

MINUTES OF THE SIBLEY SOCIETY

Jan 9th 1863 -

The young ladies of Lindenwood met for the purpose of organizing a literary society. Miss M. G. Brown was called to preside over the meeting. Miss M. L. Anderson to act as Secretary. The object of the meeting was laid before the members and fully discussed. Mr. Barbour kindly offered to draw off a Constitution and By Laws. The meeting then adjourned to meet Jan. 13th.

Jan. 13th. 1863

A meeting was held Jan. 13th according to adjournment. House was called to order by Chairman. Mr. Barbour presented a Constitution which was read before the members, each article was then voted upon. A motion was made that in view of the smallness of the number that the Art. 4th, Sec. 1st with reference to officers be set aside for the present, and that the Officers consist for the present of a President, one person to fill the office of Secretary Rec. & Cor. one to fill Librarian and Treasurer. Motion carried. House proceeded to the election of officers. Miss M. G. Brown was then elected President unanimously, Miss M. L. Anderson Cor. & Rec. Sec., Miss A. Boal Treas. & Libra., Miss F. J. Barbour Sr. A. Officers took their seats. A motion was made to set aside Art. 6th Sec. 1st with reference to an initiation fee. It was thought advisable to consider 25¢ sufficient initiation fee for the present, but resume the regular one the next session. It was proposed that the President read her inaugural address the next meeting. Appointments for the regular duties of society, Misses Boal and Rood debate, subject, "Is the hope of reward a greater incentive to exertion than the fear of punishment." For essay, Misses Apperson & Lewis, selections Misses Gamble & Provines, House adjourned.

Jan. 20th - 1863

Society met as usual. House called order. Sec. called the roll, all members present, minutes of last meeting read & adopted. The President read her inaugural address. Reading of essays, selections, and debate followed, decision of the President in favor of the negative, decision of the house in favor of ditto, No new business before the house. Appointments for the next regular meeting were made. Misses Provines and Gamble on debate, subject "Is the mind of woman inferior to that of man?" Miss Provines negative, Miss Gamble affirmative. Misses Buckner & Sigerson essay, selections, Misses Rood and Apperson. Nothing further before the house, Society adjourned.

Jan 27th -

Society met as usual. House called to order by the Pres. roll called, all members present, minutes of the last meeting read, corrected, and adopted. Society proceeded to regular business, first reading of essays, second debate, subject, "Is the mind of woman inferior to that of man?" Pres. in favor of negative, house ditto, Appointments for next meeting, Misses. Apperson and Lewis on debate, subject "Which was the greater Washington or Napoleon?" essay, Misses Rood & Boal, selections,

Misses Gamble and Buckner. Society then adjourned.

Feb. 5th -

Society met as usual. House called to order by Pres. Secretary called the roll and noted absentees, Society proceeded to regular business, essays Misses Rood & Boal, selections Misses Gamble & Buckner, debate Misses Apperson and Lewis, Miss A. maintained that Napoleon was the greater, Miss L. that Washington was, decision of Pres. in favor of Miss Lewis; By vote of society it was decided that as the number of the society was so small that essays and debate should be alternate. Motion made and carried, Appointments for following week, Misses Rood and Buckner essay, selections Misses Gamble & Apperson. No other business society adjourned.

Feb. 12th ⁶³

Society met as usual. House called to order by Pres. Sec. called the roll, all members present. Society proceeded to regular business. Miss Rood fined 10¢ for non performance of duty, regular duties gone through with. Appointments for next regular meeting. Misses Gamble & Buckner debate subject, "Which affords the most pleasure anticipation or realization?" Miss Gamble affirmative, Miss Buckner negative, selections Misses Provines & Apperson, Pres. laid before the house the propriety of preparing the periodical for the monthly review. No action was taken with reference to the subject. A motion for adjournment was made, house adjourned.

Mar. 12th ⁶³

Society met 12th of Mar. House called to order by Pres. roll called by Sec. All members present, Several weeks have elapsed since the last meeting of society, owing to absence of the President, Society thought best to defer the meeting until the return of said officer. No decision as but one side of debate was prepared. Miss Buckner fined 10¢ for non performance of duty. A motion was made and carried that the Periodical be published and read at the review at the close of March. Committee appointed to wait upon Mr. Barbour asking him to excuse the members from regular weekly compositions in order that they might have more time for the paper. Request granted on condition that each young lady be represented in the paper. Elections for editors, Misses Gamble & Boal. On motion a card of thanks was tendered to Mr. John Barbour for a blank book & poems which he kindly donated, also a vote of thanks be tendered to Miss Emma Sigerson for her donation in books, Appointments for next regular meeting, selections Misses Rood & Apperson, essays Misses Sigerson & Lewis. House adjourned.

