

Officers Confederate League.

PRESIDENT.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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RECORDING SECRETARY—Robert Beavo.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY—J. G. Norris.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS—W. H. Thoio.

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.
May 21st, 1868.

DECLARATION.

We, the undersigned, hereby constitute ourselves a Political Association to promote Confederation with Canada and secure Representative Institutions for British Columbia and pledge ourselves to use all the constitutional means in our power to secure the immediate admission of British Columbia into the Dominion of Canada on terms equitable and expedient, and also to establish in British Columbia, without delay, representative institutions with Responsible Government, and also to support the following Constitution, and all business transacted in conformity thereto:

CONSTITUTION.

1st—The Association shall be called and known as the Confederate League.

2nd—Any person may become a member of the Association by signing the Declaration and Constitution.

3rd—Each member shall pay to the Financial Secretary, for the purposes of the Association, not less than Twenty-five cents every month.

4th—The officers of the Association shall consist of a President; Three Vice-Presidents; a Recording Secretary; a Financial Secretary; an Executive Committee consisting of Six Members, and a Sergeant-at-Arms.

5th—The President, Vice-Presidents, Recording and Financial Secretaries, shall be *ex officio* members of the Executive Committee.

6th—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association, unless excused, and in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents present, at such meetings shall preside.

7th—The Executive Committee shall be the chief Executive authority of the League, and shall execute to the best of their ability the wishes of the League, as expressed in any resolution passed at a regular or emergency meeting, and in the absence of such resolution or instructions, may do and transact any business that in their judgment may be calculated to promote the objects of the Association, and report the same to a regular meeting from time to time as may be deemed expedient.

8th—It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to summon all regular and emergency meetings, to keep a true and

faithful record of the proceedings of all regular and emergency meetings, and of the proceedings of the Executive Committee, to do all the correspondence required by the Executive Committee, to act as Treasurer, receiving the revenue from the Financial Secretary, and pay the same if required into a Bank named by the Executive Committee to the credit of the Confederate League, and on his retirement from office to deliver up to his successor all books, documents, papers, accounts and monies, in his possession, belonging to the League.

9th—It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to collect all monthly dues from members of the Association, or other monies, to keep a true and faithful record of the same, to pay the same over to the Recording Secretary from time to time as the Executive Committee may direct, taking the receipt of the Recording Secretary therefor, and file the receipts therefor, and deliver up to his successor all books, documents, accounts, papers and monies in his possession belonging to the League.

10th—It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms to serve all summonses, take charge of the League Hall or place of meeting, and see that no one except members are present without permission from the presiding officer or meeting.

11th—The debates of the League, shall be governed as nearly as possible by parliamentary law.

12th—A Regular Meeting of the League shall be held on the First Monday in every month, and an Emergency Meeting may at any time be called by a resolution signed by twenty-one members of the League, addressed to the Recording Secretary. Any meeting may from time to time be adjourned as may be deemed expedient.

13th—The first Election of Officers shall take place as soon as the Constitution shall have been adopted, and all subsequent elections shall be held semi-annually, commencing on the first Monday in December.

14th—Voting at Elections shall take place by Ballot, but before the balloting shall have taken place, it shall be duty of the presiding officer to call for and receive the nominations of all candidates for office, and also appoint two or more persons to act as Inspectors of Election, who shall receive and count the ballots cast for each candidate and report the same to the meeting; provided always that at the first Election of Officers they may be elected by acclamation or show of hands after nomination.

15th—Twenty-one members of the League shall be a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or emergency meeting.

16th—Four members of the Executive Committee shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

17th—No monies shall be paid out except upon an order signed by the Recording Secretary and countersigned by a Finance Committee appointed by the Executive Committee.

18th—Other political associations throughout this Colony organized to promote Confederation and secure representative institutions; may affiliate with the Confederate League.

19th—This Constitution may be changed, altered or amended at any regular meeting of the League, but a month's notice shall first be given of any intended change or amendment.