Rules of Local Branches.

In accordance with Article VIII. Constitution of the Canadian Red Cross Society, Branches of the Society may be formed in cities, towns, and other municipalities by the authority of the Central Council only, and shall be subject to the following rules with reference thereto.

- 1. On the application of a duly constituted committee of a proposed Local Branch consisting of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and not less than three members, the Central Council may issue a warrant authorizing the formation of a Local Branch subject to the rules and regulations which may from time to time be issued by the Council.
- 2. Each Local Branch when organized under a Warrant shall keep and maintain a list of its members and a correct record of all subscriptions and contributions received, and shall from time to time in brief form report the proceedings to the Council.
- 3. In order to prevent unnecessary duplication of work and supplies, the initiative in such matters resting with the Council, no work should be undertaken by Local Branches other than the collection of funds, until the Council makes a call upon the several Local Branches for concerted action and apportions the work which each Local Branch may find itself able to do.
- In order to concentrate the efforts of each Local Branch it will be advisable to confine its action to its local sphere of influence.
- 5. The funds collected by Local Branches must in all cases be remitted to the Council through the Hon. Treasurer, and in no case should disbursements, other than those for local management expenses, be made without Central Authority; and all material shall be remitted in the manner directed by the Council.
- 6. No Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society is authorized to collect funds for purposes other than the Society's work as defined by the Constitution, and no funds can be received or accepted when accompanied by restrictions confining the use of the money contributed to specified purposes or tied up by conditions which it may be inexpedient or impossible for the Council to observe or carry out.