

other side of the Atlantic so long as she is satisfied to conform to the blazon carried upon the flags of our Volunteers, and to announce that her sole motive for arming is "Defence, not Defiance."

Royal United Service Institution.

DESIGN.

The promotion of Naval and Military Art, Science, and Literature is the object of the Royal United Service Institution.

The principal means by which this object is sought to be obtained are—A Library containing Historical, Scientific, and Professional works;—a Topographical Room with Maps, Charts and Plans;—a Museum for objects illustrative of the progress of Naval and Military Art among all nations, for Trophies, and Relics, for Mementoes of distinguished Officers, or of remarkable Naval and Military events, and for the Exhibition of Inventions;—a Theatre where papers on professional subjects are read and discussed,—and finally, a Journal, published periodically, by means of which such papers and discussions are circulated among the members of the two Services, both at home and abroad.

BYE LAWS.—SECTION I.

1. There shall be a Patron and Vice-Patrons.
2. Patron: The Sovereign.
3. Vice Patrons. Members of the Royal Family: Distinguished Officers, and Members who have been benefactors to the Institution, to be selected by the Council.
4. The following Public Officers shall be Vice-Patrons during their continuance in office:—
 1. The First Lord of the Treasury.
 2. The Secretary of State for the Home Department.
 3. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.
 4. The Secretary of State for the Colonies.
 5. The Secretary of State for War.
 6. The Secretary of State for India.
 7. The First Lord of the Admiralty.
 8. The Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Forces.
 9. The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.
 10. The Viceroy and Governor-General of India.

SECTION II.—COMPOSITION.

1. Princes of the Royal Blood, Lords, Lieutenant of Counties; Governors of Colonies and Dependencies; Officers of the Army, Navy, Marines, Her Majesty's East Indian Military and Naval Forces, Militia, Yeomanry, Royal Naval Reserve, and Volunteer Corps, shall be entitled to become members *without Ballot*.
2. Ex Governors of Colonies and Dependencies; Retired Officers; Deputy Lieutenants of Counties; Civil Functionaries who are or have been attached to the Naval and Military Departments; the Master, Deputy Master, and Elder Brethren of the Trinity House; and Army and Navy Agents; shall be *eligible* to become Members by *Ballot*.
3. Gentlemen above the age of *fifteen* whose names are on the List of the Commander in Chief for Commissions in the Army, or who are probationary for offices connected with the Naval and Military Professions, shall be *admissible*, by *Ballot*, to become Provisional Members from year to year, on payment of the Annual Subscription; and after they obtain their appoint-

ments, they may become Ordinary Members on payment of the Entrance Fee.

4. The names of the Candidates referred to in Articles 2 and 3 shall be submitted to the Council for election by Ballot; such Candidates must be recommended by Two Members of the Institution on their personal knowledge. The List of the names, signed by the Secretary, shall be put up in the Library or Reading Room Fourteen Days before submission to the Council.

SECTION III.—HONORARY MEMBERS.

1. The Council shall have the power of admitting as Honorary and Corresponding Members, the Members of the Diplomatic Corps; Foreign Naval and Military Officers; Foreigners of distinction; other eminent Individuals, and Benefactors to the Institution, not otherwise eligible.

2. The Diplomatic Corps shall be privileged to submit to the Council the names of foreign noblemen and gentlemen, resident in England, in order that they may be elected Honorary Members during their stay in this country.

3. Ladies who contribute to the Institution may be admitted as Honorary Members.

SECTION IV.—GOVERNMENT.

1. The Government shall consist of a President and Twelve Vice Presidents, and a Council composed of Twenty four Members.

2. The President of the Institution shall be elected by a General Meeting of the Members, and shall be a Member of the Council, *ex-officio*.

