

CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
DOMINION BOARD OF TRADE

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In order to promote the efficiency, and extend the usefulness of the various Boards of Trade, Chambers of Commerce or other chartered bodies organized throughout the Dominion, for commercial purposes, and to secure unity and harmony of action, in reference to commercial usages, customs, and laws; and especially that a united opinion should be obtained so as to secure a proper and careful consideration in Parliament of questions pertaining to the Financial, Commercial, and Industrial interests of the country at large, and to all Public Works calculated to cheapen and lessen cost of transport between one part of the Dominion and another:—This Association, on this sixth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, is hereby formed by Delegates now in session in the City of Montreal, representing the following named Commercial Organizations, to wit: Belleville Board of Trade, Hamilton Board of Trade, Kingston Board of Trade, London Board of Trade, Montreal Board of Trade, Montreal Corn Exchange Association, Ottawa Board of Trade, Quebec Board of Trade, St. John, N.B., Chamber of Commerce, and the following Constitution is adopted:—

ARTICLE I.

SEC. 1.—This Association shall be designated the “DOMINION BOARD OF TRADE.”

ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1.—Every local Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, or other organized body for general commercial, and not for special or private purposes, and duly chartered under or by legislative enactment, shall be entitled to membership in this Association, on the approval of two-thirds of the bodies represented at any meeting of the Association, and shall be accorded the following representation: Each such Association shall be entitled to one delegate; having forty members, two delegates; having eighty members, three delegates; having one