section 2 thereof, for the period of fifty years

from the date of the expiration thereof.
Given under my hand, with the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, affixed this 2d day of August, A. D. 1898

Recorded Aug 5/98

Attest
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

A. J. McLaurin
Governor of the State of Mississippi

The Charter of Incorporation of the Advance Gin and Mill Company.

Section 1 R. A. Quin, and R. Derdeyn and E. W. Atkinson and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Advance Gin and Mill Company and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy personal property, ~~not exceeding~~ necessary and proper for its purposes and real property Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars ($250,000.00) and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, or said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage, or otherwise encumber, to issue notes, bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt, ~~to sue and be sued~~ said notes, bonds, debentures, or other evidences of debt to be payable in gold or silver at the option of the corporation; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be impleaded with; to use a common seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure. The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi

Section 2 Said corporation shall have the right, and is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, own, operate and maintain a public cotton gin for the purpose of separating the lint from seed cotton, or to do what is generally known as ginning cotton, and to compress cotton and to charge and collect therefor such a reasonable toll as may be determined by the management of said Company; to buy and sell cotton and cotton seed, and cotton and cotton seed products; to manufacture cotton seed oil, cotton seed meal, cotton seed meal cakes, and all products or articles into which cotton or cotton seed or the products of either, may be manufactured; to operate a warehouse, bonded or otherwise; to delint cotton seed, and to construct, own, operate and maintain all the plants, factories, establishments and

machinery necessary and proper for such purposes. The said corporation shall also have, and it is hereby authorized and invested with the right and power to build and construct, purchase, charter, hire or otherwise acquire, and thereafter to use, operate, own and ~~mortgage~~ enjoy, sell, mortgage, charter, lease, encumber and dispose of steamboats and other water craft; construct docks, derricks, wharves, landings, warehouses, wharfboats and elevators for its own use, or for elevating, storing and handling the freight of other steamboats or transportation companies, or for any person; to carry the United States mail, to transport freight and passengers by steamboat or other water craft on the Mississippi River or on the Yazoo, Tallahatchie and Yalobusha rivers and on their and each of their tributaries, and to receive therefor such reasonable compensation as shall, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officers of said Company or by the laws of the State of Mississippi; to receive for safe keeping and to store, merchandise and property in its yards or warehouses and to receive such reasonable compensation therefor as may, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officers of said company; to make advances of money or credit upon merchandise or property for charges by other transportation lines, or any person, to be transported by its boats or to be stored in its yards or warehouses to such extent, and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officers of said Company may from time to time establish or authorize; and further do all other acts necessary and convenient, in the judgment of the officers and directors of said company for the welfare and business of the said Company, and shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred upon such corporations by ~~by or enumerated in~~, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892

Section 3 The Capital stock of the said company shall be Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) divided into shares of ($100.00) One hundred dollars each and may be increased or diminished, from time to Time, by a vote of the holders of three fourths (3/4) of the stock, but no bonds of said corporation shall be issued at any time without the consent of all the stockholders of said company.

Section 4 The management of the business of said Company shall be confided to not less than three, nor more than five directors, who shall be stockholders of said

Company and who shall be elected annually by the stock-holders, and the majority of said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a president and a vice president, and shall also elect a secretary and treasurer and may appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The said directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number, caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Section 5 The directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by laws and regulations, for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said company and may from time to time alter and renew the same as they ~~may~~ see fit.

Section 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of three-fourths (3/4) of the stock, then present, in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at said meetings. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share held by him, it or her.

Section 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscription to said capital stock

Section 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid for in cash or in property.

Section 9. Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company and as soon as seventy five Thousand dollars ($75,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid for in cash ~~or in property~~, said company may organize, elect directors and commence business.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of the Advance Gin and Mill Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 6th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy State

Recorded Aug 6/98

The Charter of the Duck Hill Gin, Compress and Warehouse Company

Section 1. That L.S. Hilkins, W.R. Moore, J.W. Turner, J.M. Couger, T.L. Kimbrough, A. Olsen and W.E. Tyler and their associates and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, be and they are hereby constituted and created a body corporate with right of succession for fifty years under the name and style of the Duck Hill Gin, Compress and Warehouse Company and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, contract and be contracted with, and adopt a corporate seal and the same to alter, change or break at pleasure.

Section 2. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Duck Hill, Montgomery County, Mississippi, and the capital stock of said corporation shall be six thousand dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, but the capital stock of said corporation may be increased from time to time in the discretion of the stockholders by a majority vote of the entire paid up stock, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. When the said capital stock of six thousand dollars is subscribed and the sum of one thousand dollars is paid in, said corporation is authorized to commence business.

Section 3 No stockholder shall be individually liable for the debts of said corporation for any amount exceeding his or their unpaid subscription to the capital stock of said corporation

Section 4 Said corporation shall have the power to engage in the business of ginning and compressing cotton, hulling cotton seed and of manufacturing cotton seed into oil and the different cotton seed products, and of sawing lumber, manufacturing rims, spokes and ax helves, and shall have the right to buy all materials, machinery and property of whatever character that may be deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of said corporation as before expressed, and to build and erect all buildings and machinery that may be deemed necessary. Said corporation shall have the right to charge for work done and to make contracts in the conduct of the business, and may sell or dispose of all products manufactured by or belonging to said corporation. Said corporation may also buy, own and sell at pleasure any real and personal property that may be incident to or grow out of or that may be reasonably deemed necessary to the successful erection and operation of any or all of the said plants or industries herein provided for. Said corporation may also buy, own and sell real and personal property in the collection of debts that may be due said corporation or for the payment of debts, or for the purpose of converting said property into money. But the said real

and personal property last aforesaid shall be disposed of and conveyed by the Corporation within ten years from the time it is acquired. They may also employ all such labor as may be deemed necessary to be employed for the successful operation of any or all of said plants. In addition to the powers granted such Corporations by Chapter 25 Annotated Code 1892 of Mississippi, so long as the same said Chapter is the law of the State

Section 5 Said Corporation shall be controlled, governed and managed by such officer or officers as the stockholders representing the larger part of the money paid in on the stock, may from time to time designate and elect. Said stockholders, so representing the larger part of the money paid in on stock, may prescribe the duties, salaries and tenures of office of the offices that may be elected by them to manage said business. Such offices may be stockholders or otherwise as may be deemed best by the stockholders representing the larger part of the money paid in on stock

Section 6 The stockholders of said Corporation who may represent the larger part of the money paid in on stock shall have the right and power from time to time to adopt such rules, regulations and by laws for the government and management of the business of said corporation as they may deem for the best interest of the same not contrary to or inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi nor of the United States. They shall also have the right and power to amend, alter or repeal any or all of said rules, regulations and by laws at such time and in such manner as they may deem for the best interest of said Corporation.

Section 7 Any stockholder at any of their meetings may be represented by proxy, who shall be authorized to act in all respects as fully as though such stockholder was present and acting. Provided, however, such proxy shall be appointed in writing by such stockholder.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., June 15, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., June 15, 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

Submitting and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Duck Hill Gin, Compress and Warehouse Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of August 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 13/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Jonestown Bank, of Jonestown, in Coahoma County, Mississippi

By authority of the laws of the State of Mississippi, W. R. Sadler, W. C. Weathersby, L. F. Weathersby, W. L. Galoway, George Richberger, L. Marks J. W. Cutter and their associates are hereby created a body corporate, under the name of the Jonestown Bank, of Jonestown, in Coahoma County, Mississippi, and by that name, shall have succession for fifty years, may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and, generally, may enjoy, defend, transmit and dispose of all rights, privileges and franchises granted by this charter, or acquired under the same, and may have a corporate seal, to be used or altered at pleasure.

The situs of the said corporation shall be at Jonestown, in Coahoma County, Mississippi, and the said corporation shall enjoy, possess and exercise the rights and powers following, to-wit

Article 1

The said corporation shall be authorized to carry on in this State, and elsewhere, as it may elect, a general banking and safety deposit business, and, to that end, shall have the power to receive money, securities and personal property, on deposit, And to provide for the safe keeping of the same; to make and to take bonds, bills, notes and other evidences of debt, and buy, discount and sell the same when made by other persons; to buy and sell gold and silver, and other coin and bullion; to buy and sell bills of exchange; to lend and borrow money on real or personal security, and to exercise all incidental powers necessary to carry on a general banking business; and to acquire and hold such real estate and personal property as shall be proper or necessary for the transaction of its

business, or as shall be found expedient to be acquired, in settlement or payment of indebtedness due it, and in securing any such indebtedness; and may sell and convey the same at pleasure.

Article II

The Capital stock of said bank shall be Twenty five thousand ($25,000.00) dollars, divided into shares of One hundred ($100.00) dollars each; but it may be increased from time to time, by a majority vote of stockholders, to a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand ($50,000.00) dollars. The shares of stock shall be personal property. Certificates therefor, shall be issued from a book, or record, prepared for that purpose; and, except in case of sale under legal process, or disposition by descent or will, the same shall not be transferable except by writing.

Article III

The stock of said Corporation may be paid for in cash or in monthly installments, or on call, as the Board of Directors may, from time to time, direct. And the Board of Directors shall have the right to provide for the issuance of stock as payments are made, and may receive payments in full, of all stock subscribed for, from any subscriber for, from any subscriber, on such terms as may be fixed by general order of the Board of Directors

Article IV

The affairs of said Bank shall be managed by a Board of Directors, to be composed of stockholders. The number of Directors shall be fixed by the stockholders, at any general meeting thereof, by suitable resolution, but the number thereof shall not exceed seven (7), nor be less than three (3). ~~members~~ In all instances, three (3) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority of the remaining members of the Board, shall, at all times, have power to fill any vacancy in their number, to serve until the next regular election. From the Board, there shall be chosen a President and Vice President, and the said Board shall have power to elect and appoint all necessary officers and employees, and to make all by laws, rules and regulations for the government of the Bank. The said Board shall be elected on the first Monday of May of each year; and at all elections, each stockholder shall be entitled to cast one vote for each share of stock held by him, and to cumulate the same, as provided by the Constitution and laws of the

State of Mississippi. The incorporators shall meet at the office of W. C. Weatherby, in Jonestown, after the approval of this Charter, on not less than one days notice, to organize under this Charter, and elect a Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of stockholders, provided for herein.

Article V

This Corporation shall further exercise and enjoy all rights and powers exercisable by such corporations created under the laws of the State of Mississippi, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., July 18, 1898, A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., July 1898, Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Jonestown Bank, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of August 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 13 1898

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Pants Manufacturing Company

Section 1 Eli Freund, S. Knoble and O. E. Mayer, together with those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, under the name and style of the Vicksburg Pants Manufacturing Company and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase and receive and enjoy real estate proper for the transaction of its business and personal estate not exceeding in value $50,000.00 and to hold, use and enjoy said real estate in fee simple, the same or any part thereof, and the said personal property to sell, rent, lease, mortgage or otherwise encumber, or dispose of, to sue and be sued, to contract and be contracted with, to plead and be impleaded, to use a common seal, and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure, to issue bonds, debentures or other evidences of indebtedness, said bonds, debentures and other evidences of indebtedness to be payable in gold or silver at the option of the corporation and the domicile of said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock, and the said corporation shall have power and enjoy all the rights and privileges created or conferred on such corporations by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 necessary and proper for carrying out the purposes of this charter.

Section 2 Said corporation is formed for the purpose of conducting a general manufacturing business, and is hereby authorized and empowered to manufacture goods of every kind and description and to buy and sell, trade and deal in goods, wares, merchandise and personal property of every kind and description, for cash and on credit, and at wholesale or retail. To conduct a general manufacturing business in the State of Mississippi or elsewhere, to execute and endorse notes, bills, mortgages, bonds, choses in action and other instruments of every kind and description, proper for such manufacturing business, to execute bills of exchange or drafts, proper for such manufacturing business and further to do all acts necessary or convenient for the welfare and business thereof. All notes, bills, bonds, debentures and other evidences of debt shall be payable in gold or silver at the option of the corporation. Any obligation made payable in gold alone, or silver alone, shall be void.

Section 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be $25,000.00 divided into shares of $100.00 each, which may be increased or diminished from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock.

Section 4 The management of the business of said corporation shall be confined to three directors, who shall be elected annually by the stock holders, and two of the said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 5 The stock holders shall elect a President and Vice President, and also elect or appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, which last two offices may at the option of the stockholders, be held by one person, and such Secretary and Treasurer, if held by one person, need not be a stockholder of said Corporation. And said stockholders may at such election or at any time it may be necessary, appoint or elect such other agent or agents, manager or managers of employees as they may deem proper to carry on, or conduct the business of said Corporation. The said officers and directors shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be elected and qualified. Any vacancies caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled in the manner prescribed by section 827 of the Annotated Code.

Section 6 The directors shall have power and authority to make any and all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations, for the control and management and conducting of the business affairs and property of said Corporation, and may from time to time, revoke, alter and amend the same, as they may see fit, and also regulate any and all matters which shall in any way pertain to the concern of the Corporation.

Section 7 The number of directors may be increased by a vote of the majority of the stockholders at any meeting.

Section 8 At all stock holders meetings a vote of the holders of the majority of the stock, then present in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at such meeting. All stock holders shall be entitled to one vote for each share of his, her or its stock.

Section 9 No stockholder of said Corporation shall in any way be personally liable for the indebtedness of said Corporation, beyond the amount of his, her, or its unpaid subscription to said Capital Stock.

Section 10 Any of said Corporators may open books for subscription to the Capital stock of said Corporation, and as soon as $3,000.00 shall have been subscribed and paid, said Corporation may organize, elect officers and directors and commence business.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., July 30, 1898 A. J. McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or Laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Pants Manufacturing Company is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of August 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 15/98

The charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Cash Store.

Be it known that S. L. Kahn, S. Selig, Simon Loeb and A. Schwab, are hereby created a body corporate under the name of "The Columbus Cash Store" and by that name may sue and be sued, and have all the rights and privileges contained in chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi, and all amendments of the same by the Legislature of said State so far as the same are applicable to the conduct of a cash store.

Section 1. The name shall be the Columbus Cash Store, and by that name shall sue and be sued in all the courts of said State of Mississippi; and shall have all the privileges and rights that are ~~guaranteed~~ granted by law to like corporations under chapter 25 Annotated Code, 1892, of Mississippi, with all amendments since.

Section 2 The said corporation herein, is organized and chartered for the purpose of conducting and carrying on in the City of Columbus, County of Lowndes and State of Mississippi, a general mercantile business of buying and selling any and all kinds of dry goods, ware and merchandise generally incident to such stores, for "cash money only" - to buy for cash and sell for cash, not to buy or sell, either, on a credit.

Section 3 The said corporation shall have a corporate existence for the period of ten years.

Section 4 The capital stock of said corporation shall be the sum of One thousand dollars ($1,000.00) to be divided into four (4) shares of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, per share, each.

Section 5 The domicile of said corporation shall be at and ~~in~~ in the city of Columbus, County of Lowndes, and State of Mississippi.

Section 6 The affairs and business of said corporation shall be managed

And carried on by a manager or agent and such clerks and employes as said stockholders, (who are hereby also made directors of said Corporation) or a majority of them, may deem necessary; said manager to carry on the business of said corporation for said stockholders by its corporate name.

Section 7 The said corporation hereby created and chartered under the general laws of the State aforesaid, shall be in force and effect from and after its approval by the Governor, as required by law; and the first meeting for organization of said corporation may be held at any time by mutual Consent of the said stockholders, on such notice, verbal or otherwise

Section 8 Thirty days being considered cash in the mercantile world, the true meaning and intent of section 2 herein, is that, "No Bills", bought or sold by this corporation, shall stand for more than thirty (30) days.

Section 9 Each stockholder shall only be individually liable for the debts of the said corporation for the amount or balance that may remain due or unpaid for the stock subscribed for by him, as provided by section 844, Code of Mississippi 1892, and by acts of 1894, pages 46&47.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, July 11, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, July 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Recorded Aug 17/98.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Cash Store is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of August 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy State

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Street Railway Company ~~the name of which is now the Meridian Street Railway and Power Company.~~

The amendments and consolidation of the several acts of incorporation of the Meridian Street Railway Company and changing the name to the Meridian Street Railway and Power Company, approved by the Governor on the 20th day of February, 1897, is further amended by adding the following additional section:

That in addition to the bonds and mortgages authorized by section 5 of the above recited amendments to the charter of incorporation of the said Meridian Street Railway and Power Company, said Company is authorized and empowered from time to time to issue its corporate bonds, not to exceed $20,000 on the present mileage of railway and an additional amount of $2,000 per mile additional may be issued only on the excess over a total mileage of five and one half miles owned by the Company. The bonds herein authorized shall be payable in gold or silver at the option of the Company at such times and places, and upon such conditions and such rate of interest (not exceeding 8 per cent) as the directors may designate, and to secure the payment of such bonds and interest said Company may mortgage its railway franchises together with all its real and personal property including each and all the things mentioned and authorized in section 5 of the charter and amendments to which this is a further Amendment.

But the mortgage herein authorized shall be subject to the mortgage authorized by said section 5 and all the bonds herein authorized shall be known as second mortgage bonds. After thirty days from the date any of said second mortgage bonds are issued, no person shall be eligible as a director of the Meridian Street Railway and Power Company except stockholders who are also owners and holders of one or more of the bonds authorized by this amendment. Provided, that whenever the earnings of the Company are such as to justify a dividend on the stock after paying interest on its bonds, any stockholder may be a director.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of the Meridian Street Railway Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to whether it conforms to the Constitution and laws of the United States and of this State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 17, 1898 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of the

Meridian Street Railway Company conforms to the constitution and laws of the United States and of this State.
Jackson, Miss, Aug 17, 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Street Railway Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 17th day of August 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 18/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Ellisville Compress Company

1st That A. B. Shelby, S. J. Johnson, C. L. Northam, B. F. Fridge, Isaac Anderson, J. P. Myer, W. S. Pettis and those who are now, or who may hereafter be associated with them, and their successors and assignees are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Ellisville Compress Company, with succession for fifty years and as such and by that name shall be capable of contracting, with suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto all courts of law and equity. The object and purpose of said incorporation is for conducting a warehouse and the building and conducting a cotton compress business in the town of Ellisville, County of Jones and State of Mississippi, which place shall be the domicile of said Company

2d The business of said corporation shall be conducted by a Board of five Directors to be elected by the stockholders on the 1st Monday of August of each year, but a failure to elect at that time shall not forfeit the charter, but the old Directors shall hold over until their successors are elected, and in said elections, each share shall count one vote. The following stockholders, to wit: A. B. Shelby, S. J. Johnson, J. P. Myer, B. F. Fridge, W. S. Pettis shall act as a Board of Directors until the 1st Monday in August 1889 The Board of Directors shall elect or appoint such offices as

they may deem necessary for the transaction of the said business and may remove them at their pleasure. There shall be no salaried officers connected with the management of said Corporation except the secretary and superintendent, unless by a two thirds vote of the stock. The Board shall also make such rules, regulations and by laws as they may deem necessary for the proper transaction of the business of the Company.

3d The Capital Stock of the Company is fixed at twenty Thousand dollars, divided into four hundred shares of fifty dollars each, and may be increased by a two third vote of the stock to any amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, and no stockholder shall ever become liable for any debt or demand contracted by the Directors or officers of ~~this~~ said corporation, to a greater amount than his or her unpaid subscription to the stock of the company, and the limitation of the liability of any one or more of the stockholders for any debt or demand against the company, is such unpaid subscription to the stock of the Company. The company shall possess and enjoy All the powers usual and incident to Corporations of similar character and not inconsistent with the laws of this State and all the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities granted, bestowed and proffered to similar corporations, given by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 9/98 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Gen'l

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Ellisville Campress Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 9th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 19 1898

The Charter of the Mississippi Methodist Historical Society.

Section 1 Be it known that Charles B. Galloway, Edwin Mayes, John A. B. Jones, P. L. Mellen, Geo. P. McGehee, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, A. F. Watkins, E. K. Monnger, J. S. Hamm, Sabney Lipscomb, W. H. Foote, J. R. Bingham, J. S. Oakley, F. H. Lewis, J. D. Cameron, T. C. Weir, and J. M. Pyatt and such other persons whom they may associate with them have agreed and do hereby form "The Mississippi Methodist Historical Society" whose domicile shall be Millsaps College in or near the city of Jackson, Mississippi

Section 2 The objects of this Charter are to gather together and preserve safely by printing or otherwise, writings, prints, papers, books and any and all other things pertaining to or illustrative of the history of the Methodist Church in Mississippi or elsewhere; and to this end may receive gifts of said articles (or may purchase the same) as well as gifts of money and means and lands in any manner not violative of the Constitution of the State of Mississippi; and may from time to time dispose of the same by exchange, barter, sale or gift, as the executive committee of said incorporators may direct; and may have all powers and privileges conferred by section 836 of the Annotated Code of said State of Mississippi; so far as the same may apply to a religious organization such as this is intended to be; and any seven of said named incorporators after notice duly written and mailed to all said named persons may meet and organize and adopt such by-laws and regulations necessary in the premises and not repugnant to this charter or Chapter 25 of said Annotated Code.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Aug 16, 1898 H. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 1898 Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Methodist Historical Society is hereby Approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 19th day of August 1898

H. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 19/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Florence Critteton Home.

Section 1 Be it known, that Mrs. J. N. Chatfield, Mrs. E. V. Featherston, Mrs. B. E. Payne, Mrs. L. S. Mount, Miss M. L. Montgomery, Mrs Augusta Cox, L. P. Brown, J. A. Lewis, L. A. Duncan, B. J. Carter, Rev. J. E. Jones and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Florence Crittendon Home, of Meridian, Mississippi

Section 2 The purposes for which said corporation is created are, to aid and encourage destitute, homeless and wayward women to seek reformation of character and respectibility of life through the religion of Jesus Christ and to reach positions of honorable self support, and especially to provide temporary homes and employment for women and young girls, who, having lived profligate lives, or been betrayed from the path of virtue and are sincere in their desire to reform. Also to restore them to friends or establish them in honest industry and place them in Christian ~~homes~~ homes, and to provide such homes, industrial enterprises, religious services and other instrumentalities as may be adapted thereto.

Section 3 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Meridian, but it may establish branch homes at such other places in the State of Mississippi as it may desire to establish.

Section 4 The said corporation shall have succession for fifty (50) years; may sue and be sued; and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; may have a corporate seal; may contract and be contracted with within the limits of its corporate powers; may acquire and own real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes not exceeding the sum of One Hundred Thousand ($100,000.00) Dollars in value; may purchase and convey real estate and personal property and make all by laws not contrary to law; and shall have such other rights and powers conferred upon corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and the amendments thereto, as may be necessary and proper for its purposes.

Section 5 The affairs of said Corporation shall be managed by a Board of twelve (12) directors to be elected by the incorporators hereinat their first meeting, who shall hold their office for a term of one year, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and said board of directors shall elect of their number a President, Vice President, General Superintendent and a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be the officers of said corporation, and said board of directors may create from time to time such other offices and agencies as the interest of said cor-

poration may require, and may prescribe the duties, powers and compensation of any officer, agent or employee.

Section 6 This corporation shall at all times be under the control and supervision of the National Florence Crittenton Mission.

Section 7 This Charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its Approval by the Governor, and said corporation may organize as soon as said charter is approved.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Aug 22, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Aug 22/98 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Florence Crittenton Home is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 27/98

The Charter of Incorporation of Cooper Institute

Section 1

Be it known that J. N. Cochran, J. B. Harbour, D. L. McWilliams, T. J. Cochran, J. W. Jones, W. C. Harbour and W. M. McWilliams and their successors, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic under and by the name and style of the Board of Trustees of Cooper Institute, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded both in law and in equity; may have at their pleasure a common seal, and shall be capable of acquiring and of holding by gift, grant, lease or purchase any estate not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in value, whether real, personal or mixed, either in fee simple or any lesser estate, to and for the use and benefit of said College; shall have power to sell, exchange, transfer, lease or mortgage the same, when in the judgment of a majority of them, the interests of said College may require it, and to make titles to the same,

And to make any and all contracts necessary to construct and Conduct said College; they shall appoint and employ a principal And all necessary professors, teachers and assistants for said college, And remove them, or either of them; they shall make all such by-laws, rules and regulations as they shall deem necessary for the government of said College, and in fine, may do all other acts incident to such bodies corporate and politic, for the benefit of said College, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Section 2 - That 30 days after the approval of this charter and every year thereafter, they shall elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall perform the duties prescribed by the Board of Trustees, and they shall hold their office for the term of one year, or until their successors are elected, and at all their regular meetings they shall keep a written report of all their proceedings, said board to be called together by written notice of one day given by President.

Section 3 That said Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of Principal, shall prescribe the course of study to be pursued in said College, and shall have power to grant diplomas and confer degrees under such rules and regulations as they shall prescribe.

Section 4 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Daleville, Lauderdale County, Mississippi

Section 5 Said corporation may exist for a term of fifty years and have, exercise and perform any and all the powers, rights and privileges enumerated in Chapter 25, Code, 1892.

Section 6 This charter shall be in force from and after its approval by the Governor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1st, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Aug 1898 Riley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Cooper Institute, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 17th day of August 1898

By the Governor
J. L. Power, Jr.

A. J. McLaurin

Recorded Aug 27 1898

The Charter of Incorporation of the Beulah Gin Company.

Section 1 The following named persons, to wit: N.E. Courson, J.B. Bond, J.B. Walton, and Fud Clark and such others as are or may hereafter be associated with them, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Beulah Gin Company.

Section 2 The purpose of the said Corporation is to carry on a public Cotton gin and milling business, and to buy and sell cotton seed for itself, on commission, or as agent, and to do and perform any and all acts necessary to or connected with the carrying on the business of a public Cotton gin, grist mill, and cotton seed buyer.

Section 3 The said Corporation shall have succession for the term of twenty five years, unless sooner determined by law or by the act of the Corporation. It may adopt a Corporate seal and alter or change the same at pleasure. It may acquire and hold by purchase, lease or otherwise, real estate for the purpose of building its gin and all buildings and houses connected therewith or pertaining to the business of the said Corporation and the proper conduct of its business, and for the purpose of carrying out its object, It may acquire and hold by purchase or otherwise, any and all personal property and machinery necessary to the establishment and proper conduct of its business; It may establish, make and collect all such charges or tolls for ginning cotton and grinding corn as it may deem best, and as may be fixed by its by-laws, or by contract between the Corporation and its customers through its Board of Directors, and to do and perform any and all other acts necessary and pertaining to the proper management of its business.

Section 4 The said Corporation may acquire and hold, by purchase or otherwise, cotton seed, and may deal with the same as its own, or may buy and sell the same on commission as a cotton seed agent or purchaser; It may borrow money, and may sell or encumber its property, both real and personal by trust deed or otherwise, and by pledging its franchise and choses in action to secure loans and other indebtedness. It may make advances and loans in the purchase of cotton seed in the scope of its business, and take mortages or other securities therefor, and may accept payment for all debts due to the corporation either in money or any kind of property, and may execute valid acquittances therefor. It may make all contracts and do and perform all acts necessary to its business or incident to any branch of the same. It may make by laws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business, and establish the terms on which directors shall hold office, and may fix through its Board of Directors the salaries to be paid its officers and employees and do any and all other acts within the scope of its business; It may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead

and be impleaded in all matters connected with the business of the said corporation.

Section 5 The said corporation shall have its domicile in the new Town of Beulah, in Bolivar County and State of Mississippi.

Section 6 The capital stock of the said Company shall not exceed the sum of Four Thousand Dollars, which shall not be exceeded in any manner, and shall be divided into Forty shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

Section 7 The corporators may organize at any time, open the books of the corporation and receive subscriptions to the capital stock and all who subscribe thereto shall have the powers and privileges of original incorporators and whenever eighteen hundred dollars of the capital stock shall be subscribed and paid up, the corporation shall be authorized to commence business, and may at once proceed by a meeting of the stockholders to elect a board of directors, which shall consist of four members, and which shall constitute the governing body. The said directors shall elect from their body a President for the corporation, and may then elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as they may deem necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the corporation and the duties of the President and other officers may be fixed by the by-laws of the corporation, or by the orders of the Board of Directors. None of the officers of the said Corporation, except the President and members of the Board of Directors, need necessarily be stockholders.

Section 8 No stockholder in the said Corporation shall be personally liable for any of the debts thereof beyond the unpaid amount of his subscription to the capital stock.

Section 9 The holder or holders of the capital stock of said corporation shall be entitled to one vote at its stock holders meetings for each share of stock held by him, but stock holders meetings shall not be valid unless two thirds of the stock subscribed for and paid up shall be represented either by the owner or by his proxy and on notice prescribed ~~by~~ the by laws; but this provision shall not apply to the the first meeting of the stock holders for the purpose of organization, which said meeting shall be valid and binding in all respects if owners of two thirds of the Capital stock paid up shall be present, participating therein either in person or by proxy.

Section 10 The Secretary and Treasurer shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, be required to give bond for the faithful performance of the duties required of him, in such amount, and with ~~sureties~~ such sureties as may be prescribed by the by-laws, or the orders of the Board of Directors, and the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one and the same person.

Section 11 The said corporation shall make no contracts except on the

approval of the Board of Directors, and then only by a vote of not less than three fourths of the members of the said Board.

Section 12 The Board of Directors shall cause the Secretary and Treasurer of the said corporation to make monthly reports to them of the affairs of the said Corporation, and the books of the said corporation, and of its Secretary and Treasurer, shall at all reasonable times be kept open for the inspection of the stockholders or any of them. Nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to authorize the making or taking of obligations payable in gold only, but all obligations made or taken by the corporation shall be so framed as that they may be paid in any legal tender money of the United States at the option of the payor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, Aug 5, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Beulah Gin Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 29/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Holly Springs Home Bind Society.

Section 1 The Holly Springs Home Bind Society is a benevolent and charitable association, organized for the mutual benefit of its members. Its chief objects are to care for the sick and destitute, and to bury the dead of its own membership, and to collect and disburse monies for these objects. The corporate name by which this Society shall be known is "The Holly Springs Home Bind Society" and shall be composed of the following members; Nathan Dudley, George Johnson, Green White, George Gayden, Ned Riley, Colden Skipper, Washington Brown, Green Jackson, Jessie Johnson, Dobson Miles, Ann White, Lula Johnson, Ida Price, Lina Skipper, Lea Johnson, and such others as may hereafter become associated with them. The domicile of this society is at Holly Springs Church, seven miles south of Stens Creek, in Rankin county, State of Mississippi. Said society may exist and perpetuate itself for fifty years. It may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, within the limits of its corporate power; may have a corporate seal; may own, sell and convey real and personal property necessary for its use and in furtherance of its objects; and may borrow money, payable in legal tender and secure payment of same by mortgage or otherwise upon said property.

Section 2. It may make all necessary rules and by-laws for its Government, not inconsistent with nor contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi; may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, electing officers, prescribing their duties and fixing their compensation

Section 3 This Charter of Incorporation shall go into effect and be operative whenever adopted by a majority of the Charter members named in Section 1

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 26, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the Style

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. Genl

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of The Holly Springs Home Bind Society, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power

Secy of State

Recorded Aug 29/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Silver Creek Telephone Company of Yazoo City, Miss

Section 1 The purposes for which this corporation is created are to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system in Yazoo County, Mississippi

Section 2 The line shall traverse the public roads of Yazoo County beginning at Silver City ~~in said~~ county and running down the Silver Creek road to the Panther Creek road and thence along the said Panther creek road to Yazoo City, Mississippi, running into and along any cross roads necessary to connect the main line with any subscribers telephone, as the service may require, and may connect with any line now constructed or that may hereafter be constructed from other points in Yazoo City or Silver City.

Section 3 The name of the company shall be the Silver Creek telephone company, its domicile, Yazoo City, Miss, The following persons and such others as may become associated with them shall compose the company, to wit: B.M Beaman, Smith McConnell, P.W. Fisher, R.R. Carlon, J.P. Moore, J.S. Reid, George Reid, R.A. Parker, Yazoo Cotton Co, S.R. Upshaw, J.S. Upshaw, Warren Montgomery Bros, Campbell & Stubblefield N.B. Thomason, E.S. Crane, L. Levy, Sr. Calsay, J.R. Lambeth, F.E. Johnson, Commercial State Bank.

Section 4 The company shall have succession for a period of fifty years and all necessary powers to enable it to carry out the object for which it is created are hereby conferred so far as the exercise thereof may be authorized by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Miss, and not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State.

Section 5 The capital stock of the company shall be one thousand dollars, divided into shares of ten dollars. The company is authorized to begin business when five hundred dollars of stock are subscribed

Section 6 A board of directors to consist of five stockholders shall manage the business of the Company. They shall be elected by ballot by a majority of the stock present at any regular authorized or called meeting of the stock holders, and shall hold their office for one year and until their successors are elected. The Board shall, as soon as practicable after the first election, and annually thereafter within five days after their election choose a President, a Vice President, a manager and a Secretary and Treasurer, and such other offices and assistants, and such special and standing committees as they may deem necessary from time to time, and may by by-laws prescribe the duties, and fix the compensation of all offices and committees and approve the bonds of all bonded officers.

Section 7. Whenever any stockholder shall desire to sell his stock he shall give the Company the refusal of it for ten days.

Section 8. The first meeting of the incorporators for the purpose of organizing and for such other business as may come before them shall be held at such time and place as may be decided upon by a majority of those enumerated in section 3 hereof.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 27, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug. 1898 Riley H. Nash. Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Silver Creek Telephone Company of Yazoo City, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power, Secy State

Recorded Aug 29 1898

Charter of Incorporation of the White Star Line Steamboat Company of Columbus, Mississippi

Section 1 The purposes for which this corporation is created is hereby declared to be as follows, to wit: The owning, building, purchasing, equiping, employing or chartering and fitting out steamboats to be propelled by steam, and to be run and employed in navigation and the transportation of freight and passengers over the waters of the Tombigbee river, and over all navigable streams flowing into, and forming or tributary thereto, and all the powers, privileges and immunities necessary or beneficial to such a corporation, are hereby granted and conferred upon the same, and especially the power to assess and change freight tariffs and passenger fares, and to purchase, own or sell wharves, warehouses, real estate necessary or convenient for the business of the corporation and all property that will tend to facilitate the accomplishment of the purchase for which said White Star Line Steamboat Company of Columbus, Mississippi is created.

Section 2 The names of the persons desiring to form this corporation are as follows, viz, J. D. Kirkpatrick, Morgan Hacker & Co, J. N. Gardner, J. T. Seuter, T. O. Burris, G. H. Sherman & Co, Wm Rhett & Co, John S. Robertson, W. R. Rogers, J. L. Patty, A. S. Mullins, W. E. Rife, J. D. Poindexter, J. R. Post, J. A. Gore, Walter Hearn, and W. M. Pentecost. The said above named persons their associates and successors are hereby created a body corporate under the name of the White Star Line Steamboat Company of Columbus, Mississippi and by that name they may sue and be sued and shall have succession ~~for fifty years~~ and may have and enjoy all the privileges and immunities and shall be subject to all of the conditions and limitations governing such corporations laid down in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 which are necessary for the carrying out the purposes of their incorporation. Sec 3 The corporate name of this incorporation shall be the White Star Line Steamboat Company of Columbus, Mississippi and the powers to be exercised are the powers enumerated and stated in section one of this Charter

Section 4 The period for which said corporation may exist shall be fifty years

Section 5 The domicile of said corporation shall be Columbus, Mississippi

Section 6 The capital stock of said corporation shall be seven thousand five hundred dollars divided into shares of One hundred dollars each, with the privilege of increasing the same from time to time to any sum not exceeding twenty five thousand dollars. The certificate of stock shall be made out to the share holders by name in such form as the directors hereinafter provided for may adopt and stock in said company shall be transferable in the manner laid down in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892.

Section 7 The business of said corporation shall be managed and controlled by a member of said corporation as President who shall be elected annually by the stock holders. He shall have power to bind said corporation in all matters connected with the business of said corporation in the operation of the said steamboat company. The directory shall consist of not more than nine and not less than five as the said company may direct by its by laws. The directors and all other officers shall be elected annually at the regular annual meting of the said steamboat company which shall be held each year on the fourth Monday in September at the Company's office in Columbus, Mississippi. The stock-holders shall elect the directors from the stock holders and they shall be vested with all the powers of the corporation and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and enter upon their duties. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected at the regular annual meeting. The president may appoint such other officers, servants and agents as he may deem best. At all meetings of the stockholders, election of officers or transaction of all business of the said steamboat company each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote and all matters shall be determined by a majority vote.

Section 8 Said corporation is hereby authorized to do any lawful thing and to buy and own, sell and convey property, real, personal and mixed that may be necessary, convenient or incidental to the carrying out and exercising of the purposes and powers herein before declared and granted.

Section 9 This corporation shall be in full force and effect from and after its approval, signing and sealing and recording as required by law.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advise as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 9, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. Genl.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the White Star Line Steamboat Company of Columbus, Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Chartered Aug 27/98

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Charter of Incorporation of the Vanita Fishing Club and Manufacturing Company.

Section 1 The following named persons, to wit: W. B. Richardson, T. T. Vinnett, B. V. White, A. B. Wagner, W. S. Cameron, J. M. Buchanan, J. E. Reed, T. A. Kelley and P. E. Smith, agent, and all other persons who are now, or may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Vanita Fishing Club and Manufacturing Company, and by that name shall have succession for fifty years, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity in this State, and have a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure, may contract and be contracted with as a natural person, may make any and all by laws, rules and regulations for the management of its business, or property and effects, such as erecting boat houses and club rooms for the pleasure and profit of its incorporation, manufacture of lumber, grinding corn or wheat, cleaning rice or carding wool, and may carry on a general mercantile business at Vanita, Lauderdale County, Mississippi, may buy and sell or mortgage any real estate necessary for the transaction of the business of the corporation and personal property as to them may seem best, provided the same are not contrary to the laws of the United States or to the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Section 2. That their place of domicile and business shall be at Vanita, Lauderdale County, State of Mississippi, and the capital stock shall be Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of fifty dollars, and the stock may be increased to fifty thousand dollars at the pleasure of the stockholders.

Section 3 That the capital stock of said company be invested in buildings, machinery, wares, goods and in any real or personal property, necessary to carry on any part of its business and that which may be secured in payment of debts shall be conveyed by the corporation within five years, and not again acquired by the corporation, and the said Company may sell and dispose of, transfer and convey any of its property or assets in such manner as they may deem best for their interest.

Section 4 That whenever one thousand dollars has actually been paid in, in money, three or more of the stockholders of said Company may call for a general meeting of its stockholders, by giving five days notice in writing, mailed to each stockholder at their respective post office address and the mailing of such notice to each stockholder shall be taken as notice stating time and place of said meeting, each share of the capital stock shall entitle the owner to one vote if represented in person or by written proxy. If more than one half of the shares of the capital stock actually paid in is duly represented

at any meeting of the stockholders, then a quorum for business is constituted and the majority of the votes of the stockholders, each share representing one vote, constitute said quorum, shall be binding upon the corporation. At the first meeting of said stockholders, there shall be elected a board of five directors, and they shall be elected from the actual stockholders, and the officers shall be elected by the Directors. There shall be an annual election of directors by the stockholders of said corporation at such time and place as said stockholders shall designate, and whenever a meeting of said stock holders of said corporation is called and a majority of the stock is not represented in said meeting, then the same shall be adjourned from time to time till such majority of stock is represented The directors shall form such by laws as shall be deemed necessary and proper to execute this act of incorporation.

Section 5 That the directors shall elect annually a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person, and such other offices as they may deem necessary for their interests, said election to take place at such time and place as may be prescribed in the by laws of the company and said officers shall hold their offices for a term of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified

Section 6 That said corporation shall have power to borrow money and issue its bonds and sell the same to raise money to carry on its business, to invest it money and property in any personal property in any manner, and to sell and transfer the said properties and securities at pleasure.

Section 7 That the stockholders shall be liable on debts and contracts of said company only to the amount of stock or shares respectively subscribed by them, that is to say, no stockholder shall be liable for the debts of said ~~corporation~~ company for an amount which exceed his stock in said company or corporation.

Section 8 The corporation shall have the power to transfer the stock of said corporation on its books in accordance with law.

Section 9 Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to authorize the making or taking by said corporation of any obligation payable in any specified kind of money or metal, exclusively, but All such obligations shall be payable in legal tender money of the United States, or State of Mississippi, at the option of the payor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss. Aug 12, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898. Riley N. Nash. Atty. General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Yazoo Fishing Club and Manufacturing Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/9/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Wadlington Mercantile Company.

This association, known as the Wadlington Mercantile Company, whose domicile is Oxford, Lafayette County, Mississippi, has for its object to buy and sell goods, wares and merchandise and personal property such as is generally carried in a general merchandising business of Oxford, Mississippi, and such place or places as the said association shall desire to locate a branch store or stores other than at Oxford.

This association shall be composed of the following named persons, Benjamin C. Wadlington and Fred N. Wadlington, and such other persons as shall associate with them for the purposes herein named, and they are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Wadlington Mercantile Company, and by that name may have perpetual succession for the period of fifty years, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, and by that name may contract and be contracted with, and may have a common seal, same to attach at pleasure, and shall have in addition to the powers hereinbefore provided all the powers enumerated in section 836 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 that may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this charter.

The capital stock of this association shall be four thousand dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each, certificate thereof to be issued to the stockholder upon payment of stock subscribed.

This association may proceed to organize and commence business when 40 per cent of the actual authorized capital has been actually paid in. A president, vice president, secretary and treasurer may be elected by the board of directors from

the members of the stock holders, and the term of each office shall be one year, or until their successors are elected. There shall be elected by the stock holders at the time of the organization a board of Directors composed of two stock holders of said corporation, whose term of office shall be one year or until their successors are elected.

The directors may also appoint a general manager whose term of office shall be at the will of the Board.

After this Charter has been approved and been recorded and the 40 per cent of the authorized capital stock has been subscribed and actually paid in the corporators may proceed to organize as soon as they deem proper. The first meeting for the purpose of organization may be called by notice in writing presented in person giving ten days notice to the persons in interest, signed by one or both of the incorporators; at such called meeting, the offices hereinbefore provided shall be elected and hold until 1st Monday of July, 1899, or their successors elected.

The stock holders of each share shall be entitled to one vote which may be cast by the owner or by proxy.

The share or stock holder in said association shall not be liable for the debts of said association beyond the amount of their unpaid subscription stock.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss; Aug 10, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Aug 1898. Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Waddington Mercantile Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 30/98

✓ The charter of Incorporation of the R. T. Jones Company

Section 1 R. T. Jones, N. T. Johnson, C M. Melton, C. K. Marshall, C. E. Wright, S. R. Kisler; Walter Pillow and A. F. Gardner together with their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the R. T. Jones Company and shall have succession for fifty years. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to have and to hold, to purchase and to sell, to receive and to enjoy real and personal property, necessary for the transaction of a warehouse, wholesale and retail mercantile, and cotton commission business, to the amount of ($100,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars. Said company is also hereby authorized and empowered to hold said real estate in fee simple and to sell, rent, lease or mortgage or exchange or otherwise dispose of or encumber said real estate as its Board of Directors may elect. Said company shall have the right to sue and be sued, to contract and be contracted with, to plead and to be impleaded and to adopt a common seal, and to change or renew said seal at its pleasure. The domicile of said company shall be at Greenwood, Mississippi.

Section 2 Said company shall have the right and is hereby authorized and empowered to build, construct, purchase or otherwise acquire and own any personal property. And to receive and store merchandise and property and sell the same at retail or wholesale at its pleasure, and to erect and purchase yards and warehouses, and to receive such compensation for the sale of said goods or for the use of said yards or warehouses for the storage of goods as may be fixed by the officers of said company. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to do a wholesale and retail mercantile business in said city, and to buy and sell goods, wares and merchandise of every description in such lots and quantities and on such terms and in such manner as may be determined upon by the officers of said company. Said company shall have the right and is hereby authorized and empowered to make advances of money or goods, wares and merchandise to be based on shipments of cotton to said company and said advances to be secured by mortgage or deed of trust on either personal or real estate as said company may elect. Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to do a commission business and to receive, forward and sell for its customers any cotton which it may receive, and to charge a reasonable compensation for its services in the handling or sale of said cotton and is further authorized to do and to perform any or all act or acts which may be necessary for the successful prosecution of a cotton commission business, and receive such compensation for its services in said business as may be reasonable or which may be agreed upon by and between said company and its said customers. Said company shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights,

powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 25, Code of 1892 and its amendments so far as applicable to the purposes of this Charter.

Section 3 The capital stock of said company shall be ($50,000.00) fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of ($100.00) one hundred dollars each and may be increased or diminished from time to time by vote of a majority of stock to an amount not exceeding ($100,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars nor less than ($10,000.00) ten thousand dollars.

Section 4 The management of said company shall be placed in the hands of five directors who shall be stockholders in said company. Said directors shall be annually elected by the stockholders and a majority of said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The number of said directors shall be increased or diminished by a majority vote of the stockholders.

Section 5 Said directors may elect from their number a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, and may also elect a general manager of said business and such other officers as they may deem necessary. Said directors shall also fix the salaries of all the officers of said company except the subordinate officers whose compensations may be fixed by the general manager of said business. Said officers shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Said directors are hereby authorized and empowered to fill vacancies in their number which may be caused by death, resignation or otherwise by the election by them of any stockholder or stockholders.

Section 6 Said company is hereby authorized and empowered to make any and all needful by-laws and regulations for the control and management of its said business by and through its said Board of Directors and said board may from time to time amend or revoke the same at its pleasure.

Section 7 Said company may apply said dividends to indebtedness due it by any stockholder. Should said company purchase stock in the company then said stock may be either retired or sold again as the said board of directors may elect.

Section 8 The annual meting of the stockholders shall be held on the first Monday of September in each year and the directors and officers shall be elected at such meeting. In all elections each stockholder shall be entitled to vote in person or by proxy and shall have the right to have one vote for each share of stock ~~holden~~ owned ~~by him~~ represented by him. At a meeting of the stockholders a quorum shall be constituted when a majority of the stock is represented in person or by proxy.

Section 9 That at such stockholders meting the vote of the majority of the stock present in person or by proxy shall decide all questions submitted to the meeting.

Section 10 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said Company and when ($10,000.00) ten thousand dollars shall have been subscribed in money said company may organize, elect all necessary officers and at once commence business. And at any special or regular meeting the stockholders by a vote of two-thirds of the stock may place the business of the company in liquidation, close up the business by sale of its property and the payment of the debts if any, and divide the residue of the proceeds of the sale of all property among the respective stockholders in proportion to the amount of stock held by each.

Section 11 This charter shall take effect and be in force from and after the day of its grant and approval by the governor of the State and its acceptance by the incorporators and their associates

Nothing in this charter shall be so construed as to authorize the making or taking of obligations payable in gold alone, but all obligations of or to the company shall be such that they may be paid in legal tender money of the United States at the option of the payor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Aug 23, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 Wiley A. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the R. T. Jones Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 30/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Baptist Publishing Company.

Section 1 That T. J. Bailey, G. B. Butler, A. J. Aven, Arthur Flake, Alex A. Lamar, R. H. Merrill, O. L. Kimbrough, C. H. Gibson, J. A. Lee, S. L. Yeaman, A. J. Brown, W. F. Sproles, E. E. Thornton, J. B. Searcy, B. G. Lowrey, A. V. Rowe, H. T. Lowrey, Frank Sutter, Mrs. J. E. Phillips, H. P. Ratliff, Dr. J. E. Noble, A. H. Longino, W. P. Hurt, G. W. Brunson, W. E. Ellis, Walter Trotter, George Wharton, J. N. McMillin, W. A. Dame, J. M. White, Oscar Haywood, J. K. Rice, H. J Vaulandingham, J. M. Browne, S. M. Ellis, J. N. Sturdivant, J. Wardlaw, P. A. J. Beasley, E. B. McLain, W. F. Yarbrough, J. F. Bailey, J. P. Williams, J. D. Davis, T. McClelland, C. R. Dale, Chas. L. Lewis, S. W. Sibley, J. T. Baker, A. C. Ball, J. N. Ellis and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, be, and they are hereby constituted and created a body corporate to continue for a period of fifty years, under the name and style of the Mississippi Baptist Publishing Company; and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, contract and be contracted with, and may have a corporate seal, which may be altered or changed at will.

Section 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Jackson, Hinds county, Mississippi, until otherwise ordered by the Board of Directors, and the capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, or such fractional part thereof as may be provided by the by-laws; and each share shall entitle the owner thereof to one vote in the annual elections; but the capital stock may be increased by the discretion of the stockholders by a majority vote of the entire paid up stock, which shall not exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars. When the said capital stock of Ten Thousand Dollars is subscribed, and the sum of Two Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars is paid in, said corporation is authorized to commence business. The capital stock shall be transferable by the endorsement and delivery of the stock certificate and the registry of such transfer in the books of the corporation, and no stockholder shall sell or transfer any share or shares of stock until he shall have offered the same at market or actual value to the other stockholders

Section 3 The liability of stockholders shall be limited to their unpaid subscriptions to said capital stock.

Section 4 Said corporation shall have the power to own and operate a printing and binding plant, to publish a newspaper or papers, and to do such other printing and binding as is usually done in printing offices, and to do any other acts incidental to and to the interest of said business. To own, rent or lease real estate or any personal property that may be necessary to carry out the object of this incorporation;

and buy and sell or handle on commission, books, publications, periodicals, stationery, etc. In addition to the powers before granted said corporation shall have all the power granted such corporations by Chapter 25 of Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and amendments thereto.

Section 5 The affairs and business of this company shall be managed by a Board of seven Directors who shall be elected annually at such time and place as the by laws to be adopted may specify; or in case of failure to elect on day named, the secretary shall appoint a day for holding election, advertise the same for four consecutive weeks in the most prominent newspaper published by this company; who shall from their number elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Said Board shall employ such other assistants as shall be necessary in the conduct of the business. A majority of the stock represented at said election shall constitute a quorum.

Section 6 The company may adopt such regulations and by-laws as they may deem needful and proper for their own government, not in conflict with the Charter, the laws of Mississippi, and the laws of the United States

Section 7 Any Stockholder at any meeting may be represented by proxy, and shall be authorized to act in all respects as fully as though such stockholder were present and acting: Provided, however, such proxy shall be in writing and duly signed by such stockholder.

Section 8 All stock issued shall be signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the President or Vice President and authenticated by the seal of the corporation, and shall be entered in a stock-book, which book shall also show all transfers of stock

Section 9 Said corporation may be dissolved by the holders of a majority of the stock or by law.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., Aug 16, 1898 A J McLaurin, Governor

Recorded Aug 30/98

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898. Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Clarksdale Water and Light Company of Clarksdale, Mississippi

By virtue of the authority of the laws of the State of Mississippi, Walter Clark, E. L. Anderson, W. P. Holland, P. N. Potts and W. D. Cutter and their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name of the Clarksdale Water and Light Company, with its status at Clarksdale, in Coahoma County, Mississippi, and by its corporate name shall have succession for fifty years, may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and generally may have, transmit, exercise and enjoy all the rights, privileges and powers conferred upon it at any time by law, under the terms of this charter or otherwise; and it may have a common seal to be used or altered at pleasure. The power and purposes of said corporation shall be as follows, to wit:

Section 1 The capital stock of said corporation shall be thirty five thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of Twenty five dollars each; and the stock holders shall not be liable individually, beyond the respective amounts of their unpaid subscriptions to the capital stock.

Section 2 The officers of said Company shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, to be chosen from its stockholders, and of such other subordinate officers and agents as the company may provide for by its by laws, or the order of its Board of Directors. One and the same person may be Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 3 The affairs of said company shall be managed by a Board of Directors of not more than seven, the number to be determined by the stock holders at their first and each succeeding annual meeting. The President and Vice-President shall be chosen from the Board of Directors. All vacancies occuring in the Board shall be filled by elections for the unexpired terms to be held by the remaining members thereof. The Board of Directors shall have full power to make and adopt all by laws, rules and regulations for the conduct and management of the business and affairs of the company that they may deem proper, and they may alter and change the same at pleasure. The incorporators shall meet at the banking house of the Planters Bank, in Clarksdale, after the approval of this charter, on notice signed by one or more of them, posted at three public places at Clarksdale, three days prior to the one fixed for such meeting, and the incorporators attending such meeting shall open books for subscription to the capital stock of the company. The subscribers present shall thereupon organize by electing a Board of Directors of such number as they may determine.

Section 4 The company shall have power to build, furnish and equip water works and machinery in or adjacent to the town of Clarksdale, of sufficient capacity to supply the said town and the inhabitants thereof with a plentiful supply of water; and for that

purpose said company is hereby authorized and empowered and invested with the right and privilege to lay down pipes, and to extend aqueducts and conductors through any and all of the streets, avenues, lanes and alleys of said town, as now or hereafter laid out or embraced within the corporate limits thereof with water by public works. And for the purpose of laying down such pipes, aqueducts, and conductors the said company may excavate the streets, avenues, lanes and alleys aforesaid, and may take up the pavements or sidewalks thereon, after first obtaining permission or license from the town authorities.

Section 5 The said Company shall have the power to secure for and to bring into the said town, a sufficient supply of water by means of artician wells or pipes and secure a permanent supply by the erection of reservoirs, standpipes, tanks or in any other way, and to supply with water the said town, the inhabitants thereof, and of its environs and to erect hydrants or fire plugs within said towns and its environs; and to contract with the corporate authorities of said town, the inhabitants thereof, and of its environments, and with all incorporated companies or associations for the use of said water, and to charge and collect such reasonable rates and prices therefor as may be agreed upon between said Company and the parties so contracting with it; and the consumers shall be subject to all such reasonable rules and regulations respecting the use and waste of said water, as the Board of Directors of said Company may from time to time prescribe.

Section 6 The said Company shall have the power to erect and operate all necessary machinery, appliances and fixtures for the purpose of supplying the said town and its environs with light by the manufacture of gas or the operation of the necessary electrical apparatus and appliances, and to that end it shall have the full right and privilege to occupy and use the streets, avenues, lanes and alleys of the said town, for the purpose of excavating the same, and laying therein pipes and wires, for the conduction of gas or electricity throughout all parts of the town, and for the erection of the necessary poles and supports for the lighting of the said town by electricity, and to use said streets, avenues, lanes and alleys in all other ways so as to supply the said town and the inhabitants thereof, and of its environments with a sufficient supply of light; permission or license therefor from the town authorities, first having been obtained

Section 7 The said company shall have power to contract with the corporate authorities of said town, the inhabitants thereof and of its environs, and with all incorporated companies or associations for such number and character of lights as may be agreed upon by it with such parties respectively, and to charge and collect

such reasonable rates or prices as may be charged for the same; And also to contract with and collect from the said town and any and all persons and corporations for the supply of motive or other power, generated by the use of water, steam, electricity or other agencies; but all persons and corporations in any manner contracted with by said Company as aforesaid, shall be subject to all reasonable rules and regulations respecting the manner, time and conditions upon which any of the aforesaid services shall be rendered them that the Board of Directors shall from time to time prescribe.

Section 8 The said company shall have the power to acquire, own and hold all lands, or estates therein, necessary or convenient to the conduct of its business and to the carrying out of all the purposes of this Charter of incorporation. It shall have the power to borrow money and to execute, issue and negotiate its notes, bills, bonds or other obligations to evidence the same; and to guarantee the payment of the same and the sums so borrowed, it may execute mortgages, deeds of trust or such other security as it may deem proper on parts or the whole of its property, rights and franchise, or it may secure the payment of the same by the guarantee or contract of corporate authorities or other corporate, trust or guarantee companies in any manner it may deem advisable or expedient.

Section 9 All stock holders shall be entitled to one vote for each and every share of stock held by them, to be voted in person or by proxy. And they shall also have the right to cumulate said shares in manner provided by the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi.

Section 10 The said Company shall have and may exercise all such powers, rights, privileges, immunities and benefits as are now or may hereafter at any time be conferred upon such corporations created or organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi

Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize the making or taking by said corporation of debts or obligations payable in gold only, but all debts or obligations shall be made payable in any kind of legal tender money, at the option of the payor.

I There is nothing in the foregoing charter of Incorporation violative of the Constitution or laws of this State. Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office, Jackson, Miss. }

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Clarksdale Water and Light Company, of Clarksdale, Mississippi is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy State

A. J. McLaurin

Recorded Sept 2/98

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Plantess Cotton Company.

Section 1 That J. W. Donovan, J. A. Klein and such others as they may associate with them, their successors and assigns be, and hereby incorporated into and constituted as a body politic and corporate and as such shall have succession for fifty years (50), under the name of the Plantess Cotton Company.

Section 2 The purposes for which said corporation is formed are, to have consigned, to receive, to handle, to buy and sell cotton, cotton seed of all kinds and any and all products into which they can be manufactured into, and charge the usual commission incident to the handling, selling and buying of said cotton, cotton seed and their products and preparing the same for markets, and may pay all charges that are due on the same, and have a lien therefor and may do any and all acts which may be legally and lawfully done by an individual, in selling, buying and handling said Cotton, cotton seed and their products, manufactured or otherwise, for that of another and itself, As well as to sue and be sued, complain and defend, plead and itself be impleaded in any court of law and equity, to make and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure, and appoint a Board of Directors of not less than two nor more than seven, to make by laws not inconsistent with the laws of this State, for the management of its property, the regulations of its affairs, and receive all the legal benefits as well as do and perform all other acts that are permitted to be done by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi with reference to such corporations, may advance money on cotton, cotton seed and their products, may take deeds of trust on land and all kinds of personal property, cotton, cotton seed and their products as aforesaid, lend money on the same, at not a greater rate of interest than allowed by law, may own, buy and sell any and all kinds of real and personal property necessary for the business of the Corporation, and to receive and execute, deeds mortgages and deeds of trust, and other evidences of writing therefor, and may give mortgages and deeds of trust and execute any character of writing, or execute any character of written or verbal Contracts, not in violation of the law, may endorse checks, drafts, notes and accept the same, or issue the same, or draw the same, and may execute, sell, give or receive exchange, and may buy and sell any and all kinds of merchandise and personal property, and invest the money of said Corporation into securities, and may hypo-

threate its franchise as well as any securities which may be owned by said Corporation.

Section 3 The Capital of the Planters Cotton Company shall be $10,000.00 divided into shares of $100.00 each. Said stock shall be deemed personal property and shall be transferable in the manner prescribed by law, and each share entitles the holder thereof to one vote, and may be voted in person or by proxy under such regulations as the Company under its by laws provide. The said Corporation is authorized to begin business ~~with~~ when $2,000.00 of said stock shall have been subscribed for.

Section 4 The control and management of the property and business of the corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, who shall be elected by the stockholders, at an annual meeting called for that purpose, and they shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. Such directors shall have the power to fill vacancies in their number by death, resignation or otherwise, to elect a President, Vice President, General manager, secretary and treasurer and such other officers, agents and servants as the business of the Corporation may require and the office of secretary and treasurer may be held by one person. The term of the office of President, Vice President, general manager, secretary and treasurer, shall be for one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The said directors may fix compensation for the general officers, and make such by laws and provide for the removal of officers as they may deem just and wise.

Section 5 The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, County of Warren, and the State of Mississippi

Nothing herein shall be so construed as to authorize the making or taking by said Company of any debt or obligation payable in gold only, but all obligations or debts to or from the Corporation shall be made payable in any legal tender money of the United States or State of Mississippi at the option of the payor

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Aug 25 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Planters Cotton Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power,
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 2 1898

The Charter of Incorporation of the Tate-McElveen Company.

Section 1 Be it known, That Charles M. Tate, N. D. McElveen, R. M. Addison, and their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Tate-McElveen Company with a succession for period of fifty years,

Section 2 That, said corporation, as such, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the Courts of law and equity, to contract and be contracted with; make and adopt a corporate seal, and the same change, alter or break at pleasure.

Section 3 That said corporation is hereby empowered to organize and operate a general merchandising business, in the conduct of which it may buy, own, sell and convey, goods, wares, merchandise, choses in action and chattels of all description necessary for its business. Provided that said corporation shall not hold property exceeding in value the sum of fifty thousand dollars and may borrow and lend money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise, when proper for its purpose, and exercise any and all of the powers incident and necessary to the conduct of such a business

Section 4 That the domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of McComb City in the county of Pike, in the State of Mississippi

Section 5 That the offices of said corporation shall be three directors, one of whom shall be the President, one of whom shall be the Vice President and one of whom shall be the secretary and treasurer of said corporation; their respective terms of office, particular duties, etc, to be fixed by law

Section 6 That, the management of said corporation shall vest in the said Board of Directors, who shall be elected according to law, as provided by section 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, and the by laws of said body corporate, and said Board of Directors may delegate power in managing said mercantile business to the said officers and such servants and agents as the said Board of Directors may by by-law, be empowered to employ; the said directors in their deliberations and actions to have but one vote each. That the capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) but the same may by vote of the stock holders be increased to twenty thousand ($20,000.00) Dollars, which capital stock shall be divided into one hundred shares of One Hundred ($100.00) dollars each, for which proper certificates may be issued to be paid for in money or property at such valuation as may be fixed by the holders of said stock; said stock to be transferable according to law and the by laws of said corporation.

Section 7 The said corporation may enact and adopt such by laws and regulations as may be essential to its proper conduct, and not in conflict with the law, or this Charter; and in the enacting and adopting of which bylaws the stock holders shall vote according to the amount of stock held by them.

Section 8 That, this charter shall be in effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi and its proper recordation as provided by law; and said corporation may organize and operate when fifty shares of said stock have been subscribed for and paid in

Section 9 That this Corporation shall enjoy all the privileges conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 that may be applicable to the purpose of said corporation.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., Aug 13, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Aug. 1898. Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Tate-McElveen Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept. 3/98

Charter of Incorporation of the Shaw Mercantile Company

Sec 1 L. P. Peacock, J. M. Hillman, F. M. Hawks, L. B. Ward, Chas. Hopps and J. W. Wilson, and such other persons as may associate themselves with them and their successors and associates, be and are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Shaw Mercantile Company for a term of fifty years, and under that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all the courts of this State and the United States. They may have a common seal and alter or change the same at their pleasure.