Mar. 17th ⁶³

Society met as usual, House called to order by Pres. roll called, regular duties gone through with, regular appointments for next meeting. Debate Provines & Barbour, subject, "Which is to be preferred a clean scolding wife or a dirty good natured one." selections Misses Buckner & Boal. Elections for new officers. On motion it was decided as the society would receive accessions that the motion Jan 13th be repealed & the regular number of officers be elected. Motion carried, house proceeded to elections, Miss M. G. Brown reelected President, Miss Buckner Vice-do. Miss Provines Secretary, Miss Gamble Treasurer, Miss L. Rood Librarian, Miss Coleman critic, Miss Fannie Barbour fined 10¢ for absence. aff-

Mar. 26th -

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Society met as usual, Pres. called house to order, sec. called roll and noted absentees, Society proceeded to regular business, Debate, Misses Barbour and Provines, subject "Which is preferable a clean scolding wife or a dirty good natured one," Miss Barbour mentioned that the dirty good natured wife, Society decided in favor of affirmative. Pres. ditto. Appointments for next meeting were then made, Essay Misses Gamble & Apperson, selections Misses Anderson & Lewis, It was thought Miss Coleman had been elected critic unconstitutionally, her name was therefore withdrawn, and her name was then handed in as candidate for membership, which was received, after which she was elected according to the Constitution. Miss Julia Gamble fined for tardiness, Miss Bettie Easton's name was presented to the Society for membership - Miss Fannie Barbour asked for a card of withdrawal from the Society, which was granted. Nothing further before the house, society adjourned.

Apr. 2d -

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M. L. Anderson. Rec. Sec.

Society met pursuant to adjournment. Pres. called the house to order and the secretary called roll and noted absentees. The minutes of last meeting were read corrected and adopted. Regular business taken up, Reading of essays first in order, Reading of selections, Misses Rood and Boal, Assignment of duties for following week, Misses Gamble and Apperson essayists, readers, Misses Anderson and Lewis. The name of Miss Bettie Easton having been presented she was elected a member of the society. Misses Anderson and Lewis were fined for non-performance of duty. Miss Brown unanimously elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the withdrawal of Miss Coleman. A vote was taken on the society badge decided on a rose colored bow. It being the desire of the society to have a motto, Misses Gamble and Rood were appointed a committee to present some mottoes for consideration of the society. On motion house adjourned.

Apr. 9th -

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no Society met pursuant to adjournment. Pres. called the house to order, Secretary called roll and noted absentees. The minutes of last meeting were then read, corrected and adopted. The house next proceeded to regular business. Debate Misses Boal and Rood, subjects "Is dancing morally wrong." Aff. Rood, neg. Boal, Decision of Pres. and house in favor of neg. Reading of selections Misses Lewis and Anderson. Appointments of duties for following week. Debators Misses Anderson & Lewis, Readers Misses Buckner and R. Easton. A motion was made & carried to omit the paper for May. Report of committee on motto indefinitely postponed. On motion house adjourned.

Apr. 13th -

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By written request of three members a meeting was called on Monday eve to present the names of candidates for membership. The names of Misses Bolton and M. Easton having been presented a meeting was appointed for following eve to take vote. The subject of debate was changed from the one appointed at reg. meeting to the following, "Which exerts the greater influence the man of wealth or man of talent."

Apr. 14th -

Society met according to appointment, house called to order, roll called and candidates elected. The time of meeting was changed from Friday to Thursday eve. House adjourned.

Apr. 16th -

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 Society met pursuant to adjournment. Pres. called house to order, secretary called roll and noted absentees. Reading of minutes of preceeding meeting. Regular business taken up. Misses Apperson and R. Easton excused for nonperformance of duty. Appointments of duties for following week, Essay Misses Easton, Debate Misses Lewis and Anderson, Readers Misses Boal & Rood. As the number of members had increased, a motion was made seconded and carried that debate become a regular, weekly duty therefore the appointments for two week succeeding were made. Essay Misses Buckner & Apperson, Readers Anderson & Sigerson, debate Misses Gamble & Bolton, subject, "Does novel reading exert a good or bad influence on Society?" The members were divided into two classed performing semi-monthly. Miss Buckner was fined for nonperformance of duty. On motion house adjourned. *aff w m*

