

By Laws

Art 1st.

Sect. 1st This Society shall meet in a room in the University building, every ~~Friday~~ ^{Saturday} at 10 Pk, during session time; and shall be opened ^{by the reading of a chapter by the Pres.} and prayed by one of the members.

Section 2 The exercises of this Society shall consist of original Orations, Essays, and Debates, upon subjects relating to Biblical literature; In the order here stated.

Sect. 3 It shall be the duty of the Secretary to appoint, in alphabetical order, and ~~three~~ ^{two} weeks in advance, one to deliver an original Oration, two to read essays and four to debate each evening; the President selecting the subject for the oration.

Sect. 4 In case any of the debaters are absent, when called on to perform, the President shall appoint others to take their places.

Sect. 5 No performance shall occupy more than twenty nor less than two minutes.

Sect. 6 No one shall leave the hall while a speaker is on the floor, nor at any time without the permission of the President nor shall any one be absent longer than ten minutes at a time.

Sect. 7 It shall be the duty of each debater to hand in a question to the Secretary, from which he shall select one for debate.

Sect 8 It shall be the duty of every member to report to Society at violations of the By laws that may come under his observation.

Sect 9 The President shall call an extra meeting at the request of five members.

Sect 10 Five members shall constitute a Quorum.

Sect 11 The vice president shall record all fines imposed, in a book kept for that purpose, and shall read the same at the close of the meeting at which they are imposed.

Sect. 12 It shall be the duty of the Secretary to make out a list of the absentees of each meeting and hand it to the President at the opening of the next; and the President shall call out these names giving an opportunity for excuses, In case any member fail to ~~after calling out the charge at~~ three successive meetings the member charged fail to appear he shall be fined ~~the President shall have~~ shall be fined

Article 2

Sect. 1st Members being absent at one roll calling shall be fined ten cents, when absent at both twenty five cents. In case one who has been absent at one or both roll callings is not present when called upon for an excuse, the Vice-president shall charge the above fine to his account.

Sect. 2 Any member being absent or failing to perform when called upon shall be fined twenty five cents.

Sect. 3 The president may fine for disorder or the use of improper language in the hall

Sect. 4 If any member fails to pay a fine within three weeks after it is imposed, the Vice-president shall read his name out as subject to suspension at the next meeting; and if it is not paid by that time he shall read him out as suspended.

Sect. 5 Any member failing to pay a fine within three weeks after he is suspended shall be read out, by the Vice-president, as expelled.

Sect. 6 Any member being convicted of using profane language or in any way acting in a manner unbecoming a gentleman, shall be fined in any sum not less than fifty cents or over two dollars and a half, suspended or expelled, as the case may demand.

Sect. 7 Any member may appeal to the house from a decision made or fine imposed by the President, and his appeal shall be sustained by a two thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

Sect. 8 These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two thirds vote of the members present; provided notice has been given ^{one} two weeks previous.

*and one to read an essay on the general condition
of Christianity, once every four weeks.