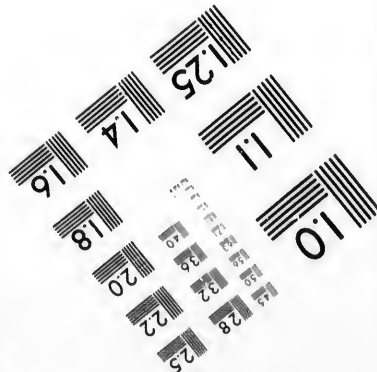
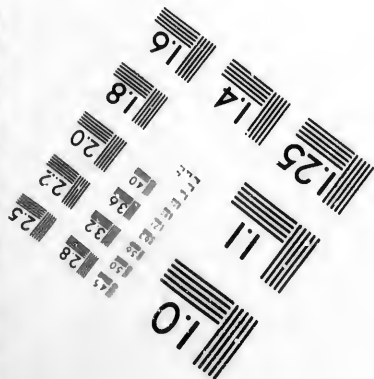
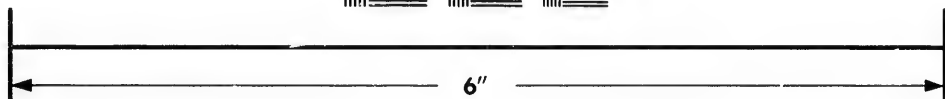
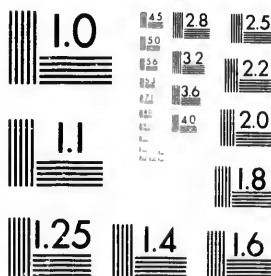


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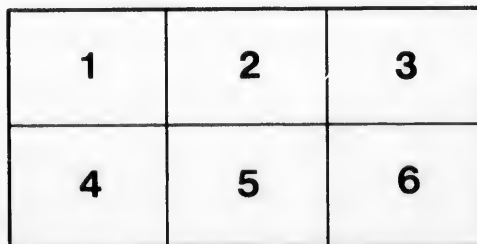
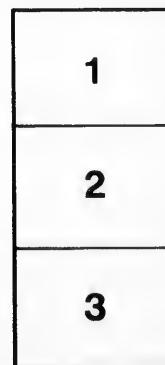
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AIMS AND OBJECTS

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1.—To assist, to the best of our ability, any brother out of employment or in distressed circumstances, and do what we can to obtain employment for him.

2.—To visit a sick brother and cheer and comfort him as best we can, and when it shall have pleased Almighty God to remove a brother from amongst us, by death, it is our duty, as brother Veterans, to attend his funeral, paying our last respects to him.

3.—To do all in our power towards establishing, in the City of Toronto, an Army Veterans Home, wherein our destitute and worn out old comrades may find a home in which to end their days, comforted and helped by their brother Veterans, so that none of them will have to end their days in a work-house, or be laid in a paupers grave; and we call on all our brethren and friends, who have the interest and welfare of our old and feeble Veterans at heart, to help us in this good work, and make it a success and a credit to Canada, the land of our adoption. For these purposes has Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans been instituted.

R. WATERHOUSE, PRESIDENT.

ALEX. MARTIN, SECRETARY.

ALTERATIONS TO CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

—OF—

Her Majestys' Army and Navy Veterans,
OF TORONTO.

NAME AND TITLE.

ARTICLE 1.—(To read as follows:) Shall be known as Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans, and shall be composed of men who have served in Her Majesty's Imperial Army or Navy for any term, or Auxiliary Forces, i.e., men who have served in the Active Militia or Marine Forces, under the Imperial or Colonial Governments for the period of three years, and who were and are of "Good Character."

REGULAR MEETINGS.

ARTICLE 2.—The Veterans shall hold a regular monthly meeting on the second Tuesday in every month, at

such time and place as may from time to time be determined on, nine members forming a quorum. The meeting in the month of January to be the half yearly meeting, and the July meeting to be the Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers. All members are required to attend the January and July meetings which shall be summoned meetings, when all dues shall be paid.

OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 3.—The Officers to consist of a President, Past-President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Inside and Outside Sentries, three Trustees, Ex-Committee of five members, and two Auditors. In addition to the above there shall be an Honorary President and Honorary Vice-President, both of whom must have held commissioned rank in Her Majesty's services.

APPLICATION OF FUNDS.