Apr. 23d. - 63

Society met pursuant to adjournment. House called to order, roll called, minutes of last meeting read corrected and adopted. Regular business taken up, Debate, Miss Bolton affirmative, Miss Gamble neg. Decision of Pres. in favor of aff. decision of house in favor of neg. Appointments of duties for following week, Debate Misses Lewis & Anderson, subject, "Is it practicable for young ladies at school to receive the attentions of gentlemen." The following names were presented as candidates for honorary membership, Pres. J. P. Barbour, Mr. S. S. Watson, Rev. R. P. Farris & Miss C. A. Coleman. A call meeting was appointed for the following day to take vote on names presented as candidates for membership. Misses Lewis, Anderson, & Easton fined for nonperformance of duty. House adjourned. *the*

Apr. 27th -

Society met according to appointment. The name of Miss Delia Gibbs having been presented at a former meeting she was unanimously elected a member of the society. House adjourned.

May 1st -

Society met pursuant to adjournment, house called to order by Pres., roll called & minutes of last meeting read corrected and adopted. Reading of essays Misses Apperson & Buckner, selections Misses Anderson & Sigerson, debate Misses Gamble & Bolton. The subject was open to the house and quite an animated discussion was the consequence. Decision of Pres. in favor of aff. of house in favor of neg. Appointment of duties for succeeding week, debate Misses Anderson & Lewis, Readers Gamble and Boal, Essayists Misses Rood & Gibbs, Irregular business; a motion was made to omit the May number of paper the editors for that month were then retained for the June number. The constitution was read for benefit of new members. It was agreed to elect a Pres. for first term next year. On motion house adjourned.

May 8th - 63

Society met as usual. Pres. call house to order secretary called roll & noted absentees, The minutes of last meeting were read, corrected, & adopted. Reading of duties, essay Rood & Gibbs, readers Gamble & Boal, debate aff. Anderson, neg. Lewis decision of Pres. & house in favor of neg. Appointment of duties, debate Misses Buckner & Apperson, essayists Misses Easton, readers Gamble & Bolston. Subject for debate "Do savage nations posses a right to the soil". By invitation of Pres.

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 Brown, Pres. Barbour favored the society with his presence. He made some very interesting remarks on the debate taking neg. of question also presented a subject for debate "Is Genius innate". off
 The officers for first term next year were elected. Miss Bolton Pres., Vice Pres. Miss Rood., Rec. Sec. Miss Gamble, Cor. Sec. Miss Gibbs, Treasurer Miss Lewis. Critic Miss Brown. A motion was made, seconded & carried that the constitution be set aside and the Pres. take her seat two weeks before close of school without writing inaugural. The following persons were unanimously elected honorary members of the Sibley Society, Miss C. A. Coleman, Pres. S. P. Barbour, Rev. R. P. Farris, Mr. S. S. Watson. On motion house adjourned.

May 15th - 63

Society met pursuant to adjournment Pres. called house to order, sec. called roll & noted absentees, the minutes of last meeting were read & adopted. Debate, aff. Miss Buckner neg. Apperson, The Pres. decided that the arguments were on a par. Decision of house in favor of aff. Report of committee on motto, Society chose one presented by Pres. Barbour also an emblem sent in by him. A landscape, a mountain in the distance and a youth with a pickaxe removing the mountain of difficulty between him & fame. The motto was "Little by little" in French "Pear 'a Pen". On motion house adjourned.

May 22d. -

Society met as usual. Pres. called house to order & secretary called roll & noted absentees. Minutes read & adopted. A motion was made to omit the regular business. A proposition from Pres. Barbour that the Society give a public entertainment on the night of the 24th of June. A motion was made & carried to adjourn to an indefinite call meeting to vote on proposition.

June 1st. -

The Society met at call of Pres. Sec. Stated business before house. A motion was made & carried that the Society hold an open session on the night of the 24th of June. A motion was then carried that debate should be one of the exercises for that night. Election of representatives for that evening were then made. Debate Misses Bolton & Provines, Essayists Misses Gamble, Lewis, Rood Boal. Permission was granted the Cor. Sec. by the Pres. to take money from treasury to buy paper, envelopes, & stamps. House adjourned.

June 8th -

Society met as usual. After debatint the question it was decided that the debate should be omitted and the young ladies be retained on essay. New Pres. took her seat. Debate, Misses Gibbs & Boal, decision of Pres. in favor of aff. decision of house in favor of neg. House admournment.

June 15th -

Society met pursuant to adjournment. minutes read corrected & adopted. The excuses of absentees were accepted. Miss Gibbs fined 50 cts. for non performance of duty for open session. On motion house adjourned.

June 22d -

Society met. Report of officers whose term had expired were read. The Cor. Sec. made a call on treasury for money to purchase envelopes & stamps. On motion house adjourned to meet on the 25th day of September 1863.

