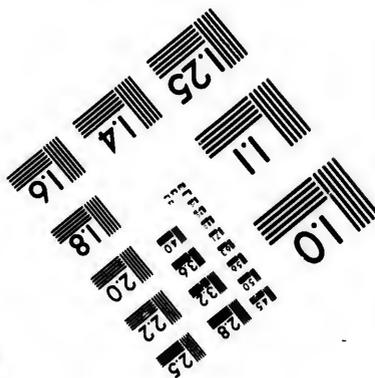
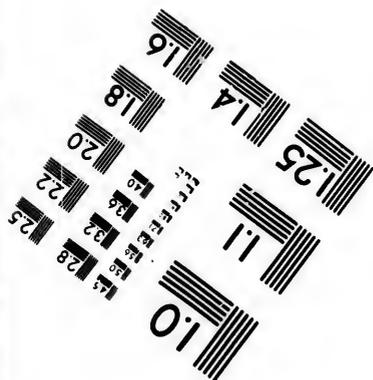
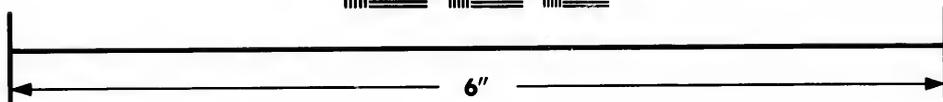
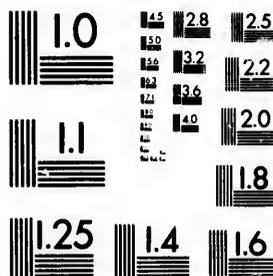


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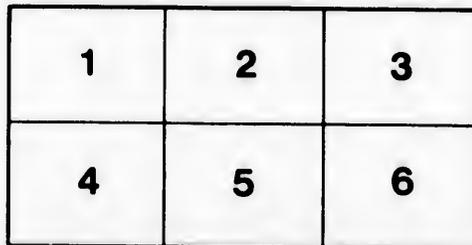
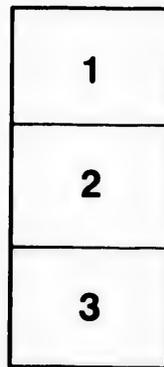
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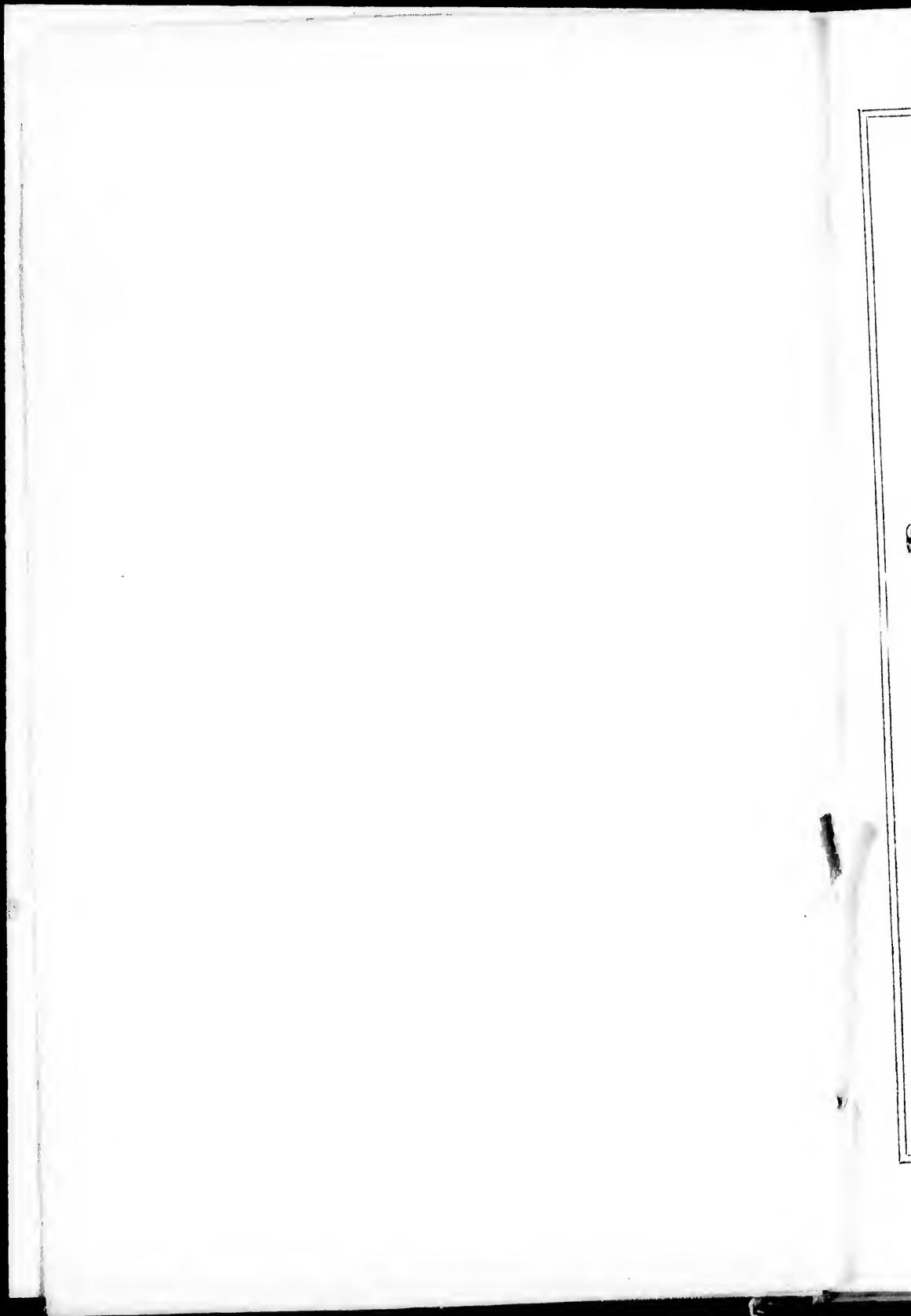
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CONSTITUTION.

