

ADDRESS TO SCOTSMEN

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The Sons of Scotland Benevolent Association has been formed; but though formed specially for Scotsmen and their descendants in Canada, nevertheless it will readily accommodate itself to home or foreign countries. Its objects are to cultivate a taste for Scottish music, poetry, history, and general literature, to encourage the wearing of the national costume and the practise of athletic games, sports, and amusements, to promote and maintain a love and kindly feeling for one another, and to provide a scheme to administer to the wants of the sick and the destitute, and of the widow and the orphan. This assistance will not be given as a charity, but as a right, founded on the principles of a mutual benefit association. It is believed that the pursuit of these objects will result in the development of the intellect, the perpetuation of the Scottish national costume and games, in bringing Scotsmen and their descendants more closely together, and in working a scheme that will to a very great extent render each member independent of charity.

The Grand Camp has endeavored to frame the Constitution in such a manner as to form a great fraternal unity in the Order, without interfering unduly with the rights of members of Subordinate Camps. The Constitution contains only such general principles as are applicable to the whole Order; it will therefore be the duty of each Subordinate Camp to pass such by-laws conformable to these general principles as its own circumstances may require for the carrying out of all the objects of the Association.

By a strict adherence to the Constitution and By-laws the Grand Camp is fully persuaded that the objects of the Order will be fully realized, and that at every gathering or meeting the mem-