Jesie Provines Rec. Sec.

A meeting of the Sibley Society was held in the Hall on the 3d Oct. 1863. The regular time for meeting was deferred on account of there not being members present to constitute a quorum. President Bolton being absent Vice President Rood to the chair, called the house to order and proceeded to business. Rec. Sec. called the roll; Misses Easton, Buckner and Anderson were absent and were fined for unexcused absence. As several members wishes to withdraw and new ones to enter no duties were assigned for the following week. Nothing more before the house Society adjourned.

Oct. 8th -

Society met as usual on the 8th Oct. 1863. President called the house to order. Sec. called the roll all present but Miss Boal. Excuses of absentees received. Minutes read and adopted. The names of Misses Stacy, Johnson, Axtell and Gamble were presented for admission. A motion was made and adopted that a meeting be called for the purpose of voting on the names of new members. Three cards of withdrawal were read.

Miss Anderson's was received but was asked to take a week for consideration before acting rashly.

Oct. 8th

Those of Misses Brown and Barbour were not received but they were relieved from the regular duties of the Society. Miss Brown resigned her office as critic, Miss Provines was elected in her place by vote of a large majority. Miss Apperson was elected Treasurer. A motion was made and adopted that the Society have an open session Christmas and that our first paper should appear then. It was also moved and adopted that the proceedings of the Society be kept secret. Duties were assigned for the next meeting. Misses Boal and Gibbs Debate, Subject Is a lawyer justifiable in defending a bad cause? Essayists, Misses Easton & Buckner, Readers Misses Apperson & Provines.

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Oct. 15th -

Society met on Thursday Oct. 15, 1863³. Roll called, Misses Axtell and Provines absent. Excuses of absentees noted. Minutes read, corrected and adopted. President Bolton read an Inaugural address. Miss Buckner failed to perform the duty assigned her was fined 10 cts. Miss Boal was not prepared with debate. She sent an excuse but Miss Rood failed to deliver it. She was fined 5 cts for nonperformance of duty. Miss Gibbs was prepared but did not read as she was the Negative. They were put on duty for the next week. A motion was made and adopted that the young ladies failing to perform should be put on duty the next week and not be relieved from the regular school duties. The names of those indebted to the society were read out in the Society. The fines were not doubled. It was suggested and finally moved and adopted that the money be appropriated to purchase some books to read from in Society. It was moved that the selection of the books be left to Mr. Barbour, motion adopted and Misses Brown & Boal were appointed on Committee to wait on Mr. Barbour. Miss Anderson requested that her card of withdrawal be received, her request was granted. It was moved and adopted that the new members should not be put on duty till after hearing the Constitution. Duties assigned, Debaters Misses Boal and Gibbs, Misses Buckner and Apperson and Essays, Readers Misses Easton and Roal. House adjourned on motion.

Oct. 23 - Soc. met Thursday Oct. 23, 1863. Roll called. Misses Stacy, Axtell and Barbour were absent. Minutes read, corrected and adopted. Excuses of absentees received. Debate and Essays followed. President decided in favor of Miss Boal, house in favor Miss Gibbs. An interesting oral debate followed by members of Society. On motion an amendment was made in the constitution in regard to the duties of the critic as Miss Provines wanted to resign her position. The names of Misses Kerr, Davis, Vlstk and Baker were presented for admission. Duties for following week Debaters Misses Provines & Rood, Miss Rood affirmative, Miss Provines negative, Subject, Is any human act purely social. Essayists gamble & Stacy. Readers Easton and Axtell. On motion house adjourned.

Oct. 29 -

Society met as usual on Thursday Oct. 29, 1863. President called the house to order. Rec. Sec. being absent on account of sickness Cor. Sec. took her place and called the roll and noted excuses of absentees. Misses Brown & Easton were absent but sent in excuses that were received. Minutes read, corrected and adopted. The regular order of exercises followed. Miss Stacy failed to perform but was excused by Presdt. The debate was exceedingly interesting; pronounced the best since the organization of the Society. President decided favor of the affirmative, the vote of the house was a motion made and carried that all fine Essays and Debates be preserved for the paper. As the duties of the Treasurer were becoming so onerous it was suggested that it would be wise to purchase books for the Library. An animated discussion ensued as to what book should be gotten but it ended in nothing definite. As it was growing quite late it was moved and adopted that a meeting called on the next day to complete unfinished business. Friday - 12 o'clock.

