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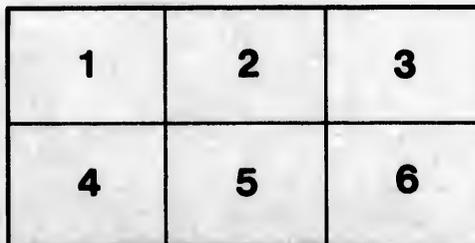
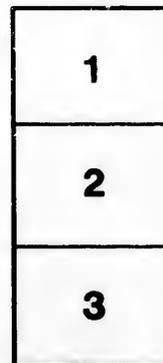
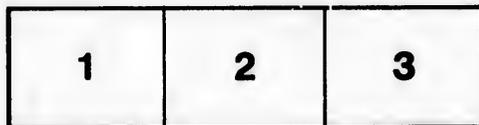
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CONSTITUTION
AND
BY-LAWS
OF
AYFLOWER DIVISION,
No. 9,
SONS OF TEMPERANCE
OF THE
PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Organized at Halifax, February 9, 1848.



LOVE, PURITY, AND FIDELITY.

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PREAMBLE.

We, whose names are annexed, desirous of forming an association to enable us more effectually to protect ourselves and others from the evils of intemperance, afford mutual assistance, and elevate our characters, do pledge ourselves to be governed by the following Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION.

ADOPTED JUNE, 1868.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Association shall be known as MAYFLOWER DIVISION, No. 9, SONS OF TEMPERANCE, of the Province of Nova Scotia.

ARTICLE II.—PLEDGE.

No member shall make, buy, sell, or use, as a beverage, any Spirituous or Malt Liquors, Wine or Cider.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. Persons fourteen years of age and upward, possessing a character for integrity, and who have not been rejected by, or expelled from, any other Division within six months, shall be eligible to membership; but no member shall be allowed to vote in the Division who is under eighteen years of age. *Provided*, That females shall not be admitted to membership within the jurisdiction of any Grand Division, unless permission be first granted by a two-thirds vote of the

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Grand Division ; nor in any Subordinate Division, unless the Division shall so decide by a two-thirds vote, after two weeks' notice.

And provided further, That members between the ages of fourteen and eighteen may be allowed to vote by By-Law of their Subordinate Division, permission having first been obtained from the Grand Division for the enactment of such By-Law.

VISITORS.

SECTION 2. Divisions having decided so to do, by a two-thirds vote, after two weeks' notice, may admit females fourteen years of age and upwards, as VISITORS, at such times, and under such regulations, as may be prescribed by law, subject to the same forms of proposition, investigation, and ballot, as in the case of members.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers shall consist of a Worthy Patriarch, Worthy Associate, Recording Scribe, Assistant Recording Scribe, Financial Scribe, Treasurer, Chaplain, Conductor, Assistant Conductor, Inside Sentinel, and Outside Sentinel ; all of whom shall be elected by ballot every three months, viz., last regular meetings in September, December, March, and June ; and installed at the first regular meetings in October, January, April, and July.

SECTION 2. Subordinate Divisions admitting Lady Visitors, may elect quarterly, by ballot, at the time prescribed for the election of other officers, a Lady Sentinel, Lady Conductor, and three Lady Assistants. Lady Visitors shall be entitled to participate in the balloting.

SECTION 3. No member shall be eligible to the offices of W. P., W. A., Treas., and Chaplain, who is under twenty-one years of age, except by dispensation from the Grand Division ; *provided,* that no person elevated to the office of W. P., by such dispensation, shall be elected a representative to a Grand Division until twenty-one years of age.

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SECTION 4. Each officer shall perform the duties laid down in his obligation and charge at installation, and such other duties as his Grand or Subordinate Division may require of him.

ARTICLE V.—FINANCE.

SECTION 1. The minimum amount to be paid for initiation fees, and dues or assessments, may be regulated by each Grand Division.

SECTION 2. The question of payment of weekly benefits in cases of sickness, or funeral benefits, and the amount to be paid, shall be regulated by each Division.

ARTICLE VI.—OFFENCES.

Any member offending against the Constitution, Code, or By-Laws, or who shall be convicted of crime by a judicial tribunal, or be guilty of any conduct unbecoming a Son of Temperance, shall be fined, reprimanded, suspended, or expelled, as the law may prescribe, and the nature of the case require.

ARTICLE VII.—CARDS, PASS-WORDS, CEREMONIES AND REGALIA.

The Cards, Pass-words, Ceremonies and Regalia prescribed and established by the National Division, shall be the only ones recognized or used by the Division.