Sec 2 The purpose for which this corporation is formed is to do a genral mercantile and planting business, to lease and sub lease lands, to buy and sell or handle on commission cotton, cotton seed and all other agricultural products and every kind of merchandise

Sec 3 The domicile and chief place of business of this corporation shall be in the town of Shaw in the State of Mississippi and it may own or control stores carrying on a general merchandise business at such places in said State.

Sec 4 The capital stock of the company is fixed at Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00) which may be increased by a majority vote of all the stock.

Sec 5 As soon as practical after the approval of this charter by the Governor, the above incorporators or any two of them may open books of subscription to the capital stock of this company as soon as Four Thousand Dollars has been subscribed thereto, the subscribers may meet and elect five or more directors, and they in turn may elect one of said Directors President and one Secretary and such other officers as they may deem necessary and adopt such by laws as they may deem necessary for the government and management of this company or corporation not inconsistent with this charter and the laws of the State aforesaid, or of the United States. The company may commence business when the Four Thousand dollars aforesaid shall have been paid in. The shares of stock in this corporation shall be ($100.00) One Hundred Dollars each, and each stock holder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him. Stock may be voted by proxy when subscribed in writing

Sec 6 No stockholder in this corporation shall be liable for its debts beyond the unpaid amount of his subscription to its capital stock.

Sec 7 All stock issued shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary; all stock shall be transferrable only on the books of the corporation by the endorsement and delivery of the stock certificates and the registry of such transfer.

Sec 8 The corporation may be dissolved by the holders of a majority of the stock, or by law. Nothing herein shall be so construed as to authorize what is known as gold contracts, but all obligations of or to the company shall be payable in any legal tender money of the United States at the option of the payor.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Shaw Mercantile Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

To Hon. A. J. McLaurin,

Governor of the State of Mississippi

Be it known unto your Excellency- That the persons hereinafter named, in accordance with Sec 3572 of the Code of 1892, desire the creation and organization of a railroad company as per said section.

The names of the applicants and their post offices and residences are as follows: S. N. Gardiner, Clinton, Iowa; L. C. Eastman, Clinton, Iowa; Geo. S. Gardiner, Laurel, Miss; C. S. Eastman, Meridian, Miss; C. C. Miller, Meridian, Miss; W. E. Baskin, Meridian, Miss.

The terminal points of said railroad are Laurel, Jones County, Miss and Williamsburg, Covington Co, Miss, and Raleigh, Smith County, Miss; all of said points being within the State of Mississippi.

The line of the proposed railroad, with its branches and side tracks, is as follows; Beginning at Laurel, Jones County, Miss. and running in a westerly direction to near Okahay, in Covington County, Miss. and from thence in a northwesterly direction to Raleigh, Smith County, Miss. with a branch from near said Okahay, Miss., as aforesaid, in a southwesterly direction to Williamsburg, Miss. the said proposed line and branches passing ~~through~~ through townships 8 N 11 West; 8 N 12 West; 8 N 13 West; 8 N 14 West; 8 N 15 West; 8 N 16 West; 9 N 12 West; 9 N. 13 West; 9 N. 14 West; 9 N. 15 W; 9 N. 16 W; 10 N 12 W; 10 N. 13 W; 10 N. 14 W; 10 N. 15 W; 10 N 16 W; 1 N. 5 E; 1 N. 6 E; 1 N. 7 E; 1 N. 8 E; 2 N 5 E; 2 N 6 E; 2 N. 7 E; 2 N. 8 E.

The name by which the corporation is to be known is Laurel North-western Railroad Company

The time within which it is hoped the railroad will be completed is the 31st day of December 1903.

Therefore ~~the~~ said applicants pray your Excellency for a Proclamation, as provided by statute in such cases made and provided, authorizing the aforesaid persons to organize a railroad corporation. L. C. Eastman, S. N. Gardiner, Geo. S. Gardiner, C. S. Eastman, C. C. Miller, W. E. Baskin.

The State of Mississippi
Executive Department

To all to whom these presents shall come- Greeting:

Whereas, S. N. Gardner and L. C. Eastman, whose post office address is Clinton, Iowa, Geo. S. Gardiner, whose post office address is Laurel, Mississippi, C. S. Eastman, C. C. Miller and W. E. Baskin, whose post office address is Meridian, Miss., did on the 8th day of August 1898, forward to me their application declaring their intention of organizing a railroad corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi

Now therefore, I, A. J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the constitution and laws of the State, do issue this my proclamation authorizing

the said S. N. Gardiner, L. C. Eastman, Geo. S. Gardiner, C. S. Eastman and C. C. Miller, whose post office address is as above stated, to organize a railroad corporation, with the terminal points of the said railroad as follows, to wit: Laurel, in the county of Jones and State of Mississippi, and Williamsburg, in the County of Covington, and State of Mississippi. And the line of the said proposed railroad and its branches and side tracks to be from the said town of Laurel, running in a westerly direction to or near Okahay, in Covington County, from thence in a northwesterly direction to Raleigh, in Smith County, with a branch from said Okahay in a southwesterly direction to Williamsburg, Covington County. The said line and branches of said railroad passing through townships 8 N. 11 W; 8 N. 12 W; 8 N. 13 W; 8 N. 14 W; 8 N. 15 W; 8 N. 16 W; 9 N. 12 W; 9 N. 13 W; 9 N. 14 W; 9 N. 15 W; 9 N. 16 W; 10 N. 12 W; 10 N. 13 W; 10 N. 14 W; 10 N. 15 W; 10 N. 16 W; 1 N. 5 E; 1 N. 6 E; 1 N. 7 E; 1 N. 8 E; 2 N. 5 E; 2 N. 6 E; 2 N. 7 E; 2 N. 8 E. And the name of the said proposed railroad corporation is hereby fixed and to be known as "The Laurel and Northwestern Railroad Company"

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Capital, in the city of Jackson, this the 2d day of September in the year of our Lord, 1898.

A. J. McLaurin.

By the Governor

J. L. Power

Secy of State

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Choctaw Club, of Jackson, Miss.

Section 1 Be it known that S.O. Bowles, T.J. Parish, R.J. McBride, and their associates and successors, are hereby, upon the approval of this charter, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Miss., created a body corporate under the name and style of the Choctaw Club.

Section 2 Said corporation shall have a corporate existence for the term of fifty years

Section 3 The purposes of the said corporation are hereby declared to be: The encouragement of literature and the social pleasures and the elevation of its members, and to that end said corporation may have a library, gymnasium and debating society and may own books, paintings and works of art; and said corporation may own such real estate and personal property as is necessary or convenient for the uses and aims of the said organization

Section 4 The capital stock of the said corporation is hereby fixed at five hundred dollars ($500.00) divided into five hundred shares of one dollar each.

Section 5 It shall be necessary for each and every person becoming a member of this corporation to hold at least one share of the said stock

Section 6 The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of three members of the said corporation

Section 7 The offices of this corporation shall be: a President, a vice President, a secretary and a treasurer, to be elected by the members. And there may be such other officers as may be found necessary for the well-being of said corporation, to be elected as the aforementioned, and in accordance with by-laws hereafter to be provided, but conformable to this charter.

Section 8 The said corporation may enact such rules and by laws as it may deem proper and needful, not contrary to law or the terms of this charter.

Section 9 The said corporation shall have all the powers conferred by chapter 25, of the Annotated Code of Mississippi that are applicable to the said corporation.

Section 10 The domicile of the said corporation shall be and is, Jackson, Mississippi

Section 11 This charter shall be in full force and effect upon approval by his Excellency, the Governor of Mississippi and being recorded according to law.

Section 12 No spirituous, vinous or malt liquor, nor any other intoxicating liquor, nor any kind of cards or dice or device used in gaming, shall be carried upon or permitted upon any real or personal property of the corporation, and a violation of this section, by any person, the corporation being responsible for its enforcement shall ipso facto forfeit the charter and all the property of the corporation shall thereby belong to the State, and the Sheriff of Hinds county or such other person as the Governor shall designate, shall immediately take possession of thereof for the State, without waiting for legal proceedings to declare the charter forfeited. And any officer of the State or of Hinds county, or of the city of Jackson, shall at any and all times have access to any and all of said real or personal property for inspection, and a refusal or failure or neglect to admit any such officer shall be conclusive of the violation of this section. The organization under this charter will be an acceptance of these conditions

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss. Sept 10, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State,
Jackson, Miss, Sept 10, 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Choctaw Club is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 13th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Amendment to the Charter of the De Jean & Mitchell Company

At a meeting of the stockholders of the De Jean & Mitchell Company held at the office of the Company on the 13th day of July, 1898, of which meeting all stockholders had notice and were present, the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved that Article 5 of the charter of this Corporation be amended so as to read as follows: The corporate power of this ~~Company~~ corporation shall be vested in a Board of Five Directors each of whom shall own at least one share of stock in the company and who shall be elected by the stockholders on the third Wednesday of September of each year

E. Mitchell, President

J. A. Hallestad, Secy

The foregoing proposed ~~amendment~~ charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 31, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss Aug 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the De Jean & Mitchell Co, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 14th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Crescent City Packet Company, of Mississippi City, Harrison County, State of Mississippi

Be it known, that on the 10th day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight, Norman Eustis, John F. Clark, Simon Weis, W. N. Longsfield, B. M. King, Ferdinand Gumbel, W. A. Peale, W. B. Thompson, I. Wechinger and W. T. Hardie, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of the State of Mississippi, relative to the creation of corporations in this State, have contracted and agreed and by these presents do covenant and agree and bind and obligate themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them and their successors to form and constitute a corporation and body politic in law, for the objects and purposes, and under the agreements and stipulations following, viz:

Article I — This corporation shall be known and designated by the name and style of the Crescent City Packet Company and under said name it shall have and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges granted by law to such corporations, and it shall exist for a period of fifty years from and after the date hereof, unless sooner dissolved in the manner hereinafter provided, to contract, sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal and the same to break or alter at pleasure, to hold, receive, purchase and convey as well as mortgage, hypothecate and pledge property both real and personal, the real property being limited to that necessary for the transaction of its business, to issue negotiable bonds and notes, but the same shall not be made payable in any specific metal or coin, exclusively, but shall be made payable in any legal tender money of the United States, to name and appoint such managers, directors, officers and agents and other employees as its interests and convenience may require and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management of the business of said corporation as may be necessary and proper, and the same to alter or amend at pleasure.

Article II — The domicile of this corporation shall be at Mississippi City, in Harrison County, State of Mississippi.

Article III — The objects and purposes for which this corporation is established and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are declared and specified to be the running and maintenance of steamboats ~~and~~ or other water craft, for the transportation of compensation of passengers, freight, the mails and all other articles and things and the transaction of all business of such nature on the navigable waters of the United States, particularly on the Mississippi River and tributaries between points and places in the States of Mississippi and Louisiana and for the accomplishment of these ends, to purchase, lease, charter and to freight let or otherwise acquire such steam boats, barges and other water craft, and to lease or otherwise such, wharves, wharfboats, landings, warehouses, elevators and such other property, rights and privileges as may be useful or convenient for the transaction of

the business of this corporation both within and without this State.

Article IV The Capital stock of this corporation is fixed at the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, represented by Five Hundred shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars, each to be paid for in lawful current money of the United States. (~~See Sec 850 Code~~). The capital stock may be increased from time to time by a vote of two thirds of all the stockholders present or represented and a majority in amount of the entire stock at a stockholders meeting to be held at the domicile of the corporation and called for that purpose. Notice of such meeting must be mailed to each stockholder, at least ten days preceding the time fixed for such meeting. Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, to be voted either by the holder or his proxy. All certificates of stock shall bear the seal of the corporation and be signed by the President and the Secretary and Treasurer. This corporation shall be a going concern as soon as ten thousand dollars of the capital stock is subscribed.

Article V All the powers of said corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors composed of ten persons elected from among the stockholders; at a general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose on the second Saturday in April in each year. Notice of such meetings shall be mailed to each ~~subscriber~~ stockholder at least ten days prior to the time fixed therefor, setting forth the purpose and object thereof. Vacancies occuring on said board, from any cause whatsoever, shall be filled by the remaining directors, from among the stockholders. Five Directors shall constitute a quorum. The Board of Directors shall elect or appoint all the officers, clerks, agents and employees, as they may deem proper, and fix the salaries or compensation therefor, with full power to increase or diminish the same at pleasure. Each board of Directors at its first meeting shall elect from its members, a President, a vice-President and one to serve both as Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall make and provide such by-laws, rules and regulations as in their judgment may be necessary and proper for the management of the affairs and business of this corporation and such by laws rules and regulations to repeal, alter and amend at pleasure. Meetings of the Board to be held within this State.

Article VI. The following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors, to-wit: Norman Eustis, John F. Clark, Simon Weis, W. H. Longfield, B. M. King, W. A. Peale, Ferdinand Gumbel, W. B. Thompson, J. Wechinger, and W. T. Hardie, of whom Norman Eustis shall be President, John F. Clark shall be vice-President and Simon Weis shall be Secretary and Treasurer and they are invested with all the rights, powers and duties herein specified and shall continue in office until the second Saturday in

April 1899 and thereafter until their successors are elected and installed as hereinbefore provided.

Article VII This act of Incorporation may be changed, modified or altered according to law by the Governor or other authority thereto ~~author~~ authorized by law with the assent of three fourths of the stockholders, present or represented and a majority in amount of the entire stock, at any general meeting of the stockholders of said corporation, convened for such purpose, after ten days previous notice of such meeting and time fixed therefor shall have been mailed to each stockholder.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands on the date hereinbefore first written.

Norman Eustis, Jno. F. Clark, Simon Weis, W. A. Peale, Branch M. King, Ferdinand Gumble, W. B. Thompson, W. N. Longfield, I. Hechinger, Wm. T. Hardie.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Crescent City Packet Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th day of September 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Telephone Co

Sec 1 J. D. Perry Lewis, J. P. Walker, Henry A. Coit, Henry A. Turner and such others as may hereafter become associated with them are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name of the Meridian Telephone Company, with domicile at the city of Meridian county of Lauderdale, and State of Mississippi, and as such to have succession for a period of fifty years.

Sec 2 The objects of said corporation are to have and operate a telephone plant at the city of Meridian, said State, and thence to such other points, places and towns as it shall deem advisable

Sec 3 The powers of said corporation shall be to have, own and operate a telephone plant consisting of lines of wire erected upon polls or otherwise, and phones, transmitters and such machinery, appliances and things as may be needful for the operation of said plant and the enjoyment of its franchise; it may own real and personal estate necessary and proper for its purposes not exceeding in value the statutory limit; it may make contracts with individuals, municipalities and other corporations to furnish telephone facilities and privileges, and fix such charges for such services as may be agreed upon. It may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings and the mode of voting by proxy; may elect all necessary officers and prescribe duties, salaries and tenure of office; may sue and be sued and may prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court of competent jurisdiction; may have a corporate seal and change the same at pleasure; may contract and be contracted with within the limits of its corporate powers; may sell and convey its property; may borrow money, may issue notes, bonds or other evidences of debt, but the same shall be so issued that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States, and may secure the same by mortgage or hypothecation of its franchise, plant, property or other effects; and may make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law.

Sec 4 Its capital stock is hereby fixed at $16,000.00 to be divided into shares of $100.00 each, but said capital may be increased at pleasure to an amount not to exceed $50,000.00

Sec 5 In the election of Directors every stockholder shall have the right to vote in person or by proxy the number of shares owned by him for as many persons as there are Directors to be elected, or to cumulate said shares so as to give one candidate as many votes as the number of Directors multi-

filled by the number of his shares of stock shall equal or distribute them on the same principal among as many candidates as he shall see fit. The first meeting of the incorporators may be called by a notice published in some newspaper published in the city of Meridian for at least ten days before the time appointed for the meeting, signed by one or more persons named herein, or by written notice addressed to each of said persons sent through the United States mails, postage prepaid, for at least ten days before the date of such meeting. But the personal presence of such incorporators at such meeting shall obviate the necessity of such notice

Section 6 The affairs of said corporation shall be managed and conducted by a board of five Directors, to be selected by the stockholders at a meeting to be annually by them held for that purpose, at such date as may be fixed by by-laws or otherwise. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The incorporators herein named may constitute the first Board of Directors, whose term of office shall be for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified, Said Board of Directors may elect of their number, by ballot, a President, a vice President and a Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers, agents and employes as the business and interest of said company may require. Said President and Vice President shall be elected from the body of the Directory. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person, who need not be a Director, but shall be a stockholder, other agents or employes need not be stockholders. The directors may prescribe the duties of all officers, agents and employes, and may require such as they deem proper to enter into bond in such penalty as they shall designate, conditioned for the faithful discharge of such trust. Regular meetings of stockholders shall be fixed by by-laws; called meetings may be held upon five days notice by mail or by publication in some newspaper in the city of Meridian, or without such notice when the personal presence of all of the Directors may be had.

Sec 7 The said corporation, through its stockholders in meeting assembled or through its Board of Directors, may enact all such by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with law as may be deemed necessary or proper for the conduct and management of its affairs. The dates of regular stockholders meetings may be fixed by by-law. All called meetings may be had on five days notice, either by publication in some newspaper in the city of Meridian, or written notice through the mails, postage prepaid, signed

by the President or Secretary

Sec 8 Stockholders shall not be liable for corporate debts beyond such amounts, if any, as may be owing by them respectively upon stock subscriptions

Sec 9 This charter to take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval by the Governor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., July 16th 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., July 16. 1898. Riley A. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Meridian Telephone Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 14th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

✓ The charter of Incorporation of the Pontotoc Academy

Sec 1 Frank Souter, W. M Wheeler, R. P. Brown, Jeff S Brown, R. V. Fletcher, Knox Bros, J. S. Simmons, W. W. Baker, F. A. Carr, O. C. Carr, C. B. Mitchell, M. L. Shannon, T. J. Nelson, S. C. M. Bingham, J. M. Nesbit, T. B. Wilson, W. M. Robertson, T. R. Pegues, C. D. Mitchell, W. W. Wood, M. B. Pitts, J. A. Salmon, W. M. Mauldin and their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of Pontotoc Academy and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in the State of Mississippi or elsewhere and shall perpetual succession with all the powers of a body corporate and shall be located at Pontotoc, Mississippi.

Sec 2 The capital stock of said Academy shall not exceed $600 00 divided into shares of $10 00 each.

Sec 3 Said Pontotoe Academy are hereby authorized to invest their capital in lands and improve the same to be used for Educational purposes for the period of five years ~~of~~ or for such less period of time as they may deem proper.

Sec 4 The business of said Pontotoe Academy shall be confided to and controlled by its stockholders, under such rules, by laws, and regulations as such company may seem fit to adopt. provided the same be not in conflict with the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 5 The offices of said Pontotoe Academy shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall serve without remuneration and five Board of Directors and such other subordinate offices as at any time may be deemed necessary. The duties and powers of said offices (their terms of office shall be one year) the manner and date of their election shall be fixed by the by-laws of said Pontotoe Academy, and all questions shall be determined by a majority vote of the stockholders according to the shares held by them, that is each person is entitled to as many votes as he may hold shares.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Aug 26. 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898 ——— Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Pontotoc Academy is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of September 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 13 PAGE 144. FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 434

The Charter of Incorporation of the Southern ~~Real Estate, Insurance and~~ Banking Company.

Sec 1 Be it known that B. J. Carter, Frank C. McBehe, N. E. Broach, N. S. McRaven, W. F. Broach, Jr., L. A. Duncan, A. B. Wagner, O. P. Pool, A. J. Russell, J. G. Middleton, John D. McInnis, E. J. Martin and such other persons as are now, or may hereafter become, associated with them, their assigns and ~~as~~ successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, with succession for fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter, under the name and style of the Southern Banking Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of competent jurisdiction, may contract and be contracted with, and may have a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure. The domicile of said company shall be in Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi

Sec 2 The purpose and object of this company or corporation, shall be to do a general banking business, and for the purpose stated, may organize and conduct a bank under the general rules of banking and in the management of said bank to do and perform all acts and things necessary for the carrying on of the same for the best interests of its stockholders and patrons not violation of the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States or the general principals governing the general principals of banking.

Sec 3 The capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars divided into two thousand shares of twenty-five dollars each, which may be issued for cash or time paymnts. The capital stock of the company may be increased in the discretion of the Directors up to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, all new stock issued to be first offered to the then stockholders before any one not owning stock shall be allowed to purchase the same. The shares representing the capital stock of the company may be issued in full or limited in the discretion of the Directors.

Sec 4 The stockholders of said company shall be liable for the debts thereof to the amount of unpaid subscriptions to stock held by them but no further.

Sec 5 The stock holders of said company, shall at their first meeting choose a Board of Directors composed of nine (9) members, who shall hold office for one year from the time of their election, or until their successors are duly ~~qualified~~ elected and ~~elected~~ qualified. Meetings of the stock holders shall be held annually or oftener if necessary, and as far as possible each stockholder shall have due and timely notice of each meeting

Sec 6 The Directors shall choose a President, Vice President and

Secretary for said Company, each of whom shall be actively engaged in the management of the business of said Company, and the duties of said officers and the Directors, shall be provided for by the by laws of said Company, which said by-laws the Company is authorized to adopt and prescribe, the same to be enforced by the Board of Directors, and not to conflict with this Charter or the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 7 This Company shall have such of the powers and privileges granted by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and the amendments thereto, as may be necessary for the successful transaction of its business.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Sept 10, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 1898 Wiley N. Nash. Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within & foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Southern ~~Real Estate, Insurance and~~ Banking Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 12th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Smith-McGehee Co

Sec 1 "R. S. J. Smith, E. V. Smith and W. D. McGehee, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate and politic under the firm name and style of Smith-McGehee Co and by that name shall have succession for fifteen years, unless sooner dissolved by consent of the stockholders thereof; may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity may contract and be contracted with, may acquire, hold, encumber, lease, sell, convey and dispose of personal property and real property sufficient for the transaction of its business; may have a common seal, to break or alter at pleasure; may have and be vested with all the powers, rights and privileges prescribed by the laws of the State of Mississippi, so far as the same may be necessary to fully carry out the objects and purposes of this corporation hereby created.

Sec 2 The objects and purposes of this corporation are declared to be:

To conduct and carry on a general mercantile business, to buy and sell any and all kind of goods, wares and merchandise of whatever description; to buy and sell all kinds of agricultural products in the markets; to take and give deeds of trust and mortgages on real and personal property, and any agricultural crops growing or to be grown; to give checks, drafts, notes and to receive and accept the same, and to do all such other matters and things, and to enter into all such contracts and agreements as may be necessary to carry on said mercantile business, and in fact to do any and all acts and things consistent with the provisions of this charter and the laws of the land.

Sec 3 The capital stock of this corporation shall be Six Thousand Dollars, which may be increased from time by the stockholders owning more than one half of stock, to Ten Thousand Dollars. When Six Thousand Dollars of the Capital Stock is paid in, the corporation is authorized to commence business and shall be regarded as organized under this charter. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

Sec 4 No stockholder in this corporation shall be individually liable for any of the debts of the corporation in excess of the amount unpaid upon the stock subscribed by him.

Sec 5 The management of said corporation shall be confided to a Board of not less than three Directors, nor more than five, selected annually from among the stockholders and by those owning more than one half of the stock. A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum and the stockholders owning more than one half of the stock shall have power to make, adopt and alter such by-laws, rules and regulations for the election of officers and govern-

ment of business as they shall deem proper; provided such rules; regulations and by laws shall not be contrary to the laws of the State of Mississippi and of the United States, or to the provisions of this charter

Sec 6 The offices of this corporation shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer to be elected by the Board of Directors, to hold for one year and until their successors are elected and qualified and until offices are elected; E. T. Smith, R. D. J. Smith and H. D. McGehee shall be the Board of Directors, and E. T. Smith shall be President, R. D. J. Smith, Treasurer and H. D. McGehee, Secretary

Sec 7 The domicile of this corporation shall be in the town of Centerville, Wilkinson County, Mississippi

No bond, debenture, note, check, draft or other obligation of this corporation, or to this corporation, shall be made payable in gold alone, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Sept. 5, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept. 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Smith-McGehee Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 14th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 623

Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Missionery Society

Sec 1 Know all men by these presents, that J. E. White, E. L. White, F. H. Walladay, D. C. Walladay, F. N. Schramm, John Duxbury and C. N. Smouse and such others as they may associate with them, are hereby constituted a body corporate under the name of the Southern Missionery Society.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation to be at Yazoo City, Mississiffi

Sec 3 The objects of this corporation are to promote and encourage literary and scientific research, promulgate religious and moral truths, and generally to carry on missionery work wherever its officers may see fit. To this end it may establish such schools as its officers and directors may see fit, build Churches, establish industrial colonies, mechanical and agricultural, and do all other acts that may be necessary to inculcate scientific and industrial information.

Sec 4 This corporation may own property real and personal, necessary for the business of the corporation to the value of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, and may sell, encumber and otherwise dispose of the same under the seal of the society. It may also receive such donations as shall be made to it, and hold the same for its use in trust or in fee simple

Sec 5 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Dollar each. And as soon as Five Hundred Dollars of said amount shall have been subscribed it may begin operations under this charter.

Sec 6 The said corporation shall begin business within one year after the approval of this charter by the Governor.

Sec 7 Every Director of said corporation shall own not less than five shares of stock.

Sec 8 The said corporation shall have duration for a period of fifty years from the approval of its charter.

Sec 9 The first meeting of said incorporators for permanent organization shall be upon written notice signed by two of them and made known to the others as to the time and place of meeting

Sec 10 The name and number of officers and their duties and all other matters shall be provided for by appropriate regulations of said corporation.

Sec 11 This corporation shall be empowered to have a seal which it may change alter or abolish at pleasure. J. E. White, E. L. White. F. N. Schramm. John Duxbury, C. N. Smouse.

Sec 12 No spirituous, vinous or malt liquor, nor any other intoxicating liquor, nor any kinds of cards or dice or device used in gaming, shall be carried upon or permitted upon any real

Section 12 of this charter was stricken out by order of the Governor, Nov 10, 1898

or personal property of the corporation and a violation of this section, by any person, the corporation being responsible for its enforcement, shall ipso facto forfeit the charter and all the property of the corporation shall thereby belong to the State, and the sheriff of Yazoo County, or such other person as the Governor may designate, shall immediately take possession thereof for the State, without waiting for legal proceedings to declare the charter forfeited. And any officer of the State or of Yazoo County, or of Yazoo City, shall at any and all times have access to any and all of said real or personal property for inspection, and a refusal or failure or neglect to admit any such officer shall be conclusive of the violation of this section. The organization under this charter will be an acceptance of these conditions.

Recorded Sept 13, 1898

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Southern Missionary Society is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 13th day of September 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Spring Hill Benevolent Society.

Sec 1 J. D. Burns, Charles Smith, O. S. Shepherd, George Ratliff, Mack Hudson, Jim Brown, Isaac Doss, Lucien Rogan, Robert Griffin, and such others as may become associated with them by becoming members of said society are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of The Spring Benevolent Society and as such shall have succession for the full term and period of fifty years.

Sec 2 The object of said society shall be the binding of the people together in a common union for moral, intellectual and religious culture with the fundamental object of relieving suffering in our midst arising from destitution, etc.

Sec 3 The society may make such rules and by-laws as it deems proper, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi, and may alter, amend or repeal the same by such vote as it may ordain.

Sec 4 No spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquor shall be carried upon or permitted upon any of the property of the society, real or personal, and a violation of this section shall forfeit the charter.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advise as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. June 30, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. June 1898. Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Spring Hill Benevolent Society is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi River Elevator Company.

Sec 1 Jos. H. Stack, A. F. Nimtz, S. E. Landau, J. J. Powers and M. D. Landau and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Mississippi River Elevator Company and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, purchase, receive and enjoy real estate and personal property, necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00) in value, and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate, in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, or the said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue notes, bonds, debentures and other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued, to plead and be pleaded; to use a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure; and the said corporation shall have all of the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are necessary and proper for the purposes of said corporation.

Sec 2 The said corporation shall also have, and it is hereby authorized and invested with the right and power to construct, purchase, charter, hire or otherwise acquire, and thereafter to use, operate, own and enjoy, sell, mortgage, charter, lease, encumber and dispose of, steamboats and other water crafts; construct docks, derricks, wharves, landings, warehouses, wharfboats and elevators for its own use, or for elevating, storing or handling the freight of other steamboats or transportation companies, or for any person; to carry the United States mail, to transport freight and passengers by steamboat or other water craft, on the Mississippi River, and on the Yazoo River, Tallahatchie River or Yallobusha River, and on their and each of their tributaries, and to receive therefor such compensation as shall, from time to time be fixed and designated by the proper officers of the said Company; to receive for safe keeping, and to store merchandise and property in its yards or warehouses, and to receive such compensation therefor as may, from time to time be fixed and designated by the proper officers of the said Company; to make advances of money or credit upon merchandise or property, for charges by other trans-

portation lines or any person, to be transported by its boats or to be stored in its yards or warehouses to such extent and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officers of the said company may from time to time establish or authorize; and further to do all other acts necessary and convenient, in the judgment of the officers and directors of said company, for the welfare and business of the said company. The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of said company with the approval of the Governor

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00) divided into shares of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each, and may be increased or diminished from time to time by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the said company

Sec 4 The management of the business of said corporation shall be confided to a Board of Directors to consist of not less than three, who shall be stockholders of the said corporation and who shall be elected annually by the said stockholders and the holders of a majority of the stock of the said corporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President and may elect or appoint a secretary or treasurer, but the last two named offices may be held by one person, and the said directors may also elect or appoint such officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The number of Directors may at any time be increased or diminished by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the said company but the number of directors shall never be less than three. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number, caused by death, resignation or otherwise

Sec 5 The directors shall have power and authority to make all needful rules, regulations and by laws for the control and management of the business affairs and property of the said company and may from time to time alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock then present, in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at such

meetings. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, her or it.

Sec 7 No stockholder of the said company shall be in any wise responsible personally liable for the debts of the said company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscriptions to the said capital stock.

Sec 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid in cash.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of the said company, and as soon as one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid in cash, said corporation may organize, elect directors and commence business

No note, bond, debenture or other evidence of debt issued by the corporation, or payable to it, shall be made payable in gold alone, but all such shall be made payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States or Mississippi

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advise as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 6, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Sept 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Mississippi River Elevator Co is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 14th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of The Valley Bank

Article 1. D. Reinach, H. B. Roberts, Sam'l Kohn, Isaac Kohn, Godfrey Frank, J. L. Wilson and G. J. McGehee, Jr., and such other persons as they may associate with them and their successors and their Associates are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of "The Valley Bank."

Art. 2. Said Corporation is created for the purpose of carrying on a general banking business in all its branches, and may have succession for fifty years, and have a corporate seal; may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded; may acquire by purchase or otherwise, all kinds of property, whether real or personal — the real property being limited to that necessary for the transaction of its business, and may sell and convey the same, may borrow money, encumber its property, hypothecate & choses in action, receive deposits in currency, coin or other species of money, give bills of exchange, certify checks, may lend money, take mortgages, deed of trust and other security, make all kinds of contracts necessary or usual to a general banking business, and is empowered and authorized to do any and all things usual to the conduct of the business of banking.

Art. 3. The domicile and chief place of business of said Corporation shall be the town of Rosedale, Bolivar County, State of Mississippi.

Art. 4. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be twenty-five thousand dollars.

Art. 5. The stockholders of said Bank shall meet at such time as they may deem proper after the said Capital Stock shall have been fully subscribed and paid in, and elect five of their own number as a board of directors of said Corporation, to whom, shall be parted the full governing powers of said Corporation, create such offices as they may deem proper for its management, fix the salaries to be paid said officers, and do all acts necessary for the proper government of said corporation, its stockholders and officers.

Art. 6. The Stockholder of said Corporation shall be liable for its debts beyond the unpaid portion of his stock subscription.

Art. 7. All voting by stockholders at any of their meetings shall be done by ballot or viva voce, as the by-laws may determine, and each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, either by the person owning it, or by some one authorized by said owner of the same, said authorization to be in writing, and recorded in the minutes of such meeting.

Art. 8. The stock of said Corporation shall only be assignable on the books of said Corporation, and as otherwise provided by law, and no stockholder in the same can transfer his stock so long as he is indebted to said Corporation, but the same shall be, as his other property, liable for the debts of such stockholder.

Art. 9. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be divided into two hundred and fifty shares of one hundred dollars each.

Art. 10. Said Corporation is authorized to begin business as soon as its Capital Stock has been fully subscribed and fully paid in.

Art. 11. Said Corporation shall exist for a period of fifty years, and no longer.

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The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney-General for his opinion as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin. Governor.

Jackson, Miss., September 21st 1898.

Attorney General's Office.
Jackson, Miss., Sept. 22, 1898.

Hon. A. J. McLaurin, Governor,

Jackson, Miss.

Dear Sir: In the matter of the proposed Charter of Incorporation of the Valley Bank, in the 3rd line of Article 8, after the word "Corporation," I respectfully suggest that there be added the following words: and as otherwise provided by law. This change is necessary in order to make said Article conform to Section 844 of the Annotated Code of 1892 - that part of said section referring to the transfer of stock, which is as follows: "The stock in all Corporations shall be transferable by the endorsement and delivery of the stock Certificate and the registry of such transfer in the books of the Corporation."

Very respectfully,

Wiley N. Nash. Attorney General.

Executive Office.
Jackson, Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Valley Bank is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed. this 22nd. day of September. 1898.

A. J. McLaurin.

By the Governor:

J. L. Power
Secretary of State.

Received for record, and recorded. September 26. 1898.

Dissolved by Decree in the Chancery Court of Coahoma County - January 3, 1925.

The Charter of Incorporation of the "Connell & Garner Company" of Clarksdale, in Coahoma County, Mississippi.

By authority of the laws of the State of Mississippi, Jeff Connell, R. V. Garner and J. R. Shelton and their associates and successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, under the name of the "Connell and Garner Company", the domicile and principal place of which corporation shall be at Clarksdale, in the County of Coahoma, State of Mississippi.

And by their said corporate name, the said "Connell & Garner Company" shall have succession for the period of fifty years. They may contract, and be contracted with, and generally may have, enjoy and transmit, all rights, privileges and immunities granted them by this Charter, and they may have a common seal to be used or altered at pleasure.

The said Corporation shall have the rights and powers, and may exercise the privileges as follows, to-wit:

Article I. The said Company shall have the right to transact a general mercantile business in the town of Clarksdale aforesaid, and may establish business and conduct the same, at such other places, in and out of the state, as it may determine. It shall have the right to deal in, buy, sell and dispose of all manner of goods, wares, merchandise and chattels, and may buy and sell on such terms as it may elect. It may deal in cotton and other agricultural products, and establish and maintain a commission business in connection with its other business, at such places as it may desire; and generally may do all things necessary or proper to the convenient and successful operation of all branches of its business, wheresoever conducted.

Article II. The said Corporation shall have power to take mortgages, deeds of trust and all other character of securities, which it may think proper to take in the conduct of its business, and in security of indebtedness due to it. And it

shall also have power to buy real and personal property, and may sell and dispose of all its property real and personal, rights and choses in action as may be proper. The real property so bought to be sold within five years.

Article III The said Corporation shall further have power to borrow money, and incur indebtedness in the conduct of its business, and may execute bonds, bills, notes and all other Evidences of indebtedness, to manifest its obligations, and it may secure the same by mortgage or other pledge or incumbrance of all or any part of its property, as it may see proper. Bonds, bill, note or other evidence of indebtedness shall be made payable in gold alone, but all such shall be so made that they will be payable in any King of legal tender money of the United States.

Article IV The capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand ($10,000) Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred ($100) Dollars each, but it may be increased from time to time by a majority vote of stockholders, to a sum not exceeding Twenty-five Thousand ($25,000) Dollars. The shares of stock shall be personal property. Certificates therefor shall be issued from a book of record prepared for that purpose, and shall be transferable according to law.

Article V The stock of said Corporation shall be paid for in cash, or in monthly instalments.

Article VI The affairs of said Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, to be composed of stockholders. The number of Directors shall be fixed by the stockholders at any general meeting thereof, by suitable resolution, but the number thereof shall not Exceed five (5) nor be less

than three (3). In all instances, not more than three (3) members shall be required to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority of the remaining members of the Body, shall, at all times, have power to fill any vacancy in their number, to serve until the next regular election. The Board shall choose a President and Vice President, and shall elect and appoint all their necessary officers and employees, and make all By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for the government of the corporation. The said Board shall be elected on the first Monday of September of each year, and at all elections, each stockholder shall be entitled to cast one vote for each share of stock held by him, and to cumulate the same, as provided by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Mississippi.

The Corporators shall meet at the office of Conner and Garner, in Clarksdale, after the approval of this Charter, on not less than one days notice, to organize under this Charter, and elect a Board of Directors to serve until the next annual meeting of the stockholders provided for herein.

Article VII. This Corporation shall further exercise and enjoy all rights and powers exercisable by such Corporations created under the laws of the State of Mississippi, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter.

If this Corporation shall do business at any other place than Clarksdale it shall be suable in the Courts of the County or place where such business is done or was done at the time the alleged liability occurred or was incurred.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions

thereof.
Jackson, Miss. A. J. McLaurin
Sept. 2nd. 1898. Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss Sept. 1898. Attorney General.

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Cowell and Garner Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th. day of September, 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secretary of State.

Filed for record September 29. 1898; recorded Sept. 30/98.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Instantaneous Ice Cream Freezer Company.

1st. Be it ordained that W. M. Slack, W. K. Burton and B. G. West and such other persons as they may from time to time, hereafter, associate with them in business, be and they are hereby incorporated as a body politic under the name and style of

The Instantaneous Ice Cream Freezer Company,

and by that name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, may have a corporate seal, may contract and be contracted with within the limits of the Corporate powers, may sell and convey real estate and sell personal property, may borrow money and secure payment of same by mortgage or otherwise, may make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law and do whatever is necessary to accomplish the objects of the Corporation so long as the acts of the said Corporation are consistant with the law.

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2nd. Said Corporation shall have succession for a period of Fifty Years.

3th. The Capital stock of said Corporation shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, but said Corporation may begin business whenever Three Hundred Dollars of said amount shall have been paid in. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each.

4th. The objects of this Corporation are to manufacture and sell Ice Cream Freezers, either at wholesale or retail, and to sell to other parties the rights to sell said Freezers within the limits of certain Counties, States and territorial districts.

5th. The domicile of said Corporation shall be Hernando, Desoto County, Mississippi.

All Indebtedness incurred by the Corporation shall be so made that it will not be payable in gold alone, but shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

W. M. Slack
W. K. Burton
B. G. West.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson Miss.
July 1898

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of this state.

Jackson Miss
July 1898.

Wiley N. Nash
Attorney General

The Charter of Incorporation of Randolph College.

1st. Be it Known that J. H. Clements, G. B. Wilson, A. W. Westmoreland, J. F. Mitchell, J. D. McGoogill, H. J. Mitchell, H. J. Tutor, J. W. Rodgers, J. L. Tutor, C. J. Bolen, J. A. Rodgers and all other persons who may hereafter become associated with them and their Successors, Be and they are hereby created a body Politic and Corporate under the Name Style and title of the Randolph College Incorporation of the Village of Randolph, Pontotoc County, State of Mississippi; that they by this name be capable of receiving and acquiring real and personal property by donation, bequest or purchase for the use and benefit of said College they shall have power to draft and adopt such rules and regulations for their government not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi.

2nd Be it further Known that the general objects of said Corporation shall be for the Education of Youths either Male or Female or both as the said Incorporators may at any time elect.

3th Be it further Known that our College be permanently located for a term of 25 years. Present Trustees

July 12th 1898. J. H. Clements
H. J. Tutor. G. B. Wilson.

Executive Department.
Jackson Miss

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
July 15th 1898.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson Miss.
July 1898.

Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi.

The Within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Randolph College is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed this 27th day of September 1898.

By the Governor:

A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Sec'y of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the North Carrollton Ware House Company.

Sec 1. That R. C Fox, J. W. Sulivan, J. W. Whitney, W. B. Chambly, J. H. Riddett, B. A. McCaslii and their associates and successors be and they are hereby created a corporate body under the name and style of North Carrollton Warehouse Company and by that name may sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity, contract and be contracted with and to adopt a Corporate seal and the same to alter or break at pleasure.

Election of Officers.

Sect 2. That the officers of said Corporation shall consist of one President, one Vice President, and three other directors who shall constitute the Board of Directors and who shall be elected annully by the stock holders of said Company. One Secretary and such other officers as the Board of Directors shall consider necessary to be elected by the Board of Directors for such time as they may determine.

Duration of Office.

The Directors, the President and Vice President shall hold office for one year, and until their successors shall enter upon the discharge of their duties, and no person shall be a director unless such person shall own at least one share of the stock of said Corporation.

Vacancies How Filled.

Any Vacancies occuring in the Board of Directors either by death, resignation, or otherwise shall be filled by a Vote of the stock holders.

Power to Own, Purchase, Sell and Build.

Sect. 3. That said Company shall have power to own and purchase real and personal property, to sell, Convey or otherwise dispose of the same, to erect such houses and tenements on the same, as may be necessary to carry on the business of the Company.

Power to Transact Business.

Sect 4. That said Corporation shall have power to conduct a general storage business to receive in their Warehouse Cotton, and all kinds of goods, Wares, and Merchandise. to weigh, transfer, transmit and deliver the same at such times and places, and upon such terms and Conditions as may be agreed upon by owners or bailors thereof and to do such other things as may come within the scope of, and be necessary to the proper transaction of such business.

May Issue Receipts.

They may issue Warehouse receipts, on goods, Wares, Merchandise, and Cotton which receipts shall be negotiable and the production of such Warehouse receipts for such products, Merchandise or Cotton by such Certificate properly indorsed shall be prima facia evidence

that such merchandise, Cotton or other products have been pledged to said Corporation.

Capital Stock

Sec 5. That the Capitol stock of said Corporation shall be Sixteen Hundred Dollars divided into shares of one hundred dollars each which may be increased by vote of two thirds of the Stock of said Company to any amount not to exceed Ten Thousand dollars.

Board of Directors — Its Powers.

Sec. 6. That Board of Directors shall have power to make such by laws, rules and regulations for the control of their own meetings and deliberations, and for the management of the business of the Corporation as they may deem proper, said by laws to be ratified by a vote of the stockholders.

Domiciled.

Sec. 7 That the domicile of said Corporation shall be in the Village of North Carrollton (near the town of Carrollton) in Carroll County and State of Mississippi and all notices for the meetings of the Stockholders are required to be given by publication, for at least two consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in said Village or the town of Carrollton or the same in default of such publication shall be given by service in person upon each of said Stockholders.

Service of Process.

Process issued for any cause upon any suit against said Company may be served as provided by the general laws of State upon the subject.

May Borrow Money and Issue Notes and Bonds.

Sec 8. That the said Company shall have the right to borrow money and to that end may mortgage its property and its earnings and issue notes or bonds or other evidence of debts, but no Stockholder shall be liable for any indebtedness beyond the amount of Stock held or subscribed by him and it shall be unlawful for the Company to Contract debts or liabilities in excess of the Capital Stock.

Elections How Held.

Sec 9 That in all elections by the Stockholders each share of the stock of said Corporation shall be entitled to one vote to be cast by the owner thereof or his proxy, but no such stock shall be voted or represented in said election, unless all assessments regularly made by the Board of Directors shall have first been paid.

When in Effect.

Sec 10. This act of Incorporation to take effect and be enforced from and after its approval by the Governor and its publication for three weeks as prescribed by Law.

Section 11. No note, bond or other evidence of debt shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made and executed that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

Executive Department.
Jackson, Miss.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully refered to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss.
Sept. 9th 1878.

A. J. McLaurin
Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss.
Sept, 1878.

Attorney General.

Executive Office.
Jackson Mississippi.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the North Carrollton Warehouse Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 27th day of September 1878.

By the Governor

A. J. McLaurin.

J. L. Power.
Secretary of State.

The charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Transportation Company

Sec 1 E. F. Hitchcock, Geo C. Missonnier, S. J. Shlenker, Joseph Andrews, J. J. Donovan, and W. A. Valburn and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Vicksburg Transportation Company and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, purchase, receive and enjoy, real estate and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($250,000.00) and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate, in fee simple or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, or the said personal property to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue notes, bonds, debentures and other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a common seal, and the same to alter, break, or renew at pleasure, and the said corporation shall have all of the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 which are necessary and proper for the purposes of said corporation

Sec 2 The said corporation shall also, and it is hereby authorized and invested with the right and power to build and construct, purchase, charter, hire or otherwise acquire, and thereafter to use, operate, own and enjoy, sell, mortgage, charter, lease, encumber and dispose of, steamboats and other water craft; construct docks, derricks, wharves, landings, warehouses, wharf boats and elevators for its own use or for elevating, storing or handling the freight of other steamboats or transportation companies or other persons; to carry the United States mail; to transport freight and passengers by steamboat or other water craft on the Mississippi River, Yazoo River, Tallahatchie River and Yallobusha River and on their and each of their tributaries, and to receive therefor such compensation as shall, from time to time, be fixed and designated by the proper officer of the said company, or receive for safe-keeping, and to store merchandise and property in its yards or warehouses, and to receive such compensation therefor as may, from time to time be fixed and designated by the proper officers of the said company; to make advances of money or credit upon merchandise or property for charges by other transportation lines and any person, to be transported by its boats, or to be stored in its yards or warehouses to such extent, and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officer of the said company may from

time to time, establish or authorize and further to do all other acts within the scope of the authority granted by this charter necessary and convenient in the judgment of the officers and directors of the said company for the welfare and business of the said company; the domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each and may be increased or diminished, from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock in the said company.

Sec 4 The management of the business of the said corporation shall be confided to a board of directors to consist of not less than three, who shall be stockholders of the said corporation and who shall be elected annually by the said stockholders, and the holders of a majority of the stock of said corporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President, and may elect or appoint a Secretary or Treasurer, but the last named offices may be held by one person and the said directors may also elect or appoint such officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The number of directors may, at any time, be increased or diminished by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock in the said company, but the number of directors shall never be less than three. The said directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number, caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Sec 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make all needful rules, regulations and by laws for the control and management of the business affairs and property of the said company, and may from time to time, alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of a majority then present, in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at such meeting; each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him her or it.

Sec 7 No stockholder of the said company shall be, in any wise, personally liable for the debts of the said company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscription to the said Capital stock.

Sec 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid in cash.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid in cash, said corporation may organize, elect directors and commence business.

No note, bond, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness of or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made and issued that they will be made payable in any legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss. Sept 17, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 22, 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Transportation Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Nov 4/98

The charter of Incorporation of the Instantaneous Ice Cream Freezer Company

1st Be it ordained that N. M. Slack, N. K. Burton, and B. G. West and such other persons as they may from time to time, hereafter, associate with them in business, be and they are hereby incorporated as a body politic under the name and style of The Instantaneous Ice Cream Freezer Company, and by that name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; may have a corporate seal, may contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers, may sell and convey real estate and sell personal property; may borrow money and secure payment of same by mortgage or otherwise; may make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law and do whatever is necessary to accomplish the objects of the corporation so long as the acts of the said corporation are consistent with the law.

2d Said corporation shall have succession for a period of fifty years

3d The capital stock of said corporation shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, but said corporation may begin business whenever Three Hundred Dollars of said amount shall have been paid in. Said capital stock shall be divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each.

4th The objects of this corporation are to manufacture and sell Ice Cream Freezers, either at wholesale or retail, and to sell to other parties the rights to sell said freezers within the limits of certain counties, states and territorial districts

5th The domicile of said corporation shall be Hernando, De Soto County, Mississippi

N. M. Slack
N. K. Burton
B. G. West

All indebtedness incurred by the corporation shall be so made that it will not be payable in gold alone, but shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, July 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of this State

Jackson, Miss. July 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Att'y General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Instantaneous Ice Cream Freezer Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 27th day of September 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded
Nov 4/98

√ The Charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Normal and Industrial Institute.

Sec 1 J. C. Williams, Wm. M. Wallace, N. T. Thomas, G. P. Green, S. R. Childress, and such others as may become associated with them are hereby incorporated into and constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of The Yazoo Normal and Industrial Institute, and all powers necessary to enable said Institute to carry out the purposes for which it is created are hereby conferred so far as the exercise thereof may be authorized by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code. It shall have succession for fifty years.

Sec 2 The object of this institute is the establishment and maintenance of an institution at which men, women and children may acquire a common school education and bible training and a practical and scientific knowledge of agriculture, horticulture and the mechanic arts, and of the proper growth and care of stock

Sec 3 The Institute shall be governed and managed by an executive board, to be selected at such times as the incorporators may determine by by-laws, and is to be composed of nine persons. The executive board shall also elect such officers, agents and teachers as may be provided for by by-laws, and define their duties and fix their salaries.

Sec 4 Said Institute may hold real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding five thousand dollars in value, and may acquire the same by grant, bequest or gift

Sec 5 The executive board may, if they deem proper, issue shares of stock not to exceed in the aggregate thirty five hundred dollars ($3,500.00) and may fix the number of shares and the value of each share

Sec 6 The first meeting of the incorporators shall be held

at such time and place as may be decided upon by a majority of the persons named in section 1

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, July 15, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, July 1898 / Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Normal and Industrial Institute is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th day of September 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Nov 4/98

The Charter of Incorporation of the Kill City Oil Company

Sec 1 E. C. Carroll, Eugene Martin, Thomas M. Smedes and their associates and successors are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Kill City Oil Company which shall have existence for the period of fifty years, and its domicile shall be in the county of Warren and State of Mississippi

Sec 2 The purposes for which this Corporation is created are: To buy, build own or lease and operate mills or factories for the manufacture of goods or wares of any description from Cotton, wool or other ~~fabrics~~ fibres, and to manufacture oil, oil cake, meal and other products from cotton or other seed, and soaps, fertilizers or other substances from such products, and to buy, build, own or lease barges or steamboats, and to navigate and operate the same upon any navigable streams or waters of the United States for the carriage of goods of its manufacture and raw material for its manufacturing

Sec 3 This corporation may exercise all such powers as may be necessary or proper under the constitution and laws of this state and the United States, to carry on the business for which it is created, and shall have the right to build, buy, own or lease any estate, real or personal, necessary to conduct its said business and sell or encumber the same, as well as their manufactured wares or goods. It shall have the right to establish agencies, mills or factories within the limits of Warren county and conduct at such places such portions of its business as it may wish; and it shall have, possess and enjoy all the powers and privileges conferred upon such corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 and the amendments thereto.

Sec 4 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid in cash.

Sec 5 The capital stock of said Corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars divided into five hundred shares of One Hundred Dollars each and may be increased or diminished, from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the said company. Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) shall have been subscribed, and upon written notice to each of the subscribers of the time and place of meeting, said subscribers may meet and organize a corporation and commence business.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Sept 2, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Hill City Oil Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 4th day of November 1898

Recorded Nov 4/98

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Capital Insurance Company of Jackson, Miss.

Be it known that A. N. Watkins, Jackson, Miss., Geo. S. Aspenwall, Chicago, Ill., A. J. Froelich, Chicago, Ill., all over the age of twenty one years do hereby constitute a body politic and corporation by the name of the Capital Insurance Company. The Capital stock of the Capital Insurance Company shall be fixed at One Hundred Thousand Dollars and shall be divided into one thousand shares.

The aforesaid incorporators shall subscribe or shall secure subscriptions to the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars to said Insurance Co, and said incorporators shall pay or shall cause to be paid one hundred thousand dollars in cash to be paid into the corporate treasury. That said incorporators shall organize and begin business at once. That the said Insurance Co. shall engage in fire insurance, marine or any other cause or risk including tornado and wind storm Insurance. The general powers of the said corporation shall be to sue and be sued by its corporate name, to purchase and to hold or to receive by gift the personal property of the corporate business and also in addition to purchase or to receive any real estate in payment or part payment of any debt due the corporation, and sell realty for corporate purposes. The corporation shall not hold real estate purchased or received for debt for more than five years. That it shall be lawful for the corporation to invest any part of the capital stock, moneys, fund and property, in stocks or funded debts, created or to be created by or under any laws of the United States; or they may loan the same to any corporation or person on real and personal securities and upon such interests as the Directors may deem prudent and best for the interest of the Company. That said company shall have the right to insure any risk, or any part thereof with or in any other company and to reinsure the risks of any other Insurance Company. Said insurance Company shall have the right to exercise all the rights, privileges and powers enumerated in Chapter 65, Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, not inconsistent herewith, and shall do and perform all other acts reasonably necessary to conduct and carry on the business of a general insurance Company, not contrary to the laws of the State.

The Board of Directors may consist of three or more members at the option of the stock holders, to be elected either in person by the stockholders or by proxy by a majority of the votes cast, each share representing one vote.

The Directory shall keep a full and true record of all their proceedings, and an annual statement of the receipts and disbursements shall be copied on the minutes. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a Quorum and shall fill all vacancies until the next election

The Board of Directors shall establish by-laws and make all rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws and constitution deemed expedient for the management of its corporate affairs.

The corporation shall have a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall be elected by the Board of Directors. Said Board of Directors shall have the right to appoint such subordinate officers and agents in addition to the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, as the business of the corporation shall require.

We the undersigned, apply to the State of Mississippi by virtue of its laws, for a charter of Incorporation for the purpose and with the powers declared in the foregoing instrument.

H. H. Watkins
Geo. D. Aspinwall
H. J. Frolich

The foregoing application to organize an Insurance Company in this State is respectfully submitted to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to whether or not it be in conformity to law.

Jackson, Miss. Nov 3, 1898 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing application to organize an Insurance Company in this State conforms to law.

Jackson, Miss, Nov 1898 — Riley H. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Capital Insurance Company of Jackson, Miss; is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed this 3d day of November 1898.

By the Governor — A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

State of Mississippi }
County of Hinds } Personally appeared before me the undersigned officer in and for the City of Jackson in the aforesaid State and County, W. H. Watkins, who by me being duly sworn states that the facts alleged in the forgoing application for a charter of Incorporation true as stated, and are made for the bona fide purpose of carrying on an Insurance business as therein expressed W. H. Watkins

Witness my signature and official seal this the 3d day of Nov. 1898. E. M. Parker
(Seal) Notary Public

State of Mississippi }
County of Hinds }

Personally Came before me the undersigned Notary Public, in and for the city of Jackson, said County and State, H. J. Froelich, W. H. Watkins and A. C. Crowder, who being duly sworn, state on oath that they are the directors of the Capital Insurance Company, of Jackson, Mississippi. That the Capital Insurance Company was organized in Jackson, Mississippi on the 4th day of November 1898. That its Capital Stock is One Hundred Thousand Dollars and is divided into one thousand shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

Witness my signature and official seal this the 4th day of November, A. D. 1898

W. H. Watkins
A. C. Crowder
H. J. Froelich

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 4th day of November 1898

(Seal) E. M. Parker
Notary Public

✓ The charter of Incorporation of the Lexington Improvement Company of Lexington, Mississippi

Sec 1 N. L. Jordan, J. S. Watson, W. O. Barrett, W. D. Pickens, and such others as they may hereafter associate with themselves, are hereby incorporated under and by the name of the Lexington Improvement Company.

Sec 2 The said Lexington Improvement Company under and by its corporate name and title shall have and hold its domicile at the town of Lexington, Mississippi and under its corporate name and style said corporation shall have power and authority to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break, change and alter at pleasure; to hold, receive, lease purchase, improve, alienate, convey, sell, borrow, pledge and mortgage, under its said corporate seal and name, property, real, personal and mixed, sufficient for the transaction of its business; to name and appoint such officers, directors, agents, managers and employes as the interests and convenience of said corporation may require; to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management and regulation of its affairs as may be deemed necessary and proper to carry out the objects and purposes of said corporation; and said corporation, unless sooner dissolved in accordance with its charter, or by process of law, shall exist and continue for and during fifty years from the date of the approval hereof.

Sec 3 Said corporation is established for the purpose of engaging in enterprise calculated to advance and improve the town of Lexington, Mississippi, and in the furtherance of said purpose, said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to build, operate and manage a telephone exchange in the said town of Lexington, and with the consent and approval of the town council of said town, to erect the necessary poles and wires for such purpose over and upon any of the public streets, squares, alleys, bayous or bridges in said town, due regard being had to the public safety and convenience

Sec 4 Said corporation is further empowered in carrying out its objects as aforesaid, by and with the consent and approval of the Board of Supervisors of Holmes County, Mississippi, to extend their lines over any and all public roads leading out of the town of Lexington throughout said County and with the consent and approval of the authorities thereof, to also erect exchanges in the other towns in said Holmes County, Mississippi, as previously authorized in Lexington, in connection with the Lexington exchange

Sec 5 Said corporation is further authorized to build, equip, operate, and manage an electric light plant in the said town of Lexington, Mississippi and with the consent and approval of the town council of said town to put up lights and lay wires upon

any of the public streets, alleys or lanes, due regard being had to the public safety, necessary to properly operate the same.

Sec 7 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of twenty-five dollars each, and the said corporation shall be empowered to organize and begin business as soon as one thousand dollars shall be subscribed and paid in. Said stock may be transferred by any holder thereof, provided such transfer be made on the books of the said corporation at its domicile at its office therein. No transfer of less than one whole share shall be permitted.

Sec 8 All the corporate powers of the said corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors, composed of not less than three stock holders to be elected annually, upon a date to be fixed by the by-laws of said corporation, by ballot of all the stock holders, a majority of the stock to be necessary to an election to said office. Notice of said election shall be given in the manner to be hereafter fixed by the by-laws, the first election being held upon notice given by any two of the subscribing stock holders for one day. The Board of Directors from its membership is authorized to elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and Manager who shall hold office for one year from election. The Board of Directors is empowered at any time to increase or reduce its membership, provided not less than three shall be chosen, and may fill all vacancies in its membership until the next meeting of stockholders. It may establish its own quorum, and may appoint the officers, agents and employes of the company and fix their wages and salaries, and shall make all such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for the proper management and regulation of the corporation.

Sec 9 Said corporation may voluntarily dissolve itself at any time by a vote of a majority of the stock holders, provided that notice shall be given of said purpose for not less than two weeks, in some newspaper published in said County.

All debts or obligations by or to the corporation shall be so made that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 6, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of

incorporation are not violative of the constitution or
laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Sept 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation
of the Lexington Improvement Company is hereby approved
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi
to be affixed, this 14th day of September 1898
By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

V The Charter of Incorporation of Mount Carmel Camp Ground

Section 1 There is located in the county of Yalobusha, State of Mississippi on the Coffeeville and Oakland Road, eight miles East of Coffeeville and eight miles ~~West~~ East of Oakland, a camp ground known as Mount Carmel, owned and controlled by the North west Mississippi Holiness Association. The following named persons and their successors in office shall constitute a Board of Managers and Trustees. viz: Dr. J. Mel. Smith, J. B. Hacker, D. S. McCullar, D. A. Fly, J. M. Starr, W. L. Fly. Said Board of Managers shall hold in trust and protect according to the laws of the State of Mississippi, all the said grounds and property of said Association and shall have plenary power to govern and transact all the business of the association. Provided, however, that said Board of Managers and Trustees shall not sell or dispose of the said grounds or property of said Association unless authorized by a vote of three-fourths of all those who legally constitute said Association

Section 2 This Holiness Camp meeting Association shall be composed of all persons who own and occupy tents on the grounds of said Association and who believe in or enjoy the experience of entire sanctification as a second and instantaneous work of grace according to the standards of doctrine hereinafter mentioned. Provided, nevertheless that any and all persons shall have the privilege and undisturbed right to own and occupy a tent or tents upon said grounds, but provided further that said persons shall first obtain permission and consent of the managers of said grounds to place or build tents on said camp grounds, and they are at all times subject to the rules and regulations of said Association

Section 3 The object of said Association shall be for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Holiness Camp ground for the preaching of the gospel of Christ, the conversion of sinners and the entire sanctification of believers according to the word of God and the teaching of Mr. John Wesley in his sermons and his "Plain Account of Christian Perfection". But said Association shall not be denominational in character.

Section 4 Said Association shall possess powers and privileges as follows: It shall fill all vacancies in the Board of Managers and Trustees by a vote of two-thirds majority of all those who compose said Association. Provided, that said Trustees or Managers shall believe in and enjoy the experience of entire sanctification. The property of said Association shall not be used for any other purpose whatever than for a Holiness Camp ground, and if ever used otherwise it shall revert to the original owners thereof. Said Association

shall possess power to maintain good order upon the grounds thereof; said Association shall possess power to appoint its own police force and to preserve order and to remove any person or persons who may disturb public worship on said premises, or who violate any of the rules and regulations of said Association, and shall have power to preserve order and remove such persons or persons creating disturbance and deliver them to the proper officers of said county.

Section 5 No person or persons or company shall be allowed to sell any produce or merchandise upon the grounds of said Association without the consent of said Board of Managers.

Section 6 Nor shall any person or persons at any time during the meetings on said grounds, buy, sell, baiter or bargain or give away any kind of vinous, malt or intoxicating liquors, tobacco or cigars or cigarettes on said grounds.

Section 7 During the holding of meetings on the grounds of said Association there shall not be erected any photograph gallery or tent on said grounds, nor shall any show or play for public amusement, or horse racing or games of any kind be allowed on said grounds.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Mch 31, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. Mch 31/98 ——— Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Mount Carmel Camp Ground is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of September, 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Sec'y of State

Recorded
Nov 8/98

The Charter of Incorporation of The Southern Mutual Fire Insurance Company of West Point, Mississippi

Sec 1 This corporation is created and organized for the purpose of insuring the property of its owned members only, against loss by fire, wind and lightning, upon the mutual assessment plan

Sec 2. The corporate name of said incorporation shall be "The Southern Mutual Fire Insurance Association of West Point, Mississippi," and shall be composed of J. E. Carothers, R. M. Trotter D. A. Oliver, S. M. Roane, A. A. Oliver and such others as may associate themselves with them, and their successors and assigns; and the said incorporation shall have succession and existence for a period of fifty years, unless sooner annulled as provided by law.