ARTICLE 4.—All monies received on account of entrance fees, dues, etc., and interest on accumulated capital, shall be applied in carrying out the objects of the Veterans and in paying the expenses of management according to the Rules thereof. Any Officer or Member who shall misapply any of the Funds of the Veterans, shall repay the same, or he shall be proceeded against according to Law for such misapplication. Any brother found guilty of such charge, shall by a vote of the meeting be expelled and forfeit all claims to benefit from the Veterans.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

ARTICLE 5.—So much of the funds of the Veterans as may not be wanted for immediate use or to meet the usual accruing liabilities, shall with the consent obtained at a regular meeting, be invested by the Trustees in a Savings Bank, or in a way as a two-third majority of the members present shall direct.

BOOKS TO BE KEPT.

ARTICLE 6.—A book shall be kept in which shall be entered all the moneys received for entrance fees, dues, etc., each account shall be separately balanced for examination at each half yearly audit.

SPECIAL MEETINGS.

ARTICLE 7.—Should any matter occur between one meeting and another, for which it may be advisable to call a special meeting, the President with the Secretary shall have the power to call such meeting, on petition of seven ordinary members.

AUDITING THE ACCOUNTS.

ARTICLE 8.—The Auditors shall audit the accounts for the half years' ending June 30th, and December 31st, in each year, and shall report the financial conditions of the Veterans at the half-yearly meetings. They shall have access to all the books and accounts of the Veterans, and shall examine every balance sheet and

half-yearly return of the receipts and expenditure, assets and liabilities ; and shall verify the same with the Accounts and Vouchers relating thereto ; and shall either sign the same as found by them to be correct, duly vouched, or shall specially report to the meeting before which the same is laid, in what respects they find it incorrect or unvouched.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE 9.—The Executive Committee shall be authorized under this article to act as an Arbitration Committee, and the said Committee shall consider all disputes, charges, complaints or claims by a member, or persons claiming on account of a member, and report at the next regular meeting of the Veterans.

PRESIDENT.

ARTICLE 10.—It will be the duty of the President to preserve due order and decorum during the meetings, to prevent any infraction of the rules of the Veterans so far as he is able to do so, and see that justice is done between all parties, and that the rules be impartially administered ; attend to the opening and closing of and preside over all meetings, and any other duty the nature of his office may require ; and is an ex-officio member of all Committees.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

ARTICLE 11.—The Vice-President shall assist the

President in preserving order during the meetings, and will take place of the President during his absence.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.

ARTICLE 12.—The Secretary-Treasurer shall attend all Committee meetings, issue summonses to members to attend summoned meetings, the same to be delivered in time. He shall keep a nominal roll of the Veterans in a book for that purpose showing the names in full, age, corps served in, date of initiation, address, etc., of each member. He shall enter the name and address of every member enrolled in a book, to be in the custody of the President, to be named "The President's Roll Book." He shall keep the minutes of all meetings in a minute book for that purpose; he shall be the custodian of the seal of the Veterans. He shall take charge of so much of the funds of the Veterans as may be necessary for immediate use; but, previous to taking upon himself the duties of his office, he shall give security to the Trustees by himself and one or more securities if required to do so. He shall keep a correct account at each time of auditing the accounts, attend upon the Auditors to explain such matters as may require respecting the accounts; he shall prepare the half-yearly balance sheet and annual return of the receipts and expenditure, producing vouchers for any expenditure. He shall sign each members contribution card He shall pay all demands when ordered by the Veterans. He shall not pay any bill or account, or any money, or give up any goods or property in his charge to any person without first receiving authority of the Veterans,

under the signatures of the President and Secretary and one or more of the Trustees. He shall give up all books, documents and money belonging to the Veterans when ordered to do so by the President and Trustees. He shall do all correspondence connected with the Finances, and shall receive a salary of \$40.00 per annua, paid quarterly. He shall be required to furnish a Bond for \$200 to the satisfaction of the Veterans for the faithful performance of the duties developing upon such office.

TRUSTEES.

ARTICLE 13.—The surplus funds of the Veterans shall be invested in the names of the Trustees, who shall sue or be sued on behalf of the Veterans.