ARTICLE VIII.—RESIGNATIONS AND WITHDRAWALS.

Members can dissolve their connection with the Division or Order only in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

ARTICLE IX.—TERMS.

Regular Quarterly Terms shall commence on the first of October, January, April and July. Members holding office at the close of the term shall be entitled to the full honors of the term.

ARTICLE X.--PROTESTS AND APPEALS.

Every member shall have the right to respectfully protest against the action of the Division, or appeal from its decision to the Grand Division, and through the Grand Division to the National Division. All decisions of the acting body shall, however, be and remain in force, until reversed by the superior body in the case.

ARTICLE XI.—SURRENDER OF CHARTER.

A proposition to surrender the charter of a Division shall lie on the table at least four weeks, the members being duly notified, and the charter shall not be surrendered as long as seven members will sustain the Division.

ARTICLE XII—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered and amended by a two-thirds vote of the National Division, to be taken by Grand Division, in regular annual session; but By-Laws which do not conflict with this Constitution and the Code, or the established rules and usages of the Order, may be enacted by each Division.

CODE OF LAWS.

CHAPTER I.—NAME.

The name, number and location of a Division shall be designated, and may be changed by the Grand Division.

CHAPTER II.—PLEDGE.

SECTION 1. The manufacture, sale and use of cider or wine, fermented or unfermented, or of any kind of spirituous or malt liquors, or any kind of intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, whether enumerated in the pledge or not, is a violation of the same, and the simple fact of the manufacture, sale, or use of such drinks by a member, shall be *prima facie* evidence against such member on a trial for violation of the pledge, so as to devolve on the accused the necessity of proving that they were not manufactured, sold, or used as a beverage.

SECTION 2. A physician's certificate or prescription shall not necessarily relieve a member from a charge for violation of the pledge, as the internal use of the liquors prohibited by the pledge, is in no way provided for by our laws; but the Subordinate Division in the case shall be the judge of any wantonness or collusion which may appear in relation to the matter.

SECTION 3. Any member who makes, buys or sells any of the liquors prohibited by the pledge, to be used as a beverage, for the accommodation of a friend or customer, although he may not design to make any profit thereon; or any member acting as salesman in such liquors, as a beverage; or any member buying or selling such liquors as a beverage, except an agent or officer of the law, acting officially, or an auctioneer, required to sell by the terms of his license, violates the pledge.

SECTION 4. In a trial for violation of the pledge, or any other offence, it is the duty of the *Committee* to notify the accused of the time and place of meeting for the trial; and a notice by mail, after a reasonable time, is a legal and sufficient notice.

SECTION 5. A Division shall have no right to require its members to take any pledge other than that prescribed by the National Division; neither shall it inflict any penalty for a violation of the pledge, except that laid down in the Constitution or Code.

SECTION 6. An acknowledgment, personally or in writing, by a member, of a violation of the pledge, is in accordance with the spirit of the Constitution.

CHAPTER III.—MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The Constitution provides the terms of eligibility to membership, and no Division shall have the right to enlarge or prescribe those terms, except that Divisions paying benefits may require a *health* qualification to defend them from imposition and loss.

SECTION 2. The name of a candidate for admission must be proposed by a member, in writing, stating age, residence, and business, which must be entered on the record, and the subject referred to three members for investigation, who shall report in writing at the next succeeding regular meeting, unless granted further time by the Division, when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots, and if a majority of white balls and not more than *four* black balls appear, shall be declared elected; but if *five* or more black balls appear, shall be rejected, and so declared. In cases where there is not a majority of white balls, and less than five black balls, the Division, on motion, may proceed to another ballot.

SECTION 3. A proposition for membership shall not be withdrawn after it has been referred to a *Committee* for investigation, without the consent of a majority of the members present.

SECTION 4. The name of a person constitutionally rejected,

suspended, or expelled, shall not be published in any other manner than the usual notice to Divisions.

SECTION 5. The character of a candidate for membership may be discussed in a Division any time after the report of a committee of investigation, and previous to the ballot being taken; but the *ballot* is a secret vote, and it is improper to call on any member for the reasons of his vote. The name to be balloted for should always be read openly to the Division.

SECTION 6. Any action of a Division in reference to an individual proposed for membership therein, without his consent, is invalid and void; but any person having been proposed after giving such consent, cannot, previous to election or rejection, be proposed in any other Division.

SECTION 7. The name of any person applying for membership by deposit of card, shall be subject to the same proposition, investigation and ballot as a new applicant.