Sec 3 This corporation shall have power, to issue policies of insurance to its members only, insuring their property against fire, wind and lightning; and to fix charges for membership and for such insurance; and to appoint agents and fix the amount to be paid for their services and to prescribe the form of the contract or policy of insurance; to contract and be contracted with; to have a common seal and to change the same at will; to acquire and hold such property, real and personal, as may be necessary for the business of the corporation, and not in violation of law, and to sell the same; to borrow and loan money; but no contract or debt by or to the company shall be payable in gold only; all such shall be payable in any legal tender money of the United States; to make all contracts necessary to the full enjoyment of the rights, powers and privileges hereby conferred and that are conferred by the laws of the State of Mississippi; and may make All necessary by-laws for the Government and control of this incorporation not contrary to law, and may sue and be sued in all the courts of this State.

Sec 4 The affairs of this incorporation shall be managed by a Board of five Directors to be elected by the members of said incorporation annually as provided by law; and the first meeting of said members for the election of officers shall be on the first Monday in October, 1899, and annually thereafter. Said Board of Directors shall elect one of their number President, one Secretary and Treasurer, one General Manager and one Attorney or firm of Attorneys, and such agents and other officers as in their judgment will be necessary to properly conduct the business of this Association. Until this election shall take place, the business shall be managed by J. E. Carothers as President, R. M. Trotter as Secretary and Treasurer, D. A. Oliver, General Manager and

S. M. Roane and A. H. Oliver as Directors, and said Board of Directors may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of said officers, and the association may commence to do business at once after this charter is granted.

Sec 5 The domicile and main office of said incorporation shall be in the city of West Point, Mississippi, but may be changed at any time and branch offices may be established at any other place or places in the State of Mississippi by the Board of Directors.

Sec 6 That all of said incorporators are citizens and residents of West Point, Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Nov 10, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. Nov 1898. Mikey N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Mutual Fire Insurance Association of West Point, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 10th day of November, 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Darden Company

Sec 1. Be it known that G. T. Darden, A. E. Brown and R. L. McLaurin, together with those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, under the name and style of the Darden Company, and as such may have succession for a period of fifty years from its incorporation, and by the name of the Darden Company may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted, contract and be contracted with, and may have a common seal and the same alter or change at its pleasure; and the domicile of said corporation shall be at Rolling Fork in Sharkey County, in the State of Mississippi, until changed by its stockholders. And said Darden Company, its successors and assigns are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase, receive, own, hold and have real and personal property in the State of Mississippi to the amount of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in value; and to hold, use and enjoy said estate in fee or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, may sell, lease, rent or dispose of as it may see fit, and said Darden Company may mortgage said property or any part thereof, or encumber said property, or any part thereof, by deed of trust or otherwise as it may see fit.

Sec 2. The purposes for which said corporation is created are to a general mercantile and trading business, and a general farming business; and said Darden Company is hereby authorized and empowered to do all things needful to manage, control and carry on such business.

Sec 3. The capital stock of said Darden Company shall be One Thousand Dollars, and divided into shares of Ten Dollars each; and said capital stock may be increased from time to time, to any amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars, by a vote therefor of the holders of a majority of the capital stock paid up, and said Darden Company is authorized and empowered to execute notes, bonds, bills, negotiable paper and instruments of every nature and kind, and may execute mortgages or deeds of trust to secure the payment of the same, all of which shall have the Darden Company signed thereto by its President; Provided, that in all conveyances of land the same shall be under the corporate seal and signature of an officer of said Company and the officer signing the same shall acknowledge the execution of said conveyance or proof thereof made as in other cases

Sec 4. The officers of said corporation shall consist of a

President, Treasurer and secretary to be elected by a vote of the holders of a majority of said stock; and the President of said Darden Company shall have power and authority to fill vacancies, by appointment, in any of said offices, until an election is held therefor and a successor duly elected and qualified.

Sec 5 Said officers shall hold their respective offices for a term one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified; until the tenure of its offices is changed by said corporation.

Sec 6 The offices of secretary and treasurer may be held by one person, and the President of said corporation may be a person not a stockholder of said Darden Company.

Sec 7 Until the third Thursday of November, 1898, and till their successors are duly elected and qualified G. T. Darden shall be President of said corporation, and A. E. Brown shall be secretary and R. L. McLaurin it treasurer thereof.

Sec 8 The President of said corporation shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules and by-laws for the regulation, control, management and disposition of the affairs and property of said Corporation, subject to the approval of the holders of a majority of said stock, and may from time to time alter, amend, revoke or renew the same as he may see fit and same be approved as above provided and may prescribe the mode and terms upon which said stock may be transferred, not in conflict with the law, and shall control, direct, manage and regulate all business matters and affairs which in any way concern or appertain to said Darden Company.

Sec 9 The annual meeting of the stockholders of said corporation shall be on the third Thursday of November until changed by its rules or by laws, and at said annual meeting said officers shall be elected by ballot, and every stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him

Sec 10 Any stockholder may, at any meeting, be represented by proxy in writing; and the President, or Secretary and Treasurer, may call a special meeting at any time, provided at least one day's notice is given to each stockholder; and anything may be done at such meeting as could be done at regular annual meeting.

Sec 11 No stockholder of said Corporation shall be in any way liable for the debts of said Corporation beyond the amount of his unpaid subscription.

Sec 12 The holders of a majority of said stock shall prescribe the duties and fix the salaries of the officers of said corporation, and fix the amount of bond of its treasurer; and may at any meeting alter and fix the tenure of its offices; and may likewise change its domicile, or time of holding its annual meeting and electing officers

Sec 13 In the absence of the President at any meeting of the stockholders the Treasurer shall be ex-officio President and preside

Sec 14 Said Darden Company may borrow money to any amount and secure the same by deed of trust or mortgage on its property or any part thereof.

Sec 15 Said corporation shall have, possess and enjoy all the privileges and rights conferred on such corporations by and under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and amendments thereto, and said rights and privileges are hereby conferred upon said Darden Company.

Sec 16 Said corporation may proceed to business as soon as said capital stock of One Thousand Dollars has been subscribed and paid in.

Sec 17 No indebtedness by or to said company shall be payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Nov 10, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Nov 1898 ——— Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Darden Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 12th day of November 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Light, Power and Railroad Company.

Be it remembered, that S. T. Carnes and W. H. Corson and their associates and successors in interest be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Jackson, Light, Power and Railroad Company" located at Jackson, Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for the period of fifty years (50). The objects of said corporation shall be: For the purposes of purchasing, receiving, dealing in, building, constructing, using, maintaining, operating and equiping street railroad rights, properties and franchises, and all appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; for the purpose of purchasing, dealing in, receiving, building, constructing, using, maintaining, operating and equipping electric lighting or power plants or systems, and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; for the purpose of purchasing, dealing in, receiving, building, constructing, using, maintaining, operating and equipping gas plants or systems, and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; for the purpose of purchasing, dealing in, building, receiving, constructing, using, maintaining, operating or equipping water plants and systems and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto or connected therewith; for the purpose of contracting for, buying, selling, dealing in or furnishing all kinds of electrical goods, electrical power and electrical systems, and all kinds of gas for fuel, light, heating or power purposes for any kind of use, either domestic, commercial or manufacturing, or any or all of the same, to any person, firm, corporation, municipality or State; and for the purpose of carrying out ~~this~~ any one or all of the above named purposes, to buy, sell, own, control, manage and operate all such property either real or personal and such materials, appurtenances, appliances, fixtures and equipments necessary, useful and convenient to the complete and successful construction, operation, maintenance, control and equipment of the rights, franchises, plants and systems hereinbefore enumerated; and to do all other things necessary and incident thereto; and for the further purpose of exercising and using all the powers

authorized to such corporations under section 836, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi.

The capital stock of said corporation shall be the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand ($150,000.00) Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars each and the corporation may begin business under this Charter whenever five (5) per cent of said capital stock has been subscribed and paid in.

The said corporation may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings; and the mode of voting by proxy; may elect all necessary officers and prescribe the duties, salary and tenure of offices; may sue and be sued, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court, may have a corporate seal, may contract and be contracted with, within the limits of the corporate powers; may sell and convey real estate and may sell personal property, may borrow money and secure the same by mortgage or otherwise; may issue bonds and secure them in the same way; and may hypothecate its franchise; and may make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law, and may exercise all the powers applicable to its business, provided in Section 836 of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi

Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize the making or taking by the corporation of bonds, debts or obligations payable in gold only, but all bonds, debts and obligations shall be payable in legal tender money of the United States, at the option of the payor.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 17, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 1898

Atty General

Fee paid $3.00
and charter re-
corded Nov 19/98

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Light Power and Railway Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 27th day of August, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

✓ The charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Light, Power and Transit Company.

Sec 1 Maurice Moses and Abram Moses, with those who may hereafter become stockholders their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, under the name and style of the Natchez Light, Power and Transit Company, and as such, shall have succession for fifty years. And said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have, hold, purchase, receive and enjoy real estate necessary for the transaction of its business, and personal estate, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00) in value, and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, or of said personal property to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt, payable in legal tender money of the United States; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be impleaded; to use a common seal and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Natchez, Mississippi.

Sec 2 The said corporation shall have the right, and is hereby authorized and empowered with the consent of the authorities of the city, to lay down, construct, maintain and use a street railway on any and all of the streets of Natchez, State of Mississippi, or its suburbs, within its corporate limits, for the transportation of persons, for such reasonable compensation and tolls as may from time be fixed by the Board of Directors, subject to supervision by the authorities of the city; and said company shall have the right to use such motive power thereon, as from time to time it may deem suitable, with the consent of the authorities of said city. Said company shall also have the authority and right to manufacture and sell electricity for light, heat, power or any other purposes, and to distribute the same, either in storage batteries, or by poles and over-head wires, or in any other convenient manner, to parties desiring to use the same. And said company shall have the right and authority to manufacture and sell water or coal gas, or any product of coal or water, for light, heat, power or other purposes. And said corporation shall have, possess and enjoy, all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by or enumerated in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, which may be necessary for its purposes.

Sec 3 The capital stock of said company shall be Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00) and shall be divided into shares of Fifty Dollars ($50.00) or One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, and may be increased from time to time, by the vote of the holders of a majority of the stock.

Sec 4 The management of the business of said company shall be confided to not less than three and not more than nine directors, who shall be stockholders of said company, and shall be elected annually by the stockholders; and a majority of said directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and may appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employes as they deem proper. The said directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation or otherwise

Sec 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by-laws and regulations for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said company, and may from time to time amend, alter and revoke the same, as they may see fit.

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings a majority of all the stock shall constitute a quorum, and the stockholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, it or her; and the vote of the holders of a majority of the stock then present in person, or by proxy shall decide all questions submitted at said meeting, unless otherwise provided by the by-laws of the company.

Sec 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscription to said capital stock.

Sec 8 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid in money, said company shall organize, elect Directors and commence business, upon written notice signed by any one of the stockholders, of the time and place of said meeting for organization, delivered to each of the stockholders.

No bond, debenture, note, check, draft or other obligation of this corporation or to this corporation shall be made payable in gold alone, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. June 30/98 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, June 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Light, Power and Transit Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of November, 1898

By the Governor, A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Carriage and Harness Company

Sec 1 F. N. Sierman, T. E. Fouche, John F. Johnson and those others who may be associated with them are hereby created a corporation under the name of the Yazoo Carriage and Harness Manufacturing Company, and as such shall exist for ten years.

Sec 2 The purpose for which said Corporation is created is that of a general mercantile and manufacturing business. And said corporation is empowered to buy and sell buggies, harness, wagon material, and all other goods, wares and merchandise for cash or credit, at wholesale or retail, or both, and can exercise all powers necessary, proper or incident to said business

Sec 3 The said capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, but it can commence business when stock to the amount of not less than Two Thousand Dollars is subscribed.

Sec 4 Said corporation may acquire and hold personal property not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may dispose of the same.

Sec 5 The capital stock of said corporation may be increased or reduced by a majority vote of stock, at a regular stockholders meeting, but the capital stock shall at no time be decreased when the effect of such decrease would make the corporation insolvent.

Sec 6 Said corporation shall enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are necessary and proper for carrying out the purposes of this Corporation.

Sec 7 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Yazoo City, Yazoo County, Mississippi.

Said corporation shall not make or receive any bond, note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness made payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Nov 2d, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Nov 1898. Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The written and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Carriage and Walness Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 7th day of December, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Valley Building and Loan Association, of Greenville, Mississippi

This corporation suspended by order of Board of Savings Loan Association this the 8th day of August 1927

Heber Ladner, Secretary of State

Article 1 Sec 1

Jas. D. Smith, N. N. Everman, A. Goldstein, J. H. Robb, J. S. Brown, S. P. McCutchen, Wm Isenberg, Lyne Starling, N. T. Stone, E. E. Bass, E. N. Thomas, Van B. Boddie, Henry T. Ireys, Jr, and and their associates and successors are, by this charter, incorporated under the name of the Valley Building and Loan Association, of Greenville, Miss, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity; may adopt a corporate seal, and alter the same at pleasure, and in general may possess all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by the laws of this State on corporations created in the mode and manner provided in Chapter 25 of the Code of 1892 which are necessary for the purposes and provisions of this charter

Article 2 Sec 1

The purpose for which the corporation is formed is the accumulation of a fund which may be loaned, on good real estate security, to the members thereof; enabling them to purchase homes; and to make such other investments as may be provided for in the charter.

Article 3 Sec 1

The stock of this Association shall be limited to one thousand shares, of two hundred dollars each, in any one class or series.

Sec 2

No one person or firm, as a firm, shall hold more than 30 shares of stock in any one series of this Association provided, however, that parents or guardians may hold stock for minors in a manner provided by law.

Sec 3

All certificates of stock must be signed by the President and attested by the Secretary, with the seal of the Association attached, and must be numbered and recorded.

Sec 4

On each share there shall be paid a monthly installment of one dollar, in advance. Persons wishing to take stock in any one series shall pay up all installments which may have become due on such series, together with such premiums on the same as the board may fix.

Article 4 Sec 1

The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors who shall be stockholders of the Association and four of whom shall always be non-borrowing stockholders. Said Directors shall be elected annually at such time and place as the by-laws shall provide; but if at any time four of said Directors shall become borrowers from said Association, then the office of the last Director borrowing shall become immediately vacant, and his successor shall be elected at once as hereinafter provided for. The election of Directors shall be by ballot, allowing one vote to each share. Stockholders not personally present may

vote by proxy, made in writing to the persons representing them at the said election

Sec 2 The Board of Directors shall at the first regular meeting of the Board succeeding each election choose one of their number as President and one as Vice President. They shall also appoint a Secretary, a Treasurer, an Attorney or Attorneys and such other officers, and assistants as may seem to them necessary, prescribe their duties and fix their compensation; and they shall require the Secretary and Treasurer to make bond each in a guarantee company to be approved by the President; the Secretary's bond shall be in a sum of not less than three thousand dollars and the treasurers bond shall be in a sum not less than five thousand dollars; the condition of each of said bonds shall be for the faithful discharge of the duties of each of their offices respectively; but the Board may at any time increase the penalties of either or both of said bonds. The Board shall have full control of all books, papers and property of every description belonging to the Association, and the Board shall submit to the stock holders at each annual meeting a complete report of the Associations condition and the transactions during the year.

Sec 3 The Board of Directors shall have power to make and adopt such rules and by-laws for the government of the Association as they may deem expedient, not repugnant to this charter.

Sec 4 Vacancies in the Board shall be filled by election as provided in Article 4, Section 1, at a special meeting to be called by the President for that purpose.

Article 5. Sec. 1. The President shall annually at the first regular meeting of the Board after the election, appoint from their number a finance committee of three, whose duty it shall be to act in conjunction with the President, to examine and audit all claims against the Association. They shall report in writing at the last monthly meeting of the corporate year, giving the full statement of the financial condition of the Association to the Board of Directors, and a majority of the committee shall be competent to act.

Sec 2 The President shall also at the same time and in the same manner appoint a valuation committee of three whose duty it shall be to examine and to determine the value of all securities offered to the Association, and report their conclusions to the President and finance committee for action. A majority of the Committee shall be competent to act.

Article 6 Sec 1 At the stated monthly meetings of the Association the funds on hand, if amounting to one share or more, shall be offered for loan, and the stockholder who shall bid the highest

premium for the preference or priority of loan shall be entitled to receive a loan of two hundred dollars for each share of stock held by ~~him~~ such stockholder; and good and ample security shall be given by the borrower to secure the payment of the loan. In case the borrower shall neglect to offer securities within ten days, or shall offer such securities as are not approved by the Board of Directors, he or she shall be charged with one months interest, together with any expenses that may be incurred, and the money shall be re-sold at the next stated meeting.

Sec 2 In case of non payment of installments of interest for the period of three months, payment of same without deducting the premium paid, or interest on same may be enforced by proceeding on their securities according to the terms of the contract under which the loan is made, and the Board shall not have the power to extend such payments except by consent of two-thirds of the stockholders expressed at a special meeting called by the president for that purpose.

Sec 3 Interest on all loans shall be at the rate of ten per cent per annum from date of loan on the amount actually loaned, and shall be paid in monthly installments at the same time and place that regular dues are paid.

Sec 4 All fees for examination of titles for loans, and preparing and recording papers shall be paid by the borrower.

Sec 5 When a member receiving a loan desires to build or improve property the money may be drawn in sums necessary for the prosecution of the work until its completion, the Association executing an agreement to that effect at its own expense. In such case the borrower shall present a certificate from the builder engaged in the work, certified to by the chairman of the valuation committee of the Board of Directors of the sum necessary for the purpose.

Sec 6 The valuation committee shall have the right to require any borrower to increase his security, if at any time they find the value of the same depreciated ~~before~~ below the amount first accepted by them as sufficient; and in 30 days after notification of same, unless the borrower shall reestablish the value by increasing the property, or repaying part of the loan, the Board of Directors shall have the right to proceed against such borrower and his securities as per terms of Contract

Article 7 Sec 1 Shares on which loans have been made may be transferred, subject to the rights of the Association, in the following manner: First, when the assignee is the purchaser

of the mortgaged premises, the shares may be transferred to him upon his assuming the obligations of the assignor, and becoming a member of the Association. Second: the purchaser of the shares may substitute, at his own expense, other property, satisfactory to the valuation committee, as security for the loan, when the first mortgage shall be cancelled and destroyed. Third: the mortgager, by paying the amount of money loaned, with all interest due, may receive back his shares so as to transfer the same.

Sec 2 On the arrival of any minor to the age of 21 years the Board of Directors may transfer to him or her the shares of stock held in his or her name, and they shall be entitled to all the privileges of stock holders.

Sec 3 Members who transfer their shares to others must do so on the transfer books of the Association, surrendering all certificates and paying a transfer fee of 25 cents.

Article 8 Sec 1 When the assets of this Association, as shall be determined by the Board of Directors, shall reach the par value of all shares of stock of any one series in force, the affairs of such series shall be put in liquidation, and each and every member of such series shall receive the full par value of all shares held by him or her, either in cash or on his or her own securities, and all liens of record in such series shall be satisfied and discharged. Provided, however, that no stock holder shall be entitled to have his or her securities returned, or liens of record against him satisfied, until all dues, fines and other charges which he may owe the Association are paid.

Sect 2 No member shall be entitled to bid on or receive a loan, nor to vote on any question whatever, who is in arrears for his or her monthly installments, fines, dues or any other charges.

Article 9. Sec 1. If at any time there should be a surplus fund on hand not desired by members as a loan, the Board of Directors may invest the same at their discretion for the benefit of the Association, but this shall only be done by a three-fourths vote of all of the members of the Board, and shall not be invested in real estate.

Article 10 Sec 1 The liabilities of stockholders of this Association shall be limited to the unpaid amount of stock of such stock holder

Article 11 Sec 1 The domicile of this Association shall be in the city of Greenville, Miss., but may be changed at any time by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Article 12 Sec 1 Books of subscription may be opened immediately after the approval of this charter, by any two or more of the incorporators, in such place as they may designate;

And when five hundred shares shall have been subscribed, the subscribers shall meet and elect a Board of Directors. Said Board shall fix the amount necessary to be paid in before business is commenced; and shall fix the date on which the first monthly installments shall be paid.

No bond, note, debenture, or other evidence of indebtedness shall be made by or to the Corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Dec 5/98 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. Dec 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Valley Building and Loan Association, of Greenville, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 7th day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secretary of State.

Amendment to the Charter of the Greenwood Compress and Storage Company.

Be it resolved that the charter of the Greenwood Compress and Storage Company, of Grenwood, Leflore County, Mississippi, be amended so that section seven (7) shall read as follows:

Section Seven. That the capital stock of said corporation shall not exeed Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and the said capital stock may be reduced to not less than Fifty Thousand Dollars by the corporation buying in any shares offered to it for sale at a price acceptable to the Board of Directors, and when so bought in the certificates shall be cancelled and the capital stock reduced as much as the face value of the stock cancelled.

Any purchase of stock for the purpose of reducing the capital stock of the corporation shall, after due advertisement, be made of the party or parties offering same at the lowest price, and through the medium of sealed proposals, to be opened simultaneously by the proper party or committee appointed for the purpose.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of the Greenwood Compress and Storage Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to whether it be in violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Nov 22/98 A J McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of Greenwood Compress and Storage Company is not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Nov 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of Incorporation of the Greenwood Compress and Storage Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 8th day of December, 1898

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

The charter of Incorporation of the Oxford Dry Goods Company.

Sec 1 Robert A. Hill, George R. Hill, Thomas D. Isom, S. McG. Isom, Wilburn U. Hampton, Joseph E. Pegues, George H. Buffalow, William Lewis, William W. Gilbert, Frank P McKee, Mack A. Montgomery, Benjamin P. Gray, Albert F. Davidson and their associates are hereby incorporated under the corporate name of the Oxford Dry Goods Company

Sec 2 The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Oxford, in the County of Lafayette, and State of Mississippi; and the purposes for which the corporation is created, are: To buy and sell dry goods, mares, merchandise and personal property; to do a general merchandise business; to buy, sell and convey real estate, and to buy, sell and convey any other species of property necessary for the legitimate conduct of the business.

Sec 3 The corporation shall continue in existence for a period of fifty (50) years from this date, to wit: Sept 1st 1898, and the authorized capital of the corporation shall be fixed at Twenty Five Thousand ($25,000.00), the same to be taken in shares of Five Hundred Dollars each, and certificates therefor shall be issued to subscribers upon the payment of the stock subscribed for.

Sec 4 The corporation shall proceed to organize upon the payment by the stockholders of the entire amount of stock subscribed, and it may organize and commence business when as much as twenty five per cent of the authorized capital has been subscribed and actually paid in.

Sec 5 All elections shall be by the stockholders at a regular or a called meeting of which all the stockholders have been duly notified, and the votes shall be taken and counted as provided in Sec 837 of the Annotated Code of 1892

Sec 6 There shall be elected on the first Monday of September, A.D. 1899 and for each year thereafter throughout the life of the corporation at a regular meeting of the stockholders for that purpose three Directors, whose term of office shall continue for a period of one year, and until their successors have been duly elected and entered upon the discharge of their duties

Sec 7 The stockholders may provide for the election from among their number of a President, Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer, whose term of office shall be for a term of one year, and they may also elect in the same way a Manager or a Board of Managers whose

term of office shall be at the will of the Board of Directors

Sec 8 The corporation shall make all needful by laws, rules and regulations for the management and control of its affairs, the same not to be inconsistent with the provisions of this charter or contrary to the laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi

Sec 9 Any two of the incorporators may call a meeting for the purpose of organizing as soon as they deem it proper after this charter has been approved and recorded as provided by law; and at such call meeting the officers hereinbefore provided for shall be elected and shall hold until the first Monday of September, A. D. 1899. The notice of such called meeting may be given in writing, handed in person to the incorporators not less than one day before the time for the meeting to convene. And the said corporation when organized, shall have in addition to the powers hereinbefore enumerated all the powers enumerated in sec 836 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 that may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this charter.

The said company shall not hold, or own any tract or parcel of real estate for more than four years, except that which is necessary for the transaction of its business. No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be made payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Nov 22, 1898

H. J. McLaurin,
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Nov 1898

Riley N. Nash,
Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Oxford Dry Goods Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of December 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farnsworth-Evans Company.

Sec 1 C. F. Farnsworth, J. A. Evans, T. B. Hills, J. M. Rainey, and W. A. Percy, together with such other persons as may become stock holders in this Corporation, and their successors, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Farnsworth-Evans Company.

Sec 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Clarksdale, in the county of Coahoma and State of Mississippi, and this corporation shall have succession for fifty years and shall have the power to determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, the number of shares that shall entitle a member to a vote, and the mode of voting by proxy; to elect all necessary officers; to sue and be sued, and to prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; to have a corporate seal; to contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers; to sell and convey real estate, and to acquire and sell personal property; to borrow money and secure the payment of same by mortgage or otherwise; to issue bonds and secure them in the same way; and to hypothecate its franchises, and to make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law.

Sec 3 This company is hereby authorized and empowered to engage in the trade of Cotton factors and commission merchants, to buy and sell cotton, and deal in all agricultural products or merchandise.

Sec 4 This company is authorized to exercise all powers and privileges herein granted and extended to it in the other states and foreign countries, subject to the provisions of the laws of such states and foreign countries.

(C. F. Farnsworth, J. A. Evans, T. B. Hills, J. M. Rainey, W. A. Percy)

Sec 5 No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Dec 21, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss; Dec 21, 1898 Riley H. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Farnsworth-Evans Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of December 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Whitfield Company

Sec 1 Marcy L. Whitfield, Chas. C. Cowan, Jerome Hill, R. Brinkley Snowden and William A. Percy, together with such other persons as may become stockholders in this corporation and their successors, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of Whitfield Company

Sec 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Lakeview, in the county of DeSoto and State of Mississippi and this corporation shall have succession for fifty years and shall have the power to determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, the number of shares that shall entitle a member to a vote and the mode of voting by proxy; to elect all necessary officers, and prescribe the duties, salaries and tenures of offices, to sue and be sued, and to prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; to have a corporate seal; to contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers; to sell and convey real estate, and to acquire and sell personal property; to borrow money and secure the payment of same by mortgage or otherwise; to issue bonds and secure them in the same way; and to hypothecate its franchises, and to make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law.

Sec 3 This company is hereby authorized and empowered to engage in buying, selling, manufacturing and operating all kinds of machinery, electrical appliances and mechanical devices, and to buy sell or lease patent rights useful therefor.

Sec 4 This company is authorized to exercise all powers and privileges herein granted and extended to it in other states and foreign countries, subject to the provisions of such States and foreign countries

(C.C. Cowan, M. L. Whitfield, Jerome Hill, R. Brinkley Snowden, William A. Percy)

Sec 5 No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Dec 20, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Dec 21, 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Whitfield Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of December 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of Southern Electric Company

Sec 1 Chas. C. Carnan, Fred N. Jones, Marcey L. Whitfield, William A. Percy, and John J. Murphy, together with such other persons as may become stockholders in this corporation, and their successors, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of Southern Electric Company.

Sec 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Lakeview, in the county of De Soto, and State of Mississippi, and this corporation shall have succession for fifty years, and shall have the power to determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, the number of shares that shall entitle a member to vote, and the mode of voting by proxy; to elect all necessary officers, and prescribe the duties, salaries and tenures of officers; to sue and be sued, and to prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; to have a corporate seal; to contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers; to sell and convey real estate, and to acquire and sell personal property; to borrow money and secure the payment of same by mortgage or otherwise; to issue bonds and secure them in the same way; and to hypothecate its franchises, and make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law.

Sec 3 This company is hereby authorized and empowered to engage in buying, selling, manufacturing and operating all kinds of machinery, electrical appliances and mechanical devices and to buy, sell or lease patent rights useful therefor.

Sec 4 This company is authorized to exercise all powers and privileges herein granted and extended to it in other states and foreign countries, subject to the provisions of the laws of such States and foreign countries.

C. C. Carnan, M. L. Whitfield, Fred N. Jones, William A. Percy, John J. Murphy.

Sec 5 No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Dec 21. 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Dec 21, 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Southern Electric Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of December 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the J. F. Welch Lumber Company

Be it known that on this 22d day of September, A. D 1898, J. F. Welch, Horace Welch, Ernest Welch, Walter F. Welch, Oscar S. Welch, Vesta S. Welch and Sallie N. Duncan have by these presents agreed to hereby form and constitute themselves a body corporate under the provisions of Chapter 25 Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them.

Article 1 The corporate name of this corporation shall be the J. F. Welch Lumber Company and said corporation shall not exist more than fifty years.

Article 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Harrison, in Harrison County in said State of Mississippi

Article 3 The powers to be exercised under this charter are all those set forth in Chapter 25 Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi and amendments thereto, so far as the same are applicable to corporations organized for the purposes herein contained.

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are declared to be, the purchase and sale of timbered lands, the building, extending and operating of logging roads, the manufacture and selling of rough and dressed pine, and other lumber, the purchase and sale of general merchandise, grain, etc and to do all things proper and lawful which may be necessary in conducting and managing its said business.

Article 5 The capital stock of this corporation is fixed at $75,000.00 represented by seven hundred and fifty shares, of one hundred dollars each. Stockholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock owned by any one stock holder to be voted either by the holder or proxy. All certificates of stock shall bear the seal of this corporation and be signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer

Article 6 All the powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a Board of Directors composed of five persons elected from among the stockholders at a meeting of the stockholders to be held at the domicile of this corporation on the second Monday in September of each year hereafter. Vacancies occuring in said Board from any cause shall be filled by the remaining Directors from among the stockholders. Three Directors shall constitute a quorum. The Board of Directors shall elect or appoint all the clerks, agents and employees, and fix their salaries. Each Board of Directors at its first meeting shall elect from its number a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer. Meetings of said Board of Directors shall be held within this State

Article 7 The following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors; J. F. Welch, Ernest Welch, Horace Welch, Walter F. Welch, and Garland N. Duncan of whom J. F. Welch shall be President; Ernest Welch, Vice President; Walter F. Welch, Secretary; and Horace Welch, Treasurer and who shall continue in office until the 22d day of September 1899 and thereafter until their successors are elected, All the books of the corporation shall be kept at the place of business and domicile of said corporation and shall be open to inspection by any of the stockholders of the corporation at all times.

Article 8 To contract, hold, own and convey real property sufficient for the transaction of its business and personal property; to sue and be sued, and make and use a corporate seal, and this corporation shall have the right to make and establish such by laws as it may see proper, consistent with

its charter and for the proper management of its business. In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands on the day first above written

J. F. Welch, Ernest Welch, Horace Welch, Walter F. Welch, Oscar Welch, (Miss) Vesta S. Welch, (Mrs) Sallie H. Duncan

Article 9 No land not necessary for the use of the corporation shall be held by the corporation, directly or indirectly, longer than ten years, thought the title thereto may under this charter be taken by the corporation in fee simple - but shall be conveyed by the corporation within ten years, and shall not thereafter be acquired or held by the corporation

Article 10 No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the company payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Nov 3d 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., November 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the J. F. Welch Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of December 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the State Agricultural Wheel (colored) of the State of Mississippi

Sec 1 Be it known that G. W. Hudson, G. W. Bobo, W. L. S. Hudson, Thos Carter, W. T. Lee, A. Winbush, A. Hall, R. Hamad and R. B. Tally and their successors are hereby incorporated a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the State Agricultural Wheel (colored) of the State of Mississippi

Sec 2 That the object for which this charter is granted is to enable them to improve the moral, social and financial condition of the colored people of the State of Mississippi

Sec 3 The genial powers of this corporation shall be to sue and be sued to plead and be impleaded by corporate name, to have and to use a common seal which it may alter or change at pleasure. To purchase and hold, or to receive by gift any lands, tenaments and hereditaments necessary for the transaction of its business, of any kind or value in fee or for life or for years and any personal property of any kind whatsoever and also sums of money of any amount which may be given, granted or assessed, by way of fees, dues and fines which may be granted, given or assessed for promoting the interest of said State Agricultural Wheel.

Sec 4 It shall have power to adopt a constitution and by laws for the government of said Wheel as shall not conflict with the laws of the State or the United States

Sec 5 Said corporation shall within a convenient time after the registration of this charter in the office of the Secretary of State, elect from its members, a worthy master, Secretary, treasurer and such other officers as it may deem necessary, who shall hold office for such terms as its constitution and by laws may direct and a failure to elect at the proper time shall not dissolve the corporation but the incumbents in office shall hold until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec 6 This corporation shall be domiciled at Panola County and shall have succession for fifty years. No evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Nov 22, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Nov 1898 _____ Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the State Agricultural Wheel (colored) of the State of Mississippi is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Light Company.

Sec 1 Harley Metcalfe, Fred Metcalfe, George Metcalfe, Clive Metcalfe, Lucien C. Gwin, Mary Louise Wheatley and George Wheatley, their associates and successors are hereby incorporated under name of Peoples Light Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead or be impleaded in all courts of this State; may adopt a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure; and in addition to the rights, powers and privileges specially conferred by this charter shall possess all the rights, powers and privileges conferred on corporations incorporated by virtue of Chapter 25 of the Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, so far as the same are necessary for the purposes of this corporation, as defined in this charter.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be Greenville, Mississippi, and the same shall exist for fifty years

Sec 3 The purpose for which said corporation is created and formed is to furnish light and heat on such terms as to price and length of contract as may be agreed upon by the Board of Directors thereof and those persons, corporations or municipalities desiring to secure from it light and heat; and to borrow and lend money as hereinafter provided.

Sec 4 The stock of said corporation shall be limited to Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, which shall be evidenced by certificates of stock of the value of $100.00 each, signed by the President and attested by the Secretary of said company, with the corporate seal of said company thereto attached, and which said certificates shall be numbered from One progressively, and a record thereof kept by the Secretary of said Company

Sec 5 As soon as $4,000.00 of the capital stock of said company shall be paid in by the incorporators of said company and their associates said incorporators and their associates may meet and elect five stockholders of said company as directors, who shall constitute the Board of Directors of said Company, and who shall have charge of and manage the affairs thereof. Said Board of Directors so elected as aforesaid shall hold their office for one year from the date of their election, or until their successors are elected and qualified and shall elect one of their number as President, and also may elect a Secretary and Treasurer of said Company who shall be stockholders of said company, and of said Treasurer bond and security may be required if the Board of Directors shall so order. The Board of Directors of said Company shall be elected annually at such time and place as the ~~Board of Directors~~ by laws of said Company shall direct, or at such time as the Board of Directors elected at the election hereinbefore provided for by the incorporators of said company shall provide, said provision to be made by resolution of said Board of Directors and entered on the minutes thereof.

Sec 7 Said Board of Directors of said Company shall have power to employ all such agents, laborers and employees as may be deemed necessary to successfully carry on the business of said Company, and to contract for the payment of salaries and wages to such employees.

Sec 8 The Board of Directors of said Company shall have power and authority to fix and pay the salaries of the officers of said Company, and to do and perform all other acts which may be necessary and proper in the conduct of the business of said Company.

No bond, note, debenture or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to said Corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, Dec 20, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Dec 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson. Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Light Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Manhattan Social and Literary Club of Greenville, Mississippi

Be it known that Rose Little, N. C. Wallace, J. N. Judkins, Tom Jones, John Ross, Henry Hammond, Taylor Jones, Richard Daniels, Randolph Daniels and Stem Hughes and such other persons as may become their associates, are hereby made and constituted a body corporate under the name and style of "The Manhattan Social and Literary Club.

The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of Greenville, County of Washington, State of Mississippi

The purposes for which said Corporation is incorporated are: for the encouragement and promotion of higher social culture and literary advancement among its members.

Said incorporation shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of five members thereof to be elected annually by the members thereof at an annual meeting to be held for that purpose. Said annual meeting shall be held on the 1st day of December of each year after this the year of incorporation, and in default of an annual meting being held on that day for said election, for any cause, then a meeting may be called for that purpose by the President of said Corporation for a later date to be fixed by him in said call not later than thirty days from the date fixed for said annual meeting

There shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer of said corporation, which officers are to be elected by the Board of Directors on the date at which they, said Board, have been elected. Each of said officers may be chosen from said Board of Dirlectors or from other members of said corporation.

The duties of the President shall be to preside at the meetings of said Corporation. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep the minutes of said corporation, including a roll of its membership. The duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep the moneys of said corporation and disburse the same in accordance with the provisions of its by-laws. The said corporation may make and adopt all by-laws necessary for its government, provided, the same are not in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi and the laws of the United States of America.

This corporation is incorporated for the full term of fifty years.

No bond, note, or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the Company payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss., Dec 20, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss., Dec 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Manhattan Social and Literary Club is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Planing Mills

Article 1 Be it known that D. C. Gilmer, M. E. Hale, J. A. Fearn and T. C. Fearn and their associates, are hereby created a body corporate under the corporate name of the Meridian Planing Mills, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in the courts of law and equity, and contract and be contracted with within the limits of its corporate powers.

Article 2 The purposes of said corporation shall be and it is hereby empowered to own and operate a saw mill and machinery, and buy such machinery to manufacture rough and dressed lumber and timber, and do such other work usually done in and about the preparation of lumber and timber for market.

Article 3 The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of Meridian, State of Mississippi, and shall have succession for the term of 20 years, and the capital stock of said corporation shall be eight thousand Dollars, to be divided into 160 shares of fifty dollars each, or such fractional parts as may be determined by the by-laws, but the same may be increased at the discretion of the stockholders, by a majority vote of the entire paid-up stock, which shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars. When the said capital stock shall be subscribed for and paid up to the amount of sixteen hundred dollars said corporation shall be authorized to commence business, and all stock issued shall be signed by the Secretary, countersigned by the ~~Secretary~~ President or Vice President, and authenticated by the seal of the said corporation and shall be entered on a stock book to be kept for such purposes, and shall be transferable as provided by the statute in such cases.

Article 4 The business and affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, who shall be elected annually at such time and place as the by-laws to be adopted may specify, who shall from their numbers, elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and shall by by-laws, determine the duties and salaries of such offices, the manner of calling and conducting meetings of the Directors and stockholders, the number of shares that shall entitle a member to a vote and the mode of voting by proxy, and generally exercise the powers incident to such corporations as provided by chapter (25) twenty-five of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi.

D. C. Gilmer, J. A. Fearn
T. C. Fearn, M. E. Hale

No note, bond or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Nov 30, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Nov. 30, 1898. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Meridian Planing Mill is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the State Banking and Trust Company.

Article 1 Sec 1. This Association, known as the State Banking and Trust Company, whose domicile is Hattiesburg, Perry County, Mississippi, has for its object the doing of a general banking business, and such other business as is usually appertinent to general transactions of trust companies.

Article 2 Sec 1. This Association shall be composed of the following persons, to wit: G. T. Heard, A. N. Cooper, T. A. Reid, H. M. Petty, J. W. Heard, W. P. Calmes, B. L. Allen and such other persons as shall associate with them for the purpose named, and they are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the "State Banking and Trust Company", and by that name have succession for a period of fifty years; may sue and be sued; may plead and be impleaded in any court; may contract and be contracted with; may make bonds of indemnity and security; may acquire property and hold property both personal and real; may have a common seal and alter same at will; and by that name may do and perform all acts and possess all the powers and privileges of such bodies politic and corporate. Real property acquired and held under authority of this section shall be limited to that which is necessary for the convenient transaction of the corporation's business

Sec 2. The capital stock of this Association shall be one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and whenever the sum of ten thousand dollars has been subscribed for and paid into the capital stock, the bank may begin business.

Sec 3 The said Banking and Trust Company may and is hereby authorized to invest the capital of said association in gold or silver coin, bullion, bank notes, silver certificates, certificates of deposit and all moneys current and uncurrent, bonds of the United States and of any state, county or municipal corporation and in public or private securities of value, may invest in mortgages, trust deeds, bills of exchange, notes and accounts and other evidences of debt, may receive in trust or on deposit gold, silver, bullion, bank notes, current or uncurrent money or any other valuable thing being personal property and may loan the same. May borrow and loan money on other securities, may buy and sell drafts, notes, accounts, United States and State bonds, municipal and county bonds, warrants and all other valuables being personal property, public and private, current and uncurrent securities, may buy, sell or rent real estate necessary to transact its business, may do a bank collection, discount and exchange business as is customary with banks and shall have power to take

deeds of trust, mortgages, bills of sale, pledges and deposits and other conveyances of personal property.

Sec 4 The business of this corporation shall be managed and controlled by directors to be chosen annually by the stockholders and under such rules and regulations as said association may see fit to adopt, provided same be not in conflict with the law or this charter

Sec 5 The stockholders of this Association shall not be liable for the debts of said association beyond the amount that may remain unpaid upon the stock held by him.

Sec 6 The stock of this Association shall be assignable only upon the books of this company and as otherwise directed by law and a stock ledger shall be kept in which all transfers shall be registered and in all cases dividends, when declared, shall be paid to the stockholder in whose name the stock stands at the time of the declaration thereof.

Sec 7 That the by-laws, rules and regulations of this association which said association may make under this charter, shall be made and adopted by a majority vote of the stockholders according to the number of shares held by them. No bond, note or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Sept 24, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Sept 1898 Atty. General

Executive Office

Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the State Banking and Trust Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg Electrical Supply Company

Sec 1 W. J. Mitchell, S. R. Hughes and M. B. Landau, and those who may hereafter become Stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Vicksburg Electrical Supply Company, and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy, real and personal property, necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($250,000.00) in value, and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, or said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue notes, bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Sec 2. The said corporation shall have the right and power and it is hereby authorized to buy, sell and deal in, manufacture and repair, and to construct, own, operate and maintain any and all plants, establishments, factories and machinery that may be necessary, useful or convenient in or for the manufacture or repair of, any and all kinds of electrical, gas and water appliances, apparatus or supplies and anything that can or may be used as an attachment to, or in connection with any electrical, gas or water apparatus or appliance of any kind, character or description, or in connection with electric or gas light or heat, or electric, gas or water power or supply of any kind, and said corporation shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in, chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, necessary to the exercise and enjoyment of the powers herein granted.

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, ($10,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, and may be increased or diminished from time to time, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock in said corporation.

Sec 4 The management of the Business of said company shall be confided to not less than three, nor more than five Directors, who shall be stockholders of said company, and who shall be elected annually by the stockholders. And the majority of the said Directors shall ~~elect from~~

constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said directors shall elect from their number a President and a Vice President, and shall also elect a Secretary and a Treasurer, and may appoint or elect such other offices, agents or employes as they may deem proper. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Sec 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by-laws and regulations for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said company and may from time to time alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of the majority of the stock, then present, in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at said meetings, Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, it or her.

Sec 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said company beyond the amount of his her or its unpaid subscription to said capital stock

Sec 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid for in cash.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) shall have been subscribed, said company may organize, elect directors and commence business.

No note, bond, debenture or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Dec 30, 1898. A J McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Vicksburg Electrical Supply Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Martin Machine Works

1st E. J. Martin, R. O. Smith, Jno Kaufer, C. C. Kaufer, C. P. Heatherber, G. M. Hodges, C. M. Rubush, A. D. McRaven, C. C. Broome, D. L. Martin, E. M. Martin, their associates and assigns, have formed a joint stock company to be known as the "Martin Machine Works" and domiciled in Lauderdale County, State of Mississippi, for the purpose of manufacturing, purchasing and selling all kinds of machinery, such as engines, boilers, saw, grist and cane mills, all kinds of agricultural and mechanical implements, hay and cotton presses, and the manufacture, purchase and sale of lumber, iron, steel, brass, copper, lead, coal, coke and metals of all kinds, and the various products thereof.

2d The company shall have a common seal and may alter the same at pleasure

3d The above named persons, with such others as may become associates with them, their successors or assigns, are hereby incorporated and created a body politic and corporate in the name of the "Martin Machine Works," and as such shall have succession for fifty years; and may have, hold and convey real and personal property incident to or necessary in its business, or taken as a means of collecting a debt; may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts in the State; make and adopt such rules and regulations for their government and management of the business and affairs of the corporation as they or a majority of the Board of Directors of said company may think proper; and may have and enjoy all the rights, privileges and powers of corporate bodies.

4th The capital stock of said company shall not be less than Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00) payable in either property or money, and may be increased to an amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00). Each share of said company shall be One Hundred Dollars ($100.00)

5th At all the meetings of the stockholders each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock owned or represented by him when a majority of the stock present or represented by proxy shall decide all questions submitted to them, provided a

majority of all the stock shall be represented at such meeting.

6th The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors and such officers or agents as the interests of the company in the discretion of said Board of Directors may from time to time require. Said Board of Directors shall consist of not less than three of the stockholders. There shall be one annual meeting of the stockholders at which time the stockholders shall elect a Board of Directors who shall hold their office for one year or until their successors are duly elected. Said Board shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Said Board shall fix by resolution a compensation to be paid said officers and the said Board may create such other offices as they may from time to time deem necessary for the interest of said corporation, fill the same and prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of such officers.

7th Said corporation may from time to time own in fee, or for a term of years, for lease or rent, all such real estate as may be necessary for its purpose in the discretion of its Board of Directors and take as security real and personal property, and take or purchase real and personal property in the payment of any debt due the corporation, and sell and convey the same.

8th The stockholders may by a majority vote of the stock authorize and direct the issuance of bonds of said corporation, payable to any individual, corporation, or co-partnership, or bearer, maturing at such time or times, and in such sum or sums as they may deem proper.

9th Said corporation shall have authority to execute its promissory note, or issue its drafts, and to secure the same in any manner it may see fit, except in case of mortgaging its real estate and plant, which must be done by vote of the stockholders. The by-laws of said corporation shall fix the manner of issuing its promissory notes and drafts.

10th Said corporation shall have authority to secure its bonds promissory notes and other evidences of debt by mortgage of its real estate and plant by a majority vote of the stock. The Board of Directors shall have authority in such manner as may be determined by the by-laws to pledge any of its property except its real estate and plant. The Board of Directors shall have authority to mortgage its real estate and plant only when first authorized by the stockholders.

11th The incorporators named herein, or any five of them, may at any time after the approval of this charter, meet and open books of subscription to the capital stock of the Company, and they are hereby authorized to secure said subscriptions as may be subscribed to said capital stock, and as soon as Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00) is subscribed to the capital stock of said Company, a majority of the stockholders may meet and effect a permanent organization, as heretofore provided.

No note, bond or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., Dec 30/98 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss., Dec 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Martin Machine Works is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed this 4th day of January, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Jan 11/99

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Covert Furniture Factory of Meridian, Miss.

Sec 1 That Mrs M. A. Covert, C. A. O'Leary, Alfred Zucker, Geo. S. Covert, Frank S. Covert, Pearse O'Leary, and all others who are now or may hereafter be associated with them and their successors and assigns, be and are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Covert Furniture Factory, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity, may have a common seal, and the same may be altered at pleasure, may make any and all by laws, rules and regulations for the management of its business, ~~as which may be necessary~~ property and effects, and the transfer of its stock, as to them may seem best, provided the same are not contrary to the laws of the United States, or the State of Mississippi.

Sec 2 That the domicile of said corporation shall be the city of Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi, and the capital stock shall be fifteen thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and the stock may be increased to fifty thousand dollars at the pleasure of the stockholders.

Sec 3 That the capital stock of said company may be invested in buildings, machinery materials, mares, goods, and in any real or personal property necessary on any part of its business, or which may be received in payment of debts, and the said company may sell and dispose of, transfer and convey, any of its property or assets, in such a manner as they may deem best for their interest.

Sec 4 That whenever the said capital stock has been actually paid in, in money, three or more of the stockholders of said company may call for a general meeting of its stockholders, by giving five days notice in one or more newspapers published in the county of Lauderdale, State of Mississippi, stating time and place of said meeting. Each share of the capital stock shall entitle the owner to one vote, if represented in person, or by written proxy. If more than one-half the shares of the capital stock actually paid in, is duly represented at any meeting of the stockholders, then a quorum for business is constituted, and the majority of the votes of the stockholders, each share representing one vote, who constitute said quorum, shall be binding upon the corporation. At the first meeting of said stockholders there shall be elected a Board of three Directors, two of whom shall be residents of Lauderdale county, State of Mississippi, and they shall be elected from the actual stockholders, and the officers of the company shall be elected by the Directors. There shall be an annual election of Directors by the stockholders of said corporation, at such time and place as said stockholders shall designate, and whenever a meeting of said stockholders of said corporation is called and a majority of said stock is not represented in said meeting, then the same shall be adjourned, from time to time, until such a majority of stock is represented. The Directors

shall frame such by-laws as shall be deemed necessary and proper to execute this act of incorporation.

Sec 5 That said company is authorized to manufacture furniture and other articles from wood, brass, or any other raw material, by steam, water, electricity, or any other power and may manufacture lumber

Sec 6 That the Directors shall annually elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer, and that the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person, and such other officers as they may deem necessary for their interest; said election to take place at such a time and place as may be prescribed in the by-laws of the company, and said officers shall hold their offices for the term of one year, or until their successors be elected and qualified.

Sec 7 The said corporation shall have power to borrow money, and issue its bonds therefor, or issue its bonds and sell the same; to raise money to carry on its business, to invest its money and property in anything except real estate and in any manner, which would be lawful for a citizen to invest money or property in, and to sell and transfer the said properties and securities at pleasure; it may hold its money and rent its property to any person or persons, or corporation, on any security which it may think proper. The corporation may buy and own sufficient real estate for the transaction of its business.

Sec 8 That the stockholders shall be liable on debts and contracts of said company only to the extent of any balance owing by them respectively on their subscriptions to the capital stock of said corporation; that is to say, no stockholder shall be liable for the debts of said company for an amount that exceeds any balance on his subscription to the capital stock of said Company.

Sec 9 That this franchise herein granted be for the term of fifty years; and said corporation shall have all the privileges now accorded to the manufacturing corporations by the general laws of the State of Mississippi.

No bond, note, or other evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation, payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the con-

stitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., Nov 28, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss., Nov 1898. Riley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Covert Furniture Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Merchants and Marine Bank

Be it known that on this the 5th day of December, A.D. 1898, W. E. Frederick, B. J. Lane, P. Feore, J. A. Miller, and E. J. Lane, by virtue of the provisions of Chapter twenty-five (25) of the Annotate Code of Mississippi and the acts amendatory thereof, do hereby found and organize a corporation for the objects and purposes hereinafter enumerated; and to that end and purpose they do by these presents, with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form and constitute themselves and all such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, whether by subscription, purchase or otherwise, into a body politic and corporate in law under the following articles of the charter of said Corporation to wit:

Article 1 The name and style of this corporation shall be the Merchants and Marine Bank, and in that name it shall exist for fifty years from the date of the approval of this Charter, and may purchase or otherwise acquire, have, hold and enjoy such real and personal property as may be required for the purposes for which this organization is formed, not to exceed however the limit fixed by the laws of the State of Mississippi, for corporations of this character; and shall in addition possess all the rights, powers and privileges which said corporations under the general laws of the State of Mississippi are authorized to exercise or possess.

Article 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Scranton, Jackson County, Mississippi

Article 3 The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at Twenty-five thousand ($25,000.00) Dollars, divided into five hundred shares of fifty ($50.00) Dollars each, but may be at any time increased to One Hundred Thousand ($100,000.00) Dollars, by a vote of the majority of the stockholders. As soon as this charter shall be approved the said W. E. Frederick, B. J. Lane, P. Feore, J. A. Miller and E. J. Lane, shall at the domicile of the corporation open books of subscription to the stock of said bank, and when fifteen thousand ($15,000.00) shall have been subscribed a meeting of ~~said~~ such ~~stockholders~~ subscribers and stockholders shall be called, of which meeting all subscribers to stock shall have notice and at which meeting the said subscribers to stock, or stock-

holders, shall elect nine Directors of said Bank, each of whom shall be the owner of at least one share of the stock of said Bank, to serve as such until the first Monday in January, A. D. 1900

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are hereby declared to be to receive, and safely keep, moneys left on deposit, and to pay the same to the depositor on demand, the buying and selling of domestic and foreign exchange for profit, to buy, or discount, bills, notes and other commercial paper, to lend money at lawful rates of interest, and to do a general banking business.

Article 5 The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Nine Directors, each of whom shall be a stockholder in said Bank, who shall be elected by the stockholders within thirty days after the approval of this charter, and on the first Monday in January, A. D. 1900, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in January in each year. Elections shall be by ballot and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, to be cast by the owner, or by his written proxy. The Board of Directors at their first meeting, and annually thereafter following every election of stockholders shall organize by electing a President, a Vice President, a Cashier and an Assistant Cashier, provided that the offices of Cashier and Assistant Cashier, may be held by persons who are not directors of said bank. The Directors and officers elected shall hold office until their successors are elected. Vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the stockholders at an election to be held for that purpose on ten days notice to be given in writing to each person then holding stock in said bank as shown by the books of the bank. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum; said Board may appoint from time to time, also dismiss at their pleasure, such officers, agents, clerks or other employees as they may deem necessary for the business and purposes of said bank; they may establish, as well as alter and amend, all such by-laws, rules and regulations as they may deem necessary for the management of said bank

In witness whereof, the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands the day and year first above written. W. E. Frederick, B. J. Jane, E. J. Jane, P. Feore, J. A. Miller.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss, Dec 27, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss., Dec 1898 Riley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Merchants and Marine Bank is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of January, 1899
By the Governor A. J. McLaurin.
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded Jan 10, 1899

The charter of Incorporation of the Laboring Men and Women's Industrial Union.

Sec 1 Be it known that G. N. Faggart, G. N. Pyle, J. J. Johnson, Thomas Nash, J. T. Thomas, Mary Lee, D. Holliway, Charles Darden, P. Johnson, A. Foster, and M. Woodard and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them, their assigns and successors are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of "The Laboring Men and Women's Industrial Union" to be domiciled in the city of Meridian, in the county of Lauderdale, in the State of Mississippi and by that name, the said corporation shall have succession for the period of fifty (50) years, and as such may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded, and may make and use a corporate seal, and alter the same at pleasure; shall have and possess all the powers and privileges defined and conferred by chapter (25) twenty-five of the Annotated Code of 1892, and the Amendments thereto, provided the same are necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this charter.

Sec 2 The objects of said corporation are, to care for its sick members, bury its dead, unite all good working men and women for the purpose of securing reasonable and suitable wages

Sec 3 The capital stock of this corporation is One Hundred ($100 00) Dollars, but the same may be increased to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars if such amount is or becomes necessary to carry on the charitable works herein mentioned.

Sec 4 The said corporation may establish as many branch offices as are necessary for the prosecution of the objects herein mentioned and may appoint officers for such branch offices

Sec 5 The government and management of the affairs of this corporation shall be vested in such officers and agents as it shall have power to elect, and appoint such agents, officers and employees as it may deem necessary, and make and enforce, enact and adopt all such by laws, rules and regulations as may be necessary for the effective transaction of its business.

Sec 6 This Charter shall take effect and be enforced from and after its approval by the Governor

No indebtedness shall be made by or to the company payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Dec 20th 1898 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution & laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Dec 1898 Atty Genl.

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss,

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Laboring Men and Women Industrial Union is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J L Power
Secy State

Recorded Jan 24/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg and Sunflower River Company.

Sec 1 James N. Britton, Geo. P. Britton, Geo C. Meissonnier, T. B. Rundle, J. J. Donovan, and Joseph Frank Andrews and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Vicksburg and Sunflower River Company, and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, purchase, receive and enjoy real estate and personal property necessary and proper for its purpose, not exceeding $250,000.00 in value, and to hold, use and enjoy said real estate in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber, to issue notes, bonds, debentures and other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and to be impleaded; to establish a common seal and to alter and renew the same at pleasure. The said corporation shall have all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, which are necessary and proper for the purposes of said corporation

Sec. 2 The said corporation shall also have, and is hereby authorized and invested with, the right and power to build and construct, purchase, charter, hire, or otherwise acquire and thereafter to use, operate, own and enjoy, sell, mortgage, charter, lease, encumber and dispose of; steamboats and other water crafts; construct docks, derricks, wharves, landings, warehouses, wharfboats and elevators for its own use, or for elevating, storing and handling the freight of other steamboats, or transportation companies, or for any person; to carry United States mail, to transport freight and passengers by steamboat or other water craft on the Mississippi river, and on the Yazoo river, the Tallahatchie river, the Yalobusha river and on their and each of their navigable tributaries and to receive therefor such reasonable compensation as shall from time to time be fixed and designated by the proper officers of said company; to receive for safe keeping, and to store, merchandise and property in its yards or warehouses, and to receive such reasonable compensation therefor as may from time to time be fixed and designated by by the proper officers of the said company; make advances of money or credit upon merchandise or property for charges by other transportation lines, or any person, to be transported by its boats or to be stored in its yards or warehouses to such extent and upon such terms and conditions as the proper officers of said company may from time to time establish or authorize; and further to do all other acts necessary and convenient, in the judgment of the officers and directors of said company for

the welfare and business of the said company. The said company shall as to its rates of Charges be subject to such supervision as the Legislature may enact. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars divided into shares of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars each, and may be increased or diminished from time to time by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the company.

Sec 4 The business of said Corporation shall be managed and conducted by a Board of Directors to which the same is confided, to consist of not less than three, who shall be stockholders of said corporation and who shall be elected annually by the Stockholders, and the holders of a majority of the stock of said corporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Said Directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice-President, and may elect or appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, but the two last named offices may be held by one person, and the said Directors may also elect or appoint such offices, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The number of Directors may at any time be increased or diminished by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the said Company, but the number of Directors shall never be less than three. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number, caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Sec 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make all needful rules, regulations and by laws for the control and management of the business affairs and property of the said company, and may from time to time alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings the vote of the holders of a majority of the stock then present in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at such meetings. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, her or it.

Sec 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any wise personally liable for the debts of the said company beyond the amounts of his, her or its unpaid subscription to the said capital stock.

Sec 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid in cash.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company and as soon as $5,000.00 shall have been subscribed and paid in cash, said corporation may organize, elect directors and commence business

Dec 10 No note, bond, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that they will be payable in any legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss. Dec 28, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the state.
Jackson, Miss, Dec 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Vicksburg and Sunflower River Company is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 26th day of January, 1899
By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Jan 26/99

✓ The charter of Incorporation of the Rocky Branch Male and Female School

Sec 1 Be it known that A.E. Young, F.C. Williams, J.F. Williams, Jr, L.F. Thornton, J.H. Fleming, S.J. Westbrook, P.J. Williams, O.R. Williams and E.S.T. Westbrook, their associates and successors and assigns be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Rocky Branch Male and Female School and by that name may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded; contract and be contracted with, may have a common seal, shall have power to hold by purchase, grant, gift, or lease any property, real, personal or mixed, not exceeding the limit prescribed by law and to dispose of the same at pleasure, shall have power to prescribe terms of admission to College classes, to confer degrees, grant certificates of proficiency and award diplomas, to provide for the sale of scholarships to establish a graded school and also preparatory schools to the principal school to do any perform all other acts for the encouragement of higher education and necessary to the well being and prosperity of said school not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi and to exercise and enjoy all the rights franchises and powers and privileges invested by law in any other educational institution of this State which may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this charter

Sec 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at or near Mt Olive Baptist Church in the county of Amite, State of Mississippi, and this charter shall continue in force and the corporation shall have succession for a period of fifty years.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully submitted to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Nov 10/98 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss; Nov 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Rocky Branch Male and Female School is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J L. Power
Secy of State

The charter of Incorporation of the Delta Promoting Company.

C. N. Rock, N. M. Pittman, E. C. Gause, all of Sunflower County and State of Mississippi and Charles Arnold and George Le Messurier, of New York, State of New York, and all persons who may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of The Delta Promoting Company for the purpose of buying, selling, holding, improving and cultivation of lands within the State of Mississippi; buying, selling and improvement of houses and lots in cities and villages, buying, building, selling, holding and operating water works, ice factories and artesian wells, all within the State of Mississippi, and buying, selling and holding any other kind of property or thing which may be essential to the business of the corporation as herein set forth.

It may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, and shall have a corporate seal with the right to change or alter the same at pleasure and to make rules and regulations for the management of its business.

This corporation shall have the right to buy, sell, hold, improve and cultivate lands; buy, sell, hold or improve houses and lots in cities and villages; build, buy, sell, own and operate water works, ice factories and artesian wells in the State of Mississippi; and may purchase, sell and hold such machinery, fixtures or other property as may be necessary in carrying on the business as herein specified, and it shall have all the powers which are conferred upon corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 which may be necessary for carrying out the objects and purposes for which this corporation is created. This corporation shall exist for twenty years unless dissolved by its members or by operation of law. The capital stock of this corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars to be divided into Two Hundred shares of fifty dollars each, but the corporation may increase its capital stock to Twenty Thousand Dollars by complying with the requirements of the Annotated Code of 1892 and such amendments to same as may have been subsequently enacted. Such additional capital shall also be divided into shares of fifty dollars each. Whenever three thousand dollars shall have been paid in upon subscription to the capital stock the corporation may commence business. The domicile of this corporation shall be at Moorhead, in the county of Sunflower, State of Mississippi, but it may have branch offices at other places within the State. The offices of this corporation shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall be elected by the share holders in such manner as they may determine upon the organization of the company, but it is provided that the offices of Secretary or Treasurer may be held by the same individual. Such offices as may seem necessary to the corporation may be provided for by the share holders in their by laws and the duties and powers of all offices shall be defined by the same.

All lands acquired by the corporation, except that necessary for offices, shall be disposed of and conveyed by the corporation within ten years from the date of its acquisition, and shall not thereafter be acquired or owned or controlled by the corporation.