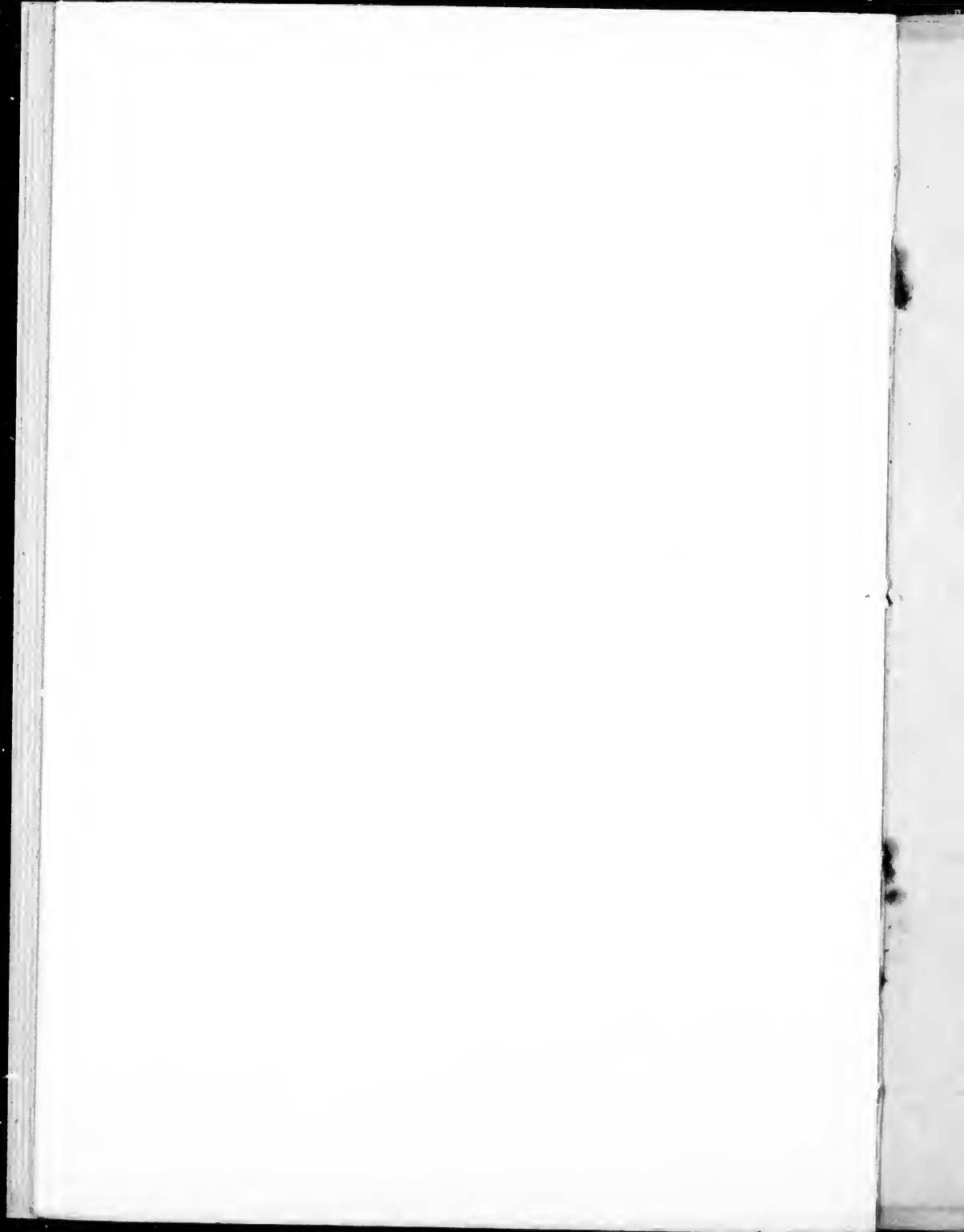
INSIDE SENTRY.

ARTICLE 14.—He shall attend to the door on the inside, and see that no member enters or leaves the Hall while another is speaking ; and prevent an admission of any inebriated member, or any one not able to give the parole or countersign ; nor allow any member to pass out of the Hall without permission of the President. He will be in charge of and take orders from the Vice-President.

OUTSIDE SENTRY.