SECTION 8. On the admission of any member to the Division by card, the Recording Scribe shall immediately notify the Division granting the card of the fact.

SECTION 9. A candidate may be proposed, balloted for, and initiated at any regular meeting, by the unanimous consent of members present.

SECTION 10. A suspended member is under the control and jurisdiction of the Subordinate Division, and subject to their judgment, during such suspension.

VISITORS.

SECTION 11. Visitors shall not be entitled to participate in the special business deliberations of the Order, or vote, except to ballot on the admission of visitors.

SECTION 12. Visitors may propose persons for visitors; assist in the ceremonies of introduction and initiation of visitors, and take part in exercises and discussions, under the head of the Good of the Order.

SECTION 13. The privileges of any or all visitors may be

withdrawn or suspended for the time, or permanently, by a two-thirds vote of the Division.

SECTION 14. No formal trial of a visitor shall be had unless demanded by herself, and the demand sustained by a majority vote of the members present, and in case of trial, the mode for the trial of members shall be conformed to as near as may be.

CHAPTER IV.—OFFICERS AND HONORS.

SECTION 1. If a Division fails to elect or install its officers at the time prescribed in Article IV., Sec. 1, of the Constitution, such election or installation may be had subsequently, by leave of the G. W. P., or his Deputy.

SECTION 2. If a Division has no member constitutionally qualified or willing to accept the office of W. P., it shall be taken charge of by the G. W. P., or his Deputy, who shall preside over the same until the disability is removed.

SECTION 3. In case of the absence of the W. P. and W. A. of a Division, the senior P. W. P. present shall preside, which seniority shall be governed by the date of service as W. P.

SECTION 4. A vacancy occurring during the term may be filled at any time by election and installation.

SECTION 5. The seat of any officer may be declared vacant for neglect of duty three successive meetings, by a majority vote, provided one week's notice is given in the Division, and three days' notice given him personally or by mail, by the R. S.

SECTION 6. A member joining a Division by Card, carries with him, and is entitled to, all his unforfeited honors.

SECTION 7. A member losing his connection with the Order by suspension, expulsion, or voluntary resignation, cannot claim any honors when he *again* connects himself with the Order, and any member acknowledging or convicted of a violation of the pledge, shall forfeit all honors previously earned.

CHAPTER V.—FINANCE.

SECTION 1. The initiation fee, quarterly dues, assessments, or fines of any member may be remitted by a vote of the Division.

SECTION 2. When a member is six months in arrears for dues, and the F. S. shall have duly notified the delinquent, and he fails to pay his dues for one month thereafter, the Division may, without charge or trial, suspend or expel him. Any member who has been suspended for more than six months, may be admitted as a new member.

CHAPTER VI.—OFFENCES.

SECTION 1. Any member convicted of a crime by any judicial tribunal may be suspended or expelled by a vote of the Division, without any formal charge, notice, or trial.

SECTION 2. If a member acknowledges a violation of the pledge, the W. P. shall declare forfeited all honors previously earned by such member, and then proceed immediately to call for a ballot on the question of expulsion; if a majority ballot in favor, the W. P. shall declare the member expelled, and order the F. S. to erase the name from the books. If a majority do not vote in favor of expulsion, the membership of the offender shall be retained, and no further action shall be taken, except that the Division may by vote require the offender to be re-obligated; *provided*, that in case of failure to appear for re-obligation within *thirty* days after notification, the vote may be rescinded, and the ballot again taken on the question of expulsion.

SECTION 3. Any member who has good reason to believe that a member has violated the pledge, *proved false to any of the obligations of a Son of Temperance, or been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member of the Order*, shall prefer a charge in writing, stating the nature of the offence, the time, place and circumstances, as near as may be, of its commission.

SECTION 4. When such charge shall have been preferred, the W. P. shall appoint a committee of five members, who shall, as soon as practicable, summon the accused and witnesses *pro and con*, and investigate the matter.

SECTION 5. The committee shall organize by appointing a chairman and secretary, and they may receive the testimony of those who are not members. The secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings, with such testimony as may be presented; which record shall be produced to the Division on the call of any member, after the committee have reported.

SECTION 6. The committee shall report the charge "*sustained*" or "*not sustained*," as is warranted by the evidence before them.

SECTION 7. If the committee report the charge "*not sustained*," and the Division adopt the report, all further proceedings shall be stayed. If they report the charge "*sustained*," or if there is a majority and minority report, the subject shall be laid upon the table until the next meeting, and the accused notified to be present.