3. The Vice Presidents shall be elected by the Council, of which they shall be *ex-officio* Members.

4. The Council shall be elected by the General Meeting. Eight Members shall go out annually by rotation; Three of the Members going out shall be eligible for re-election. The Council shall submit to the Annual General Meeting a list of not less than ten names from which the vacancies may be filled. Vacancies that occur during the year shall be filled up by the Council the Members so elected going out by rotation as the Members would have done, whose position they have been elected to fill.

5. After the annual meeting the Council shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman for the ensuing year; one of whom, or a Vice President, shall preside at its meetings, except when the President of the Institution attends.

6. Five Members of the Council shall constitute a quorum.

7. The Council shall have the custody of the Common Seal of the Corporation, and shall have full power and authority to affix the same to all deeds, documents, papers, and writings in the name and on behalf of the Corporation.

8. The Council shall appoint a Secretary and Curator, and such other officers, attendants, and servants, as they shall think necessary; with full power to suspend or dismiss the same: and no such officer, attendant, or servant shall, either directly or indirectly, accept, receive, or take, from any person or persons whatsoever, any gratuity, fee, or reward whatsoever, other than and except the salary, wages, or emolument allowed by the Council.

9. Such officers, attendants, and servants shall devote their whole time, during office hours, to the Institution, and shall not be permitted to be in any way connected with any other Institution or employment, unless the sanction of the Council thereto shall have been previously asked for and obtained.

SECTION V.—SUBSCRIPTION.

1. An Entrance Fee of One Pound shall be paid by all Members on joining the Institution, whether as Life Members or as Annual Subscribers.

2. Members who have joined previous to the 1st of January, 1870, pay, either—
1st. One Pound annually, or Nine Pounds Life Subscription.

Either of these payments entitles Members to receive the Journal; or,
2ndly. Ten Shillings annually, or Six Pounds Life Subscription.

These payments do not entitle Members to be supplied with the Journal.

3. On application in writing to the Secretary, the first of the above two classes of Members, may, when serving abroad, reduce their Annual Subscriptions to Ten Shillings, and still be entitled to receive the Journal: such reduced Subscriptions to commence on the 1st of January following their departure from the United Kingdom. The Members in the second class, while serving abroad, may, on applying in writing to the Secretary, be supplied with the current Numbers of the Journal, without increasing their Subscriptions.

4. All Members who have joined the Institution on or after January 1st, 1870, shall be entitled to receive the Journal from the date of their becoming Members, and, whether at home or abroad, shall pay One Pound annually, or Nine Pounds Life Subscription.

5. The first Annual Subscription shall be due on the day each Member joins the Institution, and the subsequent Subscriptions on the 1st of January in each year; but Members joining on or after the 1st October in any year, shall not be required to pay the ensuing Annual Subscription on the 1st of January.

6. Members failing to pay their Annual Subscriptions after repeated applications, shall have their names removed from the List of Members at the discretion of the Council.

7. Members whose names have been struck off for non payment of their Subscriptions, shall be readmissible only on payment of all arrears from the date of the last payment.

The Journal and the Proceedings of the Annual General Meetings shall be sent post free; the Journal, to such Members as are entitled to receive it; the Proceedings, to every Member of the Institution.

SECTION VI.—FUNDS AND EXPENDITURE.

1. The management of the property, receipts, and payments of the Institution shall be confined to the Council, who shall authorise every payment by an order signed by the Chairman at the Meeting, and by another Member of Council present, and countersigned by the Secretary.

2. The Royal United Service Institution neither shall nor make any dividend, gift, division, or bonus in money, unto or between any of its Members out of its present property, or out of any property which it may hereafter acquire; and the whole of its property, both present and future, shall be exclusively applied for carrying into effect its design as an establishment for the promotion of Naval and Military Art, Science, and Literature.

3. The funds of the Institution and all Life Subscriptions and Legacies shall be invested in the name of the Corporation in eligible securities, to be selected by the Council.

4. All cash received on behalf of the Institution by the Secretary shall be paid by him to the Bankers of the Institution.