Article I.

This Company shall be known and designated as the "Tiger Engine Company, No. 2." The motto of this Company shall be, "OUR AIM THE PUBLIC GOOD."

Article II.

The full roll of this Company shall consist of sixty-five active members, and as many contributing, life and honorary members as the Company shall see fit to elect.

Article III.

FOREMAN.

Sec 1. The Foreman shall have full charge of the Company. It shall be his duty to see that the engine, and everything appertaining thereto, be kept in good order and repair; he shall take command of the Company at every alarm of fire, on parade, or when otherwise detailed for duty by an Engineer; he shall see that each member does his duty, and report all delinquencies at the next monthly meeting of the Company thereafter.

He shall not excuse any member at a roll-call, unless the member shall have obtained an excuse. He shall sign all bills when ordered paid by the Company; and in the absence of the Secretary, he shall appoint some member to act in that capacity.

FIRST ASSISTANT FOREMAN.

Sec. 2. The First Assistant Foreman shall render all aid in his power to the Foreman, in the discharge of his several duties; and in the absence of the Foreman he shall discharge his duties. He shall see that the engine is well manned and worked, while on duty or out for exercise, and shall report all disobedience of orders or disorderly conduct on the part of members, at the first monthly meeting of the Company thereafter.

SECOND ASSISTANT FOREMAN.

Sec. 3. The Second Assistant Foreman shall have charge of the leading hose and leading hosemen. He shall see that the hose and hose-carriage is kept in good order and condition, and have hosemen appointed for that purpose. In the absence of the Foreman and First Assistant, he shall perform the duties of Foreman.

Article IV.

SECRETARY.

Sec. 1. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Company; he shall keep correct minutes of all proceedings; he shall, at each meeting of the Company, read the minutes of the preceding, unless dispensed with; he shall keep on file all documents belonging to the Company, and conduct the correspondence of the Company, under the supervision of the Foreman. He shall, upon receiving the initiation fee of each newly elected member, furnish him with a certificate of his election.