SECTION 8. Upon a final hearing of the case by the Division, a ballot shall be had, when, if a majority vote against sustaining the charge, the case shall be dismissed; if a majority vote in favor of sustaining the charge, the penalty shall be fixed by a vote of the Division, unless the law prescribes the penalty, in which case it shall be enforced by order of the W. P.

SECTION 9. If the accused is found guilty of violating the pledge, the W. P., after declaring forfeited all honors previously earned by such member, shall proceed to ballot as in Section 2 of this Chapter.

SECTION 10. In cases of expulsion, the vote shall always be taken by ballot, and in no case shall a member be present when a vote or ballot is taken on his case, under this Chapter, either by the committee or the Division.

CHAPTER VII.—CARDS, PASS-WORDS, CEREMONIES AND
REGALIA.

SECTION 1. Before a member shall be entitled to a Travelling Card, he must pay all dues in advance for the full time such card is desired, not exceeding one year, and the fee for the card.

SECTION 2. A member with a Travelling Card shall be allowed to visit, on his giving the Travelling Pass-word which was in use at the date of its issue.

SECTION 3. A member shall not be entitled to a Withdrawal Card until the Division has voted the same, after payment of all dues and the fee for the card, BUT AFTER A VOTE HAS BEEN PASSED GRANTING A CARD. the membership of the applicant shall be severed, and the Division shall have no right to reconsider such vote, or to withhold the card from such member. The Division shall have jurisdiction over the conduct of a member to whom such card is granted, until he shall have become a member of another Division, and for sufficient cause may revoke the card.

SECTION 4. If a Subordinate Division surrenders or forfeits its charter or is suspended, the Grand Division having jurisdiction shall have the right to grant a Clearance Card to each of the members of said Division making written application for the same who may be deemed worthy by said Grand Division; and said card shall be of the same value as a Withdrawal Card.

SECTION 5. If a member in possession of a Clearance Card shall be guilty of an offence, a charge shall be made to the G. W. P., or his Deputy, who shall transfer the same to a Subordinate Division in the vicinity of the accused, for trial in the usual form; and in case of a conviction, the G. D. granting such card shall be notified of the action.

SECTION 6. A member who has taken a Withdrawal or Clearance Card is not entitled to the Pass-word, nor can he claim a right to enter a Division.

SECTION 7. Visiting members not being able to give the Quarterly Pass-word, may be admitted if vouched for as prescribed in the B. B.; but a Division shall have the right to refuse admission to a visiting member who can work his way upon being satisfied that he has lost his membership, or been irregularly admitted, or has previously deported himself improperly in the Division.

SECTION 8. The Pass-word may be withheld from a member against whom a charge has been preferred.

SECTION 9. A W. P. may communicate the Quarterly or Travelling Pass-word to a travelling brother, when requested so to do by the W. P. of his Division, in writing under the seal of the Division.

SECTION 10. Every member, during the session of the Division, shall be clothed in appropriate regalia, unless excused by a vote of the Division. The Representatives to the G. D. and N. D. present may wear the regalia of their respective bodies, unless they are serving in some office, in which case they must be clothed in the proper official regalia.

SECTION 11. The mourning badge shall be black crape, and worn on the left arm. The official badges, and emblems, and staves of office, may be draped in mourning.

SECTION 12. Portions of the ceremonies of initiation may be omitted by a two-thirds vote of the Division; provided that in no case shall the obligation be dispensed with.

CHAPTER VIII.—RESIGNATIONS.

SECTION 1. A member may dissolve his connection with the Order by paying all demands against him on the books of the Division, and tendering his written resignation. Such resignation shall lie upon the table one week, when, if not withdrawn, the request shall be granted, unless there be a charge preferred against him, or notice given that such will be done at that or the following meeting.

SECTION 2. A member who has resigned may be restored to membership by the usual ballot, without initiation, within

three months, by resigning the Constitution and paying the initiation fee.

CHAPTER IX.—CHARTERS.

SECTION 1. If applicants for a Charter fail to present themselves for initiation within three months after the organization of the Division, their names shall be erased from the Charter, and the first names signed to the Constitution after the Charter members, shall be inserted in place thereof, in case the constitutional number is deficient.

SECTION 2. The name of a regularly admitted member shall in no event be erased from the charter.

SECTION 3. At the opening of a new Division, the officiating brother shall be authorized to add to the number of the Charter members, at the request of the applicants, returning the names so added in his Report.

CHAPTER X.—AMENDMENTS.