No note, bond, obligation or indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold alone, but all such shall be so made that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Jan 6. 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Jan 1899 T. Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Delta Promoting Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 26th day of January, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Powell
Secy of State

Recorded Jan 27/99

 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 13 PAGE 6

The Charter of Incorporation of the Noxubee Industrial School for the Training of Colored Youth

1st S. J. Hunter, E. C. Lucas, Robt. W. Douglass, Jas. Richardson, J. B. Brann, Felix Jones, Amos Spann, Jack R. Rupert and J. B. Ledbetter, and such other persons who may become associates with them, their successors and assigns, have associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation, to be known as the "Noxubee Industrial School for the Training of Colored Youth", and domiciled in Noxubee County, State of Mississippi, and having for its object the establishment of an industrial school for the development of the negro race, morally, socially, intellectually and industrially

2d The above named parties, with such other persons as may become associated with them, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body politic and corporate in the name of "The Noxubee Industrial School for the Training of Colored Youth" and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and may have, own and sell and convey, real and personal property incident to, or necessary to carry out or into effect its designs and purposes. It may sue and be sued, may make and adopt for its government and management such rules, by laws and regulations as a majority of the Board of Directors or Trustees may think proper.

3d The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than $5,000.00, nor more than $50,000.00. Each shall shall be $10.00.

4th The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors or Trustees, to consist of nine persons, six of whom must be stockholders of said corporation, who shall, along with the President control and manage the operation of said school, selecting all teachers and assistants that may be necessary. Said Directors or Trustees to be elected annually by the stockholders and to continue in office for one year or until their successors shall qualify. The time of meeting to be fixed by the stockholders.

5th Said S. J. Hunter shall be the first President of said corporation who shall hold said position during good behavior.

6th Said corporation in the acquirement of property shall do so for school purposes only, and it may purchase property for cash or on a credit, and may issue its bonds, notes or obligations secured by deeds of trust or mortgages on its property for the purpose of securing the same.

7th It shall have a common seal.

8 The incorporators named herein or any five of them, may at any time after the approval of this charter meet and open books of subscription to the capital stock and it is authorized to take security for same and as soon as $500.00 is subscribed a majority of those stockholders may meet and perfect a permanent organization

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Dec 27th 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Dec 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. Genl

Recorded Jan 29/99

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Noxubee Industrial School for Colored Youths is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of January, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin.

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

An Amendment to the Charter of the Citizens Telephone Company.

Be it Known, That the Charter of incorporation of the Citizens Telephone Company, approved first day of May, A.D., 1897, and Recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on the first day of May, A.D., 1897, be and the same is hereby amended so that Section Eight (8) of said Charter shall read as follows:

That the capital stock of said body corporate shall not exceed the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each; but said corporation may organize when five shares of said stock have been subscribed for and paid in; and

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of the Peoples Telephone Company is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the same
Jackson, Miss, Jan 25, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Peoples Telephone Company is not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Jan 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty. Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendments to the charter of Incorporation of The Citizens Telephone Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed this 31st day of January, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Jan 31/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 470

The charter of Incorporation of the Supreme Lodge of the United Woodmen.

We the undersigned subscribers desiring to become an incorporated body under the laws of the State of Mississippi, submit the following charter for record in the office of Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi:

1st The objects of the order shall be:

1 To combine all persons of sound, bodily health, exemplary habits and good moral character, between the ages of eighteen yeds and fifty years, into a fraternal, beneficiary and benevolent order

2. To provide for their relief.

3 Comfort the sick and alter the unfortunate members by attentive ministrations in times of sorrow and distress.

4 To educate its members in moral, social and intellectual pursuits

5 To promote fraternal love and unity.

6 To create a fund, from which, upon reasonable and satisfactory proofs of death of a beneficiary member, who has fully complied with the legal requirements of the order, a sum of money not exceeding One Thousand Dollars, which shall be paid to the widow, heirs or legal representatives of the deceased member of the order, as he shall direct

2d The names of the persons desiring to become an incorporated body under the name of the Supreme Lodge of the United Woodmen are as follows: J. A. A. Williams, O. Valentine, John Kelly, T. J. Key, P. A. Green, L. C. Forbs, D. L. McDonald, Walker Pucker,

3d The corporate name by which the Order shall be known is "The United Woodmen"

4th The powers to be exercised by the order are as follows:

1 To elect its own officers.

2 To grant charters or privileges to establish subordinate Lodges throughout the State of Mississippi or elsewhere according to laws prescribed by the Supreme Lodge.

3 To enact such laws, rules and regulations as shall best effect and accomplish the purposes of the order, which shall not contravene any of the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi

4. The period for which said Order is to exist is fifty years, and for such further time as the Supreme Officers of said Order shall desire, and which shall be permitted by the Laws of the State of Mississippi, at the time of the expiration of said fifty years.

5 The county, which shall be considered as the situs of the Supreme Lodge of the United Woodmen shall be Marshall county, State of Mississippi.

Witness our hands this the 11th day of November, 1898
Henry Arnett, J. A. D. Williams, L. C. Forbes, Thos. J. Key, P. A. Green, D. L. McDonald, Oscar Valentine, John Kelly, Wm H. Strickland N. C. Boone, S. R. Painter, A. L. Teague, Charter members

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, Nov 25, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Nov 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Supreme Lodge of the United Woodmen is hereby approved.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898
By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Charter recorded Feb 9/99
Mas sent back for
proof publication

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of "The Commercial Bank of Gloster, Mississippi"

It is ordered by the stockholders of the Commercial Bank of Gloster, Miss., that the first section of the charter of said corporation be amended to read as follows:

Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Gloster, Gloster, Miss.

That G. W. Barney, T. D. Johns, N. B. McLean, and their associates, and those hereafter associated with them and their successors be and they are hereby constituted a body, politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Bank of Gloster" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all the courts of law and equity, and have a common seal, the same to break or alter at pleasure. May contract and be contracted with, may acquire, hold, alien and encumber and otherwise dispose of property, necessary for the transaction of its business, both real and personal and shall possess and enjoy all the powers, rights and privileges prescribed by Chapter Twenty-five (25) of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and existing amendments thereto for fifty years, so far as the same are applicable.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Commercial Bank of Gloster, is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the same.

Feb 6, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the Charter of the Commercial Bank of Gloster is not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Feb 17, 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the Commercial Bank, of Gloster, Miss, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 17th day of February, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Feb 18, 1899

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Gulfport.

1 The objects and purposes of this corporation is to carry on a general banking business according to the law and customs regulating the banking business.

2 That said corporation shall be composed of J. T. Jones, N. L. Thornton, W. H. Bell, J. R. Hood, C. O. Collins, J. F. Steard, C. V. Merrick, Geo. P. Nemes, S. S. Bullis, N. S. Seaman, C. Kohler, T. M. Evans, C. A. Skelly, J. R. Kelly, J. N. Lang, R. McIntosh, Sr. and such others as may become associated with them.

3 The corporate name by which said bank shall be known shall be "The Bank of Gulfport," and by that name it may sue and be sued, and do all things necessary to be done, in order to carry out the objects for which it was created.

4 That said bank shall have power to issue stock, and receive pay for same, to discount and re-discount notes and all kinds of commercial paper, to loan and borrow money and secure the same in any lawful manner, to buy and sell either real or personal property whenever it may see proper in the transaction of its business, and do all things authorized to be done by a bank under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and exercise fully and freely all the rights and privileges conferred upon Corporations provided by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, A. D. 1892, and all subsequent amendments thereto.

5 That said corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years unless sooner dissolved according to law.

6 That the capital stock of said bank shall be ($50,000.00) Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into five hundred shares of ($100.00) One Hundred Dollars each.

7 That the cashier shall open a subscription list to the capital stock of said bank, and when the sum of ($10,000.00) Ten Thousand Dollars of the capital stock has been subscribed, the Directors of said bank may proceed to collect said subscriptions for stock and commence business.

8 That the first meeting of the stockholders of said bank shall be on call as provided by law and their annual meetings shall be on a day to be fixed by the by-laws.

9 That the domicile of said bank shall be in the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, and it shall have power to establish branch offices at such other places in the State that it may deem proper by a majority vote of the stockholders.

10 That W. H. Bell, N. L. Thornton, Geo. P. Nemes, S. S. Bullis, and J. F. Steard, shall constitute the Board of Directors for the first year, who shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected according to law; that the Board of Directors shall consist of five stockholders of said bank, but may be increased to seven or nine by a majority vote of the stockholders, and decreased again to five in the same manner and in case of a vacancy arising by death or resignation, the Board of Directors shall have power to fill the same.

11 That W. W. Bell shall be President, S. S. Bullis, Vice President and A. L. Thornton, Cashier, for the first year and until their successors are duly elected according to law. That the officers of said bank shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Cashier and such other officers and agents as the stockholders may find necessary.

12 That the signing of the subscription list to the capital stock of said corporation shall constitute an acceptance of the terms of the charter. No bond, note or evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Jan 16, 1899 Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Jan 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office,
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of The Bank of Gulfport, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 2/24/1899

1 The Charter of Incorporation of the Madison Mercantile Company.

Sec 1 This corporation is organized for the purpose of conducting and carrying on a general merchandise business, to buy and sell for cash or credit, at wholesale or retail, or both, all classes of goods and wares and merchandise that may be necessary for the conduct of the business.

Sec 2 The incorporators are W. C. Boddie, R. L. Atkinson, J. T. Donovan, R. C. Lee, E. J. Lee, and such other persons and their successors as may be associated with them for the purposes herein named.

Sec 3 The corporate name of this organization shall be the "Madison Mercantile Company."

Sec 4 This corporation may sue and be sued, acquire and hold or sell personal property and real property necessary for the transaction of its business and conduct a general merchandise business, borrow or loan money, give or take securities, adopt and use a corporate seal at its pleasure, and generally may have and possess all rights, powers and privileges conferred by the laws of this State on corporations of this kind created under the laws of this State.

Sec 5 This corporation shall exist for a period of fifty years from its beginning, unless sooner dissolved, and its domicile shall be at Madison Station, Mississippi

Sec 6 The capital stock of this corporation may be $25,000.00. The shares of stock shall be One Hundred each, par value, and the certificates representing shares when issued shall be numbered and signed by the President and Secretary of the Board of Directors; and this corporation shall be authorized to begin business when ten shares of such stock have been subscribed for and the sum of $1,000.00 is paid in cash into the treasury thereof.

Sec 7 The business of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Five Directors, three of whom shall constitute a quorum. The incorporators herein named shall be Directors until the first Tuesday of March, 1899, and thereafter the members of said Board shall annually be elected as provided by law. The Board of Directors can elect one of their members President, another Vice-President, and another Secretary and Treasurer, and in case of a vacancy on said Board it can be filled by the vote of the remaining Director or Directors. Said Board of Directors can make such by laws, rules and regulations for the government of this corporation and conduct of its business as it seems proper not inconsistent with this charter and the laws of this State.

Sec 8 The liability of each stockholder is limited to the amount unpaid by him upon his stock subscribed for.

Sec 9 The stockholders shall meet on the first Monday of March, 1899, and annually thereafter for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of other business that may come before them, but they can

be called together at any time for the transaction of any business by order of the President of the Board of Directors. Each stockholder can vote as many times as he has shares of stock, at all meetings of the stockholders, and a majority of the votes cast shall elect or govern.

Sec 10 Books of subscription may be opened at any time after the approval of this charter, by three of the incorporators. Any stockholder wishing to dispose of his stock and sever his connection with this corporation shall be permitted to do so.

Sec 11 This corporation shall be dissolved at any time that a majority of its stockholders may vote therefor and its affairs may be administered for final distribution in such manner as they elect not inconsistent with the law. ——

N. V. Boddie, R. L. Atkinson, R. C. Lee, E. J. Lee, J. T. Dameron.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Feb 17, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb. 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Madison Mercantile Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 24th day of February, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 2/25/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Farm Gazette Company of Starkville, Mississippi

A. B. Montgomery, W. C. Welborn, W. L. Hutchinson, P. L. Hogan, and such others as may be associated with them are hereby incorporated under chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and the acts of the Legislature of said State amendatory thereto, as a newspaper and publishing association, and do hereby declare:

1st That it shall be known as the Southern Farm Gazette Company.

2d That it shall be domiciled at Starkville, in the State of Mississippi

3d That the said publishing association by the name aforesaid shall have succession for the space of fifty years, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity, may have a common seal and the same may break or alter at pleasure, and by that name may contract and be contracted with, acquire, hold, and alien property real and personal and mixed, and do all acts incident to bodies corporate; may invest the capital stock of said association in printing presses and type and engines and other power and such other material and machinery as may be required in the business of printing; may operate a job work office; may publish and conduct and issue a newspaper at such intervals as may be deemed desirable and may take subscriptions for same and may take and print advertisements in same; may give and take security for obligations that may arise in the course of its regular business; may sell and dispose of its plant and outfit at any time; and it may and shall have all the authority, rights, privileges, powers and immunities allowed and granted by the constitution of said State and the said code thereof and said amendatory acts of the said Legislature.

4th That the management of said association shall be confided to a Board of three Directors, all of whom shall be stockholders, to be elected annually by the stockholders; and they shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified; and the said Directors shall make such rules, regulations and by-laws for the government of said association and the transaction of its business as they may deem expedient and best and may change the same at pleasure, provided that they shall make no rule or by-law in conflict with the constitution or the laws of this State or of the United States; and the said Directors may in their judgment provide for the creation of proper offices and for the election and salaries of proper and suitable officers in their discretion for the service of the said Association; and the said Directors shall have full ~~power~~ authority for the appointment of all officers, and agents, and employees, for the filling of any vacancies in office that may occur and for removing at any time any officer, or employee for inefficiency, or neglect of duty or dishonesty or for any other reason that may seem to them sufficient

5th That the capital stock of said association shall be Fourteen Hundred Dollars ($1,400.00) divided into shares of Twenty Five Dollars each, and each share shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote in all stockholders' meetings; and so soon as Five Hundred Dollars shall have been paid in, the said Association may commence to do business; and it is also hereby provided that the said capital stock may at any time by a two-thirds vote of the stock holders (one vote for each share) be increased or decreased, but to be at no time more than $5,000.00 nor less than $500.00

6th That this charter shall go into effect upon its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss, Jan 23/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Jan 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Southern Farm Gazette Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power,
Secy of State

Recorded 2/25/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the George S. Leatherbury Jr. Company

Be it known that on this the 24th day of November, 1898, George S. Leatherbury Jr., Charles R. Wall, and J. P. Smith, by virtue of the provisions of Chapter Twenty-Five (25) of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, and the acts amendatory thereof, do hereby organize and found a corporation for the objects and purposes hereinafter enumerated; and to that end and purpose they do by these presents with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form and constitute themselves and all such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them whether by purchase, descent, subscription or otherwise into a body politic and corporate in law under the following articles of the charter of the said corporation, to wit:

Article 1 The name and style of this corporation shall be The George S. Leatherbury Jr. Company, and in that name shall exist for the period of fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter unless sooner dissolved by the vote and approval of three fourths of its stockholders, and may by purchase or otherwise, acquire, have, hold and enjoy such real and personal property, not exceeding in value or amount the limit fixed by law, as may be required for the purposes for which this organization is formed; and shall possess all the rights, powers and privileges which corporations under the general laws of Mississippi are authorized to exercise or possess.

Article 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at the store of "The George S. Leatherbury Jr. Company," about eight miles from the village of Brooklyn.

Article 3 The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00), divided into Five hundred shares (500) of One Hundred Dollars each (100). As soon as this charter shall be approved, the said George S. Letherbury, Jr., Charles R. Wall, and J. P. Smith shall open books of subscription to the stock of said company, and when Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00) of stock shall have been subscribed and paid in, a meeting of the stockholders shall be called, of which meeting all subscribers shall be notified, and at which meeting the stockholders shall elect three Directors of said Corporation who shall serve as such until the second Wednesday in January, 1900.

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are hereby declared to be the manufacture and sale of spirits of turpentine, rosin and other naval stores, the buying and selling of logs, and the manufacture of lumber and timber, and the carrying on at such place or places as the Board of Directors may select of a general mercantile business

Article 5 The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a board of three Directors, each of whom shall be stockholders in said company, who shall be elected by the stockholders within sixty days after the approval of this charter and on the second Wednesday in January 1900 and annually thereafter on the second Wednesday of January of each year. Elections shall be by ballot and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him to be cast by owner or by proxy. The Board of Directors at their first meeting and annually thereafter following each election of stockholders shall organize by electing a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, provided that the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. Vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the stockholders at an election to be held for that purpose on ten days notice to be given to each person then holding stock as shown by the books of the company. A majority of the

said board shall constitute a quorum; said Board of Directors may appoint from time to time, also dismiss at their pleasure such officers, agents, clerks and other employees as they may deem necessary for the purposes of the corporation; they may establish as well as alter and amend all by-laws, rules and regulations necessary and proper for the business of the corporation.

In witness whereof the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands the day and year above written. George S. Leatherbury, Jr
Charles R. Hall,
J. P. Smith,

No bond, note or evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Jan 11, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Jan 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the George S. Leatherbury Jr. Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power,
Secretary of State

Recorded 2/25/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 9 PAGE 88

The charter of Incorporation of Wester & Simpson Company

Sec 1 Eugene Simpson, N. D. Wester, B. N. Williamson and W. G. Rice and their associates are hereby created a body corporate under the name of Wester & Simpson Company

Sec 2 The domicile of the corporation shall be Perry, Wards county, Mississippi.

Sec 3 The specific purpose for which the corporation is created is to transact a general mercantile business, but it shall have all the rights and powers enumerated in Sec, 836 of the code of 1892, of this State.

Sec 4 The capital stock of the corporation shall be $20,000.00 to be divided in shares of $100.00 each, and business may be commenced when $12,000.00 of stock is subscribed for and paid. Each share of stock shall entitle the owner and holder thereof to one vote in stockholders meetings. A first lien shall exist on all stock, to secure any debts due by the stockholder to the corporation, and to secure any debt due the corporation may sell the stock at auction to the highest bidder for cash, after giving ten days personal notice to the stock holder, or after ten days notice by posting in three public places in Wards county, Mississippi This lien on the stock shall cover all the indebtedness due by the stock holder incurred before notice to the corporation of any transfer or assignment by him of such stock. Shares of stock shall be transferable only on the books of the company, and shall so recite on their face.

Sec 5 The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board of Directors. The Secretary and Treasurer may be the same person. The Board of Directors shall be composed of 3 or 5 stock holders, as may be decided upon by the stock holders

Sec 6 The incorporators may meet, after the approval of this charter, at any time, upon the call of any one of their number and one days personal notice to each, and at such meeting they shall open books for subscription; and the stockholders shall in like manner, meet at such time and place, as they may mutually agree upon, and elect the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall elect the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and General Manager. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum, but it shall require a majority in number and amount of stock holders to constitute a quorum.

Sec 7 The business affairs of the corporation shall be subject to the management and control of the Board of Directors, who shall possess all the powers usually appertaining to their office

Sec 8 Stockholders meetings shall be held annually at the Company's office in Perry, on the second Monday of January. Special meetings can be called at any time by the Board of Directors, upon such reasonable notice as they may deem proper.

Sec 9 No notes, bonds, debentures or other obligations issued by or to the corporation shall be payable in gold only, but so far as such obligations are payable in money or intended to be discharged in money they shall be solvable in any legal tender of the United States

Sec 10 Liquidation of the business and affairs of the corporation may be had at any time upon a vote of a majority in number and amount of the stock holders thereof

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Feb 4, 1899 N. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Nesbit & Simpson Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 2/27/99

The Charter of incorporation of the True Light Colored High School

Sec 1 Be it known that Jacob Hampton, N.R. Rollins, J.E. Abrams, Charles Stepney, S.J. Warren, Charles Felix, G.S. Dukes, E. Dukes, Alex Pace, M.C. Neary, be and are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the Directors of True Light Colored High School, of Marion county, Mississippi and by that name they and their successors shall be empowered to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all actions at law and equity whatsoever, and they may have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure, and shall be authorized to purchase and hold real estate not to exceed five thousand dollars in value and shall possess all privileges necessary and proper for the accomplishment of the trust reposed in them for the benefit of said institution, the general object of said corporation being for the education of youths, either male or female or both, as the said incorporation may at any time elect. The domicile of the corporation shall be seven miles south of Columbia, in said county of Marion, State of Mississippi.

Sec 2 That said Directors or their successors shall have power to increase or diminish the number of Directors and to elect annually from their number, a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Directors, or a majority of them, said election to take place at said building at any time agreed upon by the Directors and in which election each patron of the school will be entitled to one vote. The Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in said Board, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, and their meetings which shall be on the call of the President, or any two of the Directors, shall be held at least as often as once a year, and at such meeting they shall have authority to do and perform all acts usual for corporations of similar character under the laws of the State

Sec 3 That the first Saturday after the approval of this charter the said Directors shall meet at said True Light Colored High School house and organize and shall elect from their number a President, Secretary and Treasurer and may make by-laws for the government of said school as may be to its interests, not in conflict with the laws of Mississippi

Sec 4 That said incorporation shall continue for a term of twenty-five years.

Witness our signature, this the 25th day of Nov. 1898. Jacob Hampton, N.R. Rollins, J.E. Abrams, Charles Stepney, Sr S.J. Warren, Charles Felix, G.S. Dukes, E. Dukes, Alex Pace, M.C. Neary

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Dec 26/98 A.J. McLaurin Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Dec 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the True Light Colored High School, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A.J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 2/27/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Thayer Hardware Company.

To all whom these presents may come, Know ye.

That Ben L. Jones, George A. Wilson, James N. Fraser, Rowan Thayer, Lizzie S. Pilson, A. F. Gardner, Addye P. Williamson and others that may become associated with them, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name and style of the Thayer Hardware Company. Said company shall have the power to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to contract and to be contracted with, to own property, real, personal and mixed, within the limits of this charter, to purchase, sell and lease the same, to have a common seal and to alter the same at pleasure. Said company are also empowered to engage in and carry on a general hardware and mercantile business and for that purpose may buy and sell all and every kind of hardware, implements, machinery, wagons, carriages, buggies, tools and every kind of implements and materials used in agriculture and in the mechanic and other trades and all and every kind of building material and all other wares

The capital stock of said company shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars, which may be increased to Fifty Thousand Dollars, to be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each. That the incorporators herein named, or any two of them, shall open books of subscription to said stock, in the city of Greenwood, Leflore County, Mississippi and when the subscription shall have amounted to eight thousand dollars, the stockholders may at once organize by electing a Board of Directors, which Board shall consist of not less than three nor more than five of the stockholders. Each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote in all elections; said vote may be cast by the stock holder in person or by proxy.

The Directors thus elected shall organize by electing one of their number President of the Board and by electing a Secretary. Said Board of Directors are empowered to elect a general manager from the stock holders, to manage, superintend and give general direction to the business of said corporation and they may

select such other offices as the business of the Company may require.

Said Directors shall have the power to fix the salaries of all officers of said Company, but they may confer on the manager and superintendent of the business the power to employ and fix the salaries of all persons employed to assist in carrying on the business of said Company and they shall have the power to adopt rules and by-laws for the government of the Company and management of its business, as they deem proper, subject to the approval of the stockholders at a regular meeting, or a special meeting called for that purpose, provided the said rules and by-laws do not conflict with the charter or the laws of Mississippi. Said Board of Directors, and the officers elected by them, shall hold their office for one year from the date of their election and until their successors shall have been chosen in accordance with the provisions of this charter.

The domicile of said corporation shall be the city of Greenwood, in the county of Leflore and State of Mississippi. Said corporation shall have existence for a period of fifty years, unless sooner dissolved.

Said Corporation is empowered by its officers authorized thereto by its rules and by-laws to borrow money and to secure same by mortgage, trust deed or other pledge or security.

No bond, note or evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Feb 4, 1899

A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899

Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss,

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Thayer Hardware Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor, A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 2/27/99

The State of Incorporation of P. L. Hennessey Bro. Agency

Sec 1 P. L. Hennessey, John Hennessey and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, are hereby incorporated under the name of P. L. Hennessey & Bro, Agency and by that name the corporation may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and shall have existence for the period of fifty years.

Sec 2 The purpose for which this corporation is created is to act as a local agent for fire, life, marine, accident and tornado insurance companies, to act as a real estate agent and to transact a merchandise and commission business. Said corporation shall have all the powers granted corporations by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, and its domicile shall be in the city of Vicksburg, Warren County Mississippi

Sec 3 The capital stock shall be Five Thousand Dollars, represented by shares of $25.00 each. The parties named as incorporators may meet and organize under this charter whenever they wish and without giving any notice of the time and place of meting, and may commence business whenever Two Thousand Dollars of said stock shall have been subscribed and paid for cash.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advise as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 20, 1898 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution & laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Dec. 20/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the P. L. Hennessey & Bro, Agency, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 1st day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/4/99

Amendment to the charter of Incorporation of the Merchants Bank of Jackson, Mississippi

Be it remembered that section four (4) of the charter of incorporation of the Merchants Bank of Jackson Mississippi, is amended to read as follows:

Sec 4 The management of the corporation shall be confided to a Board of Directors to consist of seven or more members, of whom five shall be a quorum to transact business. Members of the Board of Directors shall all be Stockholders and shall be elected annually by the stockholders

R. Griffith, Cashier John M. Stone, President

The foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Merchants Bank of Jackson, Mississippi, is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice, as to whether it be in conformity to the constitution and laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, March 2, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Merchants Bank of Jackson, Mississippi, is not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, March 2, 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Merchants Bank of Jackson, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 2d day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/2/99

This Corporation disenbumbered to the State of Mississippi by a decree of Hinds County Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, dated December 31, 1943. Certified Copy of said decree filed in this office, this December 31, 1943. Evelyn Wood, Secretary of State.

The Charter of Incorporation of Cathedral Circle

Sec 1 Be it known that Bishop Thomas Heslin, Rev. P. E. Hayden, Henry F. Byrne, James L. Cole, James H. Lambert, James A. Gillis, P. H. Mulvihill, F. J. Moher, Ernest E. Brown and such others as are now or may hereafter be associated with them are hereby incorporated under the corporate name and style of "Cathedral Circle" and as such shall have a corporate existence for a period of fifty years from this date

Sec 2 Said corporation is created for the purpose of instructing and entertaining its members by furnishing them with books magazines, periodicals, journals and newspapers and shall have, possess and exercise all the powers conferred upon corporations created under Chapter 25 of Annotated Code of Mississippi, which are necessary to carry out the object and purpose of its creation.

Sec 3 The management of the affairs of said corporation shall be vested in an executive committee to be known as Board of Managers, which shall consist of not less than five nor more than fifteen members to be elected annually by the members of said Cathedral Circle, and said members may in addition to said managers elect such other officers as may be provided for in their Constitution and by-laws.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss; Feb 4/1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Cathedral Circle is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor, A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/3/99

Petition for and Charter of Incorporation of the Lumberton Social and Literary Club

To His Excellency, A. J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi.

You will please treat this as an application respectfully made under the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, by the persons who are named as incorporators and interested persons in the creation and organization of a social and literary corporation; and this is their application therefor:

Be it known, that on this, the 31st day of October, A. D. 1898, J. N. Minton, N. A. Camp, W. N. Falk, N. C. Gavin, G. N. Wilcox, C. B. Rozell, R. N. Minton, N. D. Minton, N. A. Barnes, L. C. Alexander, J. J. Brooks, R. L. McNair, J. E. McNair, P. E. Williams, R. N. Thompson, Ed L. Bounds, J. N. Minner, George H. Robertson, J. C. Pearson, J. E. Scott, E. R. Chisholm, have by these presents, agreed to hereby form and constitute themselves a body corporate, under the provisions of Chapter 25, Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them.

Article I

The corporate name of this corporation shall be the Lumberton Social and Literary Club, and said corporation shall not exist for more than fifty years.

Article II

The domicile of this corporation shall be Lumberton, Pearl River County, State of Mississippi.

Article III

The powers to be exercised under this charter are all those set forth in Chapter 25, Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi and the amendments thereto, so far as the same are applicable to corporations organized for the purposes herein contained.

Article IV

The object and purposes of this corporation are declared to be, the organization and maintainence of a social and literary club, where the members and their friends can repair during their leisure hours, for reading, innocent amusements and social converse. It is also

proposed to have Sonsonal accomodations and bathing facilities connected therewith.

Article 5

No vinous, spirituous or malt liquors, or any intoxicants of any kind shall be dispensed or drunk in or about the Club building, or used or dispensed at any time or place in the name of, or in connection with the Club. No cards or dice are to be used in gaming in connection with the Club. No bets or wagers are to be made on any game of any kind.

Article 6

The capital stock of this Corporation is fixed at $500.00 represented by 50 shares of $10.00 each.

Article 7

All the powers of this Corporation shall be vested in five persons elected from among the stockholders, and known as the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be elected on the 1st Monday of September in each year, and any vacancies occuring shall be filled from among the remaining stockholders. Three Directors shall constitute a quorum. The Board of Directors shall make all contracts for the Corporation. This Board shall elect at their first meeting a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These offices shall be elected annually thereafter.

Article 8

This Corporation shall have power, through its proper officers, to adopt such Constitution and by-laws for their government as they deem proper, provided they do not conflict with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Article 9

The following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors; J. N. Winton, G. N. Robertson, N. S. Wilton, G. N. Wilcox, W. C. Gavin.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Nov 10/98 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are both violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss, Nov 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Lumberton Social and Literary Club is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy State

Recorded 3/7/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 445

The Charter of Incorporation of Bank of Laurel

Be it Known:

Sec 1 That P. S. Gardiner, F. G. Tisdale, Isaac St. Rogers, C. C. Warren, C. E. Newcomer, M. M. Woodbury, P. W. Foy, W. L. McCannis, Mary B. Bacon, M. B. Rogers and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, their successors and assigns be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Bank of Laurel" and by that name may contract and be contracted with, within the limits of its corporate powers, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the courts of law and equity, and may adopt a corporate seal and may change or break the same at pleasure

Sec 2 The period for which said corporation is to exist and have succession is fifty years

Sec 3 The domicile of said corporation shall be in Laurel, in the county of Jones, in the State of Mississippi

Sec 4 The purposes for which the corporation is created are to establish, maintain and carry on in this State a general banking business, and to that end shall have power to receive on deposit any sum of money and securities, bullion, bank notes, treasury notes, United States currency, evidences of debt, mortgages, bonds or other securities. To make and take bonds, bills, notes and other evidences of debt, and to buy, sell and discount the same when made by others. To buy and sell gold and silver and other coins and bullion and public and private securities. To issue certificates of deposit, stating the terms of such deposits. To buy, sell and deal in exchange, both foreign and domestic. To discount notes and other evidence of debt. To lend or borrow money on real or personal security upon such terms and at such rates of interest as may be mutually agreed upon between said corporation and its depositors and customers, not in violation of the laws of this State, and to exercise all incidental powers necessary to carry on a general banking business.

Sec 5 Said corporation shall also have power to purchase, acquire and hold real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes or as shall be found necessary or expedient to be acquired in the payment or settlement of any debt due it, or in order to secure in whole or in part, any such debt, not exceeding in value the amount limited by statute, and may lease, convey and dispose of the same

Sec 6 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars, divided into Two Hundred Shares of One Hundred Dollars each, but it may be increased from time to time by an affirmative vote of the stockholders to the extent of a majority in amount of the capital stock paid in, to a sum not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars. Said shares of stock shall be personal property; shall be registered in a book to be kept for that purpose by the bank, and shall not be transferrable, except by the endorsement and delivery of the stock certificate, and the registry of such transfer in the books of the corporation

Sec 7 The bank shall hold a prior lien on the shares of any stockholder, who may be indebted to it, either as principal or as surety for others; and such shares shall not be transferred without the consent of the Board of Directors until such debt shall have been paid or discharged. And the Board of Directors are hereby empowered to sell or cause to be sold at public auction, for cash, at the front door of the bank building, the stock of any delinquent debtor after having first given ten days notice by posting of the time, terms and place of sale, and of the property to be sold, in three public places in the county, one of which shall be at the bank building. And in the event of the refusal of such debtor to surrender the certificate of stock the same may be cancelled on the books of the bank and new stock issued in lieu thereof to the purchaser.

Sec 8 The management and control of said corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, to be composed of nine stockholders, whose number may be increased or diminished by a vote of the stockholders and who shall be chosen annually by the stockholders of the company and by a majority vote in amount of the stock and in the manner provided by section 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, of 1892. And said Directors shall hold their offices for the space of one year or until their successors are elected and qualified, and no person shall be a Director of the corporation unless he is a stockholder. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, and they shall elect one of their number to be President of the

corporation and one to be vice President thereof, and one of their number or of the stockholders to be cashier. Said Board may require any or all of said officers to give bond in such sum as may be determined by said Board, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their several duties and the safe Keeping of the moneys of said corporation coming into their hands. Said Board of Directors may appoint from time to time such other officers, agents and employes as the business of the corporation may require. They may fix the powers, duties, compensation and terms of office of said officers and may remove them at any time by a two thirds vote of said Board

Sec 9 Said Board of Directors shall have power to make all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to the laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi and consistent with this charter, for the proper management and control of said corporation and its officers, and may amend and repeal the same at pleasure.

Sec 10 The said corporation may enjoy any and all of the rights and privileges consistent with its purposes as as given by Chapter 25, of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, 1892, and the amendments thereof.

Sec 11 The first meeting for the organization of the corporation shall be called and held at such time and place in said town of Laurel, as may be designated by mutual consent of all persons named in these articles, or as may be named by written notice to all such persons, signed by 3 of the incorporators, which said notice shall be mailed to said persons to their post office address at least 3 days prior to the time of the holding of such meeting. If there be a majority of the incorporators present at said meeting, they may proceed to organize by the opening of books for subscription to the stock, and to provide for a meeting of the stockholders thereof, and to do all such other things as may be legal and necessary for the full and complete organization of the Corporation.

Sec 12 This charter of Incorporation shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

No bond, note or evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Feb 8/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bank of Laurel, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/10/99

The Charter of Incorporation of Jackson College

Article 1 That the following persons: namely, Stephen Greene, John H. Chapman, Nathan B. Barton, Charles P. Stark, Henry Franklin Sproles, John Thomas Buck, Samuel D. Brown, J. J. Peyton, D. F. Wiggins, Amos M. Johnson and their successors in office, be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name and style of Jackson College, for the purpose of founding and maintaining a Christian Institution of learning with such literary, professional and industrial departments as to them may seem necessary to promote the object for which they are made a body corporate.

Article 2 The said corporators shall be known as the Board of Trustees of Jackson College and shall possess all of the general powers of bodies corporate under the laws of the State of Mississippi; and shall have power to use a common seal, which may be altered at the pleasure of said corporators; to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; to acquire property by purchase, gift, exchange, devise or bequest, to convey the same, the amount of value of such property not to exceed at any one time Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars; provided however that this limit does not include funds designated by the donors for the endowment of a library, professorships, scholarships, lectureships in the departments of literature, economics, science, medicine, law, theology and arts or other purposes which may promote the object for which the institution is founded.

Article 3 The said Board of Trustees shall have power to receive into affiliation with the said Jackson College, such Colleges, Professional Schools and schools of Industrial Arts in the State of Mississippi as they may deem wise and upon such conditions as they may from time to time determine; and they shall have power to confer subject to such regulations as they may enact, such honors and such degrees as are conferred by institutions possessing university power.

Article 4 The said Board of Trustees shall consist of eleven regular members four of whom shall be negroes and of such ex-officio members as are hereinafter provided, a majority of the regular members shall form a quorum and each member of the Board, regular and ex-officio, shall be entitled to one vote either in person or by proxy, under such regulations as the Board may establish.

Article 5 No religious test shall be made for admission to any department of the College but all members of said Board of Trustees shall be members of evangelical churches in good standing, and not less than eight of the regular members and the President of the College, shall be members of Churches now known as regular Baptist.

Article 6 The said Board of Trustees at their first meeting, which shall be held not later than one year after the granting of this charter

shall organize by electing a President and Secretary of their own number and a Treasurer who may or may not be a member of the Board. The term of office of each member of the Board shall be three years and in order that only a part of the members shall retire from office each year, the Board shall, at its first meeting, divide itself as nearly as possible into three equal classes and shall determine who of its number shall continue in office one year, two years, and three years from such date as may be determined by by law

Article 7 All members of the Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Board itself, the four negro members on the nomination of the regular colored Baptist State Convention of Mississippi, and the seven white members on the nomination of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. All members of the Board shall continue in office until their successors are appointed, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

Article 8 The said Board of Trustees shall have power to make and establish from time to time such by-laws, rules and regulations not contrary to the laws of Mississippi or of the United States as it may deem necessary for the transaction of all its business and for the management of every department of said Jackson College. The Board shall also have power to appoint and remove the President of the College and such Professors, Instructors, Teachers and other officers, agents or servants as it may find necessary to employ in carrying on the work of said college, and to determine the compensation for service of all employees of the college

Article 9 The said Board of Trustees shall have power to appoint of its own members, an executive committee consisting of not more than five nor less than three members which shall have authority during the intervals between the meetings of the Board to transact all the business of the corporation except the purchasing or conveying of real estate, the investment of funds, the appointment or removal of officers or teachers, and fixing their salaries, provided however the said executive committee shall have power to fill temporarily vacancies in the corps of instructors and provide any additional help that may be necessary in carrying on any department of the work until the Board meets.

Article 10 The Corresponding Secretary and Superintendent of Education of the American Baptist Home Mission Society and the Chairman or President of the Board of Trustees of each affiliated institution shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Trustees of the College; and the college in all its departments and its affiliated ~~st~~ schools so long as they receive any pecuniary help from the American Baptist Home Mission~~ary~~ Society, shall be subject to visitation by the Superintendent of Education of the society, and the teachers selected and appointed by the Board shall be subject to approval by the Executive Board of said Society.

Article 11 The Treasurer of said Board of Trustes before entering upon the discharge of his duties shall give bonds with such security and in such penalty as the Board may require, to be made payable to said Board of Trustes for the time being and their successors and conditioned upon the faithful performances of his duty under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Board of Trustees.

Article 12 The said Corporators or Board of Trustes and their successors in office are forbidden by this charter to encumber by mortgage any part of the said college grounds, buildings, library, apparatus or furniture and they are also forbidden to use the principal of any endowment funds for any purpose whatsoever except that to which it is designated by the donor.

Article 13 It is as much as the welfare of society and not pecuniary gain, is the object for which this charter is granted, the members of this corporation shall not be counted stockholders in the legal sense of the term and no dividends or profits shall ever be divided among them and there shall be no individual or personal liability for corporate debts, but the entire property of the said corporation shall be held liable; nor shall the means or income on corporate property of whatever kind be used for any business, speculation, or other purpose than that for which this corporation is created; all property therefore, held and used for the benevolent purposes set forth in this charter shall be exempt from all state, county or municipal taxation

Article 14 This charter shall continue in force for the period of fifty years

No debt by or to this corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such debts shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., March 8, 1899. A. J. McLaurin. Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., March 9, 1899 Wiley N. Nash. Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Jackson College, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/11/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the John F. Champenois Co

Be it known that on this the 27th day of January, 1899, John F. Champenois, Isaac Champenois and John Cliff Champenois, by virtue of the provisions of Chapter Twenty-five (25) of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, and the acts amendatory thereof, do hereby organize and found a corporation for the objects and purposes hereinafter enumerated, and to that end and purpose they do by these presents with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form and constitute themselves and all such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, whether by purchase, descent, subscription or otherwise into a body politic and corporate in law under the following articles of the charter of the said corporation, to-wit:

Article 1 The name and style of this corporation shall be the John F. Champenois Company and in that name shall exist for a period of fifty years from the date of approval of this charter, unless sooner dissolved by the vote and approval of three fourths of its stockholders, and may by purchase or otherwise acquired, have hold and enjoy such real and personal property, not exceeding in value or amount the limit fixed by law, as may be required for the purposes for which this organization is formed; and shall possess all the rights, powers and privileges which corporations under the general laws of the State of Mississippi are authorized to exercide or possess.

Article 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at the store of John F. Champenois Company, in Harrison County, Mississippi, at the village of Perkinston.

Article 3 The capital stock of this incorporation is hereby fixed at fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) divided into five hundred (500) shares of One Hundred Dollars each ($100.00). As soon as this charter shall be approved, the said John F. Champenois, Isaac Champenois and John Cliff Champenois shall open books of subscription to the stock of said Company, and when five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) of stock shall have been subscribed and paid in, a meeting of the stockholders shall be called, of which meeting all subscribers shall be notified, and at which meeting the stockholders shall elect three Directors of said corporation who shall serve as such until the second Wednesday in January, 1900

Article 4 The object and purpose of this corporation are hereby declared to be the manufacture and sale of spirits of turpentine, rosin and other naval stores, the buying and selling of logs and the manufacture of lumber and timber, and the carrying on at such place or places as the Board of Directors may select, of a general mercantile business

Article 5 The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of three Directors, each of whom shall be stockholders in said company, who shall be elected by the stockholders within sixty days after the approval of this charter, and on the second Wednesday of

January, 1900, and annually thereafter on the second Wednesday of January of each year. Elections shall be by ballot and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, to be cast by owner or by proxy. The Board of Directors at their first meeting and annually thereafter following each election of stockholders shall organize by electing a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, provided that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by ~~one~~ the same person. Vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the stockholders at an election to be ~~filled~~ held for that purpose on ten days notice to be given to each of the persons then holding stock as shown by the books of the company. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum. Said Board of Directors may appoint from time to time, also dismiss at their pleasure such officers, agents, clerks and other employees as they may deem necessary for the purposes of the corporation; they may establish as well as alter and amend all by-laws, rules and regulations necessary and proper for the business of the corporation. No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only.

In witness whereof the said incorporators have hereunto set their hand the day and date above written

(John F. Champenois, Thom Cliff Champenois, Isaac Champenois)

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Feb 27/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899. Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the John F. Champenois Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Recorded 3/11/99

Amendment to Charter of Incorporation of the Bay St Louis Land and Improvement Company

Notice is hereby given that the following amendment to the charter of said corporation has been adopted:

1 That section 5 of said charter of incorporation be amended so as to read:

"The business and affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of nine (9) Directors, of whom five (5) shall constitute a quorum, and who shall be selected annually from among the stockholders and who shall elect annually from among their number a President and Vice President, and who shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer from among their number, who shall constitute the officers of said Corporation"

2 That this amendment shall be in force and take effect from and after its approval by the Governor and Attorney General of the State of Mississippi, and after it shall have been published three weeks as required by law

A.R. Hart, Secretary. August Keller, President

Bay St Louis, Miss, Sept 22, 1898.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of Bay St Louis Land and Improvement Company is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his opinion as to whether the same conforms to the constitution and laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, March 3d, 1899 A.J. McLaurin Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Bay St Louis Land and Improvement Company is not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, March 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of Incorporation of the Bay St Louis Land and Improvement Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A.J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Sec'y of State

Recorded 3/11/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 12 PAGE 427 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 9 PAGE 149 403

The charter of Incorporation of the J. E. North Lumber Company

The State of Mississippi }
Harrison County }

Be it known that on this 17th day of February, A. D. 1899, J. E. North, R. Fahey and S. D. Thayer have by these presents agreed to hereby form and constitute themselves a body corporate, under the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Code of 1892 of said State, and acts amendatory thereof, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them.

Article 1 The corporate name of this corporation shall be the "J. E. North Lumber Company" and said corporation shall exist twenty-five years from this date unless sooner dissolved

Article 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at the town of Bond, in said County and State

Article 3 The powers to be exercised under this charter are all those set forth in said Chapter 25 of said Code and amendments to said chapter so far as the same are applicable to corporations organized for the purposes herein contained.

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are declared to be the manufacture and sale of lumber and other articles in wood, for operating steam saw mills, and machinery for that purpose and such other purposes as may be deemed advantageous to such corporation consistent with law, for the purchase and sale of real estate and personal property necessary for said purposes, and to hold such real estate not in excess of the amount prohibited by law, to carry on the business of farming, merchandising and all such other business as such corporation may deem advisable to engage in, consistent with law for any of the purposes above named or connected therewith or such as may be deemed to its advantage as aforesaid, and also to construct and operate logging railroads for the purpose of transporting logs to its mills and for all other purposes consistent with the law under which this corporation is organized.

Article 5 The capital stock of this corporation is fixed at Twenty Five Thousand Dollars with the privilege at the option of said corporation to increase to Fifty Thousand Dollars, and which said capital stock shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

Article 6 All the powers of this corporation shall be exercised by a Board of Directors composed of not less than three persons nor more

than five, elected from among the stock holders, elected to be held at the domicile of this corporation on the 2d Monday in January, A.D., 1900 and of each year thereafter, vacancies occurring in said Board from any cause shall be filled by the remaining directors from among the stock holders, three Directors shall constitute a quorum. The Board of Directors shall elect or appoint all the clerks, agents and employees and fix their salaries. Each Board of Directors at its first meeting shall elect from among its members a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, meetings of said Board of Directors shall be held within this State, but the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person.

Article 7 The following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors, J. E. North, R. Fahey and S. D. Thayer of whom J. E. North shall be President, R. Fahey, Vice President and S. D. Thayer, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall continue in office until the second Monday in January, 1900 and until their ~~second~~ Monday successors are chosen, All the books of this corporation of every kind and description shall be kept at its domicile, and shall be open to inspection by any of the stockholders of this corporation at any and all times.

Article 8 This corporation shall have the right to sue, and may be sued, to make and use a corporate seal and to make such by laws as it may see proper, consistent with this charter, and for the proper management of its business In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands on the day and year first above written

J. E. North, S. D. Thayer, Richard Fahey.

No debt of or to this corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., March 7, 1899

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., March 9, 1899

Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the J. E. North Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/13/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Brookhaven Ice Manufacturing Company.

1st The name of this corporation is and shall be "The Brookhaven Ice Manufacturing Company.

2d The purposes for which this corporation is created are:

a To manufacture ice and sell the same.

b To own real and personal property, necessary for the business of the corporation, to mortgage, sell and dispose of the same

c To own and to operate a cold storage.

d To keep and to conduct a market for fresh meats, fruits, vegetables, poultry, eggs, milk, butter and all other articles that it is usual and customary to keep in a market, and to vend the same

3d The persons interested in this corporation and who seek its formation are, C. F. Veneck and C. E. Grafton.

4th The powers to be exercised by this corporation are those defined and specified in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, and especially those set out in sections 836-838 and 862 of said Annotated Code and which are necessary and proper for putting into execution the purposes of this corporation.

5th The period for which this corporation is to exist shall be fifty years from and after January the 1st 1899

6th The capital stock of said corporation shall be not less than Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars and not more than Twenty Thousand ($20,000.00), with power in the stockholders to increase or to diminish the same within said minimum and maximum amounts, and subscriptions for stock may be paid for in money or property at its fair, actual value in cash.

7th The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of Brookhaven, County of Lincoln, State of Mississippi, and organization hereunder may be at the city of Brookhaven in said county and State.

This act of incorporation shall go into effect at once upon its approval.

"The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss Jan 21/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson. Miss, Jan 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Brookhaven Ice Manufacturing Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 30th day of January, 1899.

By the Governor
Secy of State

A. J. McLaurin

Brietus H. Cassedy Jr
3/16/99

Recorded 3/16/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 14 PAGE 255

The Charter of Incorporation of the Senatobia Oil Company, of Senatobia, Mississippi

Sec 1 "J. P. Gabbert, M. O. Moore, R. G. Meacham, Robert Hughes, J. E. Cahill, Phil A. Rush, Garrott & Co. (a mercantile firm composed of W. B. Roseborough, J. L. Roseborough, and Miss Sue Garrott), Garrett & Locke, (a mercantile firm composed of Henry Garrett and M. F. Locke), Still Bros. (a mercantile firm composed of V. O. Still and W. E. Still) their associates and successors, and all such persons as may hereafter become associated with them, and the successors of such persons, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of "The Senatobia Oil Company" and as such company shall continue in existence for the period of fifty years, unless sooner dissolved, and it shall have all the privileges and exercise all the powers conferred on such corporations by the laws of the State of Mississippi, and shall be located at Senatobia, Mississippi

Section 2 The purposes for which this corporation is created shall be the buying, ginning, baling, storing and selling of cotton, and manufacturing the same into thread or other finished products; the buying and selling of cotton seed and manufacturing the same into ~~thread~~ oil or other products; the buying, feeding and selling of cattle; the buying, grinding and selling of corn and wheat and their products; the making and selling of brick; the making of any and all articles of general use and merchandise from their raw materials; the manufacturing of coal or other gases; the generating of electricity, and the pumping and supplying of water, to or for any public or private corporation or any individual.

Section 3 The capital stock of this company shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, with authority in the stockholders owning a majority of the paid up stock to increase the capital stock to any amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars, at a meeting called for that purpose

Section 4 The affairs and business of this company shall be confided to and controlled by a Board of five Directors under such rules and by laws as the stockholders may see proper to adopt, not inconsistent with this charter and not in violation of the laws of the land. The other officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. The officers shall be elected by ballot by the stockholders, from their number, on the first Monday of August of each year; but in the event of a failure to elect at that time a special meeting may be called for that purpose. The President

and Vice President shall be elected from among the Directors, and the Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected from among the Directors or other stockholders.

Section 5 The terms of all officers shall be for one year from the first Monday of August of each year and until their successors are elected and qualified; provided, that the officers first elected under this charter shall hold their offices until the first Monday of August, 1899. The bond of any officer holding over at any time shall be responsible in the same manner and to the same extent as for the time for which such officer was elected

Section 6 In all meetings of the stockholders each one shall be allowed one vote for each share of stock owned; and in any meeting held by the stockholders or Board of Directors, an absent stockholder or Director may be represented by a proxy appointed in writing.

Section 7 Special meetings of stockholders may be called by the Board of Directors, or by the President, or Vice President, at the written request of three or more stockholders, which request and call shall state plainly and specifically the object of the meeting and at such meetings no other business than that for which it is called shall be transacted.

Section 8 In the event of the death, resignation or removal from office of any officer, the vacancy shall be filled by the stockholders at a meeting to be called for that purpose.

Section 9 Three Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in the Board.

Section 10 At each annual meting, and at any other time when called upon by the stockholders, the Board of Directors shall make a full report of the condition, financial and otherwise, of the Company

Section 11 The salary of each officer of this Company shall be fixed by the Board of Directors; but no Director shall receive any pay for his services as a Director; and it shall be the duty of each officer and employee to give such bond and discharge such duties as the Board of Directors may require.

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. Feb 25/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Senatobia Oil Mill Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 3/16/99

Bill sent to
Phil A. Rush
Senatobia, Miss
3/16/99

Hon. A. J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi

Application for the creation and organization of a railroad corporation, as hereinafter set ~~forth~~ out, is hereby made

(a) The name residence and postoffices of each of the applicants is as follows:

Name	Residence	Postoffice
B. L. Lee	Washington County, Miss	Leland, Miss
Geo G. Johnson	" " "	" "
J. N. Wynn	Greenville, Miss	Greenville, Miss
W. P. Stone	" "	" "
W. N. Everman	" "	" "
J. D. Smythe	" "	" "
J. S. Walker	" "	" "
G. M. Nelson	" "	" "
J. P. Atterbury	Estill "	Estill "
J. C. Lusby	Bluella "	Bluella "
N. C. McGee	Wallandale "	Wallandale "

(b) The terminal point of said proposed railroad is the center of Section 14. Township 19, Range 6 of Washington County, Mississippi on the North, and the mouth of Murphys Bayou where it empties into the Sunflower River in Washington County, Mississippi on the South

(c) The line of said proposed railroad is in a ~~northerly~~ and southerly direction, following the general course of Bogue Phalia to the Sunflower river near the mouth of Murphy's Bayou

(d) The name of said proposed corporation is the Bogue-Phalia and Sunflower river Railway Company.

(e) The time within which it is hoped said rail road will be completed is, two years. W. P. Stone, W. N. Everman, J. S. Walker, J. D. Smythe, J. N. Wynn, J. C. Lusby, Henry C. McGee, J. P. Atterbury Geo G. Johnson, G. M. Nelson, B. L. Lee

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The State of Mississippi }
Executive Department }

To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting

Whereas, B. L. Lee, Geo. G. Johnson, whose postoffice address is Leland, Mississippi, J. N. Wynn, W. P. Stone, W. N. Everman, J. D. Smythe, J. S. Walker, G. M. Nelson, whose postoffice address is Greenville, Mississippi, J. P. Atterbury, whose postoffice address is Estill, Mississippi, J. C. Lusby, whose postoffice address is Bluella, Mississippi, and N. C. McGee, whose postoffice address is Hollandale, Mississippi, did on the 15th day of March, 1899, present to

me their application declaring their intention of organizing a railroad corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi

Now therefore, I, A. J. McLaurin, Governor of the State of Mississippi, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State, do issue this my proclamation authorizing the said B. L. Lee, George G. Johnson, J. H. Wynn, W. W. Stone, W. A. Everman, J. D. Smythe, J. S. Walker, G. W. Nelms, J. P. Atterbury, J. C. Lusby and W. C. McGee, whose post office address is as above stated, to organize a railroad corporation with the terminal points as follows, to-wit: The center of section 14, Township 19, Range 6, of Washington county, Mississippi on the North, and the mouth of Murphy's Bayou where it empties into Sunflower River in Washington county, Mississippi on the South

The line of the said railroad to be in a northerly and southerly direction, following the general course of Bogue-Phalia to the Sunflower river near the mouth of Murphy's Bayou.

And the name of the said railroad corporation is hereby fixed as the "Bogue-Phalia and Sunflower River Railway Company."

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, in the city of Jackson, this the 15th day of March, in the year of our Lord, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power

Secty of State

The foregoing furnished application to organize a railroad corporation in this State is respectfully submitted to the Hon. Atty Genl for his opinion as to whether it be in conformity to law.

Jackson, Miss., March 15, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

Bill sent to J. W. Wynn Greenville, Miss 3/16/99

The foregoing furnished application to organize a railroad corporation conforms to law

Jackson, Miss., Mch 15, 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty. General

Recorded 3/16/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Holly Springs, Mississippi

Section 1 Be it known that J. G. Leach, John E. Anderson, L. A. Rather, Geo. M. Buchanan, W. B. Brown, Sam Frank, T. H. Raymond, R. Shumacker, Addison Craft, J. C. Totten, R. G. McNamee, and their associates and successors be, and they are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Merchants and Farmers Bank, and under that name shall have succession for the period of fifty years; and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of law and equity, and by that name may contract and be contracted with, and may have a seal, and the same to alter at pleasure, and by that name do and perform all the acts, and possess all the powers and privileges of bodies politic and corporate.

Section 2 Be it further known, That the capital stock of said bank shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each, with the privilege of increasing said capital stock at any time, to One Hundred Thousand Dollars; and that so soon as the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in, said Bank may commence business.

Section 3 Be it further known, That the management of said Bank shall be confided to a Board of nine Directors, (a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum), all of whom shall be stockholders of said bank to be elected annually by the stockholders thereof, and they shall hold their office until their successors are duly elected and qualified; The said Directors shall make and adopt such rules, by-laws and regulations for the government and management of said bank, and the transaction of the business thereof as they shall deem best and most expedient for effecting the objects of said corporation and furthering its interests; Providing they shall make no rule or by-law in conflict with the constitution or laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi; in which said by-laws, said Directors shall provide for the election and salaries of the officers of said Bank, and for the appointment and pay of its agents or employees; for filling vacancies in office, and for removing any officer, agent or employee for mis-conduct or incapacity; for the subscription of stock; for the purchase and sale of the bank stock and property; for the manner in which said bank may advance and loan money; provided that the rate of interest on money loaned by said bank shall not exceed ten per cent. per annum; shall make all other regulations for the business of said bank as shall not conflict with the constitution and laws of the United States and State of Mississippi.

Section 4 Be it further known, That said bank shall contract and be conducted with by its corporate name, and may acquire and hold real, personal and mixed property by purchase or otherwise, and may sell, mortgage, alien, dispose of the same, and do all the acts incident to banks, bodies corporate and politic; may invest the capital of said bank in gold and silver coin, bullion, bank notes, silver and gold certificates, certificate of deposit, all moneys current or uncurrent, bonds of the United States and of any State, county or municipal corporations; and in any public or private securities of value; may invest in mortgages, trust deeds, bills of exchange, notes, bills single, accounts and other evidences of debt; may deal in exchange, foreign and domestic, may discount notes, bills single, bills of exchange, and all other evidences of debt; may receive in trust or on deposit gold and silver coin, bullion, bank notes, current and uncurrent money, gold and silver certificates, treasury notes, certificates of deposit, or any other valuable thing, and may loan the same; may borrow and loan money and other securities at such rate of interest and for such period of time as may be agreed upon by the parties in writing not to exceed ten per cent. per annum; may buy and sell notes, bills single, drafts, United States and State bonds, municipal, county, district and levee bonds, warrants and all other public and private securities and bonds current and uncurrent securities; may do a bank collection discount and exchange business as is customary with banks.

Section 5 Be it further known, That said Bank shall have power to take deeds of trust, mortgages, bills of sale, pledges and deposits, and other conveyances of real, personal and mixed property, as security for money loaned; may hold and possess and real estate they may deem necessary or convenient, to enable said bank to carry on its business, and any property real, personal or mixed, which at any time may be taken in payment of any debt due said bank, and said bank may alien, sell or dispose of the same as it may deem best; may issue certificates of deposit stating the terms of the deposit, but shall issue no paper to circulate as money; said bank may for compensation become surety on any bonds required by law to be executed in any legal proceedings in the courts of this State, or by administrators, executors or receivers or other bonds of indemnity

Section 6 Be it further known, That the certificates of shares or stock shall be made payable to the stockholder by name, and negotiable and assignable by endorsement, and having the same transferred upon the books of the bank as provided by its by-laws, and each share shall entitle the holder thereof in the election of Directors

to vote in person or by proxy, one vote as now provided by law.

Section 7 Be it further known, That said bank shall be domiciled at Holly Springs, County of Marshall, State of Mississippi

No indebtedness by or to the bank shall be payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that they shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss. Mch 13/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. Mch 1899 Sidney M. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Merchants and Farmers Bank, of Holly Springs, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 15th day of March, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Bill sent to Smith & Potter Holly Springs 3/18/99

Recorded 3/18/99

The charter of Incorporation of the "Berclair Gin Company"

Section 1 J. P. Lay, J. C. Purnell, A. C. Robinson, A. Robinson and their associates and those hereafter associated with them and their successors be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Berclair Gin Company" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity and have a common seal, the same to break or alter at pleasure.

Section 2 This corporation is authorized to erect and operate a plant for the ginning of cotton in Leflore County, Mississippi, with all the powers expressed or implied, incident thereto. This corporation shall have the right and exercise the privilege of buying and selling cotton, seeds, lands and personal property of every kind.

Section 3 The capital stock of this corporation shall be not less than $6,000.00 divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, but may be increased to any amount not to exceed $50,000.00 at the pleasure of a majority of the stockholders; and in all elections each share shall be entitled to one vote

Section 4 The management of this corporation, shall be confided to the four men owning capital stock, which four men shall be known as Directors, each one of whom shall be authorized to transact business for the corporation.

Section 5 The books and general management of the corporation shall be open at all times for the inspection of any stockholder.

Section 6 The stockholders shall not be liable for any amount except the unpaid portion of the shares of stock subscribed for by each of them respectively

Section 7 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Berclair Leflore County, Mississippi

Section 8 This corporation may exist for fifty years, from November 1st, 1898.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss; Jan 23, 1899 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss; Jan 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Execution Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Berclair Gin Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/23/99

Bill to J. L. Purnell Winona Miss 3/23/99

Dissolved by Decree in the Chancery Court of Lincoln County, October 27, 1924.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Pearl River Lumber Company.

1st The purposes for which this corporation are created are:
The manufacture and dealing in lumber.

2d The manufacture and dealing in brick.

3d The manufacture and dealing in cotton seed, cotton seed oil, cotton seed meal, cotton seed hulls and commercial fertilizers.

4th The carrying on of such mercantile establishment as shall be deemed essential and proper as an aid to its manufacturing enterprises.

5th The buying, selling and trading of land and timber as the same shall be thought advantageous and promotive of the interest of the corporation in its said manufacturing enterprises.

6th The owning, building, equipping, repairing and maintaining of such tramways or private railways as shall be deemed advantageous to the corporation as aids to its said business.

7th The carrying on of such planting or farming operations and live stock raising as shall be thought advantageous to the corporation as aids to its said business.

The persons interested in this corporation and who are instrumental in seeking its formation are A. E. Marston, S. E. Marston, F. F. Becker, D. J. Batchelder, Jr., B. Montgomery, W. N. Deary, J. W. McGrath, Luther Sexton, Raiford Kreth, J. F. Miazza and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them.

The name by which this corporation shall be known is "Pearl River Lumber Company"

The powers to be exercised by this corporation are those defined and specified in Chapter twenty five of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, and especially those set out in sections 836, 838, 842, 843 and 844 of said chapter, and section 3581 of said Annotated Code, and which are necessary and proper for carrying out the purposes of this corporation. It shall have power to issue any part of its capital stock as preferred stock and to fix the relative rights of common and preferred stock and to issue such bonds and obligations as it may from time to time determine.

The period for which this corporation ~~shall~~ is to exist shall be fifty years from and after its approval.

The capital stock of said corporation shall be not less than One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than One Million Dollars, with power in the stockholders to increase or diminish the same within the said minimum and maximum amounts, and subscriptions for stock shall be paid in money.

The domicile of said corporation shall be at such place in the State of Mississippi as the Directors may determine. An organization hereunder may be had at the city of Brookhaven, in said State.

The officers of this corporation, until otherwise determined by the Stockholders, shall be President, a Vice President a Secretary, a General Manager and a Treasurer; but if it is desirable the same person may hold any two or more of said offices and the officers may be Directors of the corporation.