Oct. 30 -

Soc. met and proceeded to business. A motion was made and carried that we should have a dialogue between Misses Davis and Johnson for the Open Session. Misses Bolton, Provines, Stacy and Apperson were chosen for Essayists. Misses Boal, Gamble and Buckner were elected Edittrisses. Misses Kerr & Clark were put on debate for the next week. Misses Davis & Johnson Essayists. Misses Buckner & Provines were appointed to read selections. On motion house adjourned.

D. A. Gibbs,
Rec. Sec. Pro Tem.

Nov. 6, 1863. -

Soc. met as usual. Presdt. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll, Misses B. Easton and Axtell were absent. It was proposed that Society have a badge. The color was discussed for some time but nothing definite decided upon. Duties were appointed for the next week. Misses Apperson and Buckner were put on Debate, the latter on the affirmative, the former the negative, Subject - Is the course of female Education sufficiently Mathematical. Misses Stacy and Baker essayists, Readers Misses Boal and Gamble. On motion house adjourned.

Nov. 13, 1863.

Soc. met as usual. president called the house to order. Rec. Sec.

took her place & called the roll. Misses Barbour, Sigerson, Easton & Axtell were absent. Miss Bettie Easton was fined for unexcused absence last week. Miss Stacy read an essay, Miss Gamble unprepared. Both young ladies were well prepared on debate.

An interesting oral debate followed by various members of Soc. President decided in favor of the affirmative in regard to the arguments brought forth, but in favor of negative in regard to merits of question. Misses Hamilton were admitted into the society. Miss Axtell withdrew. Debate Misses S. Gamble and J. Baker, Essays Misses Easton. Selections Misses Davis & Kerr.

Nov. 26 -

Soc. met Nov. 26, 1863. Presdt. being absent, Vice President took her place. Rec. Sec. took her place again and called the roll. Misses Bolton, Baker and Kerr were absent. Had no debate as Miss Baker was absent. Miss Sigerson failed to prepare an essay, was fined. A note was read from Mr. Harris in regard to getting the church permission was granted. It was moved and carried that the exhibition should be at the College. Another was made & carried that if the essays and pieces for the paper were not commenced by the next meeting the Open Session should be indefinitely postponed. Misses Bolton, Gibbs, Provines & Gamble were appointed on Invitation Committee. Duties for the week. Essayists Misses Buckner & Hamilton. Debate Rood & Boal. Readers Misses Turner and N. Hamilton. On motion house adjourned.

Dec. 3d. -

Sibley Soc. met on Friday Dec. 3d. President called house to order Cor. Sec. called the roll Rec. Sec. being tardy. Misses Provines, Sigerson and Kerr were absent. The regular order of exercises followed. Debate for last evening was read. Presdt. decided in favor of the affirmative. Essays were read. Debate for the evening followed. President decided in fav. of negative. Duties for next meeting were assigned. Debate. Misses Sigerson and Turner. Essays - N. Hamilton and L. Hart. Selections, L. Clark and D. Easton. Society adjourned.

Dec. 9th -

Dec. 9th - Society had a call meeting. Miss Mary Wilson was admitted into Society.

Dec. 11th -

Society met as usual Dec. 11, 1863. President called the house to order. Roll called Misses Sigerson, Brown, Barbour, S. Gamble were absent. As one of the debators was absent, the usual exercises were dispensed with. The election of new members came next in order. Miss Provines was chosen President - L. Rood Vice-President. Della Gibbs, Rec. Sec., Sue Chiles Cor Sec. M.B. Kerr Treasurer. S. Gamble Librarian and Critic A. Boal. The Duties were assigned but owing to the preparations for the Open Session the meeting was deferred. The Open Session well attended and the members acquitted themselves with great credit.

Julia C. Gamble Rec. Sec.
For Sibley Society term ending
Dec. 18, 1863.

Reports of the Officers of the Sibley Society.
For the term ending January 15th /64

Members of the Sibley Society.

I entered upon the performance of my duties, as President of the Society on the 15th Oct. since which time I have endeavored to fulfil the duties devolving upon me to the best of my ability.

Very Respt.

L. V. Bolton.

Members of the Sibley Society.

I took my seat as Vice President of the Sibley Society on the third of Oct. The President not having returned I took her place and conducted the meeting. On Nov. 20th the President suffering from a severe Headache was excused and I was called to conduct the meeting again. During the term I had nothing further to do. My duties not being very onerous my report of them is necessarily short.

Very Very Respt.

Lizzie Rood.

Miss President

Miss Julia Gamble, Rec. Sec. for the term ending Dec. 18th/64, made out her report and read it before the Society, but left a few days after without handing it to me. Consequently I could not copy it.

Very Respt.

D. A. Gibbs, Rec. Sec.

For term beginning

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Miss President.