This Code of Laws shall not be repealed or amended, nor any part thereof, except by a two-thirds vote of the National Division.

The following is a list of the names of the persons who have been admitted to the membership of the Society since the last meeting. The names are given in alphabetical order. The names of the persons who have been admitted to the membership of the Society since the last meeting are given in alphabetical order.

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Mayflower Division, No. 9, S. of T.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.—*Meetings.*

Sec. 1.—The regular weekly meetings of this Division shall take place every Wednesday evening, but for special reasons they may be adjourned to some other evening.

Sec. 2.—The W. P., or when absent the W. A., or if neither be present, the senior P. W. P. in attendance, shall take the chair at half-past seven o'clock, precisely, from 1st October to 1st April, and at eight o'clock, precisely, the remainder of the year.

Sec. 3.—Nine members shall form a quorum.

ARTICLE II.—*Fees and Dues.*

Sec. 1.—The initiation fees of this Division shall be as follows:—

Ladies, youths from Cadets and Bands of Hope,	\$0.50
From 14 to 21 years of age,	1.00
“ 21 to 25 “	1.50
“ 26 to 30 “	2.00
“ 30 to 35 “	2.50
“ 35 to 40 “	3.00
“ 40 to 45 “	3.50
“ 50 to 55 “	4.50
“ 55 to 60 “	5.00
“ 60 and upwards,	5.50

Sec. 2.—At the first regular meeting of each month, every benefit member shall pay 40 cents.

Sec. 3.—Any person willing to join the Division, can do so by paying \$1.00 initiation fee, and 20 cents per month, and remain a non-benefit member. The dues for female members shall be 10 cents per month.

Sec. 4.—Till all arrears are paid, no member shall receive the quarterly pass-word.

ARTICLE III.—*Benefits.*

Sec. 1.—Every benefit-member who has been such for at least one year, and who is not more than four months in arrears, and has not violated the pledge, shall receive from the funds, during sickness, not caused by his own improper conduct, \$3.00 weekly, for a period of eight weeks, and \$1.50 weekly, for an additional period of eight weeks, if required, after which no further benefits shall be granted to the same member during one year—provided always that no member reported sick shall receive benefits for a longer period than one week previous to being so reported.

Sec. 2.—No member who is more than four months in arrears, shall receive benefits for three weeks from the time the arrears shall have been paid.

Sec. 3.—Every sick member who resides at a distance, shall forward to the W. P. with the application for benefits, a certificate of illness, signed by a Magistrate, Clergyman, or respectable Physician.

Sec. 4.—In the event of the death of a member entitled to benefits, the sum of \$20.00 shall be appropriated as a funeral benefit; on the death of the wife of a benefit member, the sum of \$10.00 shall be appropriated as a funeral benefit.

Sec. 5.—Any benefit member violating Article 2 of the Constitution, shall not be entitled to benefits for the space of six months from the date of the decision of the Division in the case.

ARTICLE IV.—*Duties of Officers.*

Sec. 1.—The duties of the P. W. P. shall be discharged by the junior P. W. P. of the Division present.

Sec. 2.—It shall be the duty of the W. P. to preside in the Division, enforce a due observance of the Constitution and By-Laws, and exact a compliance to the rules and usages of the Order, to see that all officers perform their respective duties, appoint the following Committees on the night of installation, viz:—Investigating, Visiting, Auditing and Financial, naming the chairman for each; give the casting vote on all matters before the Division, when a tie may occur; inspect and announce the result of all balloting or other votes; direct the Recording Scribe to call special meetings when application shall be made in writing by five members of the Division; draw upon the Treasurer for all sums necessary to pay benefits and other appropriations made by the Division; in cases of sickness, if necessary, appoint two members to act as watchers; uniformly and impartially enforce the penalties decreed by the By-Laws, unless the offender be excused by a two-third vote of the Division. The W. P. shall take no part in any discussion, or any matter or question arising in the Division, unless on leaving the chair. He shall on the last night of the term, see that the Quarterly Returns are prepared and *per capita* tax appropriated for the Grand Division, and perform such other duties as the Division shall require.

Sec. 3.—It shall be the duty of the W. A. to render the W. P. such assistance as may be required, and in the absence of the W. P. shall perform the duties of that officer.

Sec. 4.—The R. S. shall keep a fair and impartial record of the proceedings of the Division, write communications, notify all Subordinate Divisions not more than ten miles from its place of meeting, within four weeks after, of the name, occupation, and residence of every person suspended, rejected, or expelled from this Division; fill up certificates; notify meetings when ordered by the W. P., attest to all monies ordered to be paid at a regular meeting, and none other; make out at the end of the term the Quarterly Returns to the Grand Division; perform

such other duties as may be required by the Division, and deliver up within one week from the expiration, all books, papers or other property belonging to the office.

