

CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of securing uniformity in the administration of the privileges, honors, and benefits of ODD FELLOWSHIP within this jurisdiction, the GRAND LODGE OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS OF THE LOWER PROVINCES OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, ordains the following Constitution for Subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction :—

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1.—This Lodge shall consist of at least five Third Degree members, including one qualified to preside at its meetings, to be hailed and entitled Mystic Lodge, No. 18, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the Lower Provinces of British North America, holding a legal, unreclaimed Charter, granted by the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the Lower Provinces of British North America. It cannot voluntarily surrender its charter, nor dissolve, so long as five of the members in good standing object thereto.

SEC. 2.—The objects of this Lodge shall be to raise from time to time a fund of fees, subscriptions, donations, or other payments as may be provided, for the purpose of relieving sick or distressed members or widows and orphans of deceased members ; assisting in defraying the expenses of funerals of deceased members, or their wives ; and for the *necessary* expenses for the general management of the Lodges of the Order. The place of meeting of this Lodge shall be Halifax, Nova Scotia.

ARTICLE II.—OF MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1.—All candidates for *initiation* must be males, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, of sound health, of good moral character, and industrious habits,