I took the seat of Cor. Sec. of the Sibley Society Oct. 3rd, 1863. Since which time I have had nothing to do, with the exception of writing a note to Prof. Wallace and Miss A. B. Waldo, hoping to have pleased the Society I remain,

Very Respt.

Delia A. Gibbs.

Miss President.

I entered upon the duties connected with the office of Critic on the 3rd. day of Oct. 1863. Quite a number of productions have passed through my hands, which, considered as a whole, are very creditable to the young ladies. I may say I have marked considerable improvement in the neatness and correctness with which several of the young ladies have performed their tasks, though there is still abundance of room for others.

Respectfully,

Josie Provines.

Miss President.

I took my seat as Librarian of the Sibley Society on the 3rd of Oct. 1863. During my term Miss C. Apperson presented five volumes to the Society, Miss L. Rood one, Mr. L. P. Barbour one, the Librarian three. The Society also bought some books. Nothing else of importance occurred during my term.

Respectfully,

A. Boal

Miss President.

On Oct. 12th I received from Julia C. Gamble, Treasurer, \$4.20 the amount then in treasury. The entire amount due was \$2.65 which has been paid except .60 still due. During my term ending Jan. 1st I received \$31.50 which plus 4.20 amt. in treasury Oct. 12th = 35.70. \$31.05 has been expended by order of the Society having a balance of \$4.65. The amount now due is \$8.35. But one bill has been received which having been paid and receipted was handed to the Secretary for file.

Very Respectfully,
Carrie L. Apperson
Treas. Jan. 1st.

Jan. 15th - 1864

Society met on Friday Jan. 15th/64. President called the house to order and proceeded to business. The usual exercises of the evening were gone through with. Several cards of withdrawal were read and received, also several young ladies sent their names in wishing to resign their office; but their excuses were not deemed sufficient by the Pres. The report of some of the old officers were read. The new Pres. took her seat and the other officers entered upon their duties. Duties for next meeting as follows - Debaters- S. Child aff. J. Gamble neg. Essayists- S. Gamble & M. Kerr, Readers L. Clark & E. Barwise. Nothing more before the house. Soc. adjourned.

Jan. 22. - 1864

Soc. Met as usual. Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll & noted absentees. Misses B. Easton, Barbour, Buckner, Apperson were absent. Regular order of exercises followed with the exception of Miss Kerr essay, that young lady being absent. The Debate was excellent. Soc. decided in favor of the aff. The Pres. also decided in her favor. Misses Davis & Hamilton's card of withdrawal accepted. Motion made & carried that a by-law be appended to the constitution concerning withdrawal of members. Duties for the following week. Conversation-Misses Bolton, Hamilton, Lewis, Johns. Readers- Johnson & Turner, motion made & carried that we take some periodical. On motion house adjourned.

Jan. 29th - 1864

Soc. met. & proceeded to business. Minutes read & adopted. The duties for the week were performed. The critic being absent no criticisms were made. Motion made to have the meeting of the Soc. changed from Friday to Wednesday. Duties for the following week were assigned. Misses Buckener & Apperson essayists, Misses Barwise & Easton on debate, Select. Misses Wilson & Childs. On motion house adjourned.

Feb. 3rd. - 1864

Soc. met. Pres. called the house to order. Minutes read & adopted. Regular order of exercises followed. With regard to debate Pres. decided in favor of aff. House also decided in her favor. Miss Julia Gamble in dissolving her connection with the school requests an honorable withdrawal from the Soc., which was granted, not without some reluctance, however for the Soc. felt in losing Miss Julia it lost one of its ablest & most zealous members. And we sincerely hope that some members of the Soc. will profit by the example which she has set. Duties for the following week. Debaters Misses Gamble & Kerr. Essayists Misses Sigerson & Turner. Selections Misses Bolton & Johnson. House adjourned.

Feb. 9th -

Soc. met as usual. Pres. called the house to order & proceeded to business. Minutes read & adopted. There was but one essay read, the other young lady on duty being sick, was excused. For the same reason (one young lady being sick) the debate was not read but discussed orally by the Soc. Several meetings ago a motion was carried to take some periodicals. The question coming before the house again a committee was appointed to consult Mr. Barbour in regard to which we should take. Duties for the following week were assigned. On debate Misses Hamilton & Johns, Essayists- Johnson & Barwise. Nothing more before the house it adjourned.

Feb. 17th - 1964

Soc. met & proceeded to business. Miss Rood was absent. The committee which was appointed to consult Mr. Barbour reported that he could not advise them what to take until he knew what amount they wishes to expend in them. Duties for the following week as follows - Essayists Misses Stacy & Easton, Conversation Misses Apperson, Buckner, Kerr, Lewis. On motion the house adjourned.