He shall semi-annually make a correct return to the Chief Engineer of the names of the officers of the Company, and of the names of the members representing the

Company in the Board of Delegates to the Secretary of that body. He shall notify the Foreman of any communication he may receive, requiring immediate action, and in no case shall he disclose the nature of such communication to others. He shall keep a book, in which shall be written the Constitution and By-Laws of the Company, with the signatures of the members attached thereto. He shall keep a register of the names of all members, with the date of their election, resignation, suspension, expulsion, reinstatement and death. He shall notify in writing every newly elected member of his election, within five days thereafter, place his name upon the roll, furnish him with a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws, and a key to the Engine House. He shall open an account with each member, posting the same quarterly, and submit the accounts to the Crediting Committee. He shall collect all fines, dues and assessments, and immediately pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same. He shall call over, at each monthly meeting of the Company, the amount due from each member, and, when required, to give the items of the same. When any member becomes a delinquent (as provided for in Sec. 2, Art. 18), he shall notify him of his indebtedness in writing. He shall post on the bulletin board in the house, all standing committees, and those who are detailed for duty on the engine and hose. He shall keep a correct roll of the active members of the Company, and call the same after an alarm of fire, when the engine has been rolled, or the City Hall bell has been rung. He shall sign all bills when ordered paid by the Company. He shall notify the Department of all expulsions, and for what cause; and for his services he shall

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TREASURER.

Sec. 2. The Treasurer shall receive and receipt to the Secretary for all funds collected by him for the Company. He shall pay all bills when ordered by the Company, and signed by the proper officers. He shall furnish the Company every three months with a detailed account of all receipts and expenditures; to report the state of the finances at each stated meeting of the Company, and submit his books and accounts to them when called on.

REPRESENTATIVES.

The Representatives shall attend all meetings of the Board of Delegates (unless a majority of the members present should vote otherwise), and report all proceedings of the same at the next monthly meeting thereafter.

Article V.

DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

Sec. 1. Each member, on being notified of his election, shall pay to the Secretary his initiation fee, and sign the code of laws. He shall repair immediately to the engine on every alarm of fire. He shall do all in his power to get it to work. He shall remain where it is stationed, assist in working the same, or attend to any duty to which he may be detailed by the officer in command.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of each member, within fifteen days after receiving notice of his election, to provide himself with a uniform of the Company, and a key to the house; obey the orders of the officers, and while

on duty conduct himself in an orderly manner. He shall notify the Secretary of any change he may make in his residence, and attend all meetings of the Company. He shall, on leaving the city for more than two months, notify the Secretary.

Article VI.

EXEMPTION.

Any officer or member of this Company, who shall have served faithfully the term of years entitling him to exemption, or who shall have, at a fire or otherwise, when on duty as a fireman, distinguished himself in a manner rendering the act meritorious, or who has left or intends leaving the city with a view to a permanent residence in some other country or State, and who, while a member, did his duty faithfully, may be elected an honorary member by the same vote required to elect active members, and shall receive a certificate of such election, signed by the Foreman and Secretary.

Article VII.

HONORARY, LIFE AND CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS.

Sec. 1. Any person who shall pay to this Company the sum of fifteen dollars per year, may be elected an honorary member by the same vote required to elect active members.

Sec. 2. Any person who shall pay to this Company the sum of fifty dollars, may be elected a life member by the same vote required to elect honorary members.

Sec. 3. Any person contributing the sum of five dollars per quarter to this Company, shall be considered a contributing member.

Sec. 4. Honorary, life and contributing members, shall

be entitled to wear the uniform of the Company, either on duty or parade, attend all meetings of the Company, but shall not vote on any questions in meetings of the Company.

Article VIII.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. An Investigating Committee, to consist of three members, shall be appointed by the Chairman at every semi-annual election of officers.

Sec. 2. They shall inquire rigidly into the character of candidates for membership, and report in writing on all candidates, using the word "favorable" or "unfavorable," as the case may be; they shall also inquire into all cases of neglect of duty, when required to do so by the Company.

Article IX.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. An Auditing Committee, to consist of three members, shall be appointed by the Chairman at each semi-annual meeting of the Company.

Sec. 2. They shall report upon all bills presented to the Company, and examine the quarterly returns of the Secretary and Treasurer.

Article X.

MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. The semi-annual meetings of this Company shall be held on the first Tuesday in January and July of each year; and the monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month.

Sec. 2. Special meetings of this Company may be held at any time, provided the members of the Company shall

have been notified of the same, by publication in one of the morning papers, at least twelve hours previous to the time appointed for such meeting.

Sec 3. Twelve members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article XI.

ELECTIONS.

Sec. 1. The election of officers shall be held on the first Tuesday in January and July of each year.

Sec. 2. The election shall be by ballot, and shall be determined by the votes of a majority of the members present.