This act of incorporation shall go into effect and operation at once upon its approval

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., March 23d, 1899 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, March 23, 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Pearl River Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/24/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Cotton Manufacturing Company

Be it known, that James Nill, E. N. Lampton, R. L. Johnson, N. N. Anderson, W. E. Nash, L. J. Winston, G. F. Bowles, A. D. Johnican, T. J. Wilson, O. O. Ross, Smith Robertson, E. B. Pope, J. N. Beadle, W. Newman, S. D. Redman, E. E. Pettibone, E. E. Perkins, J. N. Buford, J. G. Robinson, W. M. Ford, D. Cox, C. Banks, R. D. Littlejohn, N. M. Johnson, N. N. Hamilton, J. W. Harris, F. W. Graham, J. P. Nightower, D. W. Foreman, S. Blevins, J. Taylor, P. S. Golden, E. N. Triplett, F. J. Nill, S. B. Blackwell, J. J. Garrett D. F. Montgomery, N. G. Pearce, P. V. Mc Allister, W. W. Cox, R. N. Smith, J. L. Collins, W. N. Higgins, C. Henri Woods, J. E. McBeth, T. J Keys, L. J. Pierce, E. N. Chapman, J. W. Longstreet, N. Cowan, B. W. Jackson, J. M. Stumpert, and their associates and successors and assigns be and they are hereby created a body politic, by the name of the "Mississippi Cotton Manufacturing Company" and that by this name they may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with and shall be capable of purchasing, holding and alienating all kinds of property, real, personal and mixed, for the purpose of and necessary to carrying on in the County of in this State and are empowered to carry on the manufacturing of woolen and cotton yarns, woolen and cotton fabrics, cotton seed and seed oil, cotton seed meal, fertilizers of all kinds, lumber, cotton and iron machinery, iron casting, wood-work in all its branches, ginning and baling and compressing cotton and any other manufacturing and for the erection of all buildings and purchasing all machinery therefor; this corporation shall be in full force and effect fifty years from the date of its approval; And said corporation shall have power to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the Constitution and laws of the United States or of this State, which may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes and provisions of this corporation.

Sec 2 The capital stock of said company shall be Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, to be divided into shares fixed hereafter by the Directors; which capital stock may be hereafter increased to One Million Dollars or any less sum, by a vote of the stockholders; provided, that the owners of a majority of the shares of stock shall vote for such increase

Sec. 3. That in conducting the affairs of said company, and in all other votes for Directors, or any other purpose, each stockholder shall be entitled to vote as many votes as he owns shares in the capital stock of said company, each share entitling him to one vote, and to make any valid election

or to adopt any resolution or measure by the stockholders, it shall always require not less than a majority of the shares of stock shall be present or to be represented at such meeting provided, however, that such stock holder may attend at any meeting of the stockholders and vote either in person or by proxy. Indebtedness to or by the company shall be so made that the same will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

Sec 4 That a meeting of the parties hereby incorporated shall be held for the purpose of organizing under this charter, in the city of Jackson, within ten days after the approval of this charter and if not held at that time, then at such other time as it may be called by James Hill or any other incorporator who shall give ten days notice by advertisement in some newspaper published in the city of Jackson, of the time designated for such meeting.

Section 5 That the Board of Directors shall consist of fifteen of the share holders of said corporation who shall elect one of their number President, that said Directors shall be elected as soon as practicable after ten thousand dollars of stock is subscribed, and that said Board of Directors shall be elected annually or biennially as a majority of the share holders may decide in such manner as may be provided by the by-laws and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified, and shall transact the business of said company.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality of the provisions thereof

March 24, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

March 24, 1899. Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss } The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Mississippi Cotton Manufacturing Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 27th day of March, 1899

Anselm J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/27/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi

Sec 1 This corporation is created and organized for the purpose of insuring the property of its own members only against loss by fire, wind and lightning upon the mutual assessment plan.

Sec 2. The corporate name of said incorporation shall be the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi, and shall be composed of Alexander T. Oliver, General Manager, and Edward Joiner, Secretary and Treasurer and such others as may associate themselves with them, and their successors and assigns; and the said incorporation shall have succession and existence for a period of fifty years, unless sooner annulled as provided by law.

Sec 3 This incorporation shall have power to issue policies of insurance to its members only, insuring their property against fire, wind and lightning and to fix charges for membership and for such insurance; and to appoint agents and fix the amount to be paid for their services, and to prescribe the form of the contract or policy of insurance; to contract and be contracted with; to have a common seal and to change the same at will; to acquire and hold such property, real and personal, as may be necessary for the business of the corporation, and not in violation of law, and to sell the same; to borrow and loan money; but no contract or debt by or to the company shall be payable in gold only; all such shall be payable in any legal tender money of the United States; to make all contracts necessary to the full enjoyment of the rights, powers and privileges hereby conferred, and that are conferred by the laws of the State of Mississippi; and may make all necessary by-laws for the government and control of this incorporation not contrary to law; and may sue and be sued in all the courts of this State.

Sec 4 The affairs of this incorporation shall be managed by the officers of said incorporation as provided by law and the first meeting of said officers shall be on the first Monday in October, 1906 and annually thereafter. Said officers shall elect one of their members General Manager, and one Secretary and such agents as in their judgment will be necessary to properly conduct the business of this association. Until this election shall take place, the business shall be managed by Alexander T. Oliver, as General Manager and Edward Joiner as Secretary and Treasurer and said officers may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of said officers, and this Association may commence to do business at once after this charter is granted.

Sec 5 The domicile and main office of said incorporation shall be in the city of West Point, Mississippi, but may be changed at any time and branch offices may be established at any other place or places in the State of Mississippi by the officers of said Association

Sec 6 That all of said incorporators are citizens and residents of West Point, Mississippi

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., March 22/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., March 1899 Riley N. Nash. Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/29/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Business League of Meridian, Mississippi

1 Be it Known that E. Cahn, W. M. Stutt, W. A Brown, L. A. Duncan, W. D Cameron, W. M. Bluefoot, A. J. Bozeman, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate, under the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, to be known as the Young Mens Business League and to be domiciled in the city of Meridian, Mississippi

2 The purposes of the corporation are to promote, encourage and foster, by all lawful means, the commercial, educational and other interests of the city of Meridian, ~~Mississippi~~ and the inhabitants thereof.

3 To that end it make its own by laws and prescribe the number and character of its offices and directors and their duties, salaries and tenure. It may elect all necessary officers and appoint or have appointed all committees, agents, and servants necessary in the conduct of its business. It may prescribe the terms and conditions of membership, may levy assessments upon its members sufficient to cover expenses incurred in conducting the affairs of the corporation, and shall have all other powers necessary to, or consistent with, its purposes, that are given in said chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi.

4 It shall, under no circumstances, however, contract any debts beyond such as are necessary in presentation, conduct and management of its affairs and no member shall be liable for the debts of the League beyond the amount of his membership fee and dues remaining unpaid. But it may accumulate a fund, or funds, by voluntary contribution or subscription, and aid in the establishment of any work of improvement or industry calculated to promote the public welfare of the city of Meridian

5 This corporation may have succession for a period of fifty years, and as soon as this charter is approved by the Governor, and recorded, as required by law, the corporators, or a majority of them, may meet on one day's notice and organize the same.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Jan 23/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Jan 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Young Mens Business League, of Meridian, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/29/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Delta Clay Manufacturing Company.

Section 1 B. S. Ricks, Fanny J. Ricks, T. J. Harvey, Willie N. Glass, N. O. Glass, their associates and successors are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Delta Clay Manufacturing Company, for the purpose of manufacturing brick, tile and any other manufactures of clay or other minerals and preparing the same for market and sale and to buy and sell building material

Section 2 Said corporation shall exist and have succession for a period of fifty years and it may have and adopt a common seal and alter and change the same at pleasure, and it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and it may acquire by purchase or otherwise all kinds of property, real, personal and mixed, necessary for transacting its business and hold or sell same and it may borrow and lend money, and negotiate loans for others and charge a reasonable commission therefor and make all needful contracts in the interest of its business and not prohibited by law, and it may make all needful by-laws for the regulation and government of its affairs and do all other acts incident to a corporation within the scope of its business and not in violation of the constitution of the United States or of the State of Mississippi nor contrary to the laws thereof.

Section 3 The domicile and place of business of said corporation shall be in Greenwood, in the county of Leflore, State of Mississippi, but it may acquire and hold houses, grounds and buildings and establish selling agencys or any other purpose connected with its business at any other place or places and sell and dispose of same at pleasure.

Section 4 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars with the right to increase it on a vote of the stockholders from time to time to an amount not exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars and said stock shall be divided into shares ~~annually~~ amounting to $100.00 each, but one certificate for the whole number of shares held by one person or firm may be issued instead of a certificate for each share and no stockholder shall be liable for the debts of said corporation beyond the unpaid amount of his subscription.

Section 5 The offices of this corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and Three Directors who shall be elected annually by the stockholders. The President, Vice President and Directors shall be stockholders of this corporation. In the event of any vacancy occurring in any office the same may be filled by the ~~same power~~ Board of Directors but only to fill the unexpired term. The office of Secretary & Treasurer may be filled by the same person. The President and Vice President shall be ex-officio Directors and shall have the right to vote in all Directory meetings. The Board of Directors shall have such power in the control and management of the business of said corporation as usually pertains to a Board of Directors

Section 6 When one Thousand Dollars has been subscribed to the Capital Stock of said corporation it may commence business.

Section 7 In conducting the affairs of said corporation and in all voting for Directors or any other purpose whatever, each stockholder shall be entitled to as many votes as he has shares of stock and no meeting of stockholders shall be held for business unless the holders of a majority of the shares of stock shall be present in person or by written proxy filed with the Secretary, after due notice given as shall be prescribed in the by-laws of said corporation

Section 8 Said corporation shall also have the right if its stockholders or a majority of them desire, to operate coal and fuel yards, buy and sell coal and wood and shall also have the right to construct and operate any and all such tramways, steamboats and barges as its Directors may deem expedient or desirable to enable it to handle or control its products and materials manufactured or unmanufactured required in its business; and shall have all the powers and privileges granted by the provisions of chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892

Section 9 A meeting of the subscribers to said corporation may be called for the purpose of effecting an organization by written notice signed by three of the incorporators as soon as this charter is approved by the Governor, by giving five days notice to the incorporators

No indebtedness of the corporation shall be payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Mch 15/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Mch /99 Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Delta Clay and Mfg Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/30/99

The charter of incorporation of the Yalobusha Telephone Company.

Section 1 Be it remembered that on this 1st day of December, A.D. 1898, A. E. Jennings, J. P. Blount, James S. Davis, John R. McLelland and such others as they may associate with them hereafter, be and they are hereby created a body politic and are incorporated under the laws of the State of Mississippi and shall be known and designated under the corporate name of "The Yalobusha Telephone Company" and under such name have existence, may sue and be sued, own property and exercise all the rights, powers and privileges warranted to corporations under the laws of this State.

Section 2 The purposes of this incorporation shall be to erect, maintain, own and operate telephone, telegraph or other such lines and modes of communication between different points in this State as hereinafter set out in this charter

Section 3 The period of time for which this corporation may exist is fifty years, and the powers it may exercise are all the powers necessary to carry on and conduct the telephone, telegraph or other such modes of communication between points in this State. May secure and own, by purchase or gift, rights of way, franchises and property of all descriptions necessary to conduct of its business; may have a common seal and may alter the same; may issue shares of stock; may elect officers and Boards of Control, whose actions shall be binding on the corporation; may make by-laws and execute the same and do all acts not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Section 4 The domicile of this corporation shall be in the county of Yalobusha, in the State of Mississippi, with power to establish offices in the counties of Calhoun, Chickasaw, Pallahatchie, and Quitman, in this State, shall have the right to erect, construct, operate and maintain telegraph, telephone, or other such modes of communication over the public highways and to all the different towns in the said counties of Calhoun, Chickasaw, Pallahatchie, Quitman and Yalobusha, after first having obtained the franchise, permission or privilege so to do from the proper local authorities of the different counties through which a proposed line is to be run.

Section 5 The stockholders of this corporation shall be individually liable and held bound for the debts of the incorporation only to the extent of their unpaid stock as made and provided under Section 844 Annotated Code of Mississippi

Section 6 This charter to take effect and be in force from and after its approval as provided by law.

No indebtedness owing to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, March 15th/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, March 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Yalobusha Telephone Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/31/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Holly Grove Union of Vicksburg, Mississippi

Be it known that J. J. Ellison, Willie Lewis, R. A. Kenney, Dan Tyler, Jacob Dunn, Isaac Miles, John Murphy, Henry Preston, John Marbray, C. C. Archey, S. C. Adams, Billy Williams, Emma Norton, Sarah Marbray, Lucy Williams, Matilda Adams, Maggie Murphy, Rose Lewis and such other persons as shall be associated with them, and their successors are hereby incorporated into a body politic with succession for fifty years under the name of the Holly Grove Union.

The domicile of said corporation shall be Vicksburg, Mississippi; and under the name of Holly Grove Union it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court in the State of Mississippi

The said Corporation shall have power to establish and maintain such institutions of learning as it may see fit at any place in the State of Mississippi; it shall have power to own, possess and have a burying ground or cemetary or such number of them as it may see fit to establish and set aside for the use of its own members or such other persons as it may allow the use thereof; it shall have power to establish and maintain such asylums or homes for the aged as it may deem necessary and for that purpose it may buy and hold real estate necessary for the transaction of its business, or personal property to the value of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

The said Corporation shall have power to establish and maintain such scientific, literary or educational or mechanical schools as its directors shall see fit and generally to have the powers and right to do all necessary things toward their maintenance and establishment.

The said corporation may borrow money and for that purpose may give, grant, alienate or encumber any of its estate, real or personal and may issue its notes or debentures to evidence its indebtedness.

The said Corporation may commence ~~business~~ its operations upon the approval of this charter and the election of such officers as may be provided for under such by-laws and Constitution as it may adopt or approve

The said Holly Grove Union may have and possess a common seal which it may break or alter at its pleasure, and under which it may convey or encumber any property necessary and proper to be conveyed or encumbered

No evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Dec 3/98 A J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Dec 3, 1898 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Holly Grove Union, of Vicksburg, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 23d day of December, 1898

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 3/31/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Delta Box Company.

Sec 1 F. Straight, Geo. A. Payne, H. S. Jones and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of "The Delta Box Company, and as such shall have succession for fifty years, and said corporation is hereby made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy, real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, ($250,000.00) in value. And to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple, or otherwise, and the same or any part thereof, or said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue notes, bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a common seal, and the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure. The domicile of the said corporation shall be at Vicksburg, Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time, by the vote of the holders of a majority of the stock in said corporation.

Section 2 The said corporation shall have the power, and it is hereby authorized to erect, construct, own, acquire, operate and maintain any and all kinds of mills, factories, plants or establishments that may be necessary, useful or convenient in the manufacture of, and to manufacture and make, buy, sell and deal in wooden ware and wood work of every kind, character or description, and to buy, sell and deal in trees, timber, lumber and all kinds of wood, and goods, wares and merchandise of every kind or description, and to do all other acts necessary and convenient in the judgment of the officers and Directors of said corporation, or the welfare and business of said Company, and said corporation shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by, or enumerated in, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892.

Section 3 The capital stock of the said corporation shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars, ($20,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, and may be increased or diminished from time to time by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock in said corporation.

Section 4 The management of the business of the said Company shall be confided to not less than three nor more than five Directors, who shall be stockholders of said Company, and who shall be elected annually by the stockholders, and the majority of the said Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall elect from their number a President and a Vice President, and shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, and may appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employes as they may deem proper. The said Directors shall hold their offices until

their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation or otherwise.

Section 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by laws and regulations for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said company and may from time to time alter or renew the same as they see fit.

Section 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock, then present in person or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at such meetings. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, it or her.

Section 7 No stockholder of said company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said company beyond the amount of his, its or her unpaid subscription to said capital stock.

Section 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid for in cash or in property

Section 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and as soon as Five Hundred Dollars, ($500.00) shall have been subscribed said company may organize, elect Directors and commence business

No bond, note or evidence of debt shall be made by or to the corporation payable in gold only, but all such shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Feb 10, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Feb 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Delta Box Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secty of State

Recorded 4/1/99

 Dissolved by decree of Chancery court of Washington county, October 7th 1920

The Charter of Incorporation of the George & Nelms Company.

"Be it Known:

1st That W. P. George, L. L. Nelms, R. P. Rabison, and P. L. Warbison, and their present or future associates, are hereby created a corporation, for the period of fifty years, domiciled at Greenville, Mississippi, under the name of George & Nelms Company

2d That the purpose of said corporation is, to engage in and carry on, by wholesale or retail, a general mercantile business, according to the usual custom of merchants; and to buy and sell property of every kind

3d That said corporation may adopt its corporate seal, and may alter the same at pleasure, may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, buy and sell, for cash or on credit, goods, wares and merchandise, borrow money, issue notes, draw checks and bills of exchange, accept and indorse the same, acquire and hold real estate necessary for transaction of its business and personal property, not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, in value, and may hypothecate, mortgage, sell and convey the same, adopt all necessary by-laws and do and perform all other corporate acts, authorized and prescribed by Chapter 25 of the Code of 1892

4th That the general supervision and government of said corporation, and its affairs, is committed to a Board of Directors, composed of three persons, but the number of Directors may be increased to five, by the stockholders at any regular annual meeting; And the officers of said corporation shall be a President, General Manager, Secretary and Treasurer, whose duties and salary shall be prescribed by the Board of Directors, and who shall be subject to the control of said Board. The offices of President and General Manager may be filled by one and the same person, or a separate person may be chosen for each office; and in case a married woman be a stockholder in said corporation, her husband, with her consent, may be chosen to fill any of said offices, or to serve as one of the Directors of said corporation. The Directors are to be chosen by the stockholders at a meeting called for the purpose of organizing said corporation, or at any subsequent meeting, to serve until the first annual meeting of the stockholders thereafter, and annually thereafter the stockholders are to choose or elect said Directors; and the Board of Directors shall, at any meeting of said Board, choose or elect the officers of said corporation, and all the powers mentioned in paragraph 3d of this charter may be exercised by said Board of Directors

5th That the capital stock of said corporation is to be Six Thousand Dollars, represented by shares, each of the denomination of One

Hundred Dollars, but the capital stock may be increased by the stockholders to an amount not exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars, and such increase may be again decreased, by the stockholders, to an amount not less than Six Thousand Dollars, as may be deemed for the best interests of said corporation

6th That the first meeting of the incorporators herein may be called by any one of them upon giving notice in writing to each of the others, stating the time and place of such meeting, and, when assembled, they may proceed to organize said corporation; and thereafter the stockholders shall meet on the first Monday of February of each year, for the purpose of electing Directors, and doing any other acts within the scope of their powers; and the Directors of said corporation shall meet as soon after their election as practicable, for the purpose of electing or choosing the officers of said corporation, and doing other acts advisable to be done, and thereafter at such times as may be prescribed in the by laws of said Corporation

8th That, at all meetings of stockholders, a majority, in amount, of the stock shall be represented; and it shall be necessary to the exercise of the powers herein conferred upon the stockholders, that a majority in amount, of the stock represented at any meeting shall be voted in favor of the exercise of such powers.

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Mch 2/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. March 1899 Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss 3 The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Geauga and Delmo Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/1/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the White and Podesta Company

Simon B. White, Mary Podesta, and W. J. Rendall, their associates and successors, are hereby constituted in a body corporate under the name and style of the White and Podesta Company. Said company shall exist for fifty years and be domiciled in the city of Vicksburg, Mississippi, and its capital stock shall be Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars each. The object of said corporation is to do a mercantile business in the city of Vicksburg; to buy and sell Tobacco, Cigars, Wines, Liquors and other merchandise. Said company shall have the right and power to own, lease, buy and sell real and personal property necessary for transacting its business, to mortgage and pledge the same; to make and issue bills, notes and other evidence of indebtedness, and to hypothecate and negotiate the same as may be required for the advantage of said company and to have and to exercise all such powers and rights as may be expedient in the proper management of said business, as are conferred and granted by the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of said State.

The management of the business and affairs of said company shall be vested in a Board of three Directors, who shall be elected by the stockholders, whose term of office shall be for the period of one year, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. Said Board shall elect a President and such other officers as it may deem proper, and shall employ such agents and employees as may be expedient for the conduct of the affairs of said company, and shall fix the terms of said officers, agents and employees and their compensation.

Any two of said incorporators are hereby authorized to open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, and when Three Thousand ($3,000.00) Dollars, shall have been subscribed for and paid in, a meeting of the stockholders shall be called for the purpose of electing said Board of Directors, and of otherwise perfecting said organization. The said incorporators shall give to each of said stockholders notice of the time and place of said meeting five (5) days before the date thereof.

No indebtedness of or to said corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such indebtedness shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Mch 25/99 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Mch 28/99 — Miles N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the White and Podesta Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/5/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 17 PAGE 154

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Newton.

Sec 1 Be it Known that, C. N. Alexander, J. N. McNeill, J. L. Davidson, P. A. Baucum, P. F. Abney, P. C. Vivrette, James Vicerette, W. W. Chambless C. N. Rey, J. C. McClinton, P. N. Selby, W. B. Richardson, Ellis Heckman, Kalford Keith, W. N. Sharp, F. C. McGhee, W. D. McRaven and such other persons as are now, or may hereafter become, associated with them, their assigns and successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate, with succession for fifty years from date of approval of this Charter, under the name and Style of The Bank of Newton, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of competent jurisdiction, may contract and be contracted with, and may have a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure. The domicile of said Bank shall be in Newton, Newton County, Mississippi

Sec 2 The purpose and object of this corporation shall be to carry on a general banking business, and for the purpose stated may organize and conduct a bank under the general rules of banking, and in the management of said bank to do and perform all acts and things necessary for the carrying on of the same for the best interests of its stock holders and patrons not violative of the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States or of the general principles governing the business of banking.

Sec 3 The capital stock of said bank shall be Twenty Five Thousand Dollars divided into five hundred shares of Fifty Dollars each. The capital stock of the Bank may be increased at the direction of the Directors up to the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, all new stock issued to be first offered to the then stock holders before any one not owning stock shall be allowed to purchase the same. The shares representing the capital stock of the Bank may be issued in full or limited in the direction of the Directors

Sec. 4. The stockholders of said Bank shall be liable for the debts thereof to the amount of stock held by them but no further

Sec 5. The stock holders of said bank shall at their first meeting choose a Board of Directors composed of seven (7) members who shall hold office for one year from the time of their election or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Meetings of the stock-holders shall be held annually or oftener if necessary, and as far as possible each stockholder shall have due and timely notice of each meeting.

Sec 7 The Directors shall choose a President, Vice President and Cashier for said bank, and the duties of said offices and of the Directors shall be provided for by the by-laws of said bank, which said by-laws the bank is authorized to adopt, and prescribe, the same to be enforced by the Board of Directors and not to conflict with this charter or the laws of the State of Mississippi

Sec 7 This bank shall have such powers and privileges granted by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and the amendments thereto, as may be necessary for the successful transaction of its business.

No indebtedness by or to the Bank shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that the same shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Mch 18/99. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, March, 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genle

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bank of Newton, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/5/99

Statement filed in the office of Secretary of State showing the organization of th
Bogue-Phalia & Sunflower River Railroad Company. As provided by Sec 3576 of Annotated Code of Mississip

The Bogue-Phalia and Sunflower River Railway company was organized at the office of W. W. Stone and W. A. Everman, in the city of Greenville, Mississippi on March 21st, 1899 under the proclamation issued by the Governor upon March 15th, 1899.

The capital stock was fixed at $25,000.00 to be divided into 250 shares of $100.00 each.

W. W. Stone, W. A. Everman, George G. Johnson, B. L. Lee, J. S. Walker, J. S. Smythe, and Edmund Taylor were elected Directors; the number of the Board of Directors being fixed at seven.

W. W. Stone was elected President; W. A. Everman, Secretary; J. S. Walker, Treasurer and J. A. Lyon, Attorney.

In testimony whereof the following Directors hereunto affix their signatures.

W. W. Stone, W. A. Everman,
Geo. G. Johnson, J. S. Smythe
J. S. Walker, Edmund Taylor
B. L. Lee.

The State of Mississippi
Washington County

Before me, J. Alexander, a Notary Public in and for the city of Greenville, Mississippi, the above named W. W. Stone, one of the Directors of the Bogue-Phalia and Sunflower River Railway Company, and the said Stone being duly sworn says, that the foregoing statement is true and correct. W. W. Stone.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature and seal at my office in the city of Greenville, Miss., this 3d day of April, 1899

J. Alexander, Notary Public.

Seal

Recorded 4/7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Coast Timber-Mens Benevolent Association

Article 1 Know all men by these presents, That Harry Carr, John James, Jos. Dutch, Thos. Rochford, Andrew Olsen, W.R. Vaucleave, Jno. J. Feore, Jno Krebs, John Borren, Jno. Liddle and Jno. Fleehas, and all such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Mississippi Coast Timber Mens Benevolent Association, with all the powers, privileges and immunities conferred by Chapter 95 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and the acts amendatory thereof in addition to those herein given, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court.

Article 2 The domicile of this Association shall be at Scranton, Jackson County, Mississippi, and only those persons shall be eligible to membership in this Association who are of lawful age, and who have been residents (for the period of six months) in one of the counties of Jackson, Harrison or Hancock, in the State of Mississippi and who are laborers in the timber and lumber business.

Article 3 That said Association shall have existence for fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter by the Governor.

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this Association are charitable; to provide for the welfare and to afford relief to its members in case of sickness; to aid and assist its members in procuring employment under rules and regulations to be prescribed by this Association, not inconsistent with the terms of this charter, or with the laws and constitution of the State of Mississippi, or of the United States; and said Association is vested with full power and authority to adopt such by-laws and resolutions from time to time as may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this Association

Article 5 The offices of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Standard Bearer, Marshal and Tyler. The duties and powers of the above enumerated offices shall be such as are incident to the offices of other like charitable organized bodies, and such other duties as may be imposed by the by-laws to be adopted.

The Treasurer shall as such give bond for the faithful performance of his duties in a penalty to be fixed by said by-laws and he shall receive and disburse the funds of the Association coming into his hands as such Treasurer, in accordance with the by-laws

Article 6 The offices above provided for shall be elected by ballot at a meeting to be held not more than thirty days from the approval of this charter and annually thereafter, and shall serve as such officers for the term of one year and until their

successors are elected; and vacancies in the offices caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled for the unexpired term by the members, by ballot, at a meeting to be called on five days to said members.

Article 7 An assessment may be levied in accordance with the said by-laws, for the "Burial Fund," which said fund shall remain inviolate, except upon the death of a member of this Association, when it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to pay to the widow of such deceased member the sum of $100.00, or in case such deceased member left no widow surviving him, then to his child or children, and in the absence of child or children, to his estate the said sum of $100.00.

Article 8 This Association may have a corporate seal and may purchase or acquire and hold such real and personal property as may be necessary or proper for its purposes, and sell and convey the same under the corporate seal and ~~convey the~~ the signature of any officer but not in excess of that allowed by law, but a conveyance of realty shall have the seal of the corporation, signature of an officer, and the acknowledgment required by law.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., April 6/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss. April 1899 Sidney N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Coast Timber Men's Benevolent Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 6th day of April, 1899

By the Governor N. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Gulfport Water Company

Sec 1 Be it known that John N. Lang, James Thomas, Charles Kohler, Thomas Canham Jr, and S.S. Bullis and such other persons as may hereafter be connected and associated with them, are created a body corporate under the name and style of the "Gulfport Water Company" and that the main office and domicile of said company shall be the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi.

Sec 2 The time of this corporation shall be the date of the filing of this charter for record in the office of the Secretary of State, for the State of Mississippi and it shall continue for the term of fifty years.

Sec 3 The object of this corporation is to do a general water supply business in the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, by sinking artesian wells, laying pipes and mains through and along the streets of said town, to sell and rent water to companies, firms and individuals, to do all necessary things to carry on a general water works business.

Sec 4 The said company shall have the right under the corporate title to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, to have and use a corporate seal, with power to alter the same at pleasure, to buy, own and sell such real estate as may be necessary to conduct the business, to buy and own all necessary tanks, pumps, machinery, mains, pipes, etc, that may be required and to do and perform all the acts that may be necessary to carry on an efficient water works business.

Sec 5 The business of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors to be elected by the stockholders in the manner prescribed by Sec. 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and the Directors may elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. The number of members of the Board of Directors and the number necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business shall be fixed by the by-laws made by the stockholders for the government of the corporation. All offices are elected annually and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified; the date of said election to be established by the by-laws and until the first election as herein provided. S.S. Bullis is constituted President; James Thomas, Vice President; J.N. Lang, Secretary and Charles Kohler, Treasurer

Sec 6 The capital stock of this corporation shall be the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; but the stockholders shall have the power to increase the capital stock to fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) by a vote of a majority of the stock. Each share of subscribed stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote in all elections, and a vote by proxy shall be allowed. Dividends may be allowed upon stock subscribed for as may be arranged for in the by laws

Jno. N. Lang, S.S. Bullis, Jas. Thomas, per J.N. Lang, Thos. Canham Jr, Chas Kohler, per Thos. Canham, Jr

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson Miss. March 9/99 — A.J. McLaurin Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson Miss. March 1899. — Sidney D. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office

Jackson Miss. } I hereby certify that the within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Gulfport Water Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

A.J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J.L. Power

Secretary of State

Recorded 4/15/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Laurel Lumber Company.

Know all men by these presents:

Sec 1 That C. E. Newcomer, W. Stoudenmy, A. M. Watkins, C. C. Warren and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, their successors and assigns be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Laurel Lumber Company" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in all courts of law and equity in this State and elsewhere and may have and adopt a common seal and break or alter the same at pleasure.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be in Laurel, in Jones County, in the State of Mississippi

Sec 3 The period for which said corporation shall exist and have succession is fifty years.

Sec 4 The purposes for which the corporation is created are to engage in and prosecute the manufacturing, mercantile, commission, contracting, farming, stock raising and real estate business. To acquire, build and operate such railroads, dummy lines, tramways, warehouses, elevators, compresses and steam hoisters, and water works, Electric lights and gas plants, and telegraph and telephone lines. And to this end shall have power to purchase, acquire and hold property, real, personal and mixed necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding in value the amounts limited by statute. And may lease, convey and dispose of the same. To purchase, acquire, erect and maintain all necessary building, machinery, dams, dams and appurtenances for the operation of, and to operate saw and planing mills for the manufacture of logs into timber and lumber, and for the manufacture of lumber and timbers into their finished products. To acquire, erect, maintain and operate mills for the manufacture and sale of cotton, woolen and other textile fabrics. To gin cotton and grind corn and meat for the public, to manufacture cotton seed oil, oil cake and extract lint from cotton seed, as well as fertilizers. To erect, establish and operate warehouses for the storage of cotton, grains, goods, wares and merchandise, to charge and receive such fees and tolls for such storage as may be agreed upon or as may be reasonable, and to advance money on such consignments and issue warehouse receipts therefor when so consigned and stored. To acquire, erect and operate cotton compresses and any other machinery and processes for the compression of cotton and to receive fees and tolls therefor. To erect, purchase, establish and operate elevators, steam hoists, machine shops, and plants for the building of portable houses, street cars, dummies, trams or other cars, and for the manufac-

line of brick, tiling and pottery. To erect, acquire and operate steam sawing and resin distilleries and to own and cultivate turpentine orchards. To purchase, ~~erect~~ acquire and erect store buildings and transact a general mercantile business, both wholesale and retail in all its departments. To purchase, acquire, build and operate street car lines for the use of the public, and steam and dummy lines in connection with, and as auxiliary to its general business. And water works, gas and electric light plants, and telegraph and telephone lines to be used in connection with its other enterprises. To sell and dispose of any and all articles and commodities, manufactured, produced or grown by it. To contract for the improvement, cultivation or drainage of the property of other persons. To contract for the building or repairing of residences, fences, warehouses, storehouses, tanks, grist mills, bridges or other structures upon the property of other persons. To construct, use, maintain and operate all necessary booms, dams and other devices for the running and booming of logs, timber, lumber and other floatables, in such manner as will not be in contravention of the laws of this State or of the United States. To enclose by a substantial fence of wood, wire or other metal such tracts of land as it shall own under this charter and to improve and cultivate the same and thereon to establish ranches for the raising of cattle, horses, mules and other live stock, and to sell and dispose of the same. To mark, lay out and establish towns and erect thereon residences, factories and other buildings, and to lay out additions, streets and parks in and about such towns and to maintain, improve and ornament the same and to sell and dispose of the same and of town lots. To establish lines of floats, ships, carriages, barges or automobiles for the transportation of passengers, or freight for its own use and convenience and for hire. And to establish and operate retail and branch lumber yards and other offices and agencies in this and other States

See 5 The Capital Stock of this corporation shall be Twenty-Thousand Dollars divided into two hundred shares of one hundred dollars each, but it may be increased from time to time by an affirmative vote of the stockholders to the extent of a majority in amount of the capital stock paid in to a sum not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars. And when said stock shall have been subscribed and the sum of Five Thousand Dollars paid in the said company may commence business

Sec 7 The said corporation may borrow money and secure its payment by mortgage or otherwise, may issue bonds and secure them in the same way, may hypothecate its franchises and may have and enjoy all other privileges and immunities consistent with its purposes that are or may be granted to corporations by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892 and amendments thereof while in force.

But no debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in Gold only, but shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

Sec 8 The management and control of said corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be composed of four stockholders, whose number may be increased or diminished by a vote of the stockholders and who shall be chosen annually by the stockholders of the Company and by a majority vote in amount of the stock and in the manner provided in Sec 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892. And said Directors shall hold their offices for twelve months and until their successors are elected and qualified. And no person shall be a Director of the corporation unless he is a stockholder. A majority of said Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. And they shall elect one of their number to be President of the corporation, and one to be Vice President thereof and one of their number or of the stockholders to be Secretary and one of their number to be Treasurer, but the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. Said Board may appoint and employ such other officers, agents and employees as they may deem necessary in the conduct of the affairs of the corporation, may fix their powers, duties, compensation and terms of office and may remove them at any time by a two-thirds vote of said Board. Said Board may require any or all of said officers, agents or employees to give bond in such sums as may be fixed by said Board, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their several duties and the safe-keeping of the monies and valuables of said corporation coming into their hands.

Sec 9 Said Board of Directors shall have power to make all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations consistent with this charter and not contrary to law for the proper management and control of said corporation and its officers and the same may amend or repeal at pleasure.

Sec 10 The first meeting for the organization of the corporation may be held at any time by mutual consent of all persons named in these articles or may be called by two days written

notice to all such persons, signed by one or more of them, and duly mailed to their last known post office address. If there be a majority of the incorporators present at said meeting, they may proceed to organize by the opening of books for subscription to the stock and to provide for a meeting of the stockholders thereof, and to do all such other things as may be legal and necessary for the full and complete organization of the Corporation.

Sec 11 This charter of incorporation shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

No obligation or indebtedness by or to the Corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Mch 23/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Mch 1899 Percy N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Laurel Lumber Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 28th day of March, 1899

By the Governor A J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/17/99

Sent to Hardy Howell
Ellisville, Miss

The Charter of Incorporation of Scranton Baymens Benevolent and Protective Association

Be it Known and remembered that on this the 15th day of April, A.D. 1899, M. C. Allman, A. G. Delmas, C. P. Rallo, Alonzo J. Chisholm, Albert Delcomyn, Charles Huggins, James Walker, Hogan Bauman, Jackson Ellis, Frank Rame, C. M. Crizat, Semian Gay, Louis Lambert, Lee Reade, Edward Lam, by virtue of the provisions of the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi governing corporations, do hereby organize and form a corporation for the object and purpose hereinafter enumerated, and to that end, they do, by these presents, with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form and constitute themselves and such other ~~persons~~ persons as may hereafter become associated with them and their successors, into a body politic and corporate in law with all the powers and immunities conferred by the constitution and laws aforesaid.

Article 1 The name and style of this corporation shall be Scranton Baymen's Benevolent and Protective Association, and under said name, it shall exist for a period of fifty years, unless sooner dissolved, and in its said corporate name it may sue and be sued, and transact all such business as may be consistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi

Article 2 The objects of this Association are Benevolent and Protective; to provide for the welfare and to afford relief to its members in case of sickness or distress and to pay the last tribute of respect to its worthy dead, to aid and assist its members in procuring employment as stevedores and baymen at Horn Island, Ship Island and in the Pascagoula River, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by this Association, not inconsistent with the terms of this charter and the laws of the State of Mississippi, and further, to aid and assist its said members by contributing to their needs when they are out of employment.

Article 3 This Corporation is to be divided into two sections, known as section #1 and section #2; and shall have power to establish branches in the counties of Jackson, Harrison and Hancock of the State of Mississippi, and all such branch associations shall be subject to the charter and by laws of this Association

Article 4 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Scranton, Jackson County, Mississippi.

Article 5 The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of six Directors, who shall be elected by ballot within twenty days from the approval of this charter, and on the first Monday in January, 1900 and on the same day for each succeeding year thereafter, said Board of Directors shall immediately on their election organize by appointing a general manage for said corporation, and by providing for the organization of the two sections as herein provided. Said Board of Directors shall consist of three (3) members for each section.

Article 6 The officers of this Association, excepting a General Superintendent and the Board of Directors, shall be separate and distinct for each section and all branches thereof, and shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Standard Bearer, Marshal and Door-keeper, the officers of each section and each branch shall be elected by the members thereof; That each section shall hold its meetings separately, except when a joint meeting of the sections have been regularly called. The duties and powers of the officers connected with this Association, shall be such as are incident to such offices

Article 7 This corporation may purchase and hold such real and personal property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and may sell and convey the same under their corporate seal, and the signature of the General Manager. Authority to sell its property must be given by a 2/3 vote of the members of the Association; provided, that in conveying land, the conveyance shall be under the corporate seal and the signature of an officer of said corporation, the execution to be acknowledged, or proven in the mode and manner prescribed by law.

Article 8 No voluntary dissolution can take place as long as 10 members in good standing shall be willing to maintain the existence of said Association, and no voluntary distribution shall be made of its funds as long as 10 members in good standing are opposed to the same except as provided for in the Charter.

Article 9 The seal of this Association shall consist of a circular metal stamp with the impression of flying eagle holding in its beak a ribbon scroll inscribed, "In Unity our Strength" beneath which two hands clasped encircled with the words Scranton Laymen's Benevolent and Protective Association, organized March 4th, 1899

Article 10 Notice of the first meeting under this charter shall be given by publishing notice in some newspaper in the town of Scranton, Mississippi, for ten days prior to the first meeting.

The foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss; April 14, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 14, 1899 Riley H. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Scranton Baymens Benevolent and Protective Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 19th day of April, 1899

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/20/99

The charter of Incorporation of McKinney Grocery Company

Sec 1 Be it known that E. S. Caudle, Sr, T. N. McKinney, J. B. Caudle and L. M. McKinney and their associates and successors be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic under the name and style of McKinney Grocery Company and by that name shall have succession for a period of fifty years.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be in Duka, Pishomingo County.

Sec 3 The object and purpose of said corporation shall be the transaction of a general merchandise business, and the buying and selling of goods, wares and merchandise of any and every kind whatsoever, the buying and selling same for cash or on credit or on commission or otherwise, and the doing of any and all like things that are deemed to be for the best interest of said corporation authorized by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi

Sec 4 The capital stock of said Corporation shall be the sum of $2,500.00 divided into shares of $100.00 each with the privilege of increasing same from time to time to any amount not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars, and said Corporation may begin business at any time after $2,000.00 shall have been subscribed and actually paid in.

Sec 5 The said corporation may sue and be sued, may if it deem necessary have a corporate seal, may contract and be contracted with, may buy, own or rent necessary real estate, convey or lease the same, may buy and sell personal property of any and all kinds whatsoever, may borrow money on account or note and may execute a trust deed or mortgage on its property real or personal to secure the same or secure same by giving its notes or accounts as collateral security or otherwise, may hypothecate its franchises, may take or execute notes, trust deeds, mortgages or any other conveyance or paper or instrument necessary in the course of its business, may acquire title to real or personal property, by purchase or at sales under mortgages, trust deeds or otherwise, and shall convey such real estate within five years, and generally may do any and all things necessary and proper to be done in the course of its business which is not forbidden by the Constitution of the State or the law of the land, and may exercise all the powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 25, Annotated Code of Mississippi on corporations of this character.

Sec 6 The management and control of said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of not less than three nor more than five Directors to be elected by the stockholders (each share of stock held by a stock holder entitling him to one vote) who shall hold their offices for a term of twelve months and until their successors are elected and qualified. A majority of

said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and they shall elect one of their number President and one Secretary and one Treasurer, or the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by one and the same person and define their powers and duties and fix their compensation and they may appoint or employ such other agents and employees as they may deem necessary and shall fix their powers, duties, compensation and term of employment, and may discharge them at pleasure by a majority vote. The Directors may meet at pleasure at any place convenient and shall have power to make any by-laws they see proper, or rules and regulations they deem expedient for the government of said Corporation and its agents, officers and employees not inconsistent with the laws of the State, and may change same at any time by a majority vote.

Sec 7 No stockholder of said corporation shall be liable for any of the debts, obligations or liabilities of said Corporation individually when such stockholder shall have paid for his stock in full, but any stockholder who has not paid for his stock in full shall be liable to any creditor of said corporation or to the Corporation itself to the extent of any amount due and unpaid on his stock but to no greater extent and not otherwise

Sec 8 All deeds, trust deeds, mortgages and conveyances of lands by said Corporation shall be by and in the name of said Corporation, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors, and shall be signed and acknowledged by the President of said corporation in the name of the Corporation by him as President.

E. S. Candler, Sr
W. W. McKinney
J. B. Candler
L. M. McKinney

No debt to or by the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 1/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 1899 _____ Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the McKinney Grocery Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 19th day of April, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/20/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Telephone Company

1st E.B. Catlin, F.N. McMullan, F. O'Horne, L. B. Day, J.N. Gallaspy and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of The Peoples Telephone Company, with domicile at the town of Decatur, county of Newton, and State of Mississippi

2d The objects of said corporation are to have and operate a telephone line in the counties of Newton, Neshoba and Lauderdale and Scott in said State of Mississippi for a period of fifty (50) years

3d The powers of said corporation shall be to have, own and operate a telephone plant consisting of lines of wire erected upon posts or otherwise and phones, transmitters and such machinery, appliances and things as may be needful for the operation of said plant and the enjoyment of its franchise; it may own real and personal estate necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding in value the statutory limits, it may make contracts with individuals, municipalities and other corporations to furnish telephone facilities and privileges and fix such charges for such services as may be agreed upon. It may determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, the number of shares that shall entitle a member to vote and the mode of voting by proxy; may elect all necessary officers and prescribe duties, salaries and terms of office; may sue and be sued; prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court of competent jurisdiction; may have a corporate seal and change the same at pleasure; may contract and be contracted with within the limits of its corporate powers; may sell and convey its property; may borrow money, may issue notes, bonds or evidences of debt and may secure the same by mortgage or by hypothecation of its franchise, plant, property or other effects and may make all necessary by laws not contrary to law.

4th Its capital stock is hereby fixed at $5,000.00 to be divided into shares of Five Dollars each, but said capital may be increased at pleasure to an amount not to exceed $10,000.00.

5th In the election of Directors, every stockholder shall have the right to vote in person or by proxy the number of shares owned by him for as many persons as there are directors or managers as are to be elected. The first meeting of the incorporation may be called by a notice published in some newspaper published in the county of Newton for at least 10 days before the time appointed for the meeting, signed by one or more persons named herein or by written notice addressed to each of said persons

6th The affairs of said corporation shall be managed and conducted by a Board of five or more Directors to be selected by the stockholders at a meeting to be annually by them held for that purpose at such date as may be fixed by by-laws or otherwise. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The incorporators herein named may constitute the first Board of Directors, whose term of office shall be for one year and until their successors

elected and qualified. Said Board of Directors may elect of their number by ballot, a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers, agents and employees as the business and interest of said corporation may require. Said President and Vice President shall be elected from the body of the Directory. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one person who need not be a Director but shall be a Stockholder. Other agents or employees need not be stockholders. The Directors may prescribe the duties of all officers, agents and employees and may require such as they deem proper to enter into bond in such penalty as they shall designate, conditioned for the faithful discharge of such trust. Regular meetings of stockholders shall be fixed by by-law. Called meetings may be held upon 5 days notice by mail or publication in some newspaper in the county of Newton or without such notice when the personal presence of all the Directors may be had.

7th The said corporation through its stockholders in meeting assembled or through its Board of Directors thereunto empowered by the stockholders, may enact all such by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with law, as may be deemed necessary or proper for the conduct and management of its affairs. The dates of regular stockholders meetings may be fixed by by-law. All called meetings may be had on five days notice either by publication in some newspaper in the county of Newton, or written notice through the mails, postage prepaid, signed by the President and Secretary.

8th No stockholder shall be liable for any corporate debts or contracts or any other liabilities except as to the amount subscribed and held by him in said stock company.

9th This charter to take effect and be in force from and after the date of its approval of the Governor

The foregoing purposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss. Jan 23/99 A J. McLaurin. Governor

The provisions of the foregoing purposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Jan /99 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Execution Office
Jackson Miss } The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Telephone Company, is hereby approved
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of February, 1899
By the Governor A J McLaurin
J L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/20/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Hattiesburg Electric Light and Manufacturing Company.

Sec 1 Be it known that Wm Dunbar, W. F. Bostick, Hattiesburg Lumber Company and such others as hereafter may be associated with them, are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Sec 2. The name and style of the corporation hereby created shall be "Hattiesburg Electric Light and Manufacturing Company, and as such it may exist for a period of fifty years after the date of the approval of this charter by the Governor, unless sooner dissolved by a vote of not less than two-thirds of its stockholders. And may acquire by purchase or otherwise, and have, hold and enjoy such real and personal property as may be deemed necessary to its successful operation, not to exceed in value the limit fixed by law, and shall have and possess all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi on corporations generally.

Sec 3 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Hattiesburg in the County of Perry, State of Mississippi

Sec 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are to acquire, own and operate, in the town of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, an electric light plant, planing mills, furniture factories and such other factories as it may deem proper, and to conduct a general mercantile business if deemed expedient.

Sec 5 The capital stock of this corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00) divided into five hundred (500) shares of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each, but said corporation may begin business when eight thousand dollars ($8,000.00) of such capital stock shall have been subscribed for and paid in;

Sec 6 The powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of three Directors selected from the stockholders in said company who shall be elected by the stockholders within sixty days after the approval of this charter by the Governor, at a meeting of the stockholders for the purpose, of which each stockholder shall have had five days notice, and on the first Monday in January, 1906, and annually thereafter on the first Monday in January of each year; elections shall be by ballot, and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, to be cast by owner of stock or by proxy. The Board of Directors at their first meeting and after each annual election thereafter, shall organize by electing a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, one and the same may hold the office of Secretary and Treasurer. Vacancies occurring in the

Board of Directors may be filled by the stockholders at an election held for the purpose on ten days notice to each holder of stock in said company as shown by the books thereof, or in the manner to be provided by by-law. Said Board of Directors may employ and discharge at their pleasure such officers, agents, clerks and other employees as they may deem necessary.

Sec 7 This corporation may establish all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations not contrary to law, and amend or repeal the same at pleasure.

Sec 8 Each stockholder in this corporation shall be individually liable for the debts thereof, contracted during his ownership of stock, for the amount of balance that may remain due or unpaid on the stock subscribed for by him, and no further.

In witness whereof said incorporators have hereunto set their hands, this the 8th day of March, 1899

William Dunbar, W. W. Bostick, Natchez Lumber Co.

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only but all such shall be so made that they will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, April 10/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. April 1899 Wiley W. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office.
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Natchez Electric Light and Manufacturing Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of April, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 4/22/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Pascagoula Canning Company.

Sec 1 Know all men by these presents, that we, the undersigned have this day associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code, (1892) of Mississippi, and of the acts amendatory thereof, we do hereby found and organize a corporation for the objects and purposes herein mentioned; and to that end and purpose we do, by these presents, subject to the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form, constitute and create ourselves and such other person or persons as may hereafter become associated with us, whether by subscription or otherwise, into a body politic and corporate, under the name of the Pascagoula Canning Company, and by that name the said corporation may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in this State or elsewhere; may have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure; may make and prescribe such rules, regulations and by-laws as it may see fit to make and prescribe with reference to its affairs, not inconsistent with the provisions of this charter or the laws and constitution of this State, or of the United States, and shall have existence under such name for the period of fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter.

Sec 2 That said corporation be, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by gift, grant, purchase or otherwise such real and personal property as may be required for the purposes for which this organization is formed, not to exceed however, the limit fixed by the laws of the State of Mississippi for corporations of this character; to engage in the business of canning meats, fish, shrimp, crabs, lobsters, fruits and vegitables; to erect and maintain all buildings, factories, store houses and appurtenances it may desire to carry on its business; to sell and dispose of all articles and commodities produced and manufactured by it; to purchase, own and operate all steamboats or other water craft it may desire; to erect, lease, purchase, own and operate wharves or landings on the gulf coast of Mississippi, or on any river or body of water in the counties of Jackson, Hancock and Harrison, in the State of Mississippi and to do any and every act or thing necessary or convenient to enable it to carry out and accomplish the purposes aforesaid.

Sec 3 The capital stock of this ~~Corporation~~ is hereby fixed at $50,000.00, divided into shares of $25.00 each, but the capital stock may be increased at any time to $100,000.00, by a vote of a majority of the stockholders

Sec 4 That the officers of said corporation shall consist of one President, one Vice-President, one Manager, one Secretary and one Treasurer, (which last two offices may be held by the same person), and seven Directors, (four of whom shall constitute a quorum), with such subordinate officers as the Board of Directors may determine

Sec 5 The said Directors shall be chosen by the stockholders by ballot, at an election to be held for that purpose within 30 days from the approval of this charter, and annually thereafter; and at such election and at all meetings of the stockholders every person holding stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him; and

The Directors so elected shall elect the President, Vice President, Manager, Secretary and Treasurer, whose terms of office shall be one year (unless sooner removed by the Directors, hereby empowered so to do), and said President and Vice President shall be chosen from the Board of Directors; and the Directors shall manage and control all the business of the corporation and exercise all the corporate powers; and vacancies in the Board of Directors shall be filled by a vote of a majority of the remaining Directors, and no person shall be elected a Director or officer of this corporation who does not own one or more shares of its stock.

Sec 6 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Scranton, Jackson County, Mississippi, and it may commence business whenever $10,000.00 of its capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid in. The stockholders of said corporation shall not be personally or individually liable for any of the debts or obligations of the corporation, except for the amount of balance that may remain due or unpaid for the stock subscribed for by them.

Sec 7 The purposes of the creation of this corporation are the buying, selling and canning of meats, fish, shrimps, crabs, lobsters, oysters, fruits and vegetables.

Sec 8 Upon the approval of this charter by the Governor, the incorporators, whose names are subscribed below, may open books of subscription for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the capital stock of this corporation, which stock, when issued, shall be transferrable on its books in such mode and manner and under such regulations as the Directors may fix and prescribe, provided the same is not violative of law.

Sec 9 Said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to purchase property on credit, and borrow money to be used in its business, and, as evidence of its indebtedness, to issue its promissory notes, bills of exchange, receipts, bonds, certificates or due bills, bearing such rates of interest not exceeding that allowed by law, as it may agree upon, and to secure the payment thereof in any mode, by mortgage or otherwise, as its Directors may deem advisable. But all indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

In witness whereof said incorporators have hereunto set their hands this, the 14th day of March, 1899

P. K. Mayeux, Volney Brown
F. N. Ellis, W. M. Canty
Arthur C. Thornton, W. O. Clark
B. D. Valverde, Ed. Mitchell

March 24, 1898

The foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen. for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 19/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 1899 ——— Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Pascagoula Canning Company, is hereby allowed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 26th day of April, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

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ON AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 16 PAGE 458-461

The Charter of Incorporation of the Sheltering Rock Benevolent Association

Be it known that on this 11th day of July, in the year of One Thousand Eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America One Hundred, twenty second

1st The name and style of this corporation shall be the Sheltering Rock Benevolent Association, its domicile shall be in the City of Bay St Louis, State of Mississippi, and it shall exist and continue to exist as a corporation with the right of succession and all other rights appertaining to corporations for the period of fifty years from the date of this act of incorporation, to wit; unless sooner dissolved according to law.

2d The purposes of this association are hereby declared to be to extend aid and assistance to the members thereof according to its power and ability in cases of sickness and extreme want, to bury the members of the same whenever it shall please the Almighty to call them from our midst, to extend aid and assistance to its members.

3d The officers of this association shall be a President, first Vice President, recording Secretary, financial Secretary, one Treasurer.

4th This association shall have full power and authority to make, have and use a common seal with such device and inscription as it shall deem proper, to break, alter or amend the same at pleasure, and make such rules, by-laws and regulations.

5th The corporation shall have power and authority to contract, sue and be sued in its corporate name, to have, hold, purchase, sell, convey, transfer, mortgage and lease under its corporate name, property both real and personal, not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars

6th The constitution and by laws of this Association shall provide for the duties of the officers and for the qualifications of admission, suspension and expulsion.

7th This association shall neither be dissolved except by law, nor a division of its funds be made, nor a sale of its property be made for the purpose of dividing the proceeds thereof, prior to the expiration of this charter or as long as Ten (10) active members are in good standing shall form part thereof and be [illegible]

not be required at the expiration thereof, it shall be the duty of the President and other officers to settle, or as otherwise directed by this Association; its affairs shall be settled within six months of said expiration, and to dispose of and sell all the property, rights and credits to belonging, and after discharging all claims against the same, to apply the proceeds remaining in their hands to the relief of all such persons who may have been members of this association at the time of the expiration of this charter.

Organized at Bay St Louis, July 11, 1898 by the following named: Ella Bennett, M. Mitchell, G. Gilbert, S. Parrell, Estella Megg, Ada Pittard, Elvira Megg, E. Batte. The officers are as follows: President, E. L. Megg, Recording Secretary, Clara Dennis; Financial Secretary, Estella Barthe; Treasurer, L. Parrell; These officers shall hold their term of office for one year, until the 11th of July, 1899

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Sheltering Rock Benevolent Association is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of April, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/3/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Mississippi

Sec 1 Mrs J. M. Duncan, Jr., Mrs. Stephen D. Lee, Miss Annie Cage, Mrs A. G. Keemo, Mrs J. P. Caffleman, Mrs. E. P. Sykes and Miss Jeanie Vaughn, and all members of the Mississippi Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and such others as may become associated with them are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, of Mississippi, and as such shall have succession for fifty years; and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy such real and personal property necessary and sufficient for its purposes, not exceeding One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in value, to hold, use and enjoy the same or any part thereof, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber the same; to issue notes, bonds, debentures or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be impleaded; to have and use a common seal and to alter, break and renew at pleasure, and it shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges authorized and provided for in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, and the amendments thereto.

Sec 2. The purposes and objects of this corporation are educational, memorial, literary, social and benevolent, to collect and preserve the materials for a truthful history of the war between the Confederate States and the United States of America; to honor the memory of those who served and those who fell in the service of the Confederate States, and to record the part taken by Southern women, as well, in untiring effort after the war in the reconstruction of the South, as in patient endurance of hardships and patriotic devotion during the struggle; to cherish ties of friendship among the members of this Association, and to fulfill the duties of a sacred charity to the survivals of the war and those dependent upon them, to unite with the Confederate Veterans in the determination that American History shall be properly taught in the public schools in the State of Mississippi, and to use its influence towards attaining this object in all private schools. And in furtherance of the above objects power and authority is hereby given this Corporation to erect, purchase or rent, and to maintain Hospitals, Homes and Retreats for Confederate Veterans, their widows, children and

Sec 3 The officers of the corporation shall be a President, an Honorary President Vice President, Honorary Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws of said corporation, who shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified, and the same shall be elected by the members of said Corporation.

Sec 4 The duties of said officers shall be such as may be prescribed and laid down in the by-laws of said Corporation.

Sec 5 The management of the business of said Corporation shall be confided to a Board of not less than seven nor more than eleven Directors, who shall be members of said corporation, who shall be elected annually by the members of the said Corporation, and a majority of said Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall hold their office until their successors are duly elected and qualified and shall have the power to fill all vacancies in their Board, caused by death, resignation or otherwise

Sec 6. The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful, rules, by-laws and regulations for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said Corporation and may from time to time alter, amend or repeal the same as they may see fit

Sec 7. For the purpose of all business meetings of this corporation a majority of the delegated members present shall constitute a quorum for all purposes and the transaction of such business as may come before them.

Sec 8 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Jackson, in the State of Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time by said Corporation.

Respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof. A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of this State

Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

May 2d, 1899

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 2d day of May, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/3/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Rehobeth Oil Mill and Fertilizer Company

Know all men by these presents: That W. N. Barlow, J. M. Coen, P. J. Wagnon, J. A. Wooton, J. E. Wooton, Saul Goza, T. G. Nelson, O. Barlow, R. E. Bowles, G. E. Matthews, G. A. Smith, J. W. Newton, W. A. Ferguson, J. E. Matthews, A. B. Peeks, B. Shelton and John McKeown and such other persons as may be associated with them, be, and they are hereby created a body corporate to be known as the Rehobeth Oil Mill and Fertilizer Company by which name the said corporation may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity and have succession for a period of fifty years, the purpose for which the said corporation is created are to buy and sell cotton seed, to erect a cotton seed oil mill and a fertilizer factory and to manufacture cotton seed oil, meal, hulls and fertilizer and to handle and sell all the products of such manufactures and to establish an electric light plant, and to contract with persons or corporations for the use of the same. The said corporation shall have a capital stock of $20,000.00 which may be increased to $50,000.00 and said corporation may begin business when $15,000.00 of the capital stock shall have been subscribed for and said capital stock shall be divided into shares of $100.00 each. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Barlow, Copiah County, Mississippi, and it may own and hold all the real and personal estate necessary and proper for its purposes. The said corporation shall have all the powers conferred upon corporations by Chapter 25 of the Code of Mississippi of 1892 and it may have a seal and shall have all additional powers necessary and proper for accomplishing this purpose of its organization aforesaid and no stock holder thereof shall be individually liable for any debt or obligation of said corporation beyond the amount of his subscription to the capital stock thereof.

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that they may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney-General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. April 10, 1899 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

Jackson, Miss. April 24, 1899

The provisions of the foregoing purposed charter of Incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. April 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Reynoth Oil Mill and Fertilizer Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of April, 1899

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/4/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Shingleur-Johnston Company

Sec 1. Be it known that A.S. Johnston, J.L. Finley, M. Shingleur, and those who may be hereafter associated with them, are hereby made a corporation, and its corporate name shall be "Shingleur-Johnston Company.

Sec 2. Its domicile shall be Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi.

Sec 3 Its purposes are to deal in cotton, to conduct a general cotton business, to buy and sell cotton absolutely, or on commission, to advance money on cotton consigned, or contracted to be consigned to it, and to do any and all things necessary to a general cotton business.

Sec 4 Its powers shall be to carry out its purposes set forth in section 3 above and all those powers set forth in section 836 of the Annotated of 1892 of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 5 It may exist fifty years from the date of this Charter.

Sec 6. It may issue capital stock to the amount of $25,000.00 but may begin business with $1,000.00 paid up Capital stock.

Sec 7 No stockholder shall be liable for its debts except for any balance unpaid for stock subscribed for by him

All obligations or indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that they may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing purposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 28, 1899 A.J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing purposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, April 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Shingleur-Johnson Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899

By the Governor. A.J. McLaurin,
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/5/99

The charter of Incorporation of Pike County Telephone Company.

Be it Known:

Sec 1 That J. N. Johnson, W. M. White, J. N. Stevens, Jr, and Mo N. B. Sanders, and their associates and successors, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, with succession for a period of fifty years, under the name and style of Pike County Telephone Company, and by such name may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the courts of law and equity; make and adopt a corporation seal and the same change, alter or break at pleasure; and,

Sec 2 That said body corporate is hereby empowered to construct, maintain and operate telephone lines for the transmission of messages, for public use, traversing the county of Pike, in said State, and also any or all other counties in the State of Mississippi, and in the erection, maintenance and operation of said telephone lines the said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to construct the same and to set up and erect its posts, wires, braces and fixtures along and across any of the public highways, streets and waters and along and across all turn-pikes, railroads and canals, and also through any public lands of or contained in said State, as far as may be necessary; and said corporation is hereby empowered to exercise all the rights and privileges given to telegraph and telephone companies and corporations, by the laws of the United States, and of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 3 That said body politic may buy, own, sell, lease and convey property, real and personal, needful to its purposes, provided that it shall not at any one time own property of greater value than provided by law and may borrow and lend money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise, and,

Sec 4 That said corporation in conducting and operating its said telephone lines may fix, exact and collect rates and charges for the use of its said telephone lines; and,

Sec 5 That said corporation may construct, maintain and operate in said State such telephone exchanges as it may see fit, and in the construction, maintenance and operation of such exchanges said corporation may exercise all the powers and rights indicated in the preceding sections with reference to its said telephone lines; and,

Sec 6 That the domicile or principal place of business

in the county of Pike, in the State of Mississippi; and,

Sec 7 That the capital stock of said body corporate shall not exceed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) divided into shares of Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) each. Said corporation may organize and operate when Two Hundred and Fifty (250) shares of said stock have been subscribed for and paid in; and

Sec 8. That upon the withdrawal of any stockholder the liabilities of such withdrawing stockholder shall cease from date of withdrawal as against all liabilities thereafter incurred by said corporation; and no stockholder shall be liable as a member of said corporation beyond the amount of any unpaid balance upon any shares held by him; and

Sec 9 That said corporation may establish and maintain all needful offices and fixtures and adopt such by-laws as may be essential to its proper conduct and may elect such officers and directors as may be necessary for the management of said corporation; and

Sec 10 That said corporation may exercise all of its powers and rights in other States of the United States of America to the extent that it may be permitted to act by the laws of such other States; and

Sec 11 That this charter take effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi and its recordation as required by law; and

Sec 12 That said corporation may enjoy all the rights and privileges consistent with its purposes given by Chapter 25 of the Code of Mississippi, of 1892, and the amendment thereof.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, May 5/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, May 5/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of The Pike County Telephone Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/8/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Jackson Street Missionary Baptist Church.

