

Constitution of the League.

At the adjourned Conference, held on Tuesday, 18th November, 1884, the following resolutions were unanimously passed :

1. That a Society be now formed, to be called "The Imperial Federation League."
2. That the object of the League be to secure by Federation the permanent unity of the Empire.
3. That no scheme of Federation should interfere with the existing rights of Local Parliaments as regards local affairs.
4. That any scheme of Imperial Federation should combine on an equitable basis the resources of the Empire for the maintenance of common interests, and adequately provide for an organised defence of common rights.
5. That the League use every constitutional means to bring about the object for which it is formed, and invite the support of men of all political parties.
6. That the membership of the League be open to any British subject who accepts the principles of the League, and pays a yearly registration fee of not less than one shilling.
7. That donations and subscriptions be invited for providing means for conducting the business of the League.
8. That British subjects throughout the Empire be invited to become members, and to form and organise Branches of the League which may place their representatives on the General Committee.

At a meeting of the Council of the League, held on Thursday, 14th Nov., 1889, the following resolution was carried unanimously :—

That the establishment of periodical Conferences of representatives of the self-governing communities of the Empire, should be the first aim of the Imperial Federation League.