Feb. 24th - 1964

Soc. met as usual. House called to order & roll called. Minutes were read & adopted. Miss Rood's absence excused. Miss Stacy was fined for nonperformance of duty. The Conversation was excused on account of the young ladies having nothing to read upon the subject & were unprepared. Motion made to abandon the conversation, which alternates with debate, until we can get some reading matter for the Soc. Misses Bolton & Kerr were elected Edittresses for the April paper. A committee was appointed to chose the young ladies to be elected by the Soc. for the Open Session in June. Duties for the following week. Essayists Misses Rood, Johns, Barwise. Select. Misses Gamble & Childs, Colloquy Misses Hamilton, Stacy & Johnson. Nothing more before the house it adjourned.

March 3rd. - 1964

Society met as usual Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll & noted absentees. Minutes read & adopted. Regular order of exercises followed, with the exception of the Colloquy. One part being lost it was postponed until the next week. The Committee appointed to chose the young ladies that are to appear at the Open Session had come to nothing definite during the week & was retained until the following week. Duties for the following week were assigned. Essayists Misses Apperson & Boal, Debators Misses Clarke & Turner. Select. Misses Sigerson, Lewis & Easton. On motion house adjourned.

March 9th - 1964

Soc. met as usual. Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll. Misses Clarke fined for nonperformance of duty. Misses Bolton, Childs & Gamble were fined for disorder. Mr. Barbour being present was called upon to give his opinion of the projected Open Session of the Soc. which he did. The name of Miss Chanks having been presented to the Soc. she was unanimously elected a member of the body. Miss Brown's card of withdrawal was laid on the table. Duties for the following week were as follows - Debators Misses Bolton & Stacy, Essayists Misses Easton & Buckner. Select. Misses Kerr, Watson & Wilson. On motion house adjourned.

March 10th -

Called session of the Society. Rec. Sec. being absent Cor. took her place & proceeded to business. Miss P. J. Barbour asked for a card of withdrawal which was granted. Motion passed that each member be taxed 10 cts. which is to be credited to their monthly fee to pay for the ribbon bought last year & the deficiency to be taken from the Treasury. Duties assigned for the Open Session in June Essayists - Misses Watson, Kerr, Farris & Childs. Colloquy Misses Gamble, Johnson & Hamilton. Edittresses- Misses Lewis & Johns. No other business being before the Society the Pres. adjourned the house.

S.L. Childs
Rec. Sec. protem.

March 16th -

Society met as usual. Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll & noted absentees. Regular order of exercises followed. The time having arrived for electing the new officers it was done. Miss L. Rood was elected Pres. & Miss Carrie Apperson Vice-Pres. For Rec. Sec. Miss L. Childs, Cor. Sec. Miss L. Bolton, Treas. Miss Aloy Watson, Librarian Miss M. Kerr, Critic Miss A. Stacy. It was proposed in the Soc. that we have another officer an usher. It was put in the form of a motion & carried. Miss Provines was elected to fill that office. Duties for the following week were assigned. Debators Misses Gamble & Johnson. Essayists Misses Hamilton & Barwise. Selections Misses Rood, Johnson & Childs. Miss D. Easton B. Easton, Gamble, Wilson, Buckner & Stacy were fined for disorder. House adjourned.

March 23th -

Soc. met as usual. House called to order & roll called. Minutes read & adopted. Regular order of exercises followed. Miss Stacy sent in her resignation as Critic, which was not accepted. Miss Street's name having been presented she was unanimously elected a member. A motion concerning the uniform of the Soc. was laid on the table. Duties for the following week, Colloquy, Misses Apperson, Lewis & Boal, Essayists Misses Sigerson & Easton, Select. Misses Clark & Turner. On motion house adjourned.

Delia A. Gibbs, Rec. Sec.

March 30th, 1864

Soc. met as usual. House called order & roll called. Minutes read & adopted - regular order of exercises followed. A motion made that the uniform of the Soc. be white. As a new Treas. had to be elected a motion was also made to abandon the constitution for the afternoon. A motion was also passed to do away with the open session & have some one lecture to us. The new officers took their seats. Duties for the following-Debate, Misses Buckner & Kerr. Essayists Misses Bolton & Wilson. Selections Misses Stacy & Easton. On motion house adjourned.