Sec. 3. The officers shall hold office for the term of six months from the date of their election, and until others are elected in their stead. Any vacancies occurring among the officers, shall be filled at the next monthly meeting, or by the Foreman, until such meeting takes place.

Sec. 4. The Representatives in the Board of Delegates shall be elected in the same manner as the officers, and shall hold office for the term of one year.

Sec. 5. Any white male citizen, twenty-one years of age, may be proposed for membership at any meeting of the Company; and if the report of the Investigating Committee be favorable, he may be balloted for at the next monthly meeting thereafter. Three black balls shall reject any candidate.

Article XII.

No member shall hold more than one office in this Company at the same time.

Article XIII.

DUES.

For the purpose of defraying the expenses of this Company, each member shall pay an initiation fee of two dollars, and one dollar per month thereafter. Should the disbursements at any time exceed the receipts, the deficiency may be made up by an equal assessment on all the members.

Article XIV.

RESIGNATIONS.

Sec. 1. No resignation of a member shall be accepted until all fines, dues and assessments are paid, except by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Sec. 2. All resignations must be addressed to the Secretary in writing.

Article XV.

FINES AND PENALTIES.

Sec. 1. The officers and members of this Company shall be subject to the following fines and penalties.

Sec. 2. The Foreman and Assistants shall be fined for non-attendance at a meeting, one dollar; for non-attendance at a fire or alarm, when the engine has been rolled, and the City Hall bell has been rung, two dollars; when the engine has not been worked and the City Hall bell has not been rung, one dollar; and for neglecting any official duty, two dollars.

Sec. 3. The Secretary and Treasurer, for neglect of their official duties, shall be fined as a majority of the members present may decide.

Sec. 4. The Auditing, Investigating and other committees, for non-attendance at committee meetings, one dollar; and for neglect of their official duties, two dollars.

Sec. 5. A member doing duty as an officer, shall be subject to all the penalties of the office he fills.

Sec. 6. Each and every member shall be subject to the following fines, between the hours of 6 P. M. and 6 A. M.: For not answering at a roll-call, when the engine has been worked, and the City Hall bell has been rang, one dollar, or if the City Hall bell has been rung and the engine has not been worked, fifty cents; for leaving the engine while on duty, beyond the first length of the hose, without permission of the officer in command, one dollar; and if a member so leaving, does not return before roll-call, one dollar.

Sec. 7. For neglecting to provide himself with a uniform within the time prescribed, one dollar; and for each subsequent thirty days, one dollar; and for any disorderly conduct during meetings of the Company, he shall be subject to such fine as the nature of the offense may justify.

Sec. 8. For loaning his fire cap or belt to any other than those belonging to the Company, except by permission of the officer in command, one dollar.

Sec. 9. For any neglect on the part of officers or members, for which a specific penalty is not herein prescribed, he shall incur a fine of fifty cents, and not more than five dollars, at the discretion of Company.

Sec. 10. At meetings for business, members shall be subject to the following fines: For absence from a special meeting, after having signed the written request for such meeting, five dollars; for absence from each roll-call, fifty cents; for leaving meetings of the Company without permission, one dollar.

Sec. 11. Members in the city, and not present at a

monthly meeting, or neglecting to send a proper excuse, shall be fined one dollar. .

Sec. 12. Any member wearing his fire cap or belt in places of an immoral character, shall for the first offense be fined the sum of five dollars, and for a second offense, may be expelled by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 13. Immediately after the Company is discharged from duty or parade, each member shall divest himself of the uniform of the Company, under a penalty of one dollar; and for the second offense, he shall be fined two dollars, and so on in the discretion of the Company.

Sec. 14. Should any member while on duty or parade, get intoxicated, or use insulting language towards his officers, or brother firemen, or do any act calculated to bring the Company into disrespect, he shall be fined for the first offense, and for the second offense he shall be expelled from the Company, by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 15. No officer or member of this Company shall authorize or contract any debts for account of the Company, unless the same has been authorized at a monthly or special meeting of the Company.

Sec. 16. Any member violating the conditions of the last section shall, upon proof thereof, be expelled from the Company by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 17. Should any accident occur to the engine or hose, or anything belonging thereto, the Foreman shall have such repairs done in the best and cheapest manner.

Sec. 18. All fines imposed by this Company can only be remitted at a monthly meeting, by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 19. Any member of this Company, who shall be

guilty of harboring persons of an immoral character, in any portion of the Company's buildings, shall, upon proof thereof, be expelled by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 20. The officers of this Company shall report all disobedience of orders, or disorderly conduct on the part of members, at the next monthly meeting thereafter, under a penalty of five dollars.

