

social habits and to destroy the health and lives of the people.

II. That the traffic in intoxicating beverages is hostile to the true interests of individuals, and destructive of the order and welfare of society, and ought therefore to be prohibited.

III. That the history and results of all past legislation in regard to this liquor traffic abundantly proves that it is impossible satisfactorily to limit or regulate a system so essentially mischievous in its tendencies.

IV. That no consideration of private gain or public revenue can justify the upholding of a system so utterly wrong in principle, suicidal in policy, and disastrous in results, as the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

V. That the total prohibition of the liquor traffic is in perfect harmony with the principles of justice and liberty, is not restrictive of legitimate commerce, and is essential to the integrity and stability of government, and the welfare of the community.

VI. That, rising above sectarian and party considerations, all citizens should combine to procure an enactment prohibiting the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating beverages as affording most efficient aid in removing the appalling evils of intemperance.

Constitution.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the Council of the Dominion Alliance for the total Suppression of the Liquor Traffic.

II.—OBJECT.

The object of this Council of the Dominion Alliance shall be the immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic.

III.—MEMBERSHIP.

This Council shall be composed of its officers and representatives in sympathy with the foregoing declaration of principles, elected by bodies favorable to Prohibition, on the following basis:—From the Provincial branches of the Alliance: Ontario 20, Quebec 16, Nova Scotia 10, New Brunswick 8, Prince Edward Island and Manitoba 5 each, British Columbia and North-West Territories 4 each; from Pro-

vincial temperance organizations, viz.: W.C.T.U., S. of T., I.O.G.F. and R.T. of T., 4 each; from religious bodies as follows: Each Presbyterian Synod, 4; each Methodist Conference, 4; each Provincial Baptist Union, 4; each Congregational Union, 4; each Episcopal Diocesan Synod, 4; each Episcopal Diocese, 4; the R. E. Church in Canada, 4; each other Canadian church body, with a membership of not less than 1,000, 4

IV.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The Council of the Alliance shall meet annually for the transaction of business at such time and place as may have been decided on at the previous annual meeting.

V.—OFFICERS.

The officers of the Council shall be a president, two vice-presidents for each province, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, and a treasurer, who shall be elected at the annual meeting.

VI.—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The officers named, together with twenty-one members of the Council who shall be elected at the annual meeting, and the Superintendents for the time being of the several religious denominational Departments of Temperance and Moral Reform, shall constitute the General Executive, to carry out the decisions of the Council and to attend to necessary business during the interim of sessions. The General Executive shall also convene and arrange for the annual meetings of the Council. The outgoing Executive shall retain office until the close of the annual meeting. The General Executive shall elect its own chairman, who shall preside at its meetings and sign orders and documents drawn in its name. At all meetings of the General Executive five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

VII.—DUTIES OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Corresponding Secretary shall, under the direction of the General Executive, assist, by correspondence and otherwise, in organizing and car-