

CONSTITUTION.

1. The title of this Society is "THE METROPOLITAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS."

2. Its object shall be to provide effective means for preventing Cruelty to Animals in Ottawa City, and the surrounding Counties.

3. Any person may become a Member of this Society by paying the sum of not less than two dollars as an annual subscription. The name of any member neglecting for one year to pay his subscription, or at any time wholly refusing to pay it, may be erased by the Committee from the list of members. The Committee may, from time to time, elect patrons and honorary members.

4. The Committee, consisting of thirty members, who shall manage all the affairs of the Society, shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Society, on the third Thursday in August. They shall appoint from among themselves a President, six Vice-Presidents, and Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be *ex-officio* Members of the Committee, and may also, from time to time, appoint such other Officers, and make such Rules or By-laws as they may think fit, provided that these rules be not inconsistent with this constitution. They may also fill any vacancies that may occur in any offices of the Society, between one annual meeting and another.

5. The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held on the third Thursday in August, when the outgoing Committee shall present a general report of the proceedings of the Society, and an abstract of the state of accounts and general concerns of the Society up to the 1st day of August previous, and the Committee for the ensuing year shall then be elected by ballot or nomination, as may be decided on at the meeting.

6. A Special Meeting of the Society may be held at the call of the Committee, and shall be held upon the written request of five members of the Society, a week's notice of the meeting being given by the Secretary-Treasurer.

7. At all meetings of the Society, seven Members present, (who have paid their subscriptions,) shall constitute a quorum. Five members shall constitute a quorum at meetings of the Committee.

8. Any Article of this Constitution may be altered, amended, or suspended for any length of time by consent of two-thirds of the mem-