ARTICLE 15.—He will take charge of the door on outside, and allow no person to enter who is not a member of the Veterans, unless by permission of the President ;





he will take charge of those waiting for initiation. He will be exempt from all dues during the term of office providing such is done in a satisfactory manner.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

ARTICLE 16.—Veterans may become Honorary Members pursuant to General Rule, Article 1, by paying one dollar per annum, or life membership on payment of \$15.00 in advance. He shall not be charged with any contributions or have any claim on the funds of the Veterans, or fill any office, otherwise than an Honorary one. He shall have the privilege of expressing his opinion upon matters brought before the meetings, but shall not vote upon any question.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1.—Any Veteran under sixty years of age who is of good character and in general good health, who has served any term in Her Majesty's Imperial Army or Navy, or Auxiliary Forces, pursuant to the general rules (Article 1,) may be admitted as a member of the Veterans. Veterans between sixty and seventy years of age will be admitted to membership on payment of \$3.00 entrance fee and 40 cents per month dues. When a Veteran is proposed for membership, his proposer shall pay on his behalf the sum of 25 cents, and at the time of initiation the further sum of one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) ; but if the candidate fails to present himself for initiation for the space of three months, his proposition money shall be forfeited to the funds of the Veterans.

A candidate may be initiated on the night of his proposition on payment of \$2.00 entrance fee and 25 cents for the month's dues. Should a candidate be rejected the proposition fee will be returned to him. After the admission of a member he will be furnished gratuitously with a copy of the Rules and By-laws by which he is to be governed, also a contributor card. He will be required to sign a membership roll for receiving the same. A Certificate of membership will be given him for which he will be charged the sum of 25 cents.

WHEN ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS.

ARTICLE 2.—Each Benefit member shall be entitled to the Funeral Allowance of \$20.00 after being six months a member, and to \$40.00 after being twelve months a member, provided he has paid or caused to be paid his full admission fees, pursuant to By-law 1 and is in strict compliance with By-Law 4, amount not to exceed \$40.00. No member shall be entitled to any benefits who is more than six months in arrears of dues.

NEGLECT OF PAYMENT.

ARTICLE 3.—Should a member neglect or fail to pay his contributions and arrears when three months are due, the Secretary shall summon him to pay such contributions and arrears on the next following meeting night. Each member's contributions shall be considered due at the opening of a monthly meeting, but such contributions shall not be added to a member's arrears until the close of the said meeting.

RE-INSTATEMENT OF MEMBERS.

ARTICLE 4.—That a member who has become suspended through non-payment of his contributions may be re-instated at any time before his contributions, he shall only re-join the Veterans as a new member, in conformity with By-law 1. A member re-instated after suspension for non-payment of dues will not be entitled to financial allowance until the expiration of so long a time as he may have been in arrears.

FINANCIAL ALLOWANCE.

ARTICLE 5.—At the death of a member, due notice thereof being given to the Secretary, and on production of the necessary certificate (pursuant to By-law 6), the financial allowance shall be paid to the person nominated by the deceased member. If no person has been nominated to receive the funeral allowance, the officers of the Veterans will pay to the Widow (if any); if not, to the next of kin; if none, the Veterans will make arrangements for deceased member's funeral, and pay the sum he was entitled to according to By-law 2. Members are requested to attend a deceased brother's funeral if possible.

ARTICLE 6.—No money shall be paid on the death of any member (not being a death at sea) except upon the production of a certificate of the said death, under hand of the Registrar of deaths or other person having the care of the register of deaths, in which it is or ought to be entered, or from the physician who may have attended the deceased member. In the event of a member dying abroad or at sea, where the above certificate cannot be obtained, secondary evidence to the satisfaction of the Executive committee must be produced, when the claim will be paid.

NOMINATION OF FINANCIAL ALLOWANCE.

ARTICLE 7.—The Secretary Treasurer shall keep a book, in which the members may nominate in writing the person to whom the financial allowance shall be paid on their decease.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ARTICLE 8.—Every member under 60 years of age when initiated shall pay twenty-five cents a month, those aged from 60 to 70 years shall pay forty cents a month to the general fund.

PAID OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 9.—The only Officer who will receive pay for their services will be the Secretary-Treasurer and Auditors—the former \$40.00 a year paid quarterly, the Auditors \$1.00 each for every audit.

MAKING KNOWN THE PRIVATE AFFAIRS OF
THE VETERANS.

ARTICLE 10.—If any member make known to any person, not a member of the Veterans, any of the private affairs of the Veterans, so as to cause injury thereto, or any of the members thereof, each offending member, if found guilty, shall be expelled. This By-law shall be strictly enforced.

MEMBER INTOXICATED OR DISORDERLY.