Sec 1 Be it remembered that Amos M. Johnson, E. P. Eastman, Nathan Smith, John Pope, Joseph Israel, John Love, Sam Christmas, Alex Neil, Lee H. Foreman, W. C. Barrell, Millard Mohan, Ambrose Mitchell, Joseph Smith, James Collins, Jerry Langs, Amanda Johnson, M. N. Foreman, Kate Fountain, Wilson Gowens, Eliza Davis, Mahala Childs, Melvina Walker, Marcella Smith, Eloie Grey, Julia Carter, Millard Mohan, Malinda Henry, John Grey, Sallie Shelton, Annie Davis, Isabella Foster, Millie Scott, Geraldine Marshall, Adeline Harris, Tennessee Pope, Emma Pope, Mamie Coffee, Cora B. Smith, Frances Foreman, Mayetta Eastman, Jennie Mohan, Mattie Smith, Rosa Foster, Mattie Washington, Sissie Lee Israel, Annie Israel, Cornelia Childs, Willie Donald, Sallie Lewis, Amanda Jackson, Laura Mohan, Lizzie Holliday, Walter Foster, Minnie Foster, Minnie M. Marshall, Sarah E. Marshall, Josephine Johnson, Mamie Pope, Amanda Jones, Abe Anderson, Nancy Johnson, Blanche Jones, Fred Johnson, Salina Griffin, Emily Moore, Sallie Madison, Harriett Rhobs, Frances Jackson, Erelene Lowery, Birdie Collins, F. B. Merritt, James Jackson, Lula Scott, Clarissie Christmas, Willie Scott, Martha Stewart, Mattie Hardy, Ben Hodges, Rosa Christmas, Gordan Carrington, Nellie Downing, Rev. Solomon Madney, Frances Madney, Mattie Whitehead, A. F. Walker, Joshua Holmes, Abe Donald, Margaret Jackson, Cora Dockson, Hattie Johnson, Ellen Johnson, Katie Fountain, Alexander Fountain, James Martin, Frank Rose, Henry Brown, Mary Little, Malinda Downing, Henry Tucker, Caroline Nichols, Flora Merrill, Chanie Moore, Missouri Stewart, Bettie Mitchell, Delphia Williams, Stella Rhobs, Samuel Covington, Ernestine Jones, Mamie Merritt, Anna Love, Susie Butler, Israel Scott, Amanda Jackson, Sallie Cockerell, Eugenia Lewis, Joseph Pope, Mary Woodruff, H. C. Carrington, Sarah Templeton, John Downing, Clara Madney, Sallie Madison, Bro. Johnson Alexander Kindley, Mattie Jackson, Henry Henderning, Mary Young, Mary Jane Williams, Sister Simmons, Mattie Anderson, Bessie Fountain, Cato Carter, Elbert Bryson, Evoline Rose, L. H. Washington, John Little, Rosa Madison, Sadie Tucker, Lucy Coats, Alexander Shaw, Charles L. Dickson, Lucy Harlington, Susan Holt, Victoria Peyton, Jane Wilson, Carrie Smith, Joanna Rose, Ellen Luckett, Nettie Long, Alma Johnson, Sis Lewis, Annie Calwell, Eliza Logan, Lizzie Gowins, Lizzie Pinnerell, H^m Moore, Steve Lewis, Dock Boyd, Jamie Mathews, Bro. B. R. Bell, Christina Plumpf, Jennie Mitchell, Timney Pruitt, Fannie Reed, Rev. H. C. Foster, Priscilla Young, Lewis Madney, Curtis Lee,

N. V. Smith, Anthony Gaines, Maggie Hopper, W. L. Smith, Julia James, Queen Willis, Eleanor Willis, Frank Johnson, Ellen Stackhouse, Margaret Bradsham, Ida Hamilton, Howard N. Singleton, Viney Pannell, Emma Harford, Scott Jones, Nan Jones, Susan Darden, Fannie Miller, Linda Walker, Mack Marshall, their associates, successors and assigns be, and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Jackson Street Missionary Baptist Church, and by that name may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity in this State; may have a common seal and may alter the same at pleasure.

Sec 2 The objects and purposes of this corporation shall be purely religious in their character, and shall be to preach and teach the doctrines, faith and practices of what is known as the Missionary Baptist Church, or denomination, among which are the worship of God, the preaching and teaching of His Holy Word, the spread of His Gospel, the propagation of christianity and the moral and religious betterment of mankind.

Sec 3 This corporation shall have succession for fifty years; may prescribe the qualification and duty of its members; may determine the manner of calling and conducting its meetings; may elect all necessary officers, and prescribe the duties, salary and tenure of its officers; may contract and be contracted with, within the limits of its corporate powers; may make all necessary rules, regulations and by-laws for the management of its business and affairs not contrary to law; may purchase and own such real estate as religious societies are allowed by law to purchase and own; the title to be taken in the name of the corporation; may erect and own such buildings thereon as religious societies are allowed by law to erect and own; may borrow money to buy such real estate and to erect such buildings, and may issue its notes and bonds in payment therefor, and may secure the payment of said notes and bonds by a deed of trust upon such real estate and improvements; and may exercise such other powers as are given by law to corporations generally which are germane to the objects and purposes for which this corporation is created.

Sec 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation being purely eleemosynary in their character, it shall not have any capital stock, and no stock shall be issued to its members.

and the ownership of stock in the corporation shall never be a prerequisite to membership thereof.

Sec 5 The officers of the corporation shall be a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Board of Deacons, consisting of seven members, a Board of Trustees, consisting of five members, to be elected every three years by the vote of the congregation of said Corporation. Vacancies occurring in any of the offices named shall be filled by the vote of the congregation. The duties of each of said offices shall be defined by the by-laws rules and regulations of the corporation to be adopted by them.

Sec 6 The trustees of the corporation shall have charge of the church property and shall generally look after the care, management and protection of the same, and they are hereby authorized to borrow money on behalf of the corporation, and to give the notes or bonds of the corporation in payment of the amount borrowed, and secure the payment of the same upon the property, real and personal, of said corporation, when authorized so to do by a majority vote of those present at any regular meeting of the corporation. But in every such instance the deed of trust shall be signed by at least a majority of the Trustees of the church, and the name of the church shall be signed to the deed of trust by the then pastor of the church, and be countersigned by the Secretary as an evidence of the assent of the Church thereto.

Sec 7 In all matters of church policy and polity, and in the management of the temporal and business affairs of the church, the majority vote of those present at any regular meeting of the corporation shall control.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., May 6. 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, May 6/99

Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Jackson Street Missionary Baptist Church, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.
This 8th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/9/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Brookville Ginning and Manufacturing Company.

1st The corporate title of the company to be organized under this charter shall be the Brookville Ginning and Manufacturing Company, and its domicile shall be at or near the town of Brookville in Noxubee County.

2d The purposes for which this corporation is created, are declared to be the ginning and baling of cotton, buying and selling cotton seed and cotton seed products, and the manufacture of cotton seed products, manufacturing cotton yarns, and grinding grain. To that end it shall have the right to purchase or lease, and hold real estate that may be necessary and expedient for the successful conduct and management of its business; may gin cotton, and charge and collect a reasonable toll therefor payable in money, cotton or seed, as may be agreed upon with its patrons and customers, and may bale the same in any manner desired; it may buy and sell cotton seed, and cotton seed products, such as oil, cake, meal, hulls and linters; and may refine cotton seed oil; and may manufacture soap; it may also manufacture cotton into yarns, and grind corn, into grits, meal and chops. It may erect all necessary buildings, seed rooms, ware houses and outhouses necessary to the safe and successful management of its business. It may insure the same; and it may insure the property of its customers and patrons whilst in its custody; and it may do any and all other acts that may be necessary or expedient, for the safe, proper and successful management of its business, not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State or of the United States.

3d The capital stock is fixed at five thousand dollars, to be divided into one hundred shares of fifty dollars each, for which certificates may be issued. The capital stock may be increased by a vote of the majority of the stockholders in value, to an amount not exceeding the maximum fixed in Chapter 25 of the code of 1892. The duration of the corporation shall be for fifty years.

4th The following persons are as incorporators, to wit: E. Cahn, M. Frank, P. B. S. de Grafenreid, O. N. Strong and D. C. Boyle and all persons who may hereafter become associated with them or their successors. The persons herein named shall constitute the Board of Directors for the first year, and shall meet any time within twenty days after this charter shall have been approved by the Governor and recorded as required by law, and organize said company by electing one of their number to be President, and one to be Vice President, and one to be Secretary, and one to be Treasurer, but the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one and the same person. They may make all needful by-laws for the proper conduct and management of the business of the Company, and may from time to time, alter, amend or repeal the same.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss May 1/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, May 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson. Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Brooksville Ginning and Manufacturing Company, is hereby affixed

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J L. Power,
Secy State

Recorded 5/9/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Gulfport Manufacturing Company

1st The purposes of incorporation of this Company are to purchase, own and operate saw mills, dry Kilns, planers, railroads, shingle mills, land and timber necessary to carry on a general manufacturing business, and to manufacture raw timber into rough and dressed lumber, shingles and all manner of moulding and finishing work, doors, windows, frames, sash, blinds, brick and all kinds of earthenware. To purchase and own real estate and to erect buildings and improvements thereon for its own use and for sale and rent. To own and operate steamboats, barges and schooners and all other water crafts necessary.

2d The names of the incorporators are Thomas Canham Jr., C. D. Williams, N. B. Moorman, and J. F. Casey, and such other persons as may become associated with them.

3d The corporate name of this association shall be Gulfport Manufacturing Company, and by this name shall have power to do any and all business authorized by its charter and by the laws of the State.

4th This corporation shall have power to purchase, construct, own and operate saw mills, dry kilns planing mills, and all kinds of machinery necessary for the manufacturing of raw timber into rough and dressed lumber, sawn timber, shingles, lathes, sash, blinds, doors and windows, and door and window frames, moulding and all kinds of finishing material, furniture and anything else not mentioned herein that may be manufactured out of wood, also to purchase, erect, own and operate all necessary machinery and material, and to manufacture brick, tiling and all other kinds of earthenware. To purchase, construct, own and operate steamboats, barges, schooners and all other water crafts necessary to be used in the transportation of its goods and the necessary operation of its business. To purchase, construct and operate such lines of railroads, spurs, switches, side tracks, cars and locomotives as it may deem necessary in the operation of its business. To purchase and own timber, lands and such other real estate as it may see proper in the operation of its business. To build and own for its own use, rent or sale, all kinds of houses and improvements. To purchase and sell any thing necessary, real or personal, for the carrying on of its business. To carry on the business of general merchandise in connection with its other business. To borrow money and secure the same with its property, and to take any kind of security it may deem proper for any indebtedness due it. And to have power to do any and everything authorized by law to facilitate its business

5th That the period for which this corporation shall continue to exist shall be twenty five years.

6th That the persons named as officers in the charter shall meet on ten days notice from the President at such place as may be designated in said notice in the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, and at the hour named, and proceed to organize said Company and open stock books, and begin business as soon as this charter is approved and recorded according to law.

7th That the capital stock of this corporation shall be Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, divided into 250 shares of $100.00 each, but by a majority vote of the stock purchased may be increased to Fifty Thousand Dollars.

8th The domicile of this corporation shall be in the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi. But the Directors may establish branch offices whenever it may be necessary for properly conducting its business

9th That the Board of Directors shall consist of four persons, but this number may be changed by the by laws, and increased or decreased at the pleasure of the stock holders, and shall be elected annually on a day to be fixed by the by-laws for a period of one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

10th The first Board of Directors shall consist of Thomas Canham Jr., C. D. Williams, W. B. Mowman, and J. F. Casey who shall hold their offices until the 1st day of January, 1900, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

11th That Thomas Canham shall be President; C. D. Williams, Vice President and W. B. Mowman, Secretary and Treasurer, and all of said offices shall hold their offices until the first day of January, 1900, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

12th The signing of the subscriptions to the capital stock shall be an acceptance of the terms of this charter.

All indebtedness of the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 15/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Gulfport Manufacturing Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/9/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Macon Ginning and Manufacturing Company.

1st The corporate title of the company to be organized under this charter shall be the Macon Ginning and Manufacturing Company and its domicile shall be at or near the town of Macon, in Noxubee County

2d The purposes for which this corporation is created are declared to be the ginning and baling of cotton buying and selling cotton seed and cotton seed products and the manufacture of cotton seed products manufacturing cotton into yarns and grinding grain. To that end it shall have the right to purchase or lease, and hold real estate that may be necessary and expedient for the successful conduct and management of its business; may gin cotton and charge and collect a reasonable toll therefor payable in money, cotton or seed as may be agreed upon with its patrons and customers, and may bale the same in any manner desired; it may buy and sell cotton seed, and cotton seed products, such as oil, cake, meal, hulls and linters, and may refine cotton seed oil, and may manufacture soap; it may also manufacture cotton into yarns, and grind corn, into meal, grits and chops. It may erect all necessary buildings, seed rooms, ware houses, and out houses necessary to the safe and successful management of its business. It may insure the same, and it may insure the property of its customers and patrons whilst in its custody; and it may do any and all other acts that may be necessary or expedient, for the safe, proper and successful management of its business, not inconsistent with the constitutions and laws of the State or United States

3d The capital stock is fixed at five thousand dollars, to be divided into one hundred shares of fifty dollars each, for which certificates may be issued. The capital stock may be increased by a vote of the majority of the stockholders in value to an amount not exceeding the maximum fixed in chapter 25 of the Code of 1892.

The duration of the corporation shall be for fifty years.

4th The following persons are named as incorporators, to wit: E. Cahn, M. Frank, T. J. Evans, P. N. Strong and D. C. Boyle and all persons who may hereafter become associated with them or their successors. The persons hereinnamed shall constitute the Board of Directors for the first year and shall meet any time within twenty days after this charter shall have been approved by the Governor and recorded as required by law, and organize said company by electing one of their number to be President, and one to be Vice President, and one to be Secretary and one to be Treasurer, but the office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one and the same person. They make all needful by-laws for the conduct and management of the business of the company and may from time to time, alter, amend or repeal the same

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tenders money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, May 1/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. May 1899 Sidney N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Macon Liming and Manufacturing Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/9/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Washington Arc-Vapor Light Company.

Section 1 Be it known that B. S. Dudley, J. L. Hartshorn, W. C. McLean J. L. Finley and such other person or persons as may associate with them or either of them are hereby incorporated a body politic and corporation under the name and style of "The Washington Arc-Light Vapor Company" and as such shall exist for 50 years

Section 2 The purposes for which said corporation is formed are as follows—to purchase and sell any and all material and any and all manufactured articles that may be used in producing, making and giving artificial light—to purchase and sell any inventions and letters patent and all rights and privileges thereon, issued by the Government of the United States of America or of any other government, to be used in producing artificial light of any kind from any substance and to enter into and make contracts for the lighting of cities towns and villages and the streets thereof, and any public and private buildings.

Section 3 The capital stock shall be such a sum as a majority of the stock holders may from time to time declare, divided into shares of ($50.00) Fifty Dollars each.

Section 4 The domicile of said Company shall be in Grenada, Grenada County, State of Mississippi, but the said domicile may be changed at any time by a vote of the majority of the stock-holders of the said Company

Section 5 The said corporation shall have power and authority to conduct the business of lighting cities, towns and villages and public and private buildings and of buying and selling any and all material and manufactured articles that may be used in producing artificial light of any kind and from any substance and of buying and selling any inventions to be used in producing artificial light of any kind and of any substance, and letters patent issued by any government, and shall have such powers as are conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi and of all amendments thereto which are necessary and proper in the conducting of its business.

Section 6 The stockholders of said corporation shall not be individually liable for the debts thereof except to the amount of their unpaid subscriptions for stock.

Section 7 No indebtedness of or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation of the Washington Ade Vapor Light Company is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 28/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Washington Ade Vapor Light Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/11/99

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The Charter of Incorporation of Bank of Macon

We, Winston Jones, V. C. Cantt, W. H. Shannon, J. P. Dorsa
Louis Frank, Joshua Stevens, W. B. Patty, F. E. Carlton, W.
Scales, S. H. Watkins, N. H. Evans, N. Scales, W. N. Scales, L
L. Cole, Benj Thomas, C. M. Scales, and R. C. Bogle, Sam Roth
berg, and such others as may hereafter become associate
with us as stockholders, hereby associate ourselves togeth
as a body corporate, under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code
of 1892 of the laws of the State of Mississippi

The name of this Corporation shall be Ban
of Macon.

The purpose for which this corporation is organize
is to do a general banking business, such as discounting
Commercial or other paper, issuing exchange, loaning
money, and transacting such other business, not contra
to the laws of the State of Mississippi, as is usually
transacted by banks, other than National Banks

The powers to be exercised by this corporation shall
be such as are usually exercised by banks, other
than National Banks, not inconsistent with the laws
of the State of Mississippi, and such other powers as
are conferred by said Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code
of 1892 of the laws of the State of Mississippi.

The period for which this corporation shall exist
shall be fifty years, unless sooner terminated by the action
of its stockholders or by lawful authority.

The capital stock of this corporation shall be Fifty
Thousand Dollars; but said corporation may organize
and commence business as soon as Twenty Five Thousand
Dollars of its capital stock shall have been subscribed
for and paid in.

All obligations by or to the corporation shall be
salable in any kind of legal tender money of the United
States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon.
Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss., April 17, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incor-
poration are not violative of the constitution or laws of
the State
Jackson, Miss., April 25/99 Stiles N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Madison, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 26th day of April, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/12/99

Certified Copy of the decree of the Chancery Court of Washington County, Miss. dated July 30, 1930 dissolving said corporation and surrendering it Charter to the State of Mississippi, filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on April 27, 1950. Kelly Ladner Secretary of State

The Charter of Incorporation of the Lelaud Oil Works.

Article 1. That Hermann Goepel, George H. Rhodes, Robert Ernst, Mrs. Josephine Cason, Stephen Thrasher, and other associates who may become stockholders, be and are hereby created a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the "Lelaud Oil Works" for the purpose of manufacturing oil of any kind (particularly cotton seed oil and its products) fertilizers, soaps and other articles of trade and commerce and the manufacture of which the buildings, machinery or any part thereof may be utilized. The said corporation shall have the power to refine its crude products should it desire to do so.

Article 2 The capital stock of said corporation shall not be less than Fifty Thousand Dollars, and shall not exceed the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, the same to be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and when the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars shall have been paid in, the said stockholders may meet and elect their Board of Directors.

Article 3 The affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, and they shall elect a President, and Secretary and Treasurer.

Article 4 The said Board of Directors shall have full and ample power to make all by laws regulating the time, place and manner of the meting of the stock holders, the election of the Board of Directors and President and Secretary and Treasurer, their tenure of office, to divide and declare dividend out of the profits, to establish and fix salaries, etc; and in fact they shall have full and ample power to establish all by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to law, necessary to carry out the business of said corporation, and carry out its purposes and objects as set forth in article 1st herein.

Article 5 The Secretary and Treasurer shall have the care and custody of all money of the corporation, and shall give bond with good security to faithfully account for the same, the amount of said bond and the said security to be approved by the said Board of Directors

Article 6 That in the election of the said Board of Directors, and in all the business of said corporation, each stock holder shall be entitled to one vote for each share he holds, the majority of votes to control. Absent stock holders or Directors may be represented by proxy in writing, and no transfer of stock shall be considered final until same has been entered on the

books of the corporation, when the original stock shall be surrendered or cancelled as the case may be.

Article 7 That should any stockholder desire to sell his or her stock or any part thereof, he or she shall give reasonable notice thereof to the said Board of Directors, who, all things being equal, shall have the preference in the purchase of the same, and pay for the same out of the profits of the corporation. Said stock so purchased shall be cancelled.

Article 8 No stockholder of said corporation shall be individually liable for the debts of the same, except to the amount of the balance that may remain due or unpaid for the stock subscribed for by him or her, and no further.

Article 9 That said corporation shall hold all real estate necessary for carrying on its business, and for this purpose shall have the power to establish agencies and build seed houses in this or adjoining States

Article 10 That the said Leland Oil Works shall have its domicile at the town of Leland, Washington County, State of Mississippi, and its charter may continue for fifty years.

Article 11 This charter of incorporation shall be in full force and effect from and after the approval of the same by the Governor as contemplated by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, under the provisions of which chapter this corporation is organized, and all the provisions of said chapter so far as the same are applicable shall be a part of this charter of incorporation

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, May 15/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., May 15/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Leland Oil Works, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 15th day of May, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power, Secy of State

Recorded 5/15/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Choctaw Bank Ackerman, Miss

J. D. Hicks, A. Cramer, N.A. Cramer, N. N. Inman, D. W. Quinn, W. Barron, O. L. Barron, T. E. Barron, N. M. Paine, P. G. Elliott, L. Burke, J. E. Edwards, Wm Edwards, G. E. Galceran, D. L. Hunt, B. W. Holder, J. Ko N. P. Crawford and such others as may be associated with them are hereby incorporated under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Co of Mississippi of 1892 and the acts of the Legislature of said Sta Amendatory of said chapter 25 of said Code, as a Banking Association and do hereby declare:

1st That the name of the Bank shall be the Choctaw Bank.

2d That it shall be domiciled at Ackerman, Choctaw county Mississippi.

3d That the said Banking Association by the name aforesaid shall have succession for the space of fifty years, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all court of law and equity, may have a common seal, and the sa seal may break or alter at pleasure and by its name may contract or be contracted with, acquire, hold and alie property, real, personal and mixed and do all acts incide to bodies corporate, may invest the capital of said bank in gold and silver coin, bullion, bank notes, silver certificates, certificates of ~~gold~~ deposit, and all moneys current and no current, bonds of the United States and bonds and warrants of any state, county or municipal corporation and in any public or private securities of value; may invest in mortg ges, deeds of trust, notes, bills of exchange, bills single, accoun choses in action and other evidences of debt, may receive in trust or on deposit gold and silver coin, bullion, bank notes, currency and incurrent money, silver certificates, certifi cates of deposit, or any other valuable thing and may loan the same; may borrow and loan money and other securities for such periods of time as may be agreed upon, may negotiate, rediscount, may buy and sell notes, bills single, drafts, accounts, United States bonds, and State, county and municipal bonds, warrants, and all valuable public and private and current and incurrent securities; may do a bank collection, discount and exchange business as is customary with banks; may take deeds of trust, mortgages, bills of sale, pledges and deposits, and other conveyances of real, personal and mixed property as security for money loaned; may hold and possess real property necessary for its business, and personal and mixed property, and sell, convey and dispose of same at pleasure; may receive on deposit, trust funds, county and municipal funds, funds of religious, charitable

educational and benevolent associations, and the funds of executors, administrators, guardians, commissioners in court and married women, and may become a trustee in relation to any funds, property or matter, that may be entrusted to it; may act as agent, assignee and receiver; may act on its own account and for investors, and take security for any investment by mortgage, trust deed or otherwise, and may guarantee the payment of same, both principal and interest, and it may and shall have all the rights and authority, privileges, powers and immunities allowed and granted by the constitution of said State and the laws thereof by the code and legislative enactments aforesaid.

4th The management of said bank shall be confided to a Board of not less than five nor more than seven Directors, all of whom shall ~~hold their offices~~ be stockholders, to be elected annually by the stockholders and they shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and the Directors shall make such rules and regulations and by laws for the government of said bank and the transaction of its business as they may deem expedient and best, and may change the same at pleasure, provided they shall make no rule or by law in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi or the United States; and said Directors may in their judgment provide for the creation of proper offices and for the election and salaries of proper, suitable and necessary officers in their discretion for the service of said bank, and the said Directors shall have full authority for the appointment of all agents and employees, for filling any vacancy in office that may occur and for removing at any time any officer or employee for inefficiency, neglect of duty or dishonesty, or for immorality, or for any other just and reasonable cause; and evidence sufficient to satisfy a majority of the Directors present at any meeting that any employee has been guilty of speculation in futures, of playing at any game of chance or hazard for money or other valuable thing, or of wagering money on an election or other uncertain thing; shall be held and deemed sufficient and conclusive cause for immediate removal and discharge of any such officer or employee.

5th " The capital stock of said bank shall be Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars, ($25,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred ($100.00) dollars each, and each share shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote in all stockholders meetings; and as soon as Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) dollars of the capital stock shall have been paid in the said bank may commence to do business. Provided that said capital ~~stock shall have been paid as the said bank~~ may by a two-thirds vote of the stockholders be increased or decreased from time to time, but to be at no time less than Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) dollars or more than fifty thousand ($50,000.00) dollars.

6th This charter shall go into effect upon its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, May 9/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, May 13/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Choctaw Bank, Ackerman, Miss, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 13th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/16/99

Dissolved by Decree of Chancery Court of Yazoo County, May 11, 1925

The Charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Furniture Company

Sec 1 S. Wachenheim, H. O. Munger, and George Anderson, and those who may hereafter become stockholders, their successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of The Yazoo Furniture Company, and as such shall have succession for Fifty years; and said corporation is hereby authorized and made capable to have and to hold, to purchase, receive and enjoy, real and personal property necessary and proper for its purposes not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) and to hold, use and enjoy such real estate in fee simple or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, or said personal property, to sell, rent, lease, convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber; to issue notes, bonds, debentures, or other evidences of debt; to sue and be sued; to contract and be contracted with; to plead and be pleaded with; to use a common seal and the same to alter, break or renew at pleasure. The domicile of said corporation shall be at Yazoo City, in the State of Mississippi, but may be changed from time to time by a vote of the holders of a majority of the stock.

Sec 2 The purpose of said corporation is to engage in and carry on a general furniture business either wholesale or retail, or both, and in connection therewith, to carry any other line of general merchandise it may deem proper, in the furtherance of which, it is hereby authorized and empowered to buy and sell goods, wares and merchandise, and all kinds of personal property for cash or upon a credit, at wholesale or retail, or both; and further, to do all other acts necessary and convenient in the judgment of the officers and Directors of said corporation, for the welfare and business of said Company, And it shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges authorized and provided in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892

Sec 3 The Capital Stock of said corporation shall be Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00), divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, and

may be increased or diminished from time to time by vote of the holders of a majority of the stock.

Sec 4 The management of the business of said corporation shall be confided to not less than two, nor more than five Directors, who shall be stockholders in said Company, and who shall be elected annually by the stockholders, and a majority of said Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Directors shall elect from their number a President and a Vice President, and also a Secretary and Treasurer, any two of which said offices may be held by one and the same person, and may appoint or elect such other officers, agents or employees as they may deem proper. The said Directors shall hold their offices until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall have power to fill all vacancies in their number caused by death, resignation, or otherwise

Sec 5 The Directors shall have power and authority to make any and all needful rules, by-laws and regulations, for the control and management of the business affairs and property of said Company, and may from time to time alter, amend or annul the same as they see fit

Sec 6 At all stockholders meetings a vote of the holders of the majority of the stock then present in person, or by proxy, shall decide all questions submitted at said meeting. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, her or it.

Sec 7 No stockholder of said Company shall be in any way personally liable for the debts of said Company beyond the amount of his, her or its unpaid subscription to said capital stock

Sec 8 All subscriptions to said capital stock shall be paid for in cash or in property.

Sec 9 Any two of said incorporators may open books of subscription to the capital stock of said company, ~~and upon the same as~~ Three Thousand Dollars, ($3,000.00) shall have been subscribed and paid in cash, said Company may organize, elect Directors, and commence business.

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made that it may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss; May 6/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss; May 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Yazoo Furniture Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/16/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association with amendments to Section 7 and Section 9

Sec 1 Be it Known that D. A. Elliott, W. R. Lacy, W. H. Turner, J. D. Rimmer, R. N. Ousley and such other persons as may become associated with them under this Charter, are created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi for a period of fifty years and under that name shall have all the powers, privileges and franchises incident to such corporations under the laws of the State of Mississippi

Sec 2 That the said corporation shall have the right to mutually insure the respective dwelling houses, barns and other property of its members in the State of Mississippi, against loss by fire, wind or lightning, upon such terms and under such conditions as may be fixed by the by-laws of said corporation. It may sue and be sued in any court in this State and may use a common seal.

Sec 3 That said corporation may make by-laws fixing the number of its Board of Directors for each branch and offices and defining the Duties and powers of the Directors and offices, also making rules and regulations governing the corporation and the conduct with its business not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi.

Sec 4 That every member of any branch of said corporation shall be and is hereby bound to pay his or their portion of all losses and expenses accruing to said branch or corporation.

Sec 5 Every member of the said corporation shall be liable as herein provided until outstanding losses shall have been paid and until the owner thereof shall have withdrawn his insurance in the manner prescribed by the by laws of said corporation

Sec 6 That the aggregate amount of insurance by said corporation in any one county shall not exceed One Million Dollars.

Sec 7 That the principal office of said corporation shall be at the town of Kosciusko, in Attala County, State of Mississippi, but it may have branch offices in any other county in the State of Mississippi, that it sees fit.

Amend Section 7 by striking out the town of Kosciusko, Attala County and inserting the city of Jackson, Hinds county.

Sec 8 That the insurance business of said Association shall be conducted by and through branches thereof which said branches shall consist of fifty or more persons who have applied for membership and shall be organized in the manner set out in the by-laws of said Association

Sec 9 That the territorial limit of any branch of said Association shall not comprise more than five counties nor less than one county.

Amend Section 9. After the word "the county" in 4th line of said section, insert. "except as to insurance of gin houses, which territorial limit may be co-extensive with the limits of the State of Mississippi

Sec 10 That membership in said association shall be acquired only through some regularly organized branch thereof.

Sec 11 That all losses accruing to the Association shall be paid by a pro-rate assessment of all the members of the branch of the Association in which the said losses may occur, according to the amount of insurance held by said member. And no member of the association shall be liable for any loss ~~occuring~~ accruing outside of the branch of which he is a member.

Sec 12 That said association may annually assess and collect from each and every member of the association, without regard to the different branches thereof for the payment of contingent expenses, the sum not exceeding one tenth of one per centum upon the amount of the insurance held by said member

Sec 13 That the Board of Directors of said association shall consist of one member from each branch of said Association elected by a majority of the members of said branch and until said Directors have been elected the incorporators named shall be and constitute the Board of Directors of said Association.

Sec 14 That any member of any branch of this association may after thirty days written notice to the President of the Association resign his membership, and from the date of his resignation shall in no way be liable as such for any losses which may hereafter occur.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Asso of Mississippi is hereby submitted to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the same
Jackson, Miss, May 15/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendments to the charter of incorporation of the Farmers mutual Fire Insurance Assn of Mississippi is not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, May 15/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendments to charter of incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association, of Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 15th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/17/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Most Worshipful Sovereign Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Mississippi

Be it known that Samuel L. Cannon, John W. Davis, Moses Hughes, Jos W. Woods, P. G. Williams and their associate members and all who shall hereafter become and continue members of the Most Worshipful Sovereign Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Mississippi are hereby created a body corporate and politic under the aforesaid name and style, and by that name may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded; defend and be defended in all the courts of this State, and have full power to acquire by purchase or gift, real and personal property not exceeding in value fifty thousand dollars, and may sell, lease, improve or otherwise dispose of the same; to have and use a common seal which may be altered at pleasure. Said corporation shall appoint or elect such officers for its management and control and for the furtherance of the purposes for which it is organized as may be authorized by its rituals or other laws which may be used in its organization, government and work, who shall continue in office and perform their duties, according to the rituals, laws, by laws and constitution of said corporation, Said corporation may use such rituals, make such laws and by laws and adopt a constitution for its government, and management and general work, provided such rituals, laws and by laws and constitution are not in conflict with and contrary to the laws of the State of Mississippi or of the United States. Said corporation is empowered to establish subordinate lodges, to name the lodges, to issue to them certificates of their establishment, according to the requirements of its rituals, ~~that~~ laws, by-laws and constitutions. It may fix fees and charges for the establishment of said subordinate lodges, also the fees to be charged for the admission of members in said subordinate lodges; may fix the annual dues to be paid by members of said subordinate lodges, and also the annual dues to be paid by them to the aforesaid corporate Grand Lodge. Said corporation shall have the power to enact the laws, by laws, and constitution for the government of the subordinate lodges established as aforesaid. Said corporation shall hold annual meetings or communications at such places as it may designate in the State of Mississippi. It shall determine who ~~from~~ the subordinate lodges shall be appointed delegates and what members from said lodges shall be entitled to seats, in said annual meetings or communications. Said corporation can revise appeals and trials from subordinate lodges, and may reverse or affirm the decision of any subordinate lodge. If said decision be reversed the case

may be remanded or dismissed by said corporation. Said corporation shall exist for fifty years, and its domicile shall be at Ittabena, County of Leflore and State of Mississippi; but it is empowered to change its domicile to any other place in the State of Mississippi at its annual communication, but for cause to be determined by the Corporation the domicile may be changed at a special meeting or called communication. Said corporation is empowered to revoke its authority for the organization and establishment of any subordinate lodge whenever said lodge refuses to observe and be governed by the rituals, laws, by-laws and constitution aforesaid. Said corporation may try and expel any one of its members who fails or refuses to observe and obey the ritual, laws, by-laws and constitution

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 28/99 A J McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., April 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Most Worshipful Sovereign Grand Lodge of African Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/17/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Brothers and Sisters of Love of Jupiter

Thomas, R. C. Jones, W. M. Mosby, George Young, Lent Patterson, Adam Semmons, Moses Robson, John Croder, W. R. Polar, Mat Bulit, Claud Ford, Tom Ellis, Abe Binson and such other parties as may associate themselves with them, have agreed to organize themselves into a body corporate, with power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, to own, buy and sell property for the purpose of carrying on the business of the order, that the total valuation of all property owned and controlled by this organization shall not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars and that the existence of this organization shall not exceed fifty years. The organization shall be known as the Brothers and Sisters of Love of Jupiter, and may have a common seal for the transaction of its business. The home office or domicile of this order shall be in Greenville, Washington County, State of Mississippi. The object and purpose of this organization shall be to assist the sick members thereof, to bury its dead members, to provide for the widows and orphans of its deceased members, to pay a death benefit or endowment to the legal representations of deceased members. This organization shall have full power and privilege to make laws, rules and regulations for its own government and shall have full power to do and act as similar organizations, May have, They may have the right to change, modify or amend its laws in accordance with the views of a majority of its members, the officers of this organization shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary of Finance, a Recording Secretary, a Chaplain, a corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and such other offices as its members may from time to time create. This organization shall have power to establish organizations of a similar kind to be known as subordinate lodges. The fees, salaries and terms of all offices herein mentioned shall be regulated by the laws governing the organization.

The foregoing purposed charter of incorporation is hereby submitted to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, May 12/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of Incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, May 1899 ——— Atty General

Execution Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Brothers and Sisters of Love of Jupiter is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy State

Recorded 5/18/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 13 PAGE 201 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 302 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 9 PAGE 119

The Charter of Incorporation of the Pass Packing Company.

Article I. Be it known that the following named persons: Geo. W. Taylor, Frank Sutter, F. Andresen, Geo. C. Brandt, T. V. Courtenay, J. N. Kruse, and such other persons as may hereafter associate or connect themselves with them, availing themselves of the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Pass Packing Company, and as such shall have and exercise all the powers and privileges conferred on and incidental to such corporations by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and under such name shall have existence for a period of fifty years from the date of approval of this Charter

Article II The domicile of this corporation shall be the town of Pass Christian, County of Harrison, State of Mississippi.

Article III The purposes for which this corporation is created and declared to be, are to erect, maintain and operate a canning factory for the purpose of canning fish, oysters, fruit, vegetables and such other articles as may be deemed fit and proper; to build or acquire boats propelled by sail, steam or other motive power; to erect, maintain and operate such other machinery of whatsoever description as may be deemed necessary for the carrying on of the business for which this corporation is created

Article IV The capital stock of this corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, but the same may be increased from time to time by a two-thirds vote of the stock represented by the stockholders; the stock shall be divided into shares of Fifty Dollars each.

Article V The business of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, to be elected in the manner prescribed by Sec. 837 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and the Directors, when so elected, shall elect a President and a Vice President from their number; they shall also elect a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio secretary of the Board of Directors, and who shall be a stockholder, and the Board may provide for such other officers and employees as may be required in the conduct and management of said corporation. A majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum with the full power of the entire Board of Directors

Article VI No person shall be a Director in this corporation who does not own at least one share of stock of said corporation, and no stockholder shall dispose of his or her holdings, or a part thereof, without first offering same to the Board of

Directors, who may buy the same for the Company.

Article VII The Directors shall adopt such rules and regulations as they deem best fitted for the safe management of this corporation

Article VIII After the approval of this charter two or more of the incorporators may call a meeting for the purpose of organizing, by giving due notice of same for a period of not less than one week, but at such meeting two-thirds of the stock subscribed shall be represented either in person or by proxy

No indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, May 16, 1899 N. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., May 16, 1899 Riley H. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Paso Packing Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/18/99

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Rodney Gin and Oil Company.

1st "James N. Martin, N. L. Winters, J. L. Burkley, August Reitze, George Reitze, F. N. Coleman, Mrs. E. M. Noland, Mrs F. C. Martin, N. Y. Hughes and John N. Chambliss, their associates and successors, are hereby created a body corporate under the name of Rodney Gin and Oil Company, and as such shall exist and have succession for fifty years with its domicile at Rodney, Jefferson County, Mississippi, and shall have possess and exercise all the powers, rights, privileges and immunities conferred by the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi upon corporations of this class, and shall be subject to all the restrictions and provisions therein contained

2d The purposes for which this corporation is created are to buy and sell cotton and cotton seed, to gin, press, bale and compress cotton, to buy, manufacture and sell cotton seed oil, oil cake, cotton seed meal, hulls, ashes and all other products of cotton seed, to buy, feed, fatten and sell live stock, to own and operate a corn mill and a grist mill, to own and operate a tramway, to own and operate a telephone line, to own, lease and control a landing or landings and ferry or ferries upon the Mississippi River, and to acquire, own, operate, sell and convey, such property, real and personal, land, machinery, boats and water craft, as may be incidental and necessary to the business of the corporation

3d The capital stock of this corporation shall not be less than ($5,000.00) nor more than ($50,000.00), and shall be divided into shares of $100.00 each, and may from time to time be increased or diminished between these limits by a vote of a majority of the stock issued. And said stock shall be transferable only on the books of the company as the by-laws may direct, according to law

4th The first meeting of stockholders for organization under this charter shall be held without newspaper publication whenever a majority of the above named incorporators shall by agreement come together for that purpose. And as soon as the minimum amount above named of stock has been subscribed and paid in, said corporation is authorized to begin business.

5th The stockholders shall have power to make such rules, regulations and by-laws for the control and management of the business and property of the corporation as they may deem expedient which shall not be contrary to law or this charter, and may from time to time amend, alter and revoke the same.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States."

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, May 15/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, May 15/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Rodney Gin and Oil Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 5/18/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Dry Creek Graded School.

Sec 1 Be it that John McNair, S. Lacy, J. O. Bullock, D. J. Rayland, and A. E. Harper, their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Dry Creek Graded School, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity in the State of Mississippi or Elsewhere, and shall have succession for a period of fifty years, with all the powers of a body corporate, and shall be located at Dry Creek Church, Rankin County, State of Mississippi

Sec 2 The capital stock of said corporation shall be $, and shall be paid from time to time as may be required by the by-laws of the incorporation, but shall not be organized with, or changed, so that any member holding stock shall have more than one vote on all questions.

Sec 3 The officers of the incorporations shall be, a President, a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall serve without compensation.

Sec 4 The incorporators at their first meeting shall select five Directors, three of whom shall serve two years, and every year thereafter the vacancies shall be filled.

Sec 5 The election of all teachers shall be by the Board of Directors, but no teacher shall be employed by them until the Board is organized for the five years for which the teachers are selected.

Sec 6 The incorporators and Board of Directors shall have power to arrange a course of study, fix salaries, establish rates of tuition, own and manage real estate for the use of the school, and do all things for the upbuilding and maintainence of the school, provided such action does not conflict with the laws of the United States and of this State.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., May 16/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, May 16/99

Wiley N. Nash,
Atty. General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Dry Creek Graded School, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/19/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Native Lumber Compa

Be it known that on the 15th day of April, 1899, L. N. Dantzler, J. L. Dantzler, L. N. Dantzler, Jr., G. N. Nowze, Jos. Bozeman, Henry Colmer, George Bowen, Alex. McInnis and John Alberts, by virtue of the provisions of Chapter (25) Twenty-five, of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, and the acts amendatory thereof, do hereby organize and found a corporation for the objects and purposes hereinafter enumerated; and to that end and purpose they do by these presents, with the approval of the Governor of the State of Mississippi, form and constitute themselves and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them into a body politic and corporate in law under the following articles of the Charter of said corporation, to wit:

Article 1 The name and style of this corporation shall be the Native Lumber Company, and in that name it shall exist for fifty years, unless sooner dissolved by a vote of a majority of its stockholders, and may by purchase, or otherwise, acquire, have, hold and enjoy such real and personal property, (not in excess of the limit fixed by law upon corporations of this character) as may be necessary or requisite for the purposes for which this organization is formed; and shall in addition possess all the rights and powers which corporations under the general laws of the State of Mississippi, are authorized to exercise or possess.

Article 2 The Domicile of this corporation shall be at Harrison, Harrison County, Mississippi.

Article 3 The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at Seventy Five Thousand ($75,000.00) Dollars, divided into Seven Hundred and Fifty (750) shares of One Hundred ($100.00) ~~Dollars~~ each, but may be at any time increased to One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00) by a vote of a majority of the stockholders. As soon as this charter shall have been approved, the said incorporators above named, shall open books of subscription to the stock of said corporation, and when Fifty Thousand ($50,000.00) Dollars of stock shall have been subscribed, a meeting of stockholders shall be called, at which meeting the stockholders shall elect Five Directors of said corporation, who shall serve as such until the Second Tuesday in September, A. D., 1900.

Article 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are hereby declared to be, to own, operate, conduct and carry on at Harrison, Mississippi, and such other places as the Board of Directors may select, a general lumber manufacturing business; to engage in the business of buying and selling lumber

either in the domestic or export trade; to conduct, or carry on, either at Norrison, Mississippi, or at such other places as the Board of Directors may select, a general mercantile business; and to do and perform all such other lawful acts and things as may be necessary to successfully conduct and carry on the objects and purposes hereinabove enumerated, or that the Board may regard as necessary or expedient in conducting its business.

Article 5 The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of five Directors, who shall be elected by the stockholders within sixty (60) days after the approval of this charter, and on the second Tuesday in September, 1900, and annually thereafter on the second Tuesday in September in each year. The Board of Directors, at their first meeting, and annually thereafter, following every election of stockholders, shall organize by electing a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, provided, that the two last named offices may be held by the same person. Vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the stockholders at an election to be held for that purpose on ten days notice to each of the persons then holding stock as shown by the books of the company. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum; said Board of Directors may appoint from time to time and also dismiss at their pleasure, such officers, agents, clerks and employees as they may deem necessary for the business and purposes of said corporation; they may establish as well as alter and amend such by-laws, rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary and proper for the business of said corporation. All Directors elected shall hold office until their successors are elected.

Witness our signature the day and year above written

J. L. Dantzler, L. N. Dantzler, L. N. Dantzler, Jr.,
G. W. Howze, W. Colmer, Geo. T. Bowen,
John Alberts, Alex McInnis, Jos. Bozeman

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it may be paid in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., May 16/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson. Miss. May 16/99 Sidney N. Nash. Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Natira Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

By the Governor
J. L. Power

A. J. McLaurin

Recorded 5/19/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Brookville Mercantile Company.

Article 1 Be it known, That G. P. Heard, Edwin McMorris, R. D Lorrand Walt Jones, and their associates, are hereby created a body corporate under the corporate name of the Brookville Mercantile Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of law and equity. Contract and be contracted with, by said corporate name, and may attest its contracts by corporate seal to be adopted by said corporation, and altered or changed at will.

Article 2 The purposes of said corporation are, and it is hereby empowered, to conduct at the place of its domicile, a general mercantile business, owning, buying and selling at wholesale, or retail, goods, wares and merchandise of every description and kind of merchantable ware, also cotton, cotton seed, and all kinds of country produce; may purchase and hold such real estate as may be needed for the location of store and warehouse; and such real estate as may be acquired in the collection of debts; may take and hold by deed of trust, mortgages, or other instrument of conveyance, such securities as may be deemed advisable to secure debts contracted or to be contracted, for goods, supplies and moneys advanced, to customers, on either real or personal property, or both, and generally to make such contracts and take and hold such securities therefor as are usual and incident to its said business

Article 3 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Brookville, Noxubee county, State of Mississippi, and said corporation shall have succession for the term of 25 years. The capital stock of said corporation shall be Eight Thousand ($8,000.00) Dollars, to be divided into eighty shares of One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars each, or such fractional parts thereof as may be designated by its by-laws, but the same may be increased at the discretion of bona fide stockholders by a majority vote of the entire paid up capital stock, which shall not exceed Twelve Thousand ($12,000.00) Dollars.

Article 4 When the entire capital stock shall be fully subscribed and paid for, said corporation shall be authorized to commence business

Article 5 All stock issued shall be signed by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President and Vice President, and authenticated by the seal of said corporation, and shall be entered on the stock book to be kept for such purpose, and be transferable thereon in the manner prescribed ~~and~~ by the statute in such cases.

Article 6 The business of said corporation shall be conducted and managed by and under the direction of a Board of three Directors, who shall be elected annually by the stock holders at such time and place as shall be prescribed and fixed by the by laws, who shall from their number elect a President, Vice President and Secretary and Treasurer which two last named offices may, if so directed by the by-laws, be held by the same person. The duties and salaries of officers to be prescribed by the by laws, and by its by-laws said

corporation may determine the time, manner and place of calling and conducting meetings of said Directors, and of its stockholders, and the mode of voting by proxy, et cetera

Article 7 And said corporation shall be empowered generally to exercise powers incident to such corporations, as provided by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi

All indebtedness of the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson Miss., May 13/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss., May 13/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Brooksville Mercantile Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/20/99

The charter of Incorporation of Valley Construction Company

Sec 1 Harry L. Armstrong, John J. Murphy, William A Percy, Jesse N. Thompson, and Robert G. Morrow, together with such other persons as may become stockholders in this corporation, and their successors, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of Valley Construction Company.

Sec 2 The domicile of this corporation shall be at Lake View, in the county of De Soto, and State of Mississippi, and this corporation shall have succession for fifty years, and shall have the power to determine the manner of calling and conducting meetings, and the mode of voting by proxy; to elect all necessary officers and prescribe duties, salaries and terms of officers; to sue and be sued, and to prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; to have a corporate seal; to contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers; to sell and convey real estate, and to acquire and sell personal property; to borrow money and secure the payment of same by mortgage and otherwise; to issue bonds and secure them in the same way; and to hypothecate its franchises, and to make all necessary by-laws not contrary to law.

Sec 3 This company is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, improve and equip buildings, levees, earth works, embankments, tunnels, docks, bridges, piers, walls, basins, railroads, warehouses, depots, section houses, manufacturing plants, and all other character of construction or building work; and to acquire and hold the bonds and stock of any company whose works it may construct, in whole or in part.

Sec 4 This company is authorized to exercise all powers and privileges herein granted and extended to it in the other States and foreign countries, subject to the provisions of the laws of such States and foreign countries.

Harry L. Armstrong, John J. Murphy, William A. Percy,
J. N. Thompson, Robert G. Morrow.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., May 13/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., May 1899 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Valley Construction Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 16th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/22/99

The Charter of Incorporation of The Unionist Laborer's Society

Sec 1 Be it Known that Rev. B. L. Harrington, Prof. P. Ward, Prof. M. Ambrose, N. Pratt, R. H. Harrington, M. Vaubrien, Silas Mabry, D. H. House, Edmd Falls, & H. Wright and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, their assigns and successors, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of The Unionist Laborers Society, to be domiciled at Goodman, Holmes County, Mississippi and by that name said corporation shall have succession for the period of fifty years, and as such, may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded, and may make and use a corporate seal, and alter the same at pleasure; shall have and possess all the powers privileges and immunities defined and conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and the amendments thereto, provided the same are or become necessary for the prosecution of the objects of this corporation.

Sec 2 The purposes and objects of the said corporation are to elevate, unite and enlighten the colored people of the State of Mississippi; the teaching of and the prosecution of a more systematic knowledge of agriculture; to instruct the race aforesaid to acquire property, and to improve their social, moral, intellectual and financial conditions as well as the adoption of the best modes for the acquisition of property and the proper management of the same; and for these purposes the said corporation shall be and is hereby empowered to buy, sell and own as much property, both real and personal as is necessary for the carrying out of the provisions and objects of the said corporate body.

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation is One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars, but the same may be increased to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, which may be increased in accordance with the rules and by laws of the corporate body, provided the same are not violative of the spirit or letter of the constitution

Sec 4 Said corporation shall in addition to the several objects set forth in Sec 2 of this Charter, care for its sick members, bury its dead and render such reasonable and lawful assistance to the widows and orphan members as it sees fit to do.

Sec 5 The entire property and capital owned and acquired by this corporation shall be used only for the purposes thereof, pursuant to the objects herein before set forth, and it may accumulate goods and dispose of them for the charitable purposes herein mentioned, provided it may sell the same goods or merchandise to anyone and use the proceeds of the same for the objects of this corporation

Sec 6 Said corporation is hereby empowered to establish branch offices, and as many as are necessary, anywhere in this State, and appoint officers and agents for the same, subject to the general office located at Goodman, Mississippi as aforesaid.

Sec 7 The government and management of said corporate body shall be vested in such officers and agents as it may by its by-laws determine, and their terms of office, and their removal shall be solely within the powers of this corporation, as well as the prescribing of their duties.

Sec 8 That this charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor,

Sec 9 No contract shall be made payable in gold only, but in any money that is a legal tender of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., May 9/99

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., May 13/99

Riley N. Nash
Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Unionist Laborers Society is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 18th day of May, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 5/30/99

AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 14 PAGE 529

AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 11 PAGE 198

The Charter of Incorporation of the Camp & Winton Lumber Company

Be it Known;

Sec 1 That J. J. White, J. W. Winton, N. A. Camp, R. W. Winton and W. W. Tack and their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Camp & Winton Lumber Company, with succession for the period of fifty (50) years, and

Sec 2 That said corporation, do such, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the courts of law and equity; contract and be contracted with; make and adopt a corporate seal and the same change, alter or break at pleasure, and

Sec 3 That said corporation is hereby empowered to organize, operate and engage in the business of manufacturing lumber of all description; dealing in lumber of all description; dealing in logs and timber of all description and in any and all forest products; manufacturing lumber into furniture, sash, doors, blinds and doing general wood working and cabinet making; dealing in sash, doors, blinds, furniture and the products of general wood working and cabinet making. To engage in the manufacture of all kinds of field and forest products; general merchandising; dealing in any and all field products; construction of logging roads, tramways and railroads for its own use and construction of such roads, tramways and railroads for others. In the conduct of which manufacturing of lumber and any or all of the others of said businesses said corporation may buy, own, sell and convey goods, wares, merchandise, stocks, bonds, choses in action and chattels of all description, and may purchase, own, sell, mortgage and convey real property, necessary to transact its business, of all description and character and may promote and own the bonds of railroad corporations which transport or carry the logs, timber or products of said corporation, provided, that said corporation shall not hold property exceeding in value the sum of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00) and may borrow and lend money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage, bonds or otherwise, when proper for its purposes, and may exercise any and all powers incident and necessary to its proper conduct, and.

Sec 4 That the purposes for which said corporation is created are to manufacture lumber and to organize, operate and engage in any or all of the businesses in section three (3), hereof set forth and to exercise any or all of the powers by said section given, and

Sec 5 That the domicile of said corporation shall be at Lumberton, in the county of Pearl River in the State of Mississippi; with right to establish as many branch offices and establishments in this State or elsewhere as the purposes of said body-corporate may require, and

Sec 6 That the capital stock of said corporation shall be six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($600,000.00) but the same may be increased at any time to One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00) which capital stock shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each for which proper certificates shall issue; ~~to be paid for in money~~; said stock to be transferrable according to law and the by-laws of said corporation. But said corporation may organize and operate when One Thousand ($1,000.00) of said shares have been subscribed for and paid in, and

Sec 7 That said corporation shall enact and adopt such by laws and regulations as may be necessary to its proper conduct and not in conflict with law or this charter and provide for, by by-laws, and elect such Directors and officers as may be necessary for the proper management of said corporation, and

Sec 8 That no stockholder shall be liable, individually for the debts of the corporation contracted during his ownership of stock in more than the amount or balance that may remain due or unpaid for the stock subscribed for by him, and

Sec 9 That this charter take effect from and after its approval by the Governor and its recordation as provided by law, and

Sec 10 That this corporation enjoy all the rights and privileges, applicable to its purposes, that are conferred by chapter 25 of the annotated Code of Mississippi, of 1892, and the amendments thereof.

No debt by or to the corporation shall be made payable in gold only, but all such shall be so made that they shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, May 26/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 1/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Camp and Hinton Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 3d day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/5/99

The Charter of Incorporation of The Mississippi Masonic and Charitable Society

Sec 1 The purposes for which this Society is created and incorporated are: to promote and encourage peace, charity, intelligence and unity and assist its members in distress

Sec 2 The names of the incorporators are - Nathan Smith, Andrew Berry, Isham Hope, Nelson Porter, and the name of the society is The Mississippi Masonic and Charitable Society, and by that name may sue and be sued in all the courts of the State of Mississippi, and have and possess all the rights and powers contained in Chapter 25 Annotated Code 1892, of the State of Mississippi, on Corporations, and the amendments thereto

Sec 3 The period of existence shall be twenty-five years and the powers to be exercised are; 1st. To bury its dead, to care for and aid its sick; to dispense charity to its members: 2d. To establish a Masonic Charitable benefit fund, by requiring its members to pay an initiation fee, in an amount to be fixed by the society. To establish monthly dues and to use said funds in accordance with this charter

Sec 4 To make by laws for the government and good order of the society, provided the same shall not be in conflict or in violation of this charter or the policy or laws of this State.

Sec 5 The officers of said society shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as it may determine

Sec 6 New members may join and be taken in, make or female by a vote of the society.

Sec 7 The domicile of said society shall be at Columbus, Lowndes County, Mississippi

Sec 8 The first meeting of the incorporators for organization may take place at such place, on such notice as the incorporators may elect.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., May 1/99. A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., May 5/99 Riley Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Masonic and Charitable Society, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of May, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/10/99

The Charter of the Sunflower and Silver Creek Telephone Company of Yazoo County, Mississippi

Sec 1 The purposes for which this corporation is created are, to construct, maintain and operate a telephone system in Yazoo County, Mississippi.

Sec 2 The line shall traverse the public roads in Yazoo County, Mississippi, beginning at Holly Bluff Landing, on Sunflower River, in said county, and running down said river to a point opposite Campbellsville, Mississippi, thence across Silver Creek to Campbellsville, thence up said creek along the public road to Craig's Post Office at the Levy Store, thence down said creek to the Panther creek road, thence to Yazoo City, Miss., running into and along any cross roads necessary to connect the main line with any subscribers telephone as the service may require, and may connect with any line now constructed or that may hereafter be constructed from other points to Yazoo City, Holly Bluff or Campbellsbille.

Sec 3 The name of the company shall be The Sunflower & Silver Creek Telephone Company, its domicile, Campbellsville, Miss, The following persons and such others as may become associated with them shall compose the company, to wit: Geo. S. Irving, W.A. Campbell, F.N. Seabrook Jr, J.N. Woolfolk, McDill & Carroll, Richard Lindsey, Sam Harris.

Sec 4 The company shall have succession for a period of fifty years and necessary powers to enable it to carry out the object for which it is created are hereby conferred, so far as the exercise thereof may be authorized by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this State

Sec 5 The capital Stock of the company shall be eight hundred dollars ($800.00) divided into shares of ten dollars ($10.00) The company is authorized to begin business when four hundred dollars ($400.00) of stock are subscribed.

Sec 6 A Board of Directors to consist of five stockholders shall manage the business of the company. They shall be elected by a majority of the stock present at any regularly authorized or called meeting of the stockholders, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors are elected. The Board shall as soon as practicable after the first election and annually thereafter, within five days after their election choose a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers and assistants and committees as they may deem necessary from time to time, and may by by laws prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of all officers and committees, and approve the bonds of all bonded officers

Sec 7 Whenever any stockholder shall desire to sell his stock he shall give the company the refusal of it for ten days

Sec 8 The first meeting of the incorporation for the purpose of organizing ~~Action~~ and for such other business as may come before them shall be held at any time and place as may be decided upon by a majority of those enumerated in Section 3 hereof.

The foregoing purposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, June 1/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing purposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 1/99 Riley A. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Sunflower and Silver Creek Telephone Company, of Yazoo County, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 8th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/10/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Cuban-American Loan and Investment Company

1st The objects and purposes of this corporation are to carry on a general loan and investment business, such as is allowed by law, governing Building and Loan Associations, or any other investments calculated to promote the interests and welfare of said Corporation.

2d That said corporation shall be composed of John Bryant, J. S. Bullis, R. Knight, Jos. B. Leger, A. L. Thornton, and such others as may become associated with them.

3d That the corporate name by which said corporation shall be known, shall be the Cuban-American Loan and Investment Company, of Santiago, Cuba and of Gulfport, Miss, and by that name it may sue and be sued, and do all things necessary to be done in order to carry out the objects and purposes for which it was created.

4th That said Loan and Investment Company shall have power to issue stock and receive pay for same, to discount and re-discount notes and all kinds of commercial papers, to loan and borrow money, and to secure the same in any lawful manner, to buy and sell either real or personal property, and do all things authorized to be done under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and exercise fully and freely all the rights and privileges conferred upon similar corporations as provided by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, A.D. 1892, and all subsequent amendments thereto.

5th That said corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years unless sooner dissolved according to law.

6th That the capital stock of said corporation shall be $500,000.00 divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each known as paid up stock and issued at such premiums or discounts as the Directors may direct and 4500 shares of One Hundred Dollars each to be issued and payable at the rate of One Dollar per month, or as the Directors may deem for the best interests of the corporation

7th That R. Knight and A. L. Thornton shall open a subscription list for the capital stock of said corporation and when the sum of five thousand dollars of the paid up stock has been subscribed, the Directors of said corporation may proceed to collect said subscriptions for stock and Commence business.

8th That the first meeting of the stock-holders of said corporation shall be on call as provided by law, and their annual meetings shall be on a day to be fixed by the by-laws

9th That the domicile of said corporation shall be in the town of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, and it shall

power to establish branch offices at such other places that it may deem proper by a majority vote of the Directors.

10th That the offices of said corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, General Manager, Secretary and Treasurer, also three Directors, which may be increased by a majority vote of the ~~majority~~ stock holders to any number necessary.

11th That S. S. Bullis shall be President, R. Knight, General Manager, A. L. Thornton, Secretary for the first year or until their successors are duly elected according to the rules and regulations of the by-laws to be adopted by said corporation; the remaining officers and Board of Directors to be elected at the first meeting of the stockholders who shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected as above stated, said Board of Directors to have the power to fill any vacancy occurring through death, resignation or otherwise

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., June 9/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., June 9/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Cuban-American Loan and Investment Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 12th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 6/12/99

Charter of Incorporation of Imperial Society of America

The undersigned, R. E. Hale, S. Hale, R. B. Hill, and their associates, being desirous of forming and establishing a fraternal beneficial institution, do hereby, for that purpose and to that end, enter into the following articles of agreement or constitution, to-wit:

Article 1 — Name and Powers.

Sec 1 This association shall be known and designated as the Imperial Society of America, and its principal office shall be located in Vicksburg, Mississippi, or such other city within the State of Mississippi, as may be selected.

Sec 2 This association shall have power and authority to form, establish and grant charters to all subordinate lodges of the order, and prescribe and limit their power, jurisdiction, authority and number, and shall have all such powers and authority as are granted and prescribed in Chapter 25 of Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 3 This association shall continue and have existence as such for the period of fifty years

Article 2 — Object and Purpose

Sec 1 The object, purpose and scope of this association shall be to unite in fraternal co-operation and assistance all acceptable persons of sound bodily health, and good moral character, regardless of nationality or religious or political preferences, or differences; to improve the moral, intellectual and social conditions of its members. To promote and encourage temperance, and to discourage dissipation and excesses of all kind. In general, to create and establish a family and fraternal union, and to endeavor to cause the members thereof to more fully appreciate the gifts of life. To aid and assist the members and their families, and generally, to protect, care and provide for the living and to properly inter the dead; and for this purpose and to that end, to issue and deliver to such members thereof, as deemed advisable, a death benefit and disability certificate in a sum of not more than $3,000.00, to be in all respects in conformity with and payable according to the by-laws adopted from time to time, for the government and guidance of the order. And for this purpose and to that end, to create and establish a fund by means of assessments and regular dues, and payable by the members of the order according to its by-laws.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss., May 28/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss., June 1/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Imperial Society of America, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of June, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/13/99

The Charter of Incorporation of
The Protected Knights of America

Sec 1 Be it known that N. A. Montgomery, P. L. Bradley, J. M. Black, J. J. Comaw and Wm N. Watkins and David Burnham and those who may hereafter be associated with them, are hereby made a corporation and its corporate name shall be The Protected Knights of America

Sec 2 Its domicile shall be at Jackson, Hinds county, Mississippi

Sec 3 Its purposes and object shall be to unite fraternally all acceptable white persons of every profession, business and occupation, to give all moral and material aid in its power to its members and those depending on its members, by holding moral, instructive and scientific lectures, by encouraging each other in business and by assisting each other to obtain employment, and to promote benevolence and charity by establishing a widow and orphan fund by contribution from members of the order of Protected Knights of America, from which, upon satisfactory evidence of a death of a member of the order, who is a contributor to said fund at the time and who has complied with its lawful requirements, a sum not exceeding $3,000.00 shall be paid to each member or members of his family or person or persons as he may direct and designate by name, to provide for creating a fund or funds for the relief of the sick and distressed members and to ameliorate the condition of humanity in every possible way.

