## CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## WATAUGA CLUB.

ARTICLE I. The purposes of this Club are indicated in the following clause of its original Prospectus, issued May, 1884:

"We proceed upon the assumption, which cannot be denied, that there is in our community a serious lack of accurate and practical information upon the most common economic questions which arise for our consideration."

Our main object is to promote the material interests of this community, and, as far as lies in our power, of the whole people of North Carolina.

The Club is non-political in character; questions are not discussed from the standpoint of a partisan, but their consideration is not precluded or abandoned when they become the subjects of party discussion.

A further purpose of the Club is to seek out and honor, by banquet and otherwise, such (especially in our own State) as have greatly distinguished themselves in the arts or industries.

ART. II. The officers of this Club shall be, the President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, the Recording Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and such other special officers as may be from time to time elected or appointed. All officers are elected by the Club, unless by resolution in particular cases some other method is prescribed. All officers shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors are appointed or elected.

ART. III. The committees of this Club are: The Committee on Membership, the Executive Committee, the Committee on Literature and Publication, and such other special committees as may be from time to time selected.

ART. IV. The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Club, appoint committees, select their chairman, unless it is otherwise determined by the Club, and look after its general interests.

ART. V. The First Vice-President shall in the absence of the President, and the Second Vice-President shall in the absence of both, perform the duties of the President.

ART. VI. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record, in a book provided for that purpose, of the proceedings of the Club, shall read the reports of such proceedings at succeeding meetings, and shall preserve and file all papers and memorials which are entrusted to his care. He shall give written notice or reminder of the time and place of each regular and special meeting to every local member of the Club on the day preceding such meeting.

ART. VII. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Club, and shall be the Secretary of the Executive Committee.

ART. VIII. The Treasurer shall safely keep the funds of the Club, and disburse them according to its order

ART, IX. All recommendations for membership of this Club shall be made by and through the Committee on Membership, who shall properly canvass and consider the character and qualifications of every person proposed.

ART. X. The Executive Committee shall from time to time, suggest subjects for consideration, and select the members who are to investigate and prepare special papers thereon to be read before the Club, and suggest the invitation of distinguished specialists to meet with the Club, make public lectures under its auspices, and otherwise further its objects.

ART. XI. The Committee on Literature and Publication shall examine and prepare for publication such papers as the Club may direct to be published, and shall look after the public comment and correspondence concerning the subjects under discussion.

All standing committees shall hold their offices for twelve months and until their successors are appointed and qualified.

ART, XII. The Club shall meet on the second Monday in each and every month, but special meetings may be called by the President at the request of a majority of the Executive Committee or of any five members of the Club—due notice of which shall be given by the Recording Secretary in the city papers three days before the meeting.

ART. XIII. Seven members at regular meetings and ten at special meetings shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ART. XIV. Any member can require the election of a proposed member to be by ballot, and one adverse vote shall be sufficient to reject.