ARTICLE 11.—Should a member of the Veterans attend any of the meetings intoxicated or disorderly, or become turbulent during any of the debates while the meeting is in session, he shall be desired to withdraw

by the President for the evening, and on refusal to obey he or they shall be fined \$1.00 ; and on still refusing to come to order when called on by the President, he or they shall be ejected from the room for that evening, and the fines enforced ; and upon a repetition of the same conduct, he or they shall be expelled.

FINES AND PENALTIES.

ARTICLE 12.—Sec. 1. Any officer absent from any Regular Meeting of the Veterans shall be fined 25 cents unless he sends a written statement to the President shewing cause of such absence.

Sec. II. Each and every Member shall be fined 10 cents for non-attendance at the Half-yearly Meetings in January and July in each year, or any Summomed Meeting, unless he send a written statement shewing cause of such absence.

FINES.

ARTICLE 13.—The President shall enforce all fines laid down in these laws. All fines shall be placed to the credit of the General Fund.

VOTING.

ARTICLE 14.—Sec. I. Every member of the Veterans in good financial standing, shall have equal part and voice in all the property and concerns thereof ; but no member shall vote on the night of his initiation. When at any time the vote shall be equal, the President shall have the casting vote, except in election of members or officers.

Sec. II. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the President, or being in writing, it

shall be read audibly to the meeting by the Secretary before debate, after a motion is stated it shall be deemed in possession of the meeting, but may be withdrawn by leave of the meeting at any time before a decision or amendment. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone, or commit to the Arbitration Committee.

Sec. III. A member desiring to speak shall rise and respectfully address the President, and the President shall announce the member by name, the member may then speak. In all cases the member who shall rise first and address the chair, shall speak first; but when two or more shall rise at once the President shall name the member who is first to speak. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than five minutes unless by leave of the meeting, and shall be confined to the question under debate, and avoid personalities. All members shall address another as Brothers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 15.—Officers to be elected by ballot and must have a majority of the votes of the members present in good standing to be legally elected. Installation of Officers to take place on the first meeting after election, and to be installed by the retiring President.

DECORATIONS TO BE WORN.

ARTICLE 16.—There shall be a distinctive badge to be worn by Veterans, and no other badge, collar, or decoration of any sort except the authorized medals shall be worn in procession or meetings by any of the members; the badge not to be draped or ornamented in any manner except at funerals, when it may be draped in black.

PARADES OR PROCESSIONS.

ARTICLE 17.—The Veterans will not accept an invitation to turn out or march with any society or body, unless by a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Veterans.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE 18.—A Visiting Committee of three will be elected annually to visit any brother who may be sick, and to render any assistance as in their power; and report the circumstances to the President as soon as convenient, and to the Veterans at the Regular Meetings.

PRECEDENCE ON PARADE.

ARTICLE 19.—When the Veterans parade in a body, all members fall in the ranks except the officers named below: President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer.

ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS.

ARTICLE 20.—No alterations, amendments or additions to be made to these Rules or By-Laws except at a Regular Meeting by a two-third vote of the members at that meeting.

PASSWORD AND COUNTERSIGN.

ARTICLE 21.—Section. I. There shall be a countersign to be renewed annually at the annual meeting. No member will receive the countersign unless he be in good financial standing, pursuant to the Rules and By-Laws.

Section II. Any member making known the counter-

sign to any person either a member or otherwise, except to those officers he is authorized to do so, he shall be expelled, and no member will be allowed to rejoin the Veterans who has been expelled therefrom.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

ARTICLE 22.—Any member changing his residence must inform the Secretary of such change within one month after.

VETERANS' OBLIGATION.

I, A— B— do solemnly and sincerely promise that I will conform to the Rules and By-Laws of Her Majesty's Imperial Army and Navy Veterans to the best of my abilities ; that I will obey all legal orders of the same, if in my power ; and will at all times do my utmost to advance the interests of the members thereof.

That I will not disclose the vote or opinion of any member of the Veterans, or speak of matters discussed at the meetings to any person not a member, except by permission of the President.

I do further promise that I will in the future, as in the past, maintain due allegiance to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, her heirs and successors.
"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."

All former By-Laws are hereby repealed.

Signed, ROBERT WATERHOUSE, President.

ALEXANDER MARTIN, Sec.-Treasurer.

Toronto, 19th February, 1892.

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