Sec 4 Its management and control shall be entirely with the Supreme Chapter whose officers shall have the right to exercise its corporate powers as hereinafter granted

Sec 5 Its powers shall be to carry out its purposes and objects set forth in Section 3 above and all those powers set forth in Section 836 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi

Sec 6 It may exist for fifty years from the date of this charter

Sec 7 The property of its members shall not be liable for its debts further than for the payment of their assessments which may be due the order.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., June 13/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss June 13/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty Gen'l

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Protected Knights of America, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/15/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Abraham Trager Land and Mercantile Company of Wilkinson County, Mississippi

This corporation is created for the purpose of purchasing and owning land and renting the same or planting the same, or pasturing on same and purchasing and owning all necessary personal property in connection therewith and carrying on a general mercantile business, which said mercantile business is to be located in or near the town of Fort Adams, in said county, and cut timber, saw lumber and gin cotton. The capital stock of this corporation shall be not less than twenty-five hundred nor more than twenty five thousand dollars, divided into shares whose face value shall be ten dollars each.

The following persons are named as stockholders: A. Trager, L. Trager, Isidore Trager, J. E. Oglesby, J. Newton Trager.

The corporate name of this association shall be the Abraham Trager Land and Mercantile Company, of Wilkinson County, Mississippi, and its term of existence shall not be less than ten years unless sooner dissolved.

The powers conferred by this charter are to buy and sell any and all lands thought desirable for agricultural or timber purposes or pasturing stock and owning the said lands, and to buy and own all stock and personal property needed in connection therewith; and to hypothecate, mortgage, lease or sell any or all of said property, real or personal, according to such by-laws as the stockholders may devise, which by laws may be made, altered or amended, at any time by a vote of three fourths of the stockholders, voting in person or by proxy. And in connection with said mercantile business to buy and sell any sort of property or thing whatever according to said by laws, and to make alter or amend said by-laws by a three-fourths vote of the stockholders, voting in person or by proxy. The first meeting of stockholders to organize said corporation under this charter shall be held at Clarksville Landing in said county on the 21st day of June, A.D. 1899, at which the stock holders may attend and vote either in person or by proxy

A. Trager, L. Trager, Isidore Trager, J. E. Oglesby, J. Newton Trager

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., June 13/99 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., June 13/99 — Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Abraham Trager Land and Mercantile Company of Wilkinson County, Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1899

By the Governor — A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/16/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Southern Knitting Company, Corinth, Mississippi

1 Know all men by these presents that E. P. Auger, E. B. Tucker, Wm H. Walters, and such others as they may associate with them, are hereby constituted a body corporate under the name of Southern Knitting Company.

2 The domicile of said company to be Corinth, Miss.

3 The work and aim of the Southern Knitting Company, are: To furnish home employment to the poor; place on the market all merchantable goods made by those it employs; operate a knitting mill at Corinth, Miss, and extend this home knitting work to as many localities as in its power.

4 This company may own property to the amount of Fifty Thousand ($50,000.00) Dollars, and may sell, encumber or otherwise dispose of the same.

5 The capital stock of said company shall be Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars, and may begin operations as soon as Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars of said amount is contributed.

6 Said company shall begin operations within one year after the approval of this Charter by the Governor

7 Every Director shall own not less than five shares. Ten dollars shall constitute one share in stock of said ~~corporation~~ company.

8 Thirty years shall be the duration of said company after the approval of this charter.

9 The Directors and employees of said company shall be governed by appropriate regulations of said company.

10 The first meeting of said company for permanent organization shall be upon written notice signed by two of them and made known to the others as to time and place of Meeting

11 This company shall be empowered to have a seal which it may change, alter or abolish at pleasure.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Southern Knitting Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1899.

By the Governor — A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/16/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Cuplpey Lumber Company

Sec 1 Be it Known and remembered that William Cuplpey, N. N. Russe and George D. Burgess, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a body politic and incorporate under the name and style of the Cuplpey Lumber Company. This corporation is created for the purpose of conducting a saw mill business and of dealing in timber, timber lands, lumber products, and for that purpose shall have all the powers necessary and incident to such a business conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi. The capital stock shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars

Sec 2 Said corporation is to exist for fifty years, and the domicile of the same shall be in the city of Vicksburg, County of Warren and State of Mississippi, unless changed by a majority vote of the stockholders. The first meeting of the incorporators shall be held upon such notice as a majority of said incorporators may agree upon.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss. June 15/99 A. J. McLaurin. Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 15/99 Wiley N. Nash. Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Cuplpey Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/17/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 9 PAGE 117

The Charter of Incorporation of the Union Farmers' Mutual Insurance.

Article 1. Be it known, that B. T. Johnson, J. W. Connell, B. D. Webster, Robert L. Woodard and J. A. Brantley, and such other persons as may become associated with them under this charter, are hereby created a body corporate, under the corporate name of the Union Farmers Mutual Insurance, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in the courts of law and equity, contract and be contracted with by said corporate name, and it shall have all the powers, privileges and franchisements, of farmers mutual associations in the State of Mississippi, and may attest its contracts by a corporate seal to be adopted by said association, and the same may be altered or changed at will

Article 2 The purposes and powers of said association are, and it is hereby empowered and authorized

1st— To mutually insure the dwelling houses, barns and other property of its members throughout the State of Mississippi, against losses by fire, wind or lightning, upon such terms and under such conditions as may be fixed by the by-laws of said Association

2d— To fix the number of the Board of Directors and other officers for said association and for each branch of same, and to define their duties and powers; also to make rules and regulations to govern the Association and the conduct of its business, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi.

3d— To divide the territory occupied by it into a convenient number of branches, each branch to contain not more ~~less~~ than seven counties nor less than one county. The insurance business shall be conducted only by and through said branches

4th— To establish branches, whenever fifty or more persons in the territory of the proposed branch shall have applied for membership which said branch shall be organized in the manner set out in the by-laws of said Association. Membership shall be acquired only through a regularly organized branch

5th— To assess and collect assessments on all of the members of any branch, for any loss or losses accruing to said branch, said assessment shall be pro-rated according to the amount of insurance held by each member of said branch.

6th— To assess and collect annually from each member of said association without regard to the different branches thereof a sum not [illegible]

of one per centum of the insurance held by said member, for the payment of contingent expenses.

7th— The property herein enumerated shall not include steam mills, steam gins and machinery connected therewith, nor shall it include store houses where goods, wares and merchandise are kept and exposed for sale, or their contents

Article 3 Every member of any branch of said Association shall be and he is hereby bound to pay his assessment of all the losses and expenses accruing to said branch of this Association; and every member is held bound as herein provided until all outstanding losses for his branch shall have been paid and the owner thereof shall have withdrawn his insurance as provided in the by laws of said association

Article 4 The principal office of said association shall be at New Albany, Union County, Mississippi. But it may have branch offices in any other county it may see fit. Said association shall have succession for the term of fifty years.

Article 5 The business of said Association shall be conducted and managed under the direction of a Board of Directors, which shall consist of at least one member from each branch, elected by a majority of the members of said branch at such time and in the manner prescribed and fixed by the by-laws; said Directors shall elect from their number a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, the last two offices may, if so directed by the by laws, be held by the same person. Until the said Board has been duly elected the incorporators hereinnamed shall constitute the Board of Directors, and they shall exercise all the powers of said offices

Article 6 Any member of any branch of this Association may resign his membership of the same, by giving the President of this Association thirty days notice in writing, and from the date of his resignation he shall not be liable for any losses or expenses accruing thereafter.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., May 26/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., May 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Union Farmer's Mutual Insurance is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 8th day of June, 1899

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/20/99

Amended Charter of the Carthage High School

Sec 1 Be it known that N. E. Walker, J. P. Borrie, E. N. Jones, J. L. McMillan, and D. E. Sullivan, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the Trustees of Carthage High School; and by that name they and their successors shall be empowered to sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded in all actions at law or in equity whatever; and they may have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure; and shall be authorized to purchase and hold real and personal property not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars in value, and they may alienate, transfer or incumber the same, including the property, real and personal, now held and owned by the Carthage High School, with a view of rebuilding, or improving or otherwise increasing the facilities of education upon the present site, or elsewhere; and they may insure the buildings and personal property and place the policy as security for any loan to said Trustees for repairs or otherwise. They may make such by laws and regulations as they may deem expedient and proper for the election of officers and the management of said institution; and may do and perform all other acts for the benefit of said institution which are secured to similar institutions by the Constitution and laws of this State; they shall have power to employ and discharge teachers, and they may adopt rules for the admission of students, and they shall have power to expel or suspend the same for conduct inimical to the interests of said institution

Sec 2 The objects of said institution shall be for the education of white youths, both male and female.

Sec 3 The Trustees named in Sec 1 of this charter shall hold their offices until the 1st Saturday of May, 1902, at which time, and every three years thereafter, their successors shall be elected by the local patrons of said school, as hereinafter provided.

Sec 4 That an election for Trustees for said institution, only the local patrons shall be qualified electors, and the person or persons receiving the majority of the votes cast at said triennial election shall be declared to be elected. Said elections shall be held in the Carthage High School building and the patrons shall assemble at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the day named for said election, and proceed to elect Trustees

Sec 5 No notice or call for general elections shall be necessary, but the patrons shall assemble at the time and place named and proceed to hold said elections, and they shall choose the manner of conducting said elections.

Sec 6 The Trustees of said institution shall hold their offices until their successors are elected.

Sec 7 In case of a vacancy, caused by death, resignation, removal or otherwise, a special election may be held at any time to fill the vacancy, and may be called by any member of the Board of Trustees, by posting notice in one or more public places in Carthage for five days before the election. The person or persons, chosen at a special election, shall hold to the next general election or until their successors are elected.

Sec 8. That the property known as the Carthage High School, with all musical instruments, scientific apparatus and other appurtenances now in its possession, or which it may hereafter acquire, and used in conducting the school in any and all its departments, shall be, and the same hereby is, placed under the sole and exclusive control of said Trustees and their successors, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges, immunities and exemptions which are now accorded the property of similar educational institutions under the laws of Mississippi

The foregoing proposed amendments to the charter of incorporation of the Carthage High School is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the same

Jackson, Miss., May 22/99. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing purposed amendments to the charter of the Carthage High School conforms to law

Jackson, Miss, May 1899 ——————— Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amended charter of Incorporation of the Carthage High School, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 8th day of June, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 6/26/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Harriston Oil Works

Article 1 Be it Known, that A. P. Ewing, J. S. Carraway, S. D. McNair, N. G. McNair, S. S. Dangerfield, P. K. Whitney, J. C. McNair, W. H. Verlong, Jos Becker, M. R. Jones, W. A. Jones, D. Currie, W. G. Hoskins, A. E. Carraway and J. E. Bledsoe, and their associates and successors who may become stockholders, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the Harriston Oil Works, for the purpose of ginning seed cotton, manufacturing cotton seed oil and its products, fertilizers, soaps, ice and other articles of trade and commerce, in the manufacturing of which the buildings, machinery and any and all parts thereof may be utilized, and refine its crude products.

Article 2 Said corporation may acquire, by purchase or otherwise, real estate, and erect buildings thereon not to exceed in value One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000.00) and shall have the power to establish agencies and build seed houses in this and in adjoining States necessary for carrying on its business, and may sell and dispose of the same by deed and may borrow money and for that purpose may issue bonds or other evidence of debt and may secure the payment of same by mortgage or trust deed upon its real estate and products.

Article 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00) divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each which may be increased by the Board of Directors to the sum of One Hundred Thousand ($100,000.00) Dollars, and when the capital stock shall have been subscribed for and Eight Thousand Dollars shall have been paid in, said corporation may begin business and may continue for fifty years

Article 4 The business of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors composed of seven stockholders, who shall be elected by the stockholders at their annual meting, to be held at the office of the Company at Harriston, Mississippi. The Directors shall be elected by ballot. Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share owned by him; absent stockholders or Directors may be represented by proxy, appointed in writing

Article 5 The Board of Directors shall have power to elect, from their number, a President, Secretary and Treasurer; to make all by-laws regulating the time, place and manner of the meeting of the stockholders; to divide and declare dividends out of the profits; to establish and fix salaries and to manage and control all employees pertaining to said corporation and all business of said corporation.

Article 6 The Harriston Oil Company shall have its domicile at Harriston, Mississippi, in the county of Jefferson, shall have a common seal, and may by that name sue and be sued in

all the courts of this State, and this charter shall be in full force and effect from and after the approval of the same by the Governor as contemplated by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, under the provisions of which Chapter this Corporation is organized, and all of the provisions of said chapter, as far as same are applicable, shall be a part of this charter of incorporation

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, June 22/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 1899 _____ Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Harriston Oil Works, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 24th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 6/29/99

 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 9 PAGE 407

The Charter of Incorporation of the Belzoni Oil Company

Sec 1 Be it known, that S. Castleman, Morris Levy, J. N. Levy, W. Cohn and G. J. Brantley, and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, be, and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Belzoni Oil Company

Sec 2 The purpose and business of said corporation shall be the manufacture and sale of crude and refined oils from cotton seed; cotton seed meal; cake; hulls; and all other products and articles of commerce arising from the manufacture of cotton seed: And, also, the conduct of a general cotton ginnery in connection with said oil works, and the storage of material necessary and incidental to such business. And to this end, they are authorized to purchase raw material, and conduct a general ginning business, and generally, to do any and all things that may be necessary or incidental to the business of manufacturing oil and ginning cotton. And it may own sufficient real estate in the State of Mississippi or elsewhere, for the conduct of such business and the storage of materials and products. And said corporation is hereby vested with all the power and authority conferred on such corporations necessary for the conduct of its business as herein prescribed, by the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the laws of Mississippi and the amendments thereto.

Sec 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Seventy Five Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and when Ten Thousand Dollars of said capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid, in cash, or its equivalent in property said corporation may organize and commence its business

Sec 4 The management of the business affairs of said corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors composed of five persons, one of whom need not be a stockholder; a majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and said Board may pass all necessary rules, regulations and by laws for the management of said corporation, elect its officers and prescribe their duties and compensation, and shall adopt a common seal and may alter the same at pleasure.

Sec 6 The domicile of said corporation shall be the village of Belzoni, in the County of Washington, and State of Mississippi, and its corporate existence may continue for a term of fifty years.

Sec 7 After the approval of this charter by the Governor said corporation may organize upon three days notice from any one of the incorporators to the others, or a majority of them.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

I have examined the proposed charter of Incorporation of the Bezoni Oil Company, and find nothing therein violative of the Constitution or laws of this State

Jackson, Miss June 26/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation, of the Bezoni Oil Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 27th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 7/4/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Opera House Association

1st" W. P. Harkins, J. V. Bell, Will Doerberg, Nathan Goldstein, Chas. Hafter, Abe K. Burnett, Edmund Taylor, James E. Negus and E. N. Thomas and their associates who may became stockholders, are hereby incorporated a body politic and corporate, to be known by the name of the Greenville Opera House Association, the domicile of said corporation to be in the city of Greenville, County of Washington and State of Mississippi.

2d This Corporation is created for the purpose of operating and maintaining a theatre or opera house, and for that purpose said Association may acquire and own so much real estate as may be necessary to carry on such business.

3d The capital stock of said corporation shall be $25,000.00 which may be increased by a vote of a majority of the stockholders from time to time, to an amount not to exceed $50,000.00, and may be decreased, if it is desired to do so, by a vote of two-thirds of the stock. Said stock is to be divided into shares of $25.00 each, and when the sum of $5,000.00 shall have been subscribed for, said stockholders may meet and organize the corporation, said meeting to be held at the city hall in the city of Greenville, State of Mississippi, at any time that a majority of the incorporators may agree upon within thirty days after the approval of this charter, the incorporators named being notified of the day fixed twenty four hours before the holding of said meeting

At such meeting said incorporators shall agree upon the number of Directors, who shall be selected from the stockholders, and the other officers by whom said corporation shall be conducted, and shall adopt such by-laws as they see fit for the management of the corporation. Such by laws may be altered or amended at any time by the Board of Directors and additional by laws may be adopted at any time by the Board of Directors subject to the approval of the majority of the stockholders.

This corporation hereby created, shall exist for fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter by the Governor, and said corporation shall have all the powers and rights granted to corporations by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892, so far as same may be applicable thereto.

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., July 3d, 1899 ~~Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl~~

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, July 3/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Greenville Opera House Association, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 5th day of July, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 7/5/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Lauderdale Lumber Company.

Sec 1 The following named persons have associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code and amendments thereto, to wit: Ross Gamble, Albert P. Gamble, E. S. Gamble, L. B. Lesly and H. R. Gamble, who shall constitute the first Board of Directors of said corporation when organized, to serve for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec 2 The corporate name by which it is to be known is the Lauderdale Lumber Company. Its domicile shall be in the county of Lauderdale, State of Mississippi, its duration shall be for fifty years, and its capital stock is herein fixed at Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into one hundred shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and to be evidenced by certificates to be issued in the manner prescribed by the Board of Directors, or by the by-laws. But the capital stock may be increased from time to time by a majority vote in amount of the stockholders

Sec 3 The objects and purposes of this corporation are herein defined to be, to buy and sell lumber, logs, timber, to manufacture lumber of any kind and quality, including staves, spokes, axe handles, mouldings, railings, balusters, in fact any article that may be made out of wood. To that end they may acquire and hold real and personal property of every kind, and of sufficient amount necessary to the successful conduct and management of its business, not exceeding the limit fixed by law. They may own and carry on a commissary store business, for supplying their laborers, employees, contractors and customers with such supplies as they may need,

Sec 4 The incorporators herein named may meet at any time within twenty days after the approval of this charter by the Governor, at any place in Lauderdale County, upon the written request of any two of the incorporators, and organize said company by ratifying this charter, and electing the necessary officers, as authorized by law. The Board of Directors may enact all needful by-laws, rules and regulations for the conduct and management of the same, and alter, amend or repeal the same at pleasure.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty-Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, June 8/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, June 9/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Lauderdale Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 9th day of June, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 7/10/99

The Charter of Incorporation of The West Point Cotton Mills

1st Be it known that J. C. Williams, A. Carlisle, J. A. King, L. B. Smith, J. B. Adair, W. J. Beasley, J. O. Beasley, J. T. Jones, R. P. Kirby, T. A. Davidson, W. B. Lewis, Miss Belle Orrell, J. W. Orrell, N. B. Crawford, J. P. Gibbs, A. M. Harley, F. N. Beasley, F. D. Beasley, J. W. Millsaps Thad Watkins, W. N. Beckham, J. W. Crumpton, W. B. Crumpton, S. L. Deans, D. R. Davidson, J. N. Hacker, W. G. White, A. P. Cottrell, J. A. McArthur, desiring to form an incorporation with such other persons as may take stock and associate themselves with them, their successors and assigns, are hereby created an incorporation which shall hereafter be known as "The West Point Cotton Mills" and by and in said name may sue and be sued and plead and be impleaded

2d That said corporation shall have power to establish in or near the city of West Point, Mississippi, and at such other places in the State of Mississippi as its Board of Directors may designate, mills for the manufacture of cotton, wool, hemp, jute, ramie and flax, and any and all other material into thread and cloth, and to purchase all necessary machinery and appliances necessary therefor. It shall have the power to buy, own and sell real and personal estate, to contract and be contracted with, to borrow money and secure the same upon its property and franchise or otherwise, and to do and perform any and all acts in conformity with chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, and necessary in conducting the business of manufacturing, for which said corporation is created.

3d That the principal office of said corporation shall be West Point, in Clay County, Mississippi, and it shall have succession and exist for a period of fifty years.

4th Its capital stock is hereby fixed at One Hundred Thousand Dollars, but it may increase its capital stock to any sum not to exceed One Million Dollars, and it is authorized to organize and commence business whenever Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars of said stock shall have been subscribed

5th That said incorporation may take subscriptions for its stock to be paid in weekly, monthly or annual installments, as it may determine.

6th That the stockholders shall annually on a date to be fixed by the by-laws, elect —— of their number who shall constitute a Board of Directors who shall have power to make and enforce such by-laws as they shall deem expedient, for their own guidance and for the management of the business of said incorporation, and they shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected

7th The officers of this corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer to be elected annually from among the stockholders of said incorporation by the Board of Directors and the duties, powers and compensations of said offices shall be fixed and defined by the by-laws passed by the said Board of Directors, and such of said offices shall be required to give bond as the Board of Directors shall determine in their by-laws. And said Board of Directors shall employ such other agents, workmen and factory hands as they shall deem necessary for the proper management of the business, or this power may be granted to the President, or to some other officer, or employee of said incorporation by the by-laws hereafter to be made.

8th It may own and operate electric light plants for its own use, and may furnish electric lights and power to other factories or enterprises, or for use in dwelling houses and other

buildings; and for that purpose may erect such necessary poles and may string its wires along them for this purpose.

9th This charter shall take effect and be in operation from and after its publication and approval by the Governor

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, July 3d, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitutions or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., July 3/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the West Point Cotton Mills, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 17th day of July, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

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The Charter of Incorporation of Columbia Bank

W. M. Lampton, W. E. Lampton, P. H. Enoch, T. B. Ford, Leonidas Pittman and C. R. Foxworth and their associates, successors and assigns are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of Columbia Bank and by that name shall have succession for fifty years; May sue and be sued; Plead and be impleaded in all the Courts of Law and Equity; May contract and be contracted with; May acquire, hold, alien, encumber and otherwise dispose of property, real, convenient for its business, and personal; May have a common seal and shall have all the rights, powers and privileges prescribed for such institutions by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi, and amendments thereto, that may be necessary to fully carry out objects, powers and purposes of this Charter

The objects of this corporation are, to carry on a general banking business, including a bank of deposit and discount as well as a saving Bank, with all the express or implied powers and privileges incident thereto. To receive and hold on deposit and in trust and as security, Estates personal, including Notes, Bonds, obligations, Mortgages, Deeds of Trust and Choses in action, of both individuals and corporations; and to purchase, collect, adjust, settle, sell and dispose of the same in any manner, with or without its guarantee or indorsement; to receive and loan money on pledges and securities of all kinds; to receive on deposit and for safe keeping, valuable property of any kind or description, upon such terms as may be contracted for. This Corporation is further authorized to act as assignees or receivers and to execute trusts of any description not inconsistent with Law. To act as agent or trustee for any purpose and for any individual, municipality, Corporation, State or public Authority; To receive and manage any sinking fund and to act as agents for the investment of money for any person or corporation, and to act as brokers, and to receive therefor such compensation as may be agreed upon.

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The Capital Stock of this Corporation shall be Thirty Thousand Dollars divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, which may be increased to Fifty Thousand Dollars at any time by a resolution of the Board of Directors, but the corporation is hereby authorized to begin business with all powers and privileges when Thirteen Thousand Dollars of its Capital Stock shall have been subscribed and paid in. No stockholder shall be individually liable for any of the debts of the corporation or otherwise in excess of the amount of unpaid stock subscribed for by him.

The management of this Corporation shall be confided to a Board of Directors of not less than five nor more than Seven, each of Whom shall be a stockholder, and shall be elected annually and the Board of Directors shall have power to make, adopt and alter such by-laws, rules and regulations for the election of officers and the government of said corporation and the management of its business as they shall deem proper, provided the same shall not be contrary to law, or the provisions of this Charter.

The domicile of said corporation shall be in the town of Columbia, Marion County, Mississippi.

All indebtedness by or to the Company shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty. Genl. for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss. July 20th. 1899. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., July —, 1899. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Columbia Bank is hereby approved.

In testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of August 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin.

J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Recorded 8/7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers' Cotton Oil Company of Lexington, Mississippi

Section 1. The purposes for which this corporation is created are to gin cotton and to manufacture cotton seed oil, cotton seed meal, oil cake, and other products obtained from cottan seed, to buy cotton seed; sell the products, and to manufacture and sell ice, and to operate an electric light plant for lighting the streets and houses in the town of Lexington, and to put in and operate a system of water works in and for the town of Lexington, and to buy and manufacture cotton into cotton goods and to sell the same, to purchase and operate all machinery and land necessary for the carrying on of said business and also to feed cattle from the products of said oil mill and to purchase and sell such real estate for its own use as may be advantageous, in connection with said business.

Section 2. The Corporation shall be composed of Lewis and Herriman, M. M. Rayner, D. Flower, D. Hopman, W. L. Yancy, J. M. Dye, B. S. Beall, S. Auerbach, Baxter Wilson, J. W. Morris, A. M. Pepper, H. S. Hooker W. L. Jordan, J. R. Watson, J. H. Watson, J. B. Cunningham, Mrs. J. M. Clower, W. P. Hackett, Dr. B. A. Shepherd, J. E. Stanfield, S. M. Smith, E. F. Noel, Mrs. M. A. Auerbach, Mrs. S. Dobrowski, N. W. Watson, W. I. Pickens, Pahlen Bros., W. P. Hammett, P. G. Clancey, C. C. Swinney, R. E. Wilburn, L. T. Dickey, D. W. Beall, Jr., H. F. Willis, and Co., J. N. Watkins, R. N. Douthat, Mrs. M. A. Pepper, J. F. Fowlkes, Mrs Julia Lewis, C. A. Pitchford, A. Pitchford, T. N. Watkins, W. O. Barrett, A. H. Roby, W. J. Overstreet, J. S. Watson, Miss L. Johnson, J. W. Swinney, G. W. Stigler Ira Jones, and such other persons as may become associated with them for the purposes named in Section 1, of this Charter, to be incorporated under the name of the Farmer's Cotton Oil Company, whose domicile shall be Lexington, Mississippi

Section 3. This corporation shall have and exercise all the powers, rights and privileges authorized by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi and amendments thereto, which may be necessary and proper for carrying out the objects and purposes of this charter, and is to exist for a period of fifty years unless sooner dissolved by the stock-holders or otherwise.

Section 4 The stock of this corporation shall be $25,000.00, to be divided into shares of such denomination as the stock-holders may decide, and the said stock may be increased or diminished as a majority of the stock holders may determine.

Section 5. The business of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors, to be composed of five stock-holders who shall be elected by ballot by the majority of the stock present. The President, Vice President, secretary and treasurer and manager shall be elected in the same manner. Said officers and directors shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected.

Section 6. The Board of Directors, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, may elect any of the above officers to fill vacancies until a meeting of the stock holders is held, and may, subject to by-laws to be adopted by the stock-holders, elect such other officers as to them may seem proper, prescribe duties and fix the compensation of officers, require bond and approve same. One person may hold more than one office

Section 7. The stock holders shall have power to make and adopt such by-laws as they may deem necessary, and which are not repugnant to this charter nor to the laws of this state. The directors may adopt such by-laws as they shall deem proper and not in conflict with those made by the stock-holders, nor the terms of this charter, nor the laws of this State.

Section 8. The first meeting of the stock-holders shall be held at Lexington, Miss., at a time fixed by publication in some news paper published in said County, three days or more before such meeting is held.

All indebtedness by or to the Company shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., July 3rd. 1899. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, July 3rd 1899. Willy N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Farmers Cotton Oil Company of Lexington Miss., is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof:- I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of August 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power

Secretary of State

Recorded 8/7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Moorhead Oil Company.

Section 1. Be it known that E.A. Shedd of Chicago, Ill., R.B. McMahon, H.A. Mullally and C.N. Pond of Sunflower County, State of Mississippi and J.R. Raible of Birmingham, Alabama, their successors and assigns and such other associates as may become interested in the business hereinafter described, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Moorhead Oil Company, for the purpose of manufacturing cotton seed into its various products, including the refining of oil, and any special treatment of any of the products of cotton seed. Also for the purpose of doing a general ginning business with the power to buy, sell or deal in cotton, cotton seed or any of its products.

Section 2. Said corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years. It may have a seal and alter or change the same at pleasure. It may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded. It may purchase or otherwise acquire any kind of property real, necessary for its business or personal or mixed and hold or sell the same at pleasure. It may borrow money and make all needful contracts in the interest of the business which are not prohibited by law. It may make all necessary By-Laws for the regulation and government of its officers and employees and shall have the power to do all things as a corporation within the scope of its business which are not in violence of the Constitution of the United States or of the State of Mississippi and the laws of said State of Mississippi

Section 3. The domicile and place of business of said Corporation shall be at or near the town of Moorhead in the County of Sunflower, State of Mississippi. It may build or acquire dwelling houses, grounds or other buildings and hold the same which are necessary in the interest of the business and shall have the right to sell or otherwise dispose of the same at pleasure.

Section 4. The Capital Stock of the Corporation shall be $50,000.00 with the right to increase the same to $100,000.00 upon a two-thirds vote of stock-holders. The said capital stock shall be divided into shares of the par value of $100.00 each.

Section 5. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer; the two latter offices may be held by one person. The business of the corporation shall be conducted by the officers above named who shall be subject to a Board of five Directors whom the stock-holders shall annually elect from among their number, in manner as provided by By-Laws.

Section 6. In the election of Directors by the stock-holders, each stock-holder shall have as many votes as he shall own paid up shares

in the Company and no Director or officer shall be eligable who is not a share-holder.

Section 7. When the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed to the Capital Stock of the Corporation hereby created the subscribers shall have the power to meet and organize as provided by law, said meeting to be held in the town of Moorhead, State of Mississippi.

Section 8. Said Corporation may borrow money, may lay and operate tram ways for its said business acquire and operate branches at such points in the State as may be desired. May issue Bonds payable in the coin of the United States which is current at the time of maturity of said Bonds, securing the same in the usual way upon the property of the Corporation.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof Jackson, Miss., July 10th 1899.--A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss., July 12th. 1899.--Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Moorhead Oil Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof:- I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of August 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Powell
Secretary of State

Recorded
8/7/99

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Red Light Lodge —

Section 1. F. A. Schmidt, J. J. Powers, T. B. Caffey, R. Dardyne, G. W. Bostant, B. Abraham, M. G. Smith, W. N. McCulloch, L. A. Dmarchi, T. R. Foster, together with their associates successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated and declared to be a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Red Light Lodge and such shall have succession for fifty years, and by that name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and generally may do any and all acts necessary or proper to promote the objects and purposes of the corporation not inconsistent with the Constitution or Laws of this State, or the United States and it may have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure.

Section 2. The domicile and principal office of said Lodge shall be in Warren County, in the State of Mississippi.

Section 3. The objects of this corporation are: 1st. To unite men in bonds of friendship and harmony: 2nd. To provide for the entertainment of its members and for their better acquaintance. 3rd. For the promotion of the interests and betterment of its members and its commonwealth, and to encourage and further all legitimate and worthy enterprises.

Section 4. The said corporation shall have the right and is hereby authorized and empowered to buy, sell and convey real estate and personal property necessary for its purpose, not to exceed $250,000 in value; may borrow money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise; may issue bonds and secure them in the same way, may make all necessary By Laws not contrary to law, and alter or amend the same at pleasure and enjoy all rights, powers and privileges created or conferred by or enumerated in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi and all amendments thereto.

Immediately upon the approval of this charter, the above named incorporators, or any two of them, may meet without further notice and open books of subscription to said stock, and as soon as One Thousand Dollars thereof shall be subscribed for, the Lodge may organize without further notice and commence business, and elect its Boards of Directors or Governing Boards for the first term.

Section 5. The Capital Stock of said Corporation shall be Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Dollar each, but the Capital Stock may be increased at any time

by a two-third vote of the stock-holders.

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors or Governing Board, to be selected from among the stock-holders, who shall hold offices for a term to be provided by the By-Laws, shall appoint from their number a President, Vice-President, Executive or General Manager, a Secretary and Treasurer, whose term of office shall be provided for in said By-Laws.

Section 6. No stockholder of said corporation shall ever be held liable for any debts of said corporation beyond the unpaid balance of subscription due upon stock held by him.

All indebtedness by or to the Corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 7th, 1899. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Aug 7th 1899. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Red Light Lodge is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof: I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 7th. day of August, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State.

Recorded 8/7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Arcola Manufacturing Company

Section 1. A. J. Aldridge, W. O. Aldridge, Chas. L. Wortham and A. G. Paxton and such others as may hereafter become associated with them, and their successors and assigns, are hereby incorporated under the name and style of The Arcola Manufacturing Company, and by such name they may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and shall have succession for fifty years.

Section 2. The object and purposes of this corporation are the manufacture of cotton seed oil, meal, hulls and other products of cotton seed, and the manufacture of rope, yarns, cotton, woolen and mixed goods of all kinds, and to that end they are hereby invested with all powers of corporations as set out in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892; and in addition they are empowered to buy and sell real estate, convenient for their business and personal property of every description, to borrow and lend money, to establish and operate electric lights, water works and cotton gineries for their convenience and for profit; to lay and operate tram ways, and in general to do any and all things incident, necessary, proper or convenient to the accomplishment of the objects and purposes aforesaid and they may at any time they see fit establish and operate branches at such points as they may desire. They may issue bonds payable in coin of the United States current at the time of maturity, and secure the same by mortgage of their property and franchises

Section 3. The domicile of this corporation shall be Arcola, Miss.

Section 4. The Capital stock shall be $50,000.00 to be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, but the same may be increased to $100,000.00 by a vote of the stock-holders

Section 5. This corporation shall be controlled and directed by a board of not more than five directors, all of whom shall be stockholders, to be elected by the stockholders. Three directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 6. The corporation shall be officered by a President, a Vice-President, who shall also be Superintendent and General Manager, and a Secretary who shall also be Treasurer.

Section 7. The salaries of said officers shall be fixed by a majority vote of three fourths of the entire stock. But the whole amount devoted to official salaries in any one year shall not exceed the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, unless by a unanimous vote of the stockholders.

Section 8. The stockholders shall at their first meeting and annually thereafter elect the Board of Directors and all officers, who shall serve for one year and until their successors are elected, unless sooner removed by the stockholders for cause.

Section 9. No contracts affecting this corporation shall be valid and binding unless previously authorized by the Directors and contracts required by law to be in writing shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary.

Section 10. The mills established by this corporation shall not be leased or sold or shut down except by a vote of four fifths of the stock favoring the same.

Section 11. In stockholders' meetings a vote of a majority of the stock shall control, except where otherwise specified herein, and except where otherwise specified in the by-laws.

Section 12. Upon the granting of this Charter the incorporators may, upon five days notice by any two of them, meet and open books of subscription to the Capital Stock and organize for business.

All indebtedness by or to the Company shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., July 20th 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., July 20th 1899. Wiley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson Mississippi

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Arcola Manufacturing Company is hereby approved.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 5th day of August 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secretary of State

Recorded 8/10/99.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Hardwood Manufacturing Company

Sec 1 Be it known that Peter Alexander, Dennis Alexander, Irvin Alexander, Homer Alexander and their associates and successors in interest be, and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic and incorporated under the name and style of the Columbus Hardwood Manufacturing Company and by that name shall have succession for a period of fifty years subject to all of the conditions and limitations of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi of 1892.

Sec 2 The place of domicile of said corporation shall be at Columbus, Lowndes County, Mississippi.

Sec 3 The object and purpose of said corporation shall be the transaction of the general milling and lumber business, the manufacture and sale of sized lumber, building materials, sashes, doors, verandas, shingles, flooring, mouldings, sidings brackets and any articles made of wood, and to do all other things necessary, useful and incident thereto, and for the purpose of exercising and using all the powers authorized under section 835, Chapter 25 of the said Annotated Code of Mississippi, applicable to such corporations.

Sec 4 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, divided in shares of Five Hundred each, with the privilege of increasing the same from time to time to any sum not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars, and said Company may begin business whenever the sum of Five Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed and paid in.

Sec 5 The said corporation may sue and be sued, and prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction before any court; may contract and be contracted with within the limits of the corporate powers; may sell and convey real estate, or lease the same, and may sell personal property; may borrow money and secure the same by mortgage or otherwise; may issue bonds and secure them in the same way, and may hypothecate its franchises, and may make all necessary by-laws, not contrary to law, and may exercise all the powers provided in Section 836, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, applicable to such corporation.

Sec 6 The management and control of the affairs of said corporation shall be vested in a Board of not less than three, nor more than five Directors, to be elected by the stockholders, who shall vote at the ratio of one vote per share, who shall hold their offices for a term of twelve months, and until their successors are elected and qualified. A majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, and they shall elect one of their number to be President of the

corporation and one of their number, or one of the stockholders to be Secretary, and one to be Treasurer, or one to be Secretary and Treasurer, and may appoint and employ such other officers, agents and employees as they may deem expedient; may fix their powers, duties, compensations and term of office, and may remove them at any time by a two thirds vote of such Board; said Board may hold its meetings at any place mutually agreed upon, and shall have power to make any necessary by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to the laws of the State for the proper management and control of said corporation and its affairs; and may amend or repeal the same at pleasure.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, April 25, 1898. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, April 1898 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Execution Office
Jackson, Miss

Be it within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Columbus Hardwood Manufacturing Company is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto ~~set~~ set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1898.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 8/14/99

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FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 14 PAGE 137

The Charter of Incorporation of the R. N. Hinton Company.

Suspended by State Tax Commission as Authorized by Section 15, Chapter 121, Laws of Mississippi 1934 September 20, 1934.

The purposes for which this corporation is created are to manufacture, to buy and sell all kinds of land and forest products, to own and all necessary real and personal property for its said business, including stocks and bonds and general merchandise and to construct and operate logging roads.

The following named persons are the incorporators of said incorporation, to wit: R. N. Hinton, W. C. Gann, J. W. Hinton, W. A. Camp, N. S. Hinton and W. N. Polk, all of Lumberton, Mississippi. The corporate name of this corporation is the R. N. Hinton Company.

This corporation shall have the power to buy and sell real estate, to manufacture and to deal in all products of field and forest, to buy and sell goods and merchandise of every description, stocks and bonds, to construct and operate logging roads, to contract for the construction of logging roads for other parties, and all such powers as are consistent with the purposes of said corporation as set forth above, and not contrary to law. The corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years. The domicile of this corporation shall be Lumberton, Pearl River County, Mississippi. The capital stock of this corporation shall be Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) divided into five hundred (500) shares of the value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each. This charter to take effect and go into operation on being approved by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

All indebtedness by and to the company shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., July 20/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., July 22/99 Riley A. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the R. N. Hinton Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 19th day of August, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded
Aug 19/99

The Charter of Incorporation of The American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Mississippi

First — Be it known, that Edward J. Wall, Edward P. Meany, Melville E. Ingleton, Charles R. Bangs, A. N. Crandall, P. M. Miller, and their associates are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Mississippi

Second — The purposes for which this corporation is created are to construct, maintain and operate lines of telephone and telegraph and telephone exchanges, and to carry on a general telephone and telegraph business within the State of Mississippi, and through, within and between all the various counties, cities, towns, villages and other convenient localities in said State and elsewhere in the United States.

Third — The corporate name by which it is to be known is American Telephone and Telegraph Company of Mississippi

Fourth — The domicile of the said Company shall be in Pass Christian, in the County of Harrison, in the State of Mississippi; but the said domicile may be changed at any time by a vote of a majority of the stockholders of the said Company.

The powers to be exercised are such as are necessary or appropriate to carry on and maintain the telephone and telegraph business for which the corporation is created, including the power to erect and maintain its lines on, over or under the public highways and streets, and through, across or under any of the waters within the limits of this State, and to acquire by condemnation, rights of way on private property in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, and to let and acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise, lines of telephone or telegraph or both, and to consolidate with any other telephone or telegraph company of this or any other State; and also such powers as are conferred by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi upon such corporations created thereunder.

Sixth — The capital stock of the corporation is Twenty Five Thousand ($25,000.00) Dollars, divided into Two Hundred and Fifty shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars each.

Seventh — The period for which the corporation is to exist is fifty years.

Eighth — The lines proposed to be built and constructed are telephone and telegraph lines, consisting of poles, wires, cables and other necessary fixtures, and more particularly described as follows:

(1) A line beginning at a point on the easterly boundary line of said State, about six miles north east of

This Corporation Dissolved And Its Charter Surrendered To State Of Mississippi By A Decree Of Chancery Court Of Jackson County, Mississippi, Dated December 19, 1944. A Certified Copy Of Said Decree Filed In This Office This 20th Day Of December 1944. Walter Sillers Secretary Of State.

to the right of way of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, and passing thence by the nearest practicable and convenient route through Jackson county, traversing Scranton, Fontainebleau, and Ocean Springs, in said County; thence by the nearest ~~and~~ practicable and convenient route through Harrison county, traversing Biloxi, Mississippi City, Gulfport and Pass Christian; and thence by the nearest practicable and convenient route through Hancock county, traversing Bay St. Louis and terminating at a point on the easterly boundary line of the State of Louisiana, near the mouth of Pearl river, where it will connect with lines of telegraph and telephone without the State of Mississippi

(2) Lines constituting extensions or branches of the first mentioned line, beginning at various points on said first mentioned line and thence passing through and connecting the several counties, cities, towns, villages and other convenient localities of said State

Ninth (As soon as this charter shall have been approved, and recorded according to law, the above named incorporators, or any two of them, may meet without further notice and open books of subscription to its capital stock, and when Twenty Five Thousand ($25,000.00) Dollars are subscribed in good faith, the company may commence business.

Tenth The affairs and business of the corporation shall be confided to the management of a Board of Directors, to consist of five persons, one of whom shall be President, one Secretary and one the Treasurer, and any vacancy occurring in the Board may be filled by the remaining Directors

Eleventh A meeting of the stockholders shall be held on the fourth Monday of February, 1900, and annually thereafter for the election of the Board of Directors, and the persons so elected shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and enter upon the discharge of their duties. And the Board of Directors shall elect one of their number President, one Secretary and shall also appoint a Treasurer; but in case the election shall not be held at the time fixed herein, it shall be held as soon thereafter as practicable or convenient and as may be provided in the by-laws of the Company.

Twelfth Edward J. Wall, Edward P. Medley, Melville Eggleston, Charles R Bangs and A.V. Crandall shall compose the first Board of Directors to serve until the first Annual election in the year 1900, and until their successors are elected.

And said Edward P. Meany shall be the President, said Melville Eggleston, Secretary, and James C. Vail, the Treasurer

Edward P. Meany
Edward J. Hall, by Edward P. Meany
Charles R. Burge, by Edward P. Meany
Melville Eggleston, by Edward P. Meany
A. A. Crandell
J. M. Miller

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, July 3/99. A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, July 3/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, of Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

A. J. McLaurin

Recorded Aug 21/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Wm Atkinson and Farnsworth Company.

Sec 1 Wm Atkinson, Henry C. Farnsworth, Wm J. Atkinson and such persons as may hereafter become associated with them and their successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate for fifty years under the name of the William Atkinson & Farnsworth Company, with all the powers, privileges and immunities conferred upon such corporations by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and the several acts amendatory thereof.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be in the town of Columbia, in the county of Marion, in the State of Mississippi. The object and purpose for which said corporation is created is to buy and sell for profit goods, wares and merchandise; to buy and sell produce; to make advances on crops in cash and supplies, and to carry on a general merchandise business.

Sec 3 The capital stock of the said corporation is hereby fixed at Thirty Thousand ($30,000.00) Dollars, divided into Thirty (30) shares of One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars each, and may be by vote of the stockholders increased to Seventy Five Thousand ($75,000.00) Dollars. The corporate power of the Company shall be vested in a Board of Directors, composed of three (3) persons, each of whom shall be a stockholder, to be elected by the stockholders of the corporation at their first meeting, and annually on the first Monday in September thereafter. The Board of Directors shall elect from their number a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and shall make and adopt all necessary by laws not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Mississippi, prescribing the duties of its officers, and for the management of the business of the company. Said Board of Directors shall hold office for one year and until their successors shall have been elected, and may appoint and constitute such other officers, agents and employees for the transaction of the business of the Company, as they may see proper, and prescribe their duties and powers

Sec 4 The corporators herein named shall meet at the store house of said firm, in the town of Columbia, on the first Monday succeeding the approval of this charter by the Governor, and by accident they shall be prevented from so meeting, then they shall assemble on the Saturday following the said Monday and perfect their organization under this charter.

All indebtedness by and to this corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss Aug 5/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Aug. 1899 Wiley A. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Wm Atkinson & Forsyth Coal Company is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Sec'y of State

Recorded Aug 21/99

Dissolved by decree of the Chancery Court of Adams County, Feb. 7, 1928.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Baker & McDorrell Hardware Company

Sec 1 Be it known that A.L. Baker, Seaborn McDorrell, W.R. Patterson and W.D. Mounger, and their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Baker & McDorrell Hardware Company and by that name shall have corporate existence for fifty years.

Sec 2 This corporation is created and chartered, for the purpose of carrying on and transacting, at wholesale and retail, the business of dealers in hardware, agricultural implements, cutlery, stoves, granite and tinware, household furnishing goods, and such other goods and commodities as are usually bought and sold in the business of wholesale and retail dealers in hardware.

Sec 3 The domicile of said corporation shall be the city of Natchez, in Adams County, Mississippi.

Sec 4 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Seventy Five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) which may at any time, by a vote of the majority in value, of the stockholders be increased to One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00) and said capital stock shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each.

Sec 5 Said capital stock shall be transferred in the manner provided in Sec 844 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi. Each share of stock shall represent one vote only and no shareholder shall sell or transfer any share or shares of stock, until thirty days after he shall have offered the same, at its market value, to the other shareholders.

Sec 6 The said corporation shall have, exercise, enjoy and be invested with all the powers, rights and privileges, presented by and enumerated in Chapter 25, Annotated Code of Mississippi, that may be necessary and proper for carrying out the provisions of this charter and in prosecuting the business of said corporation; and said corporation may commence business as soon as Fifty Thousand Dollars shall have been subscribed to the capital stock and paid in.

Sec 7 The first meeting for organization of said corporation may be held, without notice by publication, whenever a majority of the incorporators herein named, come together by agreement for that purpose.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 24/99 "A.J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Aug 24/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Baker & McDowell Hardware Company, is hereby approved.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, this 24 day of August, 1899
By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 25/99

The Charter of Incorporation of The West Point Compress Company

1 N. S. Johnston, C. N. Johnston, Edwin and Joseph Hemberger, S. L. Nearn, L. Chisby and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them under this act of Corporation, are hereby created a body politic and Corporate, with succession for a period of fifty years, and the Capital stock and amount of capital to be owned shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, under the name of the West Point Compress Company. The said corporation shall have exercise and enjoy, all the rights, privileges and immunities granted to such corporations under the laws of Mississippi now in force, or that may hereafter be enacted.

2 Said Corporation shall be domiciled, and have its principal place of business at West Point, Clay County, Mississippi

3 The purposes of said Corporation shall be to own and operate a compress, or compresses, to store cotton and do a general warehouse business. To do a commission business, for the sale of cotton and all other farm products, and for all kinds of manufactured goods and raw material

4 The Capital stock of said Corporation shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and each share shall entitle the owner thereof to one vote in the election of officers.

5 The management of said Corporation shall be under the control of a Board of Directors, to be annually elected by the stockowners, on the 1st Monday in August, each year, and in default of an election on that day, on any day thereafter, by the written notice of any shareholder, posted on the door of the principal or general office of said Corporation, for five days, designating in said notice the time of said election. All elections shall be held at the general office of said Corporation. The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than three, and no one shall be a Director, who does not own, in his own right, at least ten shares of the capital stock of said Corporation. The Board of Directors may elect from their number all such officers as they deem necessary, and may employ such agents and assistants as may be necessary in conducting the business of said Corporation. The persons herein named, if eligible shall constitute the first Board of Directors who shall perform the duties of said office, until their successors are elected and qualified

6 Said Corporation may have a seal and alter or change the same at will.

7 All stock issued shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary and authenticated by the

seal of the corporation, and shall be entered on a stock book, and all transfers of any of said stock shall be entered in said stock book.

8 Said corporation may be dissolved by a two thirds vote of all the stock, or by law.

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, July 25/99 A. J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing purposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, July 26/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the West Point Compress Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 25/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 590 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 11 PAGE 434 FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 25 PAGE 98

The Charter of Incorporation of The Tupelo Cotton Oil Company

Sec 1

The Tupelo Cotton Oil Company, at the town of Tupelo, County of Lee, State of Mississippi is hereby incorporated with the following rights, powers and privileges:
J. N. Stubin, J. M. Allen, John Clark, C. D. Long, L. R. Frazer, R. S. Thomas, John R. Moore, C. N. Troy, Mrs. B. D. Sledge, W. N. Armstrong, E. L. Robins, J. E. Miller, B. C. Goodrich, W. and D. N. Nall, J. A. Gibson, Whitten Duncan, N. C. Wilds Son, Shelby Tosh and N. R. Rea, and all others who may be legally associated with them, by their joint consent, and according to the provisions of this charter, and the by-laws duly enacted in pursuance thereof, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of The Tupelo Cotton Oil Company, to be located in the town of Tupelo, Lee County, State of Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for a period of fifty years; may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity in this State and elsewhere; and may have a common seal, and the same use or not use, or alter at pleasure; and may make, alter or repeal all by laws at pleasure necessary for the efficient management and control of said company not contrary to the provisions of this charter or the laws of the land; may contract and be contracted with in the limits of its corporate powers herein conferred, and may borrow money for corporate purposes and secure the same by mortgage or otherwise

Sec 2 The capital stock of said company shall be Forty Thousand Dollars or more, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, but as soon as the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars shall be paid in, said company may commence business

Sec 3 Said company is hereby authorized to invest its ~~money~~ capital in such machinery, buildings, lands, and other articles as shall be necessary to properly carry on the business of manufacturing cotton seed oil, meal, etc., and may if a majority deem it advisable, buy, feed and sell cattle; and may also if they desire invest part of its capital in an Electric Light Plant, and operate the same in said town in connection with its other business; and may do and perform all acts necessary for the efficient operation of said plant in case the same is put in; and may acquire, hold or own such real estate as may be necessary or convenient for the carrying on of any part of such business as above named; and may sell the same and re-invest in

other land, or may exchange the same for other land.

Sec 4 The government of said Company shall be confided to, and administered by a Board of Directors, not less than five and not more than seven in number, until altered by the by-laws, who shall be stockholders in said company; which said Board of Directors shall be annually elected by the stockholders of said Company at its office in the town of Dupelo. The first meeting of the stockholders for organization and election of Directors shall be at such time and place as the stockholders may desire, in said town, on five days written notice to all of the stockholders, from J. N. Strain. The officers of said Company shall be a President and Vice President and a Secretary, who shall also be Treasurer; all of which officers shall be members of the Board of Directors; and said officers shall possess and exercise the powers and duties usually exercised by such officers of private corporations, which may be necessary and proper for them to; and the Board of Directors who shall be elected by the stockholders of said company at its first meeting shall immediately meet and elect the officers above provided for; and the said Board of Directors shall have and exercise all such powers and authority as usually belongs to Boards of Directors, and are needful for the successful management of the affairs of said Company, and not inconsistent with this Charter or the laws of the land; and may require the officers of said Company, when they deem it necessary to give bond in such sum as they may fix for the faithful performance of their duties; and to prescribe their compensation for such amount as may be just and right.

Each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for every One Hundred Dollars of stock held by him, on all questions in which stockholders have a right to vote, which stock may be voted in person or by proxy; and the majority in interest of stockholders shall control in all the proceedings and elections held by them

Sec 5 Dividends of the net earnings of said company may be declared from time to time at the discretion of the majority in interest of the stockholders; and the stockholders of said company shall be liable individually for the debts of said Company only for such amount of their subscription as is not paid and no more.

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss, July 10/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, July 12/99 Wiley N. Nash. Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Pulpelo Cotton Oil Company, is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 17th day of July, 1899
A J McLaurin
By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 25/99

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Romans College, of Oxford, Mississippi

Sec 1 R. W. Jones, L.L.D., Paul Saunders, Sh. D., Rev. R. M. Standefer, Rev. J. W. Malone, A. M. and Bem Price, of Oxford, Mississippi, Dr. N. G. Sykes, of Aberdeen, Mississippi, and their successors are hereby created a corporation for and during a term of fifty years, under the name and style of the President and Trustees of the Romans College, of Oxford, Mississippi and by such name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of law or equity in this State, may have or not, at their pleasure a Common seal, and shall be capable of receiving or acquiring by devise, donation or purchase, both real and personal estate to an amount not to exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and hold the same in fee simple, by mortgage or otherwise to and for the use of said College, to sell, exchange or transfer, and make good title to same; they shall have power to erect any buildings or improvements that may be necessary thereto, or make contracts for said purpose; they shall appoint and employ all necessary professors, teachers, assistants and agents for said college, and pay them such salaries as may be agreed on, and dismiss them at pleasure, or in compliance with contract; they may make all such by-laws as they may deem proper for the election and admission of new members of the corporation, for the government of said College, for their own regulations, and for the promotion of learning, morality and virtue among students, and in fine, may do and perform all other acts which are incident to such bodies corporate, for the benefit of said College, which are not contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States or of the State of Mississippi,

Sec 2 The purpose for which this corporation is enacted, is to build up, conduct and carry on an educational institution in the town of Oxford, Mississippi, for the instruction, training and improvement of girls and women in all arts, sciences and literature and for the doing of all and any things pertinent and needed to this general purpose, and for none other

Sec 3 Said Trustees of said corporation shall elect annually out of their own body, a President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall severally perform the duties prescribed by said corporation and such other duties as are usually incident to said office, and a majority of said Trustees may at any time remove from office any of the officers or members thereof for misconduct in the discharge of their respective duties.

Sec 4 The first meeting of said Trustees of said Corporation shall be on the 10th day of November, 1899 at the College building in the town of Oxford, Mississippi, and should a majority not be present at that time, then any two of them may call a meeting by giving ten days notice thereof by advertisement or otherwise.

Sec 5 The said Board of Trustees shall consist of not more than fifteen nor less than nine, a majority of whom shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, the Board shall be divided into three classes as nearly equal as practicable, the members of each class to be appointed for a term of three years, except in the first Board, whose members shall be divided into three classes, the terms of whose office shall expire in one, two and three years respectively, provided further, that in case of the death, resignation or removal of any member of the Board, the person appointed to fill said vacancy shall be appointed only for the unexpired term of said member. All members of the Board shall hold office as such until the appointment of their successors, and if from any cause the term of office of any one of the classes should expire, without successors having been appointed, then the Board shall elect his successor. The Trustees shall have the right to bestow upon the graduates of the College, in conjunction with the faculty, the usual degrees in the various departments of the College, to-wit: in the literary, scientific and business courses, as well as in music, elocution and art, and to award with some appropriate diplomas.

Sec 6 The college shall be conducted under the auspices and supervision of the Methodist Episcopal Church South of Oxford, Mississippi, until the same shall have been accepted by the North Mississippi Conference of said M. E. Church South as the property of said Conference. When said Conference accepts same, then said College will be under the supervision and control of the said Conference, instead of the M. E. Church South, of Oxford, Mississippi

"The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., July 25/99. A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., July 26/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office }
Jackson, Miss }

The written and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Normans College, of Oxford, Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 28/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi. With amendments to Section 7 and Section 9

Sec 1 Be it known that D. A. Elliott, N. R. Lacy, W. H. Turner, J. S. Rimmer, R. N. Ousley, and such other persons as may become associated with them under this charter, are created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi for the period of fifty years, and under that name shall have all powers, privileges and franchises incident to such corporations under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 2 That the said corporation shall have the right to mutually ~~agree~~ insure the respective dwelling houses, barns and other property of its members in the State of Mississippi, against loss by fire, wind or lightning, upon such terms and under such conditions as may be fixed by the by-laws of said corporation. It may sue and be sued in any Court in this State and may use a common seal.

Sec 3 That said corporation may make by-laws fixing the number of its Board of Directors for each branch and offices and defining the duties and powers of the Directors and offices, also making rules and regulations governing the corporation and the conduct with its business not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or the State of Mississippi

Sec 4 That every member of any branch of said corporation shall be and is hereby bound to pay his or their portion of all losses and expenses accruing to said branch of corporation.

Sec 5 Every member of the said corporation shall be liable as herein provided until outstanding losses shall have been paid and until the owner thereof shall have withdrawn his insurance in the manner prescribed by the by-laws of said corporation.

Sec 6 That the aggregate amount of insurance by said corporation in any one county shall not exceed one million Dollars.

Sec 7 That the principal office of said corporation shall be at the town of Kosciusko, in Attala County, State of Mississippi, but it may have branch offices in any other county in the State of Mississippi.

Amend Sec 7 by striking out the town of Kosciusko, Attala County, and inserting the city of Jackson, Hinds County.

Sec 8 That the insurance business of said association shall be conducted by and through branches thereof, which said branches shall consist of fifty or more persons who have applied for membership and shall be organized in the manner set out in the by-laws of said association.

Sec 9 That the territorial limits of any branch of said association shall not comprise more than five counties nor less than one county

Amend Sec 9 after the words "one county" in fourth line of said section, insert, except as to insurance of gin houses which territorial limit may be co extensive with the limits of the State of Mississippi

Amend Sec 9 and amendment thereto: Section 9 shall read: That the territorial limit of any branch of said association shall not comprise less than one county, nor shall it exceed the limits of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 10 That membership in said association shall be acquired only through some regularly organized branch thereof.

Sec 11 That all losses accruing to the association shall be paid by a pro rata assessment of all the members of the branch of the association in which the said losses may occur according to the amount of insurance held by said member and no member of the association shall be liable for any loss accruing outside of the branch of which he is a member.

Sec 12 That said association may annually assess and collect from each and every member of the association, without regard to the different branches thereof, for payment of contingent expenses, the same not exceeding one-tenth of one per cent upon the amount of insurance held by said members.

Sec 13 That the Board of Directors of said association shall consist of one member from each branch of said association, elected by a majority of the members of said branch and until said Directors have been elected the incorporators named shall be and constitute the Board of Directors for said Association

Sec 14 That any member of any branch of this association, may, after thirty days written notice to the President of the association, resign his membership and from the date of his resignation he shall in no way be liable as such for any losses which thereafter occur.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 25/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendments to the charter of incorporation of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Association of Mississippi, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 29th day of August, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Aug 29/99

✓ Amendments to charter of the Water Valley Building and Loan Association.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Water Valley Building and Loan Association held at City hall, in Water Valley on 3d day of July, 1899 after regular notice of same had been duly published for one month. The following amendments to the charter of incorporation were adopted and ordered engrafted under the laws of this State, viz;

See 1 Whenever an application for the issuance of stock is made to this Association by investors as an investment the Board of Directors shall have power to decide whether or not it is to the interest of the Association to issue such stock and if in their judgment it is not advisable, they may decline to issue the same.

See 2 The Board of Directors shall not have power nor shall the officers of this Association issue to any one person, family or firm or to any member of a family or firm more than fifty shares of stock, except when a loan is purposed, in which case a family, firm or individual may take any number of shares on which a loan is to be made.

See 3 It shall be unlawful for any family, firm or body corporate to have transferred to it, shares in this Association, taken out in the names of other persons, so as to increase the number of shares of stock owned or held by such family, firm or corporation beyond the number of fifty shares and any person violating this provision shall subject himself to forfeiture of all participation in the profits of this Association, provided nothing in this charter shall be construed as preventing any person from owning and controlling any number of shares of stock for the purpose of borrowing on the loan.

Adopted in regular meeting by a unanimous vote of the stockholders and ordered published and submitted to the Governor for approval.

W. C. Hammet
Secretary

Jas. P. Goodrich
President

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Water Valley Building and Loan Association is respectfully submitted to the Hon. Atty Genl for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the same

Jackson, Miss, Aug 18/99

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of incorporation of the Water Valley Building and Loan Company conforms to the constitution and laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Aug 20/99

Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

This corporation suspended by order of Board of Savings & Loan Association this the 8th day of October 1902,

Heber Ladner, Secretary of State

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of Incorporation of the Water Valley Building and Loan Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 1st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 2/99

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The Charter of Incorporation of Keefe Drug Company

Sec 1 Allein Beall, Patrick N. Keefe, Jr., A. K. Beall and such other persons as may become associated with them, and their successors and assigns are hereby incorporated under the name and style of Keefe Drug Company, with its domicile in Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, make contracts, have a common seal, which may be changed or altered, and have and enjoy all the powers usually incident to mercantile corporations.

Sec 2 This corporation is created for the purpose of conducting in said city a wholesale and retail drug business, together with such miscellaneous mercantile business as may be deemed advisable and profitable, and to that end may do all things needful and proper to carry on successfully such business. It may acquire and own real estate necessary for its business; may borrow money and secure the same by mortgage.

Sec 3 Its capital stock shall be $50,000.00, divided into shares of $100.00 each, When $3,000.00 shall have been subscribed one or more of said incorporators may, upon notice to the others, have a meeting and organize the company and begin business.

Sec 4 The offices shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer, and the two last offices may be filled by one person. The Board of Directors shall consist of three shareholders, which shall have the powers usually incident to Directors of a corporation, the officers and Directors to be elected by the shareholders, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected.

Sec 5 The Directors may adopt and alter such needful rules and by-laws as may not be inconsistent with the law of the land, for the government of the Company.

Sec 6 The stock shall be transferable only on the books of the Company. Until payment for stock no certificate shall issue therefor. Subscribers shall be liable only for the unpaid subscription.

Sec 7 This corporation shall have existence for the period of fifty years.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of Incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Aug 18/99 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Aug 25/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Reed's Drug Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 1st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 4/99

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Cotton Oil and Ginning Company

1st "J. D. Smythe, Frank Valkenburgh, F. D. Smythe, W. T. Randolph and their associates who may become stockholders, are hereby incorporated and created a body corporate and politic, to be known by the name of the Greenville Cotton Oil and Ginning Company, the domicile of said corporation to be in the city of Greenville, State of Mississippi, with the right to establish branches and carry on its business at any other point or points in the State.

2d This corporation is created for the purpose of manufacturing oil of any, especially cotton seed oil, fertilizers, soaps and other articles of commerce that can be manufactured from cotton seed, and for the purpose of building and operating a cotton ginnery and a cotton mill for the purpose of manufacturing cotton goods, and with the right to refine the crude products of the mill.

