

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1.—*Eligibility*—No person or persons can be admitted as members of this Association other than men of color, and none under the age of 17 years.

SEC. 2.—*Proposition and Ballot*—The name, age, residence and occupation of a Candidate for membership, shall be presented in writing by one of the members of this Association, which shall be referred to a committee of investigation, consisting of three members who shall report at the next meeting, and if favorable, the Candidate shall be elected by acclamation.

SEC. 3.—Each person on becoming a member shall subscribe to Article II. (2) and sign the Constitution.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

SEC. 1.—*Admission Fees and Monthly Dues*—The admission fee shall be one Dollar, and the general fund dues Twenty cents per month, each member, to be paid at each meeting.

SEC. 2.—*Nonpayment of Dues*—When a member is three months in arrears for dues, it shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to notify the delinquents, and if they fail to pay their dues for one month after, they shall be deprived from all benefits of this Association. Seamen excepted.

ARTICLE V.

OFFICERS AND TERMS.

SEC. 1.—*Titles*—The officers of this Association shall consist of President, three Vice Presidents, Secretary, Assist. Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Marshal, and Guard; they shall be elected semi-annually by ballot and majority vote.

SEC. 2.—*Vacancies*—In the absence of the President, the Vice Presidents are entitled to preside in order according to their seniority. other offices may be filled *pro tem* by the Presiding Officer.

ARTICLE VI.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1.—*President*—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of this Association, and observe its concerns, notices of special meetings shall be issued by his order, to sign all