Sec. 21. Any member introducing sectarian resolutions or party politics, shall for the first offense be fined five dollars, for the second offense, he may be expelled by a majority of the members present.

Article XVI.

IMPEACHMENTS.

Any officer who may be negligent of his duty, or who may be deemed unworthy to occupy the position to which he has been elected, may be impeached after charges have been preferred against him over the signatures of three members of the Company; a vote shall be taken, and if a majority of the members voting decide on an investigation, the Secretary shall notify him to appear at the next monthly meeting of the Company, to answer to the same; and if he does not appear, or if such charges are sustained, he shall be broken from office.

Article XVII.

SUSPENSIONS.

Sec. 1. Any officer or member of this Company, who may be suspended by a vote, shall not have a vote in the Company during such suspension; a two-thirds vote shall reinstate him to his former rights in the Company.

Sec. 2. Any officer or member of this Company who

shall, during his suspension, neglect or refuse to perform duty, shall, upon proof thereof, be expelled by a majority of the members present.

Article XVIII.

EXPULSIONS.

Sec. 1. Any member of this Company who shall repeatedly be absent from duty, or meetings, or who shall be guilty of such acts as shall render him objectionable to his fellow-members, shall be expelled by a majority of the members present.

The facts of the case shall be presented over the signature of an officer, or three members of the Company; a vote shall be taken, and if a majority so decide, the Secretary shall notify him to appear at the next monthly meeting and answer to the charges; and if he does not appear, or such charges are sustained, such member shall be expelled.

Sec. 2. A member shall also be expelled, or his name stricken from the roll, when his indebtedness to the Company shall exceed the sum of ten dollars; provided he has been notified in writing by the Secretary.

Sec. 3. All fines imposed by this Company on each member, must be paid to the Secretary within thirty days after such fine has been imposed; and any member refusing to pay such fine shall have no voice in the meetings of the Company, and may be expelled by a majority of the members present.

Sec. 4. Any member who shall be guilty of speaking of the proceedings of the Company's meetings to other than members of the Company, shall, upon proof thereof, be expelled by a majority of the members present at a monthly meeting.

Sec. 5. All expulsions in this Company shall be by ballot, and only at monthly meetings.

Article XIX.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

It shall be the duty of the officers of this Company, at the next monthly meeting thereafter, to report the names of those who may refuse doing duty, or any act calculated to bring the Company into disrepute.

Article XX.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Sec. 1. Any officer who shall absent himself for more than thirty days, without special leave from the Company, shall be considered to have resigned his office, and the Company shall proceed to fill the same.

Sec. 2. Any member leaving the city shall notify the Secretary; and if absent more than thirty days, without permission of the Company, he shall be considered as having resigned, and the Secretary shall notify the Department of the same.

Sec. 3. No leave of absence shall be granted until all fines, dues and assessments are paid.

Sec. 4. Any member absent on leave, shall be subject to all dues of the Company, but shall be exempt from all fines.

Article XXI.

ROLL-CALL.

Sec. 1. There shall be no roll-call in this Company after an alarm of fire, when the engine has not been worked and the City Hall bell has not been rung.

Sec. 2. On calling the roll, each member shall answer

to his name, and none other; and those present, who do not answer to their names when twice called, shall be marked as not present, and so fined.

Article XXII.

THE PIPES.

The first two members having the tongue of the engine at an alarm of fire, shall be entitled to the pipe; and in the event of a second pipe being used, the leading hose-men shall have charge of the same; they shall not transfer them to any others, except by permission of the officer in command.

Article XXIII.

This Company strictly forbids sectarian religion or party politics at any of its meetings.

Article XXIV.

PLEAS.

Sickness or death in the family of a member of this Company—personal sickness or absence from the city—shall be deemed sufficient excuse for any neglect of duty; and none other shall be accepted.

Article XV.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended, unless such proposed alterations or amendments shall have been publicly submitted at a regular monthly meeting of the Company, at least one month before acting thereon; and must then receive the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

Adopted January 8th, 1861.

BY-LAWS.

Law I.

At the semi-annual election of officers, there shall be a Chairman elected to preside at all meetings of the Company.

