

The sections may meet separately for the reading and discussion of papers, and for business, at such times and places as may be fixed by the sections under the control of the council.

5. *Officers.*

The officers of the society shall be a president and vice-president, with an honorary secretary and a treasurer, to be elected by the whole society; besides a president, vice-president and secretary of each section, to be elected by each section. The elections shall be annual.

The council of the society shall consist of the officers so elected, and of ex-presidents, during three years from the date of their retirement from the office of president, and of such ex-members of the council, not exceeding four in number, as may be selected by the council itself. The ex-members, so elected, shall continue in office for three years, and afterwards until successors are appointed.

6. *Members.*

The Fellows shall be persons resident in the Dominion of Canada, or in Newfoundland, who have published original works or memoirs of merit, or have rendered eminent services to literature or to science.

The number of members in each section shall be in general limited to twenty, but may be increased if any section should so desire, in the manner hereinafter indicated. Nominations to fill vacancies in any section may be made at any time in writing by any three members of that section, and the nomination papers shall be lodged with the honorary secretary, who shall make a record of them. When the vacancy occurs, the honorary secretary shall notify the members of the section in which it has taken place, and transmit to each a printed list of the candidates nominated, at least four months before the annual or any general meeting of the society. Each member may then place a mark (X) opposite the name of the candidate for whom he votes, and return the voting paper to the honorary secretary, who shall report to the council at a meeting, to be held at least two months before the annual meeting, the number of votes obtained by each candidate. Should any of these have obtained a majority of the whole section, the council shall so report to the society. Should this result not be attained, then the council may select one or more of the candidates obtaining the highest number of votes of the section, and cause the members of the society to be advised of the names of the candidates so selected, at least one month previous to the date of the annual meeting, when the election may take place by vote of the members present, or the matter be referred back to the section concerned, to select names from among the candidates nominated, and recommend them to the society for election. This selection and recom-