3d The capital stock of said corporation shall be $50,000.00, which can be increased by a vote of the majority of said stockholders from time to time to an amount not exceeding $250,000.00 and can be decreased, if it is desired to do so, by the unanimous consent of the stockholders. Said stock is to be divided into shares of $100.00 each, and when the sum of $10,000.00 shall have been subscribed for, said stockholders may meet and organize the corporation, said meeting to be held at the office of J. D. Smythe, in the city of Greenville, State of Mississippi, at any time that a majority of the incorporators may agree upon within ten days after the approval of this charter, the incorporators named being notified of the day ~~named~~ fixed 24 hours before the holding of said meeting. At such meeting said incorporators shall determine how said corporation is to be operated, and if through a Board of Directors, the number of Directors, and the officers by whom same is to be conducted, and shall adopt such by laws as they see fit for the management of the corporation. Such by-laws may be altered or amended at any time by the Board of Directors, and additional by-laws may be adopted at any time by said Board of Directors.

4th The corporation hereby created shall exist fifty years from the date of the approval of this charter by the Governor, and said corporation shall have all the powers and rights given to said Corporations by chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and all the provisions of said chapter so far as the same are applicable to this corporation shall be a part of this corporation. All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, July 25/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, July 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Greenville Cotton Oil and Ginning Company, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 5/99

Amendment to the Charter of Incorporation of the J. J. Newman Lumber Company.

Be it Known that:

Sec 1 The charter of incorporation of the J. J. Newman Lumber Company is hereby so amended that hereafter the affairs of said Corporation shall be managed by a board of not less than five nor more than nine Directors, to be elected by the Stockholders, whose term of office and duties shall be the same as prescribed by the original charter.

Sec 2 This amendment shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor.

The foregoing proposed amendment to the charter of J. J. Newman Lumber Company is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 5/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the J. J Newman Lumber Company is not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 5/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing amendment to the charter of incorporation of the J. J. Newman Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 5/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Okolona Cotton Mills

1st Be it known that T. B. Brantlett, R. W. Chandler, E. J. Ezell, D. N. Shell, J. E. Harper, D. McCarley, J. M. Davis & Co, E. J. Hall, Hawkins & Hodges, R. B. Brown, N. Martin, W. E. Haller, O. E. Glidewell, Julius Rubel, Stovall and Williams, M. L. Betts, F. G. Millette, J. E. Edens, T. M. Beaty, J. O. Parchman, J. W. McCarley, Walter Smith, Mrs. M. S. Miller, Miss Addie Darden, Miss Mollie Trimmier, J. S. Richardson, J. D. Sanson, J. M. Dodds, W. B. Abernethy, J. L. Jones, T. A. Strickland, R. T. Graham, T. P. Applemann, F. J. McDonnell, John R. Baker, J. W. Abernethy, W. L. Houseman, R. D. Abernethy, Robert A. Hawkins, E. S. Elliott, desiring to form an incorporation with such other persons as may take stock and associate themselves with them, their successors and assigns, are hereby created an incorporation which shall be known as The Okolona Cotton Mills, and by and in said name may sue and be sued and plead and be impleaded.

2d That said corporation shall have power to establish in or near the city of Okolona, Miss, and at such other places in the State of Mississippi as its Board of Directors may designate, mills for the manufacture of cotton, wool, hemp, jute, ramie, flax and all other material into thread and cloth, and to purchase all necessary machinery and ~~supplies~~ appliances necessary therefor. It shall have the power to buy, own and sell personal and real estate, to contract and be contracted with to borrow money and secure the same upon its property and franchise or otherwise, and to do and perform any and all acts in conformity with Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi and necessary in conducting the business of manufacturing for which said incorporation is created.

3d That the principal office of said corporation shall be Okolona, in Chickasaw County, Mississippi, and it shall have succession and exist for a period of fifty years.

4th Its capital stock is hereby fixed at Sixty-five Thousand Dollars, but it may increase its capital stock to any sum, not to exceed One Million Dollars, and it is authorized to organize and commence business whenever Fifty Thousand Dollars of said stock shall have been subscribed.

5th The said incorporation may take subscriptions for its stock to be paid for in weekly, monthly or annual installments, as it may determine.

6th That the stockholders shall annually, on a date to be fixed by the by-laws, elect not less than seven or more than eleven of their number who shall constitute a Board of Directors who shall have power to make and enforce such by-laws as they shall deem expedient for their own guidance and for the management of the business of said incorporation and they shall hold office one year and

until their successors are elected.

7th The offices of this incorporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and Treasurer, to be elected annually from among the stockholders of said incorporation by the Board of Directors, and the duties, powers and compensation of said offices shall be fixed and defined by the by-laws passed by the said Board of Directors and such of said offices shall be required to give bond as the Board of Directors shall determine in their by-laws, and said Board of Directors shall employ such other agents, workmen and factory hands as they shall deem necessary for the proper management of the business, or this power may be granted to the President or some other officers or employes of said incorporation by the by-laws hereafter to be made.

8th It may own and operate electric light plant for its own use, and may furnish electric lights and power to other factories and enterprises or for use in dwelling houses or other buildings, and for that purpose may erect such ~~machinery~~ necessary poles and may string its wires along them for this purpose

9th This charter shall take effect and be in operation from and after its publication and approval by the Governor

For the purposes of suits or actions against the corporation, it shall be considered, at the election of the plaintiff, domiciled in any place where it has a mill established as aforesaid.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 1899

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 1899

Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of Incorporation of the Okolona Cotton Mills is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 1st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 6/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Kosciusko Telephone Company

~~Dissolved by decree of Chancery Court of~~
Attala County - October 7th 1920

Be it Known:

Sec 1 That M.D. Myrte, W.B. Potts, T.J. Jackson, C.C. Kelly, N.B. Gilliland & Co, W.B. Potts Co; W.J. Brown & Bro., J. Lowenberg, E.C. Coleman and their associates and successors, be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate, with succession for a period of fifty years, under the name and style of Kosciusko Telephone Company, and by such name may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted to judgment and satisfaction in all the courts of law and equity; make and adopt a corporation seal and the same change, alter or break at pleasure.

Sec 2 That said body corporate is hereby empowered to construct, maintain and operate telephone lines, for the transmission of messages, for public use, traversing the county of Attala in said State, and also any and all other counties in the State of Mississippi, and in the erection, maintainance and operation of said telephone lines the said corporation is hereby empowered and authorized to construct the same and to set up and erect its post, wires, braces and fixtures along and across any of the public highways, streets and waters and along and across all turnpikes, rail-roads and canals, and also through any public lands of or contained in said State, as far as may be necessary; and said corporation is hereby empowered to exercise all the rights and privileges given to telegraph and telephone companies and corporations by the laws of the United States, and of the State of Mississippi.

Sec 3 That said body politic may buy, own, sell, lease and convey property, real and personal, needful to its purposes, provided that it shall not at any one time own property of greater value than provided by law and may borrow and lend money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise.

Sec 4 That said corporation in conducting and operating its said telephone lines may fix, exact and collect rates and charges for the use of said telephone lines.

Sec 5 That said corporation may construct, maintain and operate in said State such telephone exchanges as it may see fit, and in the construction, maintainance and operation of such exchanges said corporation may exercise all the powers and rights indicated in the preceding sections with reference to its said telephone lines

Sec 6 That the domicile or principal place of business of said corporation shall be in the town of Kosciusko, in the county of Attala, in the State of Mississippi

Sec 7 The capital stock of said body corporate shall not exceed the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of Ten Dollars each. Said corporation may organize and operate when five hundred shares of said stock have been subscribed for and paid in.

Sec 8 No stockholder shall be liable as a member of said corporation beyond the amount of any unpaid balance upon any share held by him.

Sec 9 That said corporation may establish and maintain all needful offices and fixtures and adopt such by-laws as may be essential to its proper conduct and may elect such officers and Directors as may be necessary for the management of said corporation.

Sec 10 That said corporation may exercise all of its powers and rights in other States of the United States of America to the extent that it may be permitted to act by the laws of such other States.

Sec 11 That this charter take effect from and after its approval by the Governor of the State of Mississippi and its recordation as required by law.

Sec 12 That said corporation may enjoy all the rights and privileges consistent with its purposes, given by Chapter 25. of the Code of Mississippi, of 1892, and the amendments thereto.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully submitted to the Hon. Atty Genl for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, July 24/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, July 26/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing proposed charter of incorporation of the Kosciusko Telephone Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of August, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 7/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Round Lap Bale Cotton Company of Mississippi

Sec 1 Be it remembered that Eugene T. Gaddis, John A. Todd, C. M. Williamson and E. K. Middleton and those hereafter associated with them, and their successors, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, for a period of fifty years, under the name and style of "The Round Lap Bale Cotton Company" of Mississippi, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, and have a common seal, may contract and be contracted with, may acquire, hold, alien, encumber or otherwise dispose of necessary property, both real and personal, and shall possess and enjoy all the powers, rights and privileges, prescribed by Chapter (25) Twenty five of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, 1892, and the amendments thereto. The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of Jackson, State of Mississippi, and it may have branch offices and business at any other points in the State of Mississippi

Sec 2 This corporation is hereby authorized to buy, sell and deal in cotton, domestic and foreign, and all products made or manufactured from the cotton plant. To buy, own, sell, lease and operate, at various points in Mississippi and elsewhere, ware-houses for storing cotton and all its by-products and articles manufactured from the cotton plant, and for storing, selling and buying any other kind of goods, wares and merchandise. To buy, sell, own, lease and operate gins, presses and machinery of any kind for preparing cotton and its products for market; and to buy, sell, own, lease and operate factories for manufacturing cotton and all other products made or manufactured into articles for use and consumption

Sec 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be One Hundred Thousand Dollars, and may be increased by resolution of the stock holders, and the stock shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each. The corporation may commence business when Ten Thousand Dollars of the stock has been subscribed and paid in. The stock holders shall not be liable for any amount exceeding the unpaid portion of the par value of the stock subscribed by them respectively

Sec 4 The management of the corporation shall be confided to a Board of Directors, to consist of three or more members, and if the Directors are three in number, two shall be a quorum to transact business, but if the Board of Directors shall consist of more than three members, then three members shall be a quorum to transact business.

Sec 5 The Board of Directors shall have power by proper by-laws, to fix the number of officers of the corporation, to make, adopt and alter such rules and regulations for the election of the officers and the government of the business of the corporation as they may deem proper; provided, such by-laws, rules and regulations shall not be in conflict with the provisions of this charter, the constitution and

Sec 6 laws of the State of Mississippi, or the United States.
The incorporators, or a majority of them, may meet at such time and place as they wish, and organize under this Charter.
All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof
Jackson, Miss, Sept 2, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Sept 2/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Round Lap Bale Cotton Company, of Mississippi, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 7th day of Sept, 1899
A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 8/99

The charter of incorporation of the Flora Gin Company.

Be it remembered, that Frank Hart, T. F. Hutchinson, T. J. Liggitts, A. L. Hinton, & T. Gaddis and their associates and successors in interest be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Flora Gin Company," located at the town of Flora, in Madison County, Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for the period of fifty years.

The objects of said corporation shall be to convert the products of the cotton plant into merchantable shape, in any manner whatever; to establish, buy, own and operate a plant and all necessary machinery, for ginning, baling and preparing for market, lint cotton; for the purpose of purchasing, receiving, dealing in, ~~and handling seed cotton, lint cotton, building, erecting, maintaining, operating and equiping all plants, ginneries, presses, cotton~~ and handling seed cotton, lint cotton, cotton seed, and all the products thereof, and to that end of purchasing, receiving, dealing in, building, erecting, maintaining, operating and equiping all plants, ginneries, presses, cotton seed oil mills, and other power plants and systems, and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; and for the purpose of carrying out any one or all of the above objects, to buy, sell, own, control, manage and operate, all such property, either real or personal, and such materials, appurtenances, appliances, fixtures and equipments necessary, useful and convenient to the complete and successful operation of the said plants and systems; and the said corporation may exercise and use all of the powers authorized under Section 836, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi.

The capital stock of said corporation shall be the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, with the right to said corporation to increase the capital stock to the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may commence business at any time after the publication and approval of this charter.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 6/99 — A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution and laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Sept 6/99 — Wiley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Flora Gin Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 7th day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 8/99

The charter of incorporation of the Bentonia Gin Company.

Be it remembered that R. M. Whitehead, E. F. Gaddis, Frank Wark, T. F. Hutchinson, A. A. Perry and their associates and successors in interest be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "The Bentonia Gin Co," located at the town of Bentonia, in Yazoo County, Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for the period of fifty years.

The objects of said corporation shall be to convert the products of the cotton plant into mercantile shape, in any manner whatever; to establish, buy, own and operate a plant and all necessary machinery, for ginning, baling and preparing for market, lint cotton; for the purpose of purchasing, receiving, dealing in, and handling seed cotton, lint cotton, cotton seed, and all the products thereof, and to that end of purchasing, receiving, dealing in, building, using, maintaining, operating and equiping all plants, gineries, presses, cotton seed oil mills, and other power plants and systems, and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; and for the purpose of carrying out any and all of the above objects, to buy, sell, own, control, manage and operate, all such property, either real or personal, and such materials, appurtenances, appliances, fixtures and equipments, necessary, useful and convenient to the complete and successful operation of the said plants and systems; and the corporation may exercise and use all of the powers authorized under Section 836, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi

The capital stock of said association shall be the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, with the right to said corporation to increase the capital stock to the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may commence business at any time after the publication and approval of this charter

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made that it will be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Sept 6/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violations of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss, Sept 6/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bentonia Gin Company is hereby approved.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 5th day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 8/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Pocahontas Gin Company

Be it remembered that E.K. Middleton, P. F. Hutchinson and Sam Hart, and their associates and successors in interest be and they are hereby incorporated into a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Pocahontas Gin Company, located at the town of Pocahontas, in Hinds County, Mississippi, and by that name shall have succession for the period of fifty years.

The objects of said corporation shall be to convert the products of the cotton plant into merchantable shape, in any manner whatever; to establish, buy, own and operate a plant and all necessary machinery for ginning, baling and preparing for market, lint cotton; for the purpose of purchasing, receiving, dealing in and handling seed cotton, and all products thereof, and to that end of purchasing, receiving, dealing, dealing in, building, using, maintaining, operating and equiping all plants, gineries, presses, cotton seed oil mills, and other motor plants and systems, and all rights, properties, franchises and appurtenances thereto and connected therewith; and for the purpose of carrying out any one or all of the above objects, to buy, sell, own, control, manage and operate, all such property either real or personal, and such materials, appurtenances, appliances, fixtures and equipments, necessary, useful and convenient to the complete and successful operation of the said plants and systems; and the said corporation may exercise and use all the powers authorized under Section 836, Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi

The capital stock of the said corporation shall be the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, with the right to said corporation to increase the capital stock to the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, and may commence business at any time after the publication and approval of this charter.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 2/99 — A. J. McLaurin

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Sept 2/99 — Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss
The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Pocahontas Gin Company, is hereby approved.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 7th day of September, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/8/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Re-organized Independent Knights and Ladies of Honor, with the Young Folks Assistant Society

J. N. Jamagin, D. N. Curtis, Dora A. Glenn, B. J. Odom, Willie Dent, B. B. Burton, Ollie Bradford, W. B. Stewart, Rev. R. Williams, Lizzie Greer, and such other persons as may become associated with them, and their successors be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Re-organized Independent Knights and Ladies of Honor, with the Young Folks Assistant Society, with its domicile at Columbus, Mississippi, and as such body politic, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts and shall have existence for a period of fifty years from this date.

The purpose of said Association shall be to relieve worthy, distressed members, administer to the wants of the sick; bury the dead; encourage morality and education and perform such other duties as are pertaining to charitable associations.

The powers of such association shall be to have and hold all such real and personal property as may vest in the said Association by gift or by purchase, necessary and proper for the transaction of the purposes of the organization, not exceeding the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, and shall have and exercise all the powers enumerated in Section 836, Annotated Code 1892.

The capital stock of said Association shall not exceed $10,000.00 and the Association may make such constitution and by-laws as they may wish, not in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi, nor of the United States; elect their officers and determine their tenure of office and regulate the time and place of meeting, and adopt and enact by-laws for the government of the Association, collection of dues and payment of assessments

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Riley Y. Nash
Atty General.

Jackson, Miss., June 13/99

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Re-organized Independent Knights and Ladies of Honor with the Young Folks Mechanic Society, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 15th day of June, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 12/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Peoples Building and Loan Association

Sec 1 That W. F. Wallace, Jos. Nemburger, Eugene Crawford, J. C. Perry, J. J. Thomas, S. A. Morrison, O. C. Leigh, J. N. Griffis, G. W. Catman and their associates, and those hereafter associated with them and their successors be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of Peoples Building and Loan Association, and have a common seal, whose domicile shall be at Grenada, in Grenada County, Mississippi, which shall have for its object the accumulation of funds to be loaned to its members and to others besides its own members to facilitate their acquiring homes or money for use or hire and to afford an opportunity for the safe investment of monthly savings; provided always, that no loan be made without such security as may be taken by individuals, and this association shall or may exist for a period of fifty years and go into operation when fifty shares shall be subscribed and the first monthly payment made thereof.

Sec 2 If there should be a surplus of money on hand, not desired by the members or other persons as a loan, the Association may invest the same in the purchase of real and personal estate, and in the erection of buildings in the name and as the property of this Association, and they may rent, sell or dispose of the same in their discretion, but all such real estate shall be conveyed by the Association within five years, and not again owned and controlled by the Association.

Sec 3 The stock of this Association shall be limited to One Thousand shares of One Hundred Dollars each in any one serial. The Association shall have the right to issue at any time a new serial of stock for the formation of new classes whenever the Board of Directors shall so determine. No person or firm shall hold more than twenty five shares in any one series of the stock of this Association.

Sec 4 On each share there shall be paid a monthly installment in advance of one dollar. Persons wishing to take stock after the organization of the Association must pay up all installments which may have become due, together with such premium as the Board of Directors may require to make cash payment on the new stock equivalent to the cash value of the old stock.

Sec 5 Each and every stock holder who shall fail, neglect or refuse to pay monthly dues as often as they become due shall be fined ten cents per share for each month or fractional part of a month in which his monthly dues remain unpaid; or any member failing, refusing or neglecting to pay interest on money borrowed shall

This corporation suspended by order of Board of Savings & Loan Association this the 8th day of October 1962.

Heber Ladner, Secretary of State

pay a fine of ten cents per share for each month or fractional part of a month, as above provided for fines for the non-payment of dues

Sec 7 All fines, penalties, interest, etc, shall be payable with the regular dues, as per sections four and five of this article, and no member shall be entitled to receive a loan or to vote on any question or give a proxy to vote who is in arrears for monthly installments, interest, fines and penalties.

Sec 8 This said Association is authorized and empowered to borrow money, provided its indebtedness at any one time shall not exceed one half of its subscribed stock.

Sec 9 Interest may be charged at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, in advance, from the time of negotiating the loan, due and payable at the time regular installments are payable.

Sec 10 This association shall have the right, through its officers and directors, to acquire and sell real and personal estate necessary and proper for its purposes

Sec 11 The liability of any stockholder of this Association shall be limited to the amount of his unpaid stock.

All indebtedness by or to the company shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Aug 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Aug. 1899 _____ Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Peoples Building and Loan Association, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 1st day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 12/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 33-34 PAGE 318

The Charter of Incorporation of the Clarksdale Building and Loan Association, of Clarksdale, Coahoma County, Mississippi

Article 1 By authority of the laws of the State of Mississippi, R. N. Wildberger, Lang C. Allen, Jr., M. J. Boulden, N. O. Holland, C. N. King, E. L. Anderson, Milton S. Parks, J. N. Johnson and W. D. Barry and their associates and successors are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of the Clarksdale Building and Loan Association, and as such shall have succession for a period of fifty years. The domicile and principal office of said Corporation shall be at Clarksdale, Coahoma County, Mississippi. Said corporation may contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and generally may have, enjoy and transmit all rights, privileges and immunities herein granted and conferred upon such associations by the laws of the State of Mississippi. They may have a common seal to be used or altered at pleasure. The said corporation shall have the following rights and powers conferred upon similar associations under the laws of the State of Mississippi, and may exercise the same and the privileges, as follows:

Article 2 The capital stock of said corporation shall be One Hundred Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and the same may be increased from time to time by a majority vote of the stockholders to the sum of not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars. The shares of stock shall be personal property, and certificates therefor may be issued from a book prepared for that purpose and shall be transferable according to law. The stock of said corporation may be paid for in cash or in monthly installments of such amount as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Article 3 The said corporation shall have power to take mortgages and deeds of trust and all other character of securities which it may deem proper to take in the conduct of its business and in securing indebtedness due to it. And it may also buy and sell real and personal property, and may sell, assign and pledge its real and personal property at will, and also its choses in action. It may lend its money as the Board of Directors may direct and under such rules and regulations as said shall provide; and may exact a premium from its members for the preference of loans, the same to be paid in monthly installments; and may charge and collect a stipulated rate of interest not in excess of ten per cent per annum, and may require the same to be paid in

Corporation under Mississippi Laws of 1936. This corporation filed for record August 5th 1936, and duly recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on the 13th day of August 1936. Certificate of Incorporation of said Clarksdale Building and Loan Association filed with Federal Commission

monthly installments; it may also, as the by laws may require, impose and collect fines from its members for the non-payment of installments upon its stock, premiums and interest, and shall have the power to sell the stock pledged by any delinquent subscriber, after thirty days notice, on such terms as the Board of Directors may provide. It may purchase the stock so sold or convey the same to any other purchaser. Any real estate above what is necessary for offices, etc, shall be conveyed by the Association within five years from the time of its acquisition.

Article 4 The principal business of said Association shall be the monthly accumulation of a fund derived from the installments upon stock, premium, interest and expense dues, for lending to its stockholders at stated monthly meetings, and the accumulation of a surplus fund for the purpose of retiring, paying off and canceling its stock as the same arrives at par value, by ratable distribution of the accrued profits to its stockholders, and thereby to encourage the building and owning of homes by its members. And to this end it may loan its funds and receive subscriptions to its stock within the limits of the State of Mississippi. But if there shall not be more than one application for the borrowing of its funds at any monthly meeting, then the Board of Directors may lend such accumulated funds to other than its members upon such securities and upon such terms as they may by their by-laws provide. The Board of Directors may limit the number of payments that may be required of any borrowing member, in anticipation of the maturing of his stock, and provide for accumulations of earnings to mature said stock after payments shall have ceased. And they may also provide the terms upon which non-borrowing members may withdraw and surrender their stock

Article 5 The said corporation shall have the power to borrow money and incur indebtedness in the conduct of its business, and may execute bonds, notes, bills and other evidences of indebtedness, to manifest its obligations, and may secure the payment thereof by deeds of trust upon its property or pledge of its choses in action, but no bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness by or to the Association shall be made payable in gold coin alone, but all such

evidences of indebtedness shall be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

Article 6 The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors to be composed of stockholders, consisting of not less than three and not more than nine members, of whom three shall be a quorum for the transaction of business, including the President or Vice President. The officers of the Board shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may find it expedient to provide. The office of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one and the same person. The first Board of Directors shall be chosen at a meeting of the incorporators to be held on not less than ten days notice to the incorporators after the approval of this charter, and a majority of the incorporators shall constitute a quorum for such meeting. The Board of Directors and all other officers shall hold office for one year from their installation and until their successors are elected and qualified. Thereafter, annually, the stockholders shall elect a Board of Directors, and a majority of the stock shall be a quorum for such election. The Board shall have power to make all rules, regulations and by-laws necessary for the conducting of the business of the corporation, and may amend the same at pleasure, provided such amendments shall not be inconsistent with this charter and the laws of the State of Mississippi

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Aug 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Aug 25/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss.

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Clarksdale Business and Loan Association has been duly approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 1st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Sept 13/99

The Charter of Incorporation of Union Graded School.

Sec 1 Be it Known that J. J. Martin, W. W. Summers, J. C. McGuffey, J. D. Bailey, S. L. Buster, B. B. Bayte, Martin Richey, L. Bush, J. M. Lilley, J. W. Bryant J. M. Williams, C. C. Hampton and J. S. Hall be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic by the name and style of the Directors of Union Graded School, of Lincoln County, Mississippi, and by that name they and their successors shall be empowered to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded and all actions at law and equity whatsoever, and they may have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure, and shall be authorized to purchase and hold real estate not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars in value and shall possess all privileges necessary and proper for the accomplishment of the trust reposed in them for the benefit of said institution, the general object of said corporation being for the education of youths, either male or female or both as the said incorporators may at any time elect. The domicile of the corporation shall be ten miles east of Brookhaven and five miles north of Wellman, and five miles south of Fairview, and on the immediate site of Union Church and in the said county of Lincoln and State of Mississippi.

Sec 2 That said Directors or their successors shall have power to increase or diminish the number of Directors and to elect annually from their number a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Directors or a majority of them, said election to take place at said building at any time agreed upon by the Directors, and in which election each patron of the school may be entitled to one vote, the Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in said Board, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, and their meetings, which shall be upon the call of the President or any two of the Directors shall be held at least as often as once a year and at such meeting they shall have authority to do and perform all acts usual for corporations of similar character under the laws of this State.

Sec 3 That the first Saturday after the approval of this Charter, the said Directors shall meet at said Union Graded School house and organize and shall elect from their number a President, Secretary and Treasurer and may make by-laws for the government of said school, as may be to its interest, not in conflict with the laws of Mississippi

Sec 4 That said incorporators shall continue for a term of twenty-five years.

Witness our signatures this the 26th day of August, 1899

J. J. Martin, Martin Richey, W. W. Summers, L. Bush, J. C. McGuffey, J. M. Lilley, J. D. Bailey
J. W. Bryant, S. L. Buster, J. M. Williams, B. B. Bayte, C. C. Hampton, J. S. Hall.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Union Graded School, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, this 8th day of September, 1899

By the Governor
A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/15/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 10 PAGE 240

✓ Charter of Incorporation of the Queen & Crescent Lumber Company.

1 Be it known by this charter of incorporation: That F. A. Woodruff, F. P. Harris, and J. F. Bodman, together with their successors, associates and assigns, are hereby created a corporation under the name and style of Queen and Crescent Lumber Company, and as such shall have corporate succession for the full term of fifty years, and by the corporate name aforesaid may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, and do and perform all acts, and have and enjoy all rights and privileges which are, by Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892, and the several amendments thereto, permitted and granted to corporations of this character.

2 The objects for which this corporation is created are hereby declared to be the manufacture and sale of lumber, as well as the manufacture and sale of sash, doors, blinds, trimmings, boxes, furniture and all other articles made from wood; the purchase and sale of real estate, necessary for its business, timber, as well as such other products and commodities as to the Directors may seem proper in the conduct of the business as aforesaid.

3 The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, divided into Five Hundred shares of One Hundred Dollars each, and the corporation is authorized to begin and do business as soon as Ten Thousand Dollars of stock has been subscribed for and paid in.

4 The domicile of this corporation is hereby fixed at the town of Nicholson, Hancock County, Miss, and its principal place of business shall be there located.

5 This corporation shall have the right to enact such by-laws as to its stockholders may seem fit, provided, always, that the same do not conflict with any of the laws of the State of Mississippi, with reference to corporations. And the said by laws may designate the number of Directors of said corporation and shall also fix the offices therein and method of filling the same.

6 The enumeration herein of any specific power shall not be held or taken to forbid the exercise by this corporation of any and all powers granted by the laws of the State of Mississippi to corporations of this character, and this corporation shall have and enjoy all and singular the powers, rights and privileges granted by the laws of the State of Mississippi to such corporations.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the Constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss. Sept 9/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Sept. 13/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of incorporation of the Queen and Crescent Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of September, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/22/99

Articles of Incorporation of the Rankin Stone Company.

Sec 1 Be it known that Charles D. Smith, Lee Richardson, Walter L. Smith and Edward Ford, and their associates are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name and style of the Rankin Stone Company, and as such shall exist for fifty years.

Sec 2 The purposes for which the said Corporation is formed are as follows: To dig, quarry and mine stone, granite and minerals in the county of Rankin and State of Mississippi, and to manufacture the same into any form and for every use to which the same can be applied, and to contract to supply and to sell the same; to contract for and execute public and private works in which the products of the quarries and mines worked by it may be used, such as street paving, road making, house building, bridge building and the like; to maintain and to carry on such mercantile business at or near the quarries of the company as may be deemed advantageous to the prosecution of its business

Sec 3 That the capital stock of the said company shall be Five Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each, with power by a majority vote of the stockholders of the Company to increase the same to any sum, not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Sec 4 The domicile of said company shall be in the city of Vicksburg, in the county of Warren and State of Mississippi, but the said domicile may be changed at any time by the vote of a majority of the stockholders of the said company.

Sec 5 Said corporation shall have full power and authority to hold real estate and personal estate necessary and proper for its purposes, not exceeding in value Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars; to exercise in the conduct of its business all of the powers necessary to effectuate the purposes above specified, together with such other powers as are conferred by Chapter (25) Twenty-five of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, which are necessary and proper for the conduct of its business.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any legal tender money of the United States

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 2/99

A. J. McLaurin
Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Sept 2/99 ——————— Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Rankin Stone Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this the 8th day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/22/99

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The charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Brooksville.

Article 1 This Association, known as the Bank of Brooksville, whose domicile is Brooksville, Noxubee County, Mississippi, has for its object the doing of a general banking business, and such other business as is usually appertinent to general transactions of a banking house.

Article 2 Sec 1 This association shall be composed of the following persons, to-wit: G. T. Heard, D. McLeod, N. N. Shull, T. J. Hopkins, T. J. Wilkins, Jr., J. N. McMorries, J. Hardin, J. N. Wootten, J. M. Calmes, J. G. Wilkins, G. N. Cunningham, N. S. Dotterow, W. A. Dotterow, P. N. Pate, E. Calvert, W. M. Paine, Arthur Dugan, J. N. Keys, N. R. Kaufmann, E. N. Smythe, J. J. Callaway, J. T. Gibson, N. B. Bell, N. S. Bourdeaux, J. L. Patty, G. L. Caymes, Walter Smith, N. N. Brooks, W. N. Madison, D. M. Love, J. L. Carpenter, J. N. Dupree, G. M. Robertson, J. L. S. Peterson, Josie R. Calmes, M. N. Mullins, E. E. Dantzler, M. J. Rimmer, J. N. Roberts, N. S. J. Glenn, Johan Harrison, M. P. Short, P. B. Dugan, Ella Scales, Matilda Scales, S. E. Dotterow, Thomas Dee, W. N. Hamilton and such other persons as shall associate with them for the purpose named, and they are hereby incorporated under the name and style of the Bank of Brooksville, and by that name have succession for a period of fifty years; may sue and be sued; may plead and be impleaded in any court; may contract and be contracted with; may make bonds of indemnity and security; may acquire necessary property and hold necessary property, both personal and real; may have a common seal and alter same at will; and by that name may do and perform all acts and possess all the forms and privileges of bodies politic and corporate.

Sec 2 The capital stock of this association shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, and whenever the sum of ten thousand dollars has been subscribed for and paid into the capital stock, the bank may begin business, provided that said capital may by a two-third vote of the stockholders be increased or decreased from time to time, but to be at no time less than ten thousand or more than fifty thousand dollars.

Sec 3 The said banking association may and is hereby authorized to invest the capital of said association in gold or silver coin, bullion, bank notes, silver certificates, certificates of deposit, and all monies current or uncurrent, bonds of the United States, county or municipal corporation and in public or private securities of value, may invest in mortgages, trust deeds, bills of exchange, notes and accounts and other evidences of debt, may receive on deposit gold, silver, bullion, bank notes, current and uncurrent money and any other valuable thing, being personal property, and may loan the same. May borrow and loan money on other securities, may buy and sell drafts, notes accounts, United States and State Bonds, municipal and county bonds, warrants and all other valuables public and private, current and uncurrent securities, may buy, sell or rent real estate, neces-

for its business, at its pleasure, may do a bank collection, discount and exchange business as is customary with banks and shall have power to take deeds of trust, mortgages, bills of sale, pledges and deposits and other conveyances of real, personal and mixed property.

Sec 4 The business of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by Directors to be chosen annually by the stockholders and under such rules and regulations as said association may see fit to adopt, provided same be not in conflict with the law or this charter.

Sec 5 The stockholders of this association shall not be liable for the debts of said association beyond the amount that may remain unpaid upon the stock held by them

Sec 6 The stock of this association shall be assignable only upon the books of this company and a stock ledger shall be kept in which all transfers shall be made, and in all cases dividends, when declared, shall be paid to the stockholders in whose name the stock stands at the time of the declaration thereof

Sec 7 That the by-laws, rules and regulations of this association, which said association may make under this charter, shall be made and adopted by a majority vote of the stockholders according to the number of shares held by them.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not a violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Sept 19/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bank of Brookville, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/23/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Lacey Lumber Company

Be it known that M. J. Hinton, S. J. Johnson and John C. Woodward, and their associates and successors desire to form and organize a corporation to be known as the Lacey Lumber Company. By said name the said corporation shall have existence for fifty years, and by said name it may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded the same as an individual; it may have a corporate seal and the same alter at pleasure; it may have a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, General Manager and such other offices and such servants and employees as it may choose.

The capital stock of said corporation shall be Twenty Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each. The capital stock may be increased at any time by a vote of a majority of the stockholders of said Company to any sum not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

The purposes for which said corporation is proposed to be organized are, to own and carry on a general saw mill and timber manufacturing business, the carrying on of such mercantile establishments as shall be deemed essential and proper as aids to the manufacture of lumber; it may own, buy, sell and convey lands and timber in any lawful quantity, and may own and operate all kinds of machinery and appliances, including timber or timber tramroads and railroads; it may buy, sell and lease machinery and appliances of all kinds; it may manufacture all articles and things of all kind; and it shall have power to carry on and operate all and any kind of saw mills, planers, dry Kilns and all other attachments and appliances and may carry on a general turpentine distillery business and make or manufacture charcoal, etc.

It may carry on such farming or planting operations as may be deemed advantageous to the corporation as aids to its lumber business.

The said corporation shall have power to conduct the saw mills and lumber business in all respects and with all the powers an individual might. And said corporation shall in addition to the powers above enumerated have all the powers mentioned in Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, the same as if the provisions of said Chapter were enumerated and set out in this Chapter

The stockholders of this corporation shall not be personally liable for its debts except as provided in the said Code of Mississippi

The domicile of said corporation shall be Carriere Station, on N. O. & N. E. R. R, county of Hancock, and State of Mississippi.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not a violation of the constitution and laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Sept 19/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing Charter of Incorporation of the Lacey Lumber Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 21st day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 9/23/99

✓ The Charter of Incorporation of the McLeod & Kennedy Company.

Sec 1 Be it known that John A. McLeod, George M. Kennedy, and such others as may be hereafter associated with them, and assigns, are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of the State of Mississippi, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Sec 2 The name and style of the corporation hereby created shall be, The McLeod and Kennedy Company, and under such name and style said corporation may exist for a period of fifty years after the date of the approval of this charter by the Governor, unless sooner dissolved by a majority vote of the stockholders.

Sec 3 The domicile of this corporation shall be in the city of Hattiesburg, in the county of Perry, State of Mississippi.

Sec 4 The objects and purposes of this corporation are, to own and operate a general mercantile business, to engage in the purchase, manufacture and sale of turpentine and rosin, to do a timber and logging business, and if deemed expedient, to own and operate saw and planing mills and all necessary tram ways and log roads; and to this end said corporation is authorized, within the scope of its objects and purposes, to own and control branch establishments at other points within the State of Mississippi, than the said place of its domicile.

Sec 5 Said corporation may acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold, hold and enjoy such real and personal property as may be deemed necessary to its successful operation, not to exceed in value the limit fixed by law; and shall and possess all the rights, powers and privileges conferred by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi on corporations generally.

Sec 6 The capital stock of this corporation shall be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($250,000.00) to be divided into twenty-five hundred (2500) shares of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each; but said corporation may begin business when thirty five thousand dollars ($35,000.00) of such amount shall have been subscribed for and paid in.

Sec 7 This corporation may establish all necessary by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to law, and amend or repeal the same at pleasure; and shall have a corporate seal.

Sec. 8 The powers of this corporation may be exercised in the manner and by the officers and agents prescribed in the by-laws; and said corporation may employ and discharge at pleasure, such officers, agents, clerks and other employees as may be deemed proper.

Sec 9 Each stockholder in said corporation shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by him, to be cast by owner of stock or by proxy; and the parties interested may hold their first meeting for the purpose of organizing, at any time after the approval of this

charter by the Governor, each stockholder to have had five days notice of the time and place of such meeting.

Sec 10. This charter shall become operative from and after its approval by the Governor

In witness whereof, the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands, this the 23d day of August, 1899

John N. McLeod.
Geo. M. Kennedy

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Sept. 18, 1899 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 20/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General.

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the McLeod and Kennedy Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23d day of November, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Sec'y of State

Recorded 9/25/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Pemica

Article 1 — Leo Lesser, J. N. Johnson, P. L. Hope, M. J. Alexander, and E. Draughon, and such other persons as they may associate with them, and their successors and associates are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of The Bank of Pemica

Article 2 — Said corporation is created for the purpose of carrying on a general banking business in all its branches, and may have continuous succession and have a corporate seal; may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded, may acquire by purchase or otherwise all kinds of property necessary for its business, real and personal; and may sell and convey the same; may borrow money; encumber its property; hypothecate its choses in action; receive deposits in currency, coin and other species of money, and may receive upon deposit valuable property, such as stocks, bonds, jewelry, plate and other personal property; give bills of exchange, certify checks; may lend money, take mortgages, deeds of trust and other security, may make all kinds of contracts not forbidden by law, and necessary to a general banking business or customary therein. And is hereby authorized to do any and all things usual in the conduct of the business of banking.

Article 3 — The domicile and chief place of business of said corporation shall be in the town of Pemica, County of Pemica and State of Mississippi.

Article 4 — The capital stock of said corporation shall be Ten Thousand Dollars, and the same may be increased at any time by resolution of the Board of Directors to an amount not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Article 5 — The capital stock of said corporation shall be divided into shares of One Hundred Dollars each.

Article 6 — The stockholders of said corporation shall meet at such time as they may deem proper after one half of the capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid, and elect five of their own number as a Board of Directors of said corporation, in whom the full governing power of said corporation shall be vested, and the said Board of Directors are authorized to adopt by-laws for the government of said corporation; create such offices as they may deem proper for its management; fix the salaries to be paid such officers and do all acts necessary for the proper government of said corporation, its stockholders and officers.

Article 7 — No stockholder of said corporation shall be liable for its debts beyond the unpaid portion of his stock subscription.

Article 8 — All voting by stockholders at any of their meetings shall be done by ballot, or viva voce as the by-laws may determine, and each share of stock shall entitle the holder to one vote, either in person or by proxy by some one duly authorized in writing by the owner of the same, which written authority shall be entered at large on the minutes of the meeting where such vote is cast.

Article 9 — The Board of Directors shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall have been elected and assumed the duties of their offices; and the said election for Directors shall be annually on the day of the first election.

Article 10 — The stock of the corporation shall only be assignable by registry on the books of said corporation and in the manner provided by law.

Article 12 — The said corporation is authorized to begin business as soon as one half of the capital stock of Ten Thousand Dollars is subscribed and paid

Article 13 — The said corporation shall exist for the period of fifty years and no longer.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Sept 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 20/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bank of Tunica, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23d day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/26/99

FOR AMENDMENT SEE BOOK 13 PAGE 409

The charter of Incorporation of the Bank of Poplarville, Pearl River County, Mississippi

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves, together with such others as may become associated with us, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

Article 1 This corporation is to be known under name of Bank of Poplarville. Its domicile shall be the town of Poplarville, County of Pearl River, State of Mississippi, and shall exist for a period of fifty (50) years, unless sooner ~~dissolved~~ dissolved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the stockholders

Article 2 This corporation is created for the object and purpose of doing a general banking business, and it shall have power to do all acts necessary for that purpose.

Article 3 The capital stock of this corporation is fixed at Twenty Thousand ($20,000.00) Dollars, divided into four hundred (400) shares of Fifty dollars ($50.00) each; but it may begin business when Two Hundred (200) of said shares are subscribed for, and one fourth (1/4 of its authorized capital shall have been actually paid in. The capital stock may be increased by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the stockholders.

Article 4 This corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors, elected by the stockholders, which Directors shall elect from their number a President, a Vice President, a Cashier and Assistant Cashier.

Article 5 The Board of Directors of this corporation shall consist of sixteen stockholders, to be elected by the stockholders within thirty days after the approval of this charter, and annually thereafter.

Article 6 This corporation shall commence business within three months after approval of this charter by the Governor of Mississippi

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

In testimony whereof we hereunto sign our names and affix our seals, this 5th day of September, A.D. 1899

W. L. Thomas, J. S. Moody, Wm A. Guillimet, J. C. Derby,
J. J. Scarborough, J. N. Moody, R. E. Wilkinson, C. H. Hyde,
R. L. Stevenson, S. E. Lauve, George Calhoun, W. W. Strahan
Dora Thomas, J. L. Strahan, W. J. Hemmicutt, N. Batson

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Gen'l for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss., Sept 18/99. A. J. McLaurin, Governor.

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Sept 20/99. Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss
The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Bank of Poplarville, is hereby approved
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi, to be affixed, this 22d day of September, 1899.

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State.

Recorded 9/26/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi

Sec 1 This corporation is created and organized for the purpose of insuring the property of its own members only against loss by fire and lightning, upon the Mutual Assessment plan.

Sec 2 The corporate name of said incorporation shall be the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Mississippi and shall be composed of Sterling G. Dey, as President, Alexander N. Oliver, as General Manager and John G. Millsaps as Secretary and Treasurer, and such others as may associate themselves with them, and their successors and assigns; and the said incorporation shall have succession and existence for a period of fifty years, unless sooner annulled as provided by law.

Sec 3 This incorporation shall have power to issue policies of insurance to its members only, insuring their property against fire and lightning, and to fix charges for membership and for such insurance; and to appoint agents and fix the amount to be paid for their services; and to prescribe the form of the contract or policy of insurance; to contract and be contracted with; to have a common seal and to change the same at will; to acquire and hold such property real and personal, as may be necessary for the business of the corporation and not in violation of law, and to sell the same, to borrow and loan money; but no contract by or to the Association shall be payable in gold only, all such shall be payable in any legal tender money of the United States; to make all contracts necessary to the full enjoyment of the rights, franchises and privileges hereby conferred, and that are conferred by the laws of the State of Mississippi; and may make all necessary by-laws for the government and control of this incorporation not contrary to law, and may sue and be sued in all the courts in this State.

Sec 4 The affairs of this incorporation shall be managed by the officers of said incorporation as provided by law, and the first meeting of said officers shall be on the 1st Monday in October 1900, and annually thereafter, said officers shall elect one of their members President, one General Manager and one Secretary and Treasurer and such other agents as in their judgment will be necessary to properly conduct the business of this Association, until this election shall take place the business shall be managed by Sterling G. Dey, as President, Alexander N. Oliver, as General Manager and John G. Millsaps as Secretary and Treasurer; and said officers may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of said officers, and this Association may commence to do business at once after this charter is granted.

Sec 5 The domicile and main office of said incorporation shall be in the city of West Point, Mississippi, but may be changed at any time and branch offices may be established at any other place or places in the State of Mississippi, by the officers of said Association.

Sec 6 That all of said incorporators are citizens and residents of West Point, Mississippi.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.
Jackson, Miss. Sept 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State
Jackson, Miss., Sept 19, 1899 Wiley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Washington Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 21st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/26/99.

The Charter of Incorporation of the Gerdes Stave Company.

Sec 1 That F. N. Gerdes, G. D. Armstrong, and J. M. Reiley and their associates and such others as may hereafter become associated with them be and they are hereby constituted and created a body corporate, with right of succession for fifty years, under the name and style of Gerdes Stave Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, contract and be contracted with, and adopt a corporate seal and the same to alter change or break at pleasure.

Sec 2 The domicile of said corporation shall be at Winona, Montgomery County, Mississippi, and the capital stock of said corporation shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, but the capital stock of said corporation may be increased from time to time in the discretion of the stockholders by a majority vote of the entire paid up stock, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars. When the said capital stock of Fifteen Thousand Dollars is subscribed and the sum of Twenty-five hundred dollars is paid in, said corporation is authorized to commence business

Sec 3 No stockholder shall be individually liable for the debts of said corporation for any amount exceeding his or their unpaid subscription to the capital stock of said corporation.

Sec 4 Said corporation shall have the right and power to engage in the business of buying and selling timber and timbered lands, and also to manufacture, buy and sell staves and lumber of every description, and shall have the right to buy all materials, machinery and property of whatever character, that may be deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of said corporation as before expressed, and to build and erect all buildings and machinery that may be deemed necessary. Said corporation shall have the right to make contracts in the conduct of its business and may sell or dispose of all products manufactured by or belonging to said corporation. Said corporation may also buy, own and sell at pleasure any real and personal property that may be incident to or grow out of, or that may be deemed necessary to the successful erection and operation of any or all of the said plants or industries herein provided for. Said corporation may also buy, own and sell real and personal property in the collection of debts that may be due said corporation or for the payment of debts or for the purpose of converting said property into money. But the said real and personal property last aforesaid shall be disposed of and conveyed

by the corporation within ten years from the time it is acquired. They may also employ all such labor as may be deemed necessary to be employed for the successful operations of any or all of said plants, and they shall also have the power to do and perform any and all other acts that may be incident to or that may be deemed necessary by said corporation for the successful operation of the business of the same. In addition to the powers before granted, said corporation shall have all the powers granted such corporations by Chapter 25 Annotated Code 1892, of Mississippi, so long as the said chapter is the law of the State

Sec 5 Said corporation shall be controlled, governed and managed by such officer or officers as the Stockholders representing a majority of the paid up stock may from time to time designate and elect. Said stockholders so representing a majority of the paid up stock may prescribe the duties, salaries and terms of office of the officers that may be elected by them to manage said business. Such officers may be stockholders or otherwise as may be deemed best for the stockholders representing a majority of the paid up stock

Sec 6 The stockholders of said corporation who may represent a majority of the paid up stock shall have the right and power from time to time to adopt such rules, regulations and by-laws for the government and management of the business of said Corporation as they may deem for the best interest of the same not contrary to or inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, nor of the United States. They shall also have the right and power to amend, alter or repeal any or all of said rules, regulations and by-laws at such time and in such manner as they may deem for the best interest of said corporation

Sec 7 Any stockholder at any of their meetings may be represented by proxy, who shall be authorized to act in all respects as fully as though such stockholder was present and acting. Provided, however such proxy shall be appointed in writing by such stockholder.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Honorable Attorney General for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Aug 29/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Sept 1/99 Percy N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Gerdeo Stave Co. Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of September, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin

J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded 9/29/99

The Charter of Incorporation of Wiggins High School

Sec 1 Be it known that N. C. Clark, E. R. Davis, A. R. Dale, A. C. Hammack and G. G. Hendrix be and are hereby constituted a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Wiggins High School of Harrison County, Mississippi, and by that name they and their successors shall be empowered to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all action of law and equity whatsoever, and they may have a common seal which they may alter at pleasure, and they shall be authorized to purchase and hold real estate not to exceed ten thousand dollars in value, and shall have all privileges necessary and proper for the accomplishment of the trust reposed in them for the benefit of said institution, the general object of said corporation being for the education of the youths, either male or female or both, as the said corporation may, at any time elect. The domicile of the said corporation shall be at the town of Wiggins, in said Harrison County and State of Mississippi

Sec 2 That said Directors or their successors shall have power to increase or diminish the number of Directors, and to elect annually from their number a President and Secretary and Treasurer who shall perform the duties prescribed by said Directors, or a majority thereof, said election to take place at Wiggins at any time agreed upon by said Directors, and in which election all patrons of the school present shall be entitled to one vote. The Directors shall have power to fill vacancies in said Board, caused by death, resignation or otherwise; and their meetings, which shall be upon the call of the President or any two of the Directors, shall be held at least as often as once a year, and at such meting they shall have authority to do and perform all acts usual for corporations of similar character under the laws of this State

Sec 3 That the first Saturday after the approval of this charter, the said Directors shall meet at said Wiggins School House and organize, by electing from their number a President and Secretary and Treasurer and may make such by-laws for the government of said school, as may be for its interest, and not in conflict with the laws of the State of Mississippi

Sec 4 That said corporation shall continue for a term of twenty-five years.

Witness our signatures this 9th day of September, 1899.

N. C. Clark, E. R. Davis; A. C. Hammack
G. G. Hendrix, A. R. Dale

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Wiggins High School, is hereby approved

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 23d day of September, 1899.

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Oct 6/99

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The Charter of Incorporation of the Hancock County Bank to be Located at Bay St Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi

We the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves, and together with such others as may hereafter become associated with us, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Mississippi

Article 1 This corporation is to be known under the name of Hancock County Bank. Its domicile shall be the city of Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and shall exist for a period of fifty years, unless sooner ~~dissolved~~ dissolved by a two thirds vote of the Stockholders

Article 2 This corporation is created for the object and purpose of doing a general banking business, and it shall have the power to do all acts necessary for that purpose

Article 3 The capital stock of this corporation is fixed at Twenty five Thousand Dollars, divided into two hundred and fifty shares of one hundred dollars each. Said capital stock may be increased by a two thirds vote of the stockholders.

Article 4 This corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors elected by the stockholders which said Directors shall elect from their number a President and Vice President and also elect a cashier

Article 5 The Board of Directors of this corporation are Peter Kellogg, Peter E. Kellogg, G. W. Dunbar, F. B. Dunbar, J. V. Dunbar, August Keller, Charles Marshall, Joseph F. Cazeneuve, and E. W. Hoffman, who shall serve until their successors are elected.

Article 6 This corporation shall commence business within three months after the approval of this charter by the Governor of the State of Mississippi

Article 7 At least forty (40%) per cent of the capital stock shall have been paid in before this corporation shall begin business

Article 8 All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

In testimony whereof, we hereunto sign our names and affix our seals, this 29th day of August, 1899

Agnes P. Phillips, Thos L. Evans, J. A. Breath, E. W. Hoffman, J. B. Bahey, Richard Mendes, L. A. L. Ae DeMontluzin, Jas V. Paulme, L. N. C. Spotono, John Cavinach, Geo. C. Morgan, Chas. Marshall, G. W. Dunbar Sons, F. B. Dunbar, Peter E. Kellogg, Joseph F. Cazeneauve, Peter Kellogg, James V. Dunbar, Eugene W. Roberts, Emil Christ, Mrs. G. W. Dunbar, Mrs. E. M. Council, Charles Sauger, Joseph Cambel, Glaimond J. Blanc, Mrs. W. V. Gex, Mrs. B. R. Engman, E. J. Barrio, A. R. Watt, Louis Leonhard, W. S. Weston, Jas H. Payard, Jas. P. Kock

The foregoing proposed charter is respectfully referred to the Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Sept 27/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

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The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss., Sept 28/99 Wiley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson Miss

The within and foregoing proposed charter of incorporation of the Hancock County Bank is hereby approved,

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of October, 1899

A J McLaurin

By the Governor
J L Power
Secy of State

Recorded Oct 6/99

Note: Pages 624 and 625 are blank and pasted together;

The Charter of Incorporation of the Prudential Society of America

The undersigned, C. L. Patterson, Burd Beaver, Jno. N. Patterson and their associates being desirous of forming and establishing a fraternal beneficial institution, do hereby agree for that purpose and to that end enter into the following articles of agreement or constitution; to-wit

Article 1

Name and Power

Sec 1 This association shall be known and designated as the Prudential Society of America, and its principal office shall be in Vicksburg, or such other city within the State of Mississippi, as may be selected

Sec 2 This association shall have power and authority to form and establish subordinate lodges of the order and prescribe and limit their power, jurisdiction, authority, and shall have all such power and authority as are granted and prescribed in chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of 1892 of the State of Mississippi

Sec 3 This Association shall continue and have existence as such for a period of fifty years

Article 2

Objects and Purpose

Sec 1 The object, purpose and scope of this Association shall be to unite in fraternal co-operation and assistance all acceptable persons of sound bodily health and good moral character, regardless of nationality or religious or political preferences or differences, to improve the moral intellectual and social conditions of its members. To promote and encourage temperance and to discourage dissipation and excess of all kinds. In general to create and establish a family and fraternal union, and to endeavor to cause the members to fully appreciate the gifts of life, to aid and assist the members and their families, and generally to protect, care and provide for the living and to properly inter the dead, and for this purpose and to this end to issue and deliver to such members thereof as deemed advisable, death benefit and disability certificate in a sum not more than $2,000 to be in all respects in conformity with and payable, according to the by-laws adopted from time to time for the government and guidance of the order, and for this purpose and to this end to create and establish a fund by means of regular dues and assessments levied on and payable by the members of the order according to its by-laws.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss., Sept 23/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation are not violation of the Constitution or laws of the State.
Jackson, Miss, Sept 26/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty Genl

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing proposed Charter of incorporation of the Prudential Society of America is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 6th day of October, 1899

By the Governor A. J. McLaurin
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Oct 7/99

The Charter of Incorporation of the Lower Coast Packet Company.

Article I. Be it known and remembered S. A. Kouns, Paul J. Renaud and Wm. N. Wilcox and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate under the name and style Lower Coast Packet Company. By that name said corporation shall have power and authority to exist and enjoy succession for the full term and period of forty years from and after the date hereof, to contract, sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, the same to break or change at pleasure, to hold, receive, lease, purchase, mortgage and convey and hypothecate property, necessary for the purposes of the corporation, real, personal and mixed, and especially steamboats, vessels and other water craft; to name and appoint such officers, managers and other agents as the interests of said corporation may require, and to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the proper management and regulation of the affairs of said corporation as may be necessary and proper and the same to alter and change at pleasure.

Article II The domicile of said corporation shall be in the city of Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi

Article III The object for which this corporation is created is to build, purchase, charter, sell or own one or more steamboats, ships, towboats, barges, and other vessels, and the same to run, control and operate upon the Mississippi River and other inland waters of the United States and upon lakes, bays, gulfs and seas, for the transportation of freights, mails and passengers, and also to purchase, lease, mortgage, sell or otherwise acquire or dispose of wharves, landings, wharf-boats, barges and elevators, as may be necessary or convenient for the transaction of this business of this corporation. That for the transportation of freight, mails and conveyance of passengers, said corporation shall be entitled to receive such compensation as shall from time to time be fixed and designated by the proper officer of said Company, and not in conflict with any law of this State, rule or regulation; and to do all acts and things whatsoever, usually done in the business aforesaid and as may be necessary and convenient for the welfare and business of said company. Said corporation shall have all the rights, privileges and powers conferred upon corporations of like character by Chapter 24 Annotated Code of 1892, of the State of Mississippi, and shall be subject to all the limitations and restrictions thereby imposed

Article IV The capital stock of said corporation is hereby fixed at One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars, divided

into thirty five shares of the par value of fifty dollars each, which said stock shall be paid for in cash at time of subscription. Said capital stock may be increased from time to time by a vote of the majority of the capital stock and stockholders at a meeting at the domicile of the corporation, called for that purpose after ten days notice, a copy of said notice to be delivered to or mailed to the address of each stockholder. At all meetings of stockholders each holder of a share of stock shall be entitled to one vote for each share and to vote either in person or by proxy.

Article V On the 18th day of September, A.D. 1899, a general meeting of the stockholders of this corporation shall be held at its domicile in the city of Bay St Louis, and at said meeting one of the stockholders shall be chosen or elected as the Manager of said Company for the term of three years, who shall be charged with the control and management of the business and affairs of said corporation. A majority of the votes cast shall be requisite to elect. Said manager shall be the officer on whom citations shall be served; and he shall have full power and authority to appoint such officers, clerks and agents as the business of said company may require, and the same to dismiss at pleasure. At each general meeting of the stockholders of said company, said manager shall furnish and present a complete detailed statement of the business affairs of said company. Such statement shall not be required more than once a year.

Article VI Whenever this corporation is dissolved, either by limitation or any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated under the superintendence of three stockholders, appointed for that purpose by the stockholders of said company, at a general meeting convened therefor; the said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of said corporation shall have been finally settled and liquidated, and in case of death or disability of either one or more of said commissioners, the survivors or survivor shall continue to act.

Article VII This act of incorporation may be changed, modified or altered, or the said corporation may be dissolved, with the assent of the majority of the stock and stockholders, in amount and numbers, at any general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose, after thirty

days previous notice of such meeting shall have been given in some public newspaper published at the domicile of said corporation, unless such notice be waived by each and every stockholder, they accepting in lieu thereof verbal or written notice of such meeting

Article VIII No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of said corporation in any further sum than the unpaid balance due the company by him; nor shall any mere informality in the organization have the effect of rendering this act of incorporation null and void or exposing any stockholder to any liability.

Article IX The manager of said corporation shall have full power and authority to charter or freight steamboats or other vessels, and to make such contract of affreightment that he may deem judicious and advantageous to this corporation; and he is hereby invested with all necessary powers to do any act or thing usual or necessary in or about the business of this corporation.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States

In witness whereof we have hereunto, this 7th day of August, A.D., 1899, set our respective hand and seal.

C. D. Koons, Paul F. Renaud, W. W. Willcox

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon Atty Gen'l for his opinion as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof.

Jackson, Miss, Sept 18/99 A. J. McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter are not violative of the constitution or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss. Sept 19/99 Riley N. Nash, Atty General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Lower Coast Packet Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed this 21st day of September, 1899

A. J. McLaurin

By the Governor
J. L. Power
Secy of State

Recorded Oct 14/99

The charter of Incorporation of the Mississippi Drug Company.

Sec 1 Be it known that John McDuffie and Robert R. McCormick and such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, their assigns or successors, are hereby created a body corporate under the name and style of the Mississippi Drug Company, and by that name may sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, plead and be impleaded, and may make and use a corporate seal, and break and alter the same at pleasure.

Sec 2 The purposes and object of said corporation and the business and the business to be transacted shall be to buy, sell, trade any article of drugs, medicines, patent or otherwise, may compound and fill prescriptions, buy and sell toilet articles, stationery, jewelry, books, glasses, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and cigarette papers, pipes, etc, and all other articles usually kept in a first-class drug store. And in addition to the articles above set forth, it may buy, sell and trade any article of goods, wares and merchandise, and all such articles as are usually kept in a general merchandise store. Said corporation may also manufacture any and all such drugs, medicines, and other articles or things as to it may seem expedient and profitable; and may purchase, hold, sell or convey all such drugs, medicines, and all such articles, goods, wares and merchandise as are herein set forth, whether manufactured by it or not as may seem expedient. It may own all such store houses or other houses ~~etc~~ or buildings and appliances and such real estate and personal property as may be necessary to enable it to carry on its business; and it may purchase, hold, sell and convey any and all real estate and other property of whatever kind and description which may be taken in payment of debts due and owing to it, or otherwise. It may purchase any and all kinds of materials needful for the manufacture of any such drugs, medicines or other things, and it may sell and dispose of its property at its pleasure; may borrow and loan money and secure the payment of the same by mortgage or otherwise, and it may issue bonds and secure them in the same way. And in addition to the powers herein granted, said corporation shall have all the powers, privileges and immunities under Chapter 25 of the Annotated Code of Mississippi, of 1892. Said corporation shall have existence for a period of fifty years from and after the date of the approval of its Charter by the Governor.

Sec 3 The capital stock of said corporation shall be Twenty-Five

($100.00) Dollars each for which proper certificates may issue, and said stock may be paid for either in money or property at the option and pleasure of said company. Said corporation may begin business when Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars of its capital stock shall have been subscribed and paid in, and the same may be increased from time to time at the pleasure of the stockholders of said corporation, not to exceed Twenty-five Thousand ($25,000.00) Dollars.

Sec 4 The government and management of the affairs of said corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be composed of three persons to be elected annually from the stockholders thereof, but the number of persons composing the Board of Directors may be increased or diminished at will. Said corporation shall have the power to elect and appoint such officers, agents and employees and prescribe their duties, salaries and tenure of office, as may be deemed necessary for the transaction of its business. And it shall have the power to make all such by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to law, as may be deemed necessary for the government and management of its business property and effects. It may fix the date for the election of said Directors, officers, agents and employees, and it may require bond in such sums as may be fixed for the faithful performance of the duties of its officers, agents and employees. It may determine the manner, terms and conditions of issuing its stock and shall have the power to make all such by-laws, rules and regulations, not contrary to law, that shall be necessary for the efficient and convenient transaction of its business. Each stockholder shall be individually liable for the debts of said corporation contracted during his ownership of stock only for the amount or balance that may remain due and unpaid for on the stock subscribed for by him and no further.

Sec 5 The domicile or principal place of business of said corporation shall be at Laurel, in the county of Jones, and State of Mississippi, but said corporation may establish branches stores and do business at any other town, city, or place in the State of Mississippi.

Sec 6 This charter shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Governor.

All indebtedness by or to the corporation shall be so made as to be payable in any kind of legal tender money of the United States.

The foregoing proposed charter of incorporation is respectfully referred to the Hon. Atty Genl for his advice as to the constitutionality and legality of the provisions thereof

Jackson, Miss, Aug 30/99 A J McLaurin, Governor

The provisions of the foregoing proposed charter of incorporation are not violation of the constitutions or laws of the State

Jackson, Miss, Sept 1/99 Riley N. Nash, Attorney General

Executive Office
Jackson, Miss

The within and foregoing charter of incorporation of the Mississippi Drug Company, is hereby approved.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed, this 8th day of September, 1899

By the Governor A J McLaurin
J L Power
Secy of State

Recorded
Oct 20/99

This corporation dissolved and its charter surrendered to the State of Mississippi by decree of Chancery Court of Jones County dated June 7, 1958 — certified copy of said decree filed in this office June 10, 1958

Heber Ladner
Secy of State