Law II.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The regular order of business shall be:

- 1.—Roll-call.
- 2.—Collection of fines and dues.
- 3.—Reading minutes of previous meeting.
- 4.—Secretary's report.
- 5.—Treasurer's report of the finances.
- 6.—Representatives' report.
- 7.—Report of Standing Committees.
- 8.—Election of Officers and Members.
- 9.—Report of Special Committees.
- 10.—Miscellaneous business.
- 11.—Second roll-call.
- 12.—Adjournment.

Law III.

The Chairman shall preserve order and decorum; he shall enforce the Constitution and By-Laws of the Company at all meetings of the Company. In the absence of the Chairman, the Company shall appoint some other

member to act in that capacity. He shall appoint committees of three or under, and shall have but a casting vote, except when more than a majority is required, or when voting by ballot; he shall take no part in debate while in the Chair.

Law IV.

A member wishing to speak on any question, shall rise and address the Chair, and if two or more rise at the same time, the member furthest from the Chair shall be deemed to have the floor.

Law V.

No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than three minutes at a time, unless by permission of the Chair.

Law VI.

No debate shall be heard on any motion, unless the same shall have been seconded; and when a question is before the Company, no motion shall be received but—

- 1st. To adjourn.
- 2d. To lay on the table.
- 3d. The previous question.
- 4th. To postpone.
- 5th. To refer.
- 6th. To amend.

And they shall take precedence in the order in which they are arranged; the first three to be decided without debate.

Law VII.

Every member present shall vote on all questions unless excused by the Chair.

Law VIII.

After any question has been decided, any two members who voted in the majority may move for a reconsideration thereof; but no discussion of the main question shall be allowed, unless the same has been reconsidered.

Law IX.

The Chairman shall state every question coming before the meeting; and immediately before taking the vote, shall ask, "Is the Company ready for the question?" and should no member rise to speak, he shall take the question, and after it has been taken, no member shall speak upon it, unless by consent of the Company. He shall pronounce the vote and decisions of the Company upon all questions.

Law X.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a vote is being taken, and shall be decided without debate. If no time be specified, it shall be until the next monthly meeting of the Company.

Law XI.

Any member may call another to order while speaking when the debate shall be suspended, until the point of order is determined. Should the Chair confirm the call, an appeal may be made to the Company, and the objectionable words, if required, be taken down in writing by the Secretary.

Law XII.

Any member may appeal from the decision of the Chair on a point of order. The question shall be—"Do you sustain the Chair?" and it shall be decided by a majority without debate.

Law XIII.

A motion to take the previous question may be made by any two members, and shall be put in this form—"Shall the main question be now put?" and if adopted, all further debates and amendments which have not been adopted, shall be excluded, and the question shall be taken on the original motion.

Law XIV.

The ayes and nays shall not be taken on any question, unless called for by four members.

Law XV.

Any member may call for a division of the question, when the sense will admit of it; and a majority shall decide whether it shall be divided or not.

Law XVI.

When it is voted to lay any subject on the table, it cannot be taken up at the same meeting, unless by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Law XVII.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any monthly meeting; provided that one month's notice thereof be given in writing.

Adopted January 8th, 1861.

List of Active Members.

THOMAS H. McCANN,	JOHN HARRIS,
JOHN M. THAIN,	ANDREW LANG,
MOSES PHILLIPS,	ARSENE LECUYER,
JOHN P. CLINE,	A. LOIS,
CHARLES C. CUSHMAN,	A. D. LECLERE,
JOHN PARKER,	HARRIS LEWIN,
E. F. BOYCE,	WILLIAM H. MARSHALL,
W. W. BAUGH,	WILLIAM H. POINERE,
S. P. BROWN,	T. W. AYLES,
E. COKER,	H. PASSERARD,
CHARLES GOWAN,	HENRY WOOD.
JACOB DAVIS,	V. PAREZO,
PEDRO FITERRE,	IL. ROSENBERG,
BARNARD FARRELL,	PATRICK ROCHE,
JOHN GODFREY,	SOLOMON SHANNON,
HARRY GLIDE,	WILLIAM J. STEVENS,
PHIL J. HALL,	THOMAS WILLIAMS,
WILLIAM PLASKETT,	J. F. WILSON,
SAMUEL KELLEY,	CHRISTOPHER TUIT,
MICHAEL McGEE,	GEORGE SHEPPARD,
L. G. LANGERMAN.	