April 6th 1864 -

Soc. met as usual. House called to order. Sec. called roll, Minutes read & adopted. Regular order of exercises followed. Miss

Bolton excused from essay not having been informed by the Sec. who was also excused. Debate "Ought foreign emigration to be encouraged." Pres. decided in favor of aff. house of neg. Miss Lay & Robbins names having been presented they were unanimously elected as members of the Soc. Misses Gamble & Bolton appointed on a committee to see about the badges. Mr. Minor elected to address us in June. Duties for the following week - Debate Misses Gibbs & Hamilton. Essayists Misses Provines, Johns & Barwise. Selections, Misses Johnson, Edmonson & Gamble. On motion house adjourned.

April 13th, 1864. -

Soc. met as usual. Pres. called house to order. Sec. called roll Minutes read & adopted. Subject of Debate "Ought the liberty of the press to be restricted." Pres. decided in favor of aff. house of neg. Committee reported about their badges but the decision was laid over till next week for discussion. Duties for the following week. Debate Misses Shanks & Sigerson, Essayist Lewis & Clark. Selections Misses Turner & Apperson. On motion the house adjourned. *off*

April 20 -

Soc. met as usual but Rec. Sec. being absent Cor. failed to keep the minutes.

April 27th, 1864.-

Soc. met as usual. Pres. being absent Vice-Pres. took the seat & proceeded to business. Usual order of exercises gone through, both essayists absent, constitution was laid aside for the afternoon as one debator could not be present & had selections first. Debate of week before last read, subject "Which are the happiest the rich or the poor," Pres. decided in favor of aff. house of the neg. Duties for the following week, Debate Misses Provines & Gibbs, Essays Misses Edmonson, Johnson & Barwise, Selec. Misses Johns Hamilton & Robins. Mr. Brooks was elected to address us in June, as Prof. Minor could not be here. On motion the house adjourned. *tu*

May 4th, 1864. -

Soc. met as usual. Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll. Minutes read & adopted. Usual order of exercises gone through Subject of Debate "Is conscience in all cases a correct moral guide" but as the aff. was excused the neg. of course was not read, Misses Gibbs & Boal appointed on a committee to see about having the badges printed. Duties for the following week, Debate Misses Apperson & Lewis, Essay Misses Boal & Clerk, Selections Misses Turner, Shanks & Sigerson. On motion house adjourned. *tu*

May 11th, 1864 -

Soc. met as usual. Pres. called the house to order, Rec. & Cor. Sec. both being absent Vice-Pres. took her place. Subject of Debate "Is conscience in all cases a correct moral guide" Pres. decided in favor of Aff. - House of Neg. A note having been received from Mr. Brooks saying he could not address us, the names of Mr. Medesia & Ferris were presented to the Soc. the latter was elected, Duties for the following week, Colloquy Misses Gamble, Johns & Hamilton, Esay Misses Provines & Gibbs, Selec. Johnson, Barwise, Edmonson & Robbins. On motion house adjourned.

C. L. Apperson
Rec. Sec. Pro tem.

May 18th, 1864 -

Soc. met as usual - Pres. called the house to order. Sec. called the roll - Usual order of exercises gone through with, Committee reported that the badges could be stamped for one Dollar, which would amount to .05 that each member would have to pay, but a motion was passed that it be taken from the Treasury. Duties for the following week - Debate Misses Boal & Lewis - Essay Misses Shunk & Sigerson - Selec. Misses Clark & Turner. On motion house adjourned.

May 25th -

Rec. Sec. being absent Cor. failed to keep the minutes.

June 1st. -

Soc. met as usual. Pres., Vice-Pres., & Rec. Sec. being absent, Cor. Sec. took the Pres. Seat & appointed Miss Gibbs as Rec. Sec. Minutes read & adopted. Misses Rood, Clark & Shanks were absent without excuses, Miss Sigerson fined for non-performance of duty. Misses Johns, Gamble & Hamilton fined for not handing in their productions to the Critic. Debate was excused as one of the young ladies were absent & the other was not informed that she was on duty. Motion made to abandon the constitution for the remaining of the term, as the young ladies were very busy preparing for examination, Selec. for the following week, Misses Provines, Stacy, Lewis & Johnson. On motion the house adjourned.
D. Gibbs Rec. Sec. Pro tem.

June 8 -

Soc. met as usual. President called the house to order. Rec. & Cor. Sec. both being absent Pres. appointed Miss Gamble. Usual order of exercises gone through, New officers elected, - Pres. Miss Boal, Vice-Pres. Miss Gibbs, Rec. Sec. Miss Gamble, Cor. Miss Buckner, Critic Miss ---- Treasurer Miss Johnson, Librarian Miss Edmonson. On motion house adjourned.

S. L. Chiles Rec. Sec.
Sibley Society.