Sec. 5.—The A. R. S. shall be an aid to the R. S., and act under the direction of the R. S., and render such assistance to the R. S., as that officer or the Division may require.

Sec. 6.—It shall be the duty of the F. S. to keep just and true accounts between the Division and its members, credit the amounts paid, and pay the same over to the Treasurer immediately, taking a receipt. The F. S. shall, just previous to the close of the term, notify every member who is more than three months in arrears, of the amount due by each to the Division, adding 12½ cents for each notice; and at the end of the term make out for the Division a full report, and furnish the R. S. with the amount of receipts for initiation fees and dues during the term, and any other information necessary to enable the R. S. to prepare correct returns for the Grand Division; perform such other duties as the Division may require; and deliver up all matters appertaining to the office.

Sec. 7.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to pay all orders drawn by the W. P., attested by the R. S. and none other; to receive all monies of the Division, and hold the same until the expiration of the term, unless the sum exceed fifty dollars, the excess of which shall be paid over to the Trustees, the Treasurer receiving a receipt for every payment; keep a full and correct account of all monies received, and give the Division a monthly statement of the funds, and at the expiration of the term, a statement for the quarter, and deliver up, when legally called upon, all monies, books, papers, and other property of the Division, to the successor in office or to whoever the Division may specially appoint, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Division.

Sec. 8.—It shall be the duty of the Chaplain to perform such duties as the Division may require of that officer.

Sec. 9.—It shall be the duty of the Conductor to introduce for initiation, persons who have been previously elected; also to introduce strange members and furnish them with suitable

regalia,—and with the aid of the A. C. examine those present at the opening of the Division. See that the officers' regalia are in their proper places and take charge of the same at the close; take charge of such property of the Division as may not be otherwise provided for, and render a full report to the Division at the end of the term.

Sec. 10.—It shall be the duty of the A. C. to render such services as the C. or the Division may require.

Sec. 11.—It shall be the duty of the I. S. to attend the door—to admit none but members of the Order, and Candidates for initiation, unless directed by the W. P. so to do.

Sec. 12.—The O. S. shall guard the outer door and keep off intruders.

Sec. 13.—The officers shall attend every regular meeting, and, when duly notified, every special meeting; they shall be present when the Division is opened.

ARTICLE V.—*Duties of Committees, Watchers and Trustees.*

Sec. 1.—The Investigating Committee, consisting of three members, shall examine the Black Book; carefully ascertain the age, health, profession and general character of all candidates for membership; and make a faithful report.

Sec. 2.—The Visiting Committee shall consist of three members, together with the W. P., W. A., R. S., and T.; at least three of whom, when directed by the W. P., shall visit every sick member who may reside not more than three miles from the Division Room, within twenty-four hours after notice is given, report the case to the Division, and continue to render such benefits as the Constitution and By-Laws may require.

Sec. 3.—The Auditing Committee, consisting of three members, shall examine the accounts of the F. S. and T., for the previous quarter, and report at next regular meeting.

Sec. 4.—The Financial Committee, consisting of three members, shall superintend the necessary purchases and ex-

penditure, examine the bills against the Division, which may from time to time be submitted, and report concerning them at the next regular meeting.

Sec. 5.—No person shall be appointed chairman of a Committee who is absent at the time of appointment, and should a vacancy occur in any Committee, it shall be filled by the W. P. at next meeting.

Sec. 6.—Every report shall be written and signed by a majority of the Committee.

Sec. 7.—The Watchers, if the Division thinks necessary, shall watch over the sick members, either themselves or by substitute, unless the disease be infectious, in which case the Visiting Committee shall, if necessary, provide a nurse, who shall be paid by the Division. The Watchers shall be taken by rotation from the F. S's. books.

Sec. 8.—The Trustees, who shall be three in number, and who shall be elected annually, at the last regular meeting in March, shall invest or pay over as the Division may decide at any regular meeting, by a majority of two-thirds of the members present, all monies which they may have received from the Treasurer; when so deposited, no portion shall be withdrawn without the consent of the Division, by a two-third vote at a regular meeting, after one week's notice, and in all cases when so ordered to be drawn, the order shall be signed by the W. P. and R. S. with the Seal of the Division attached.

Sec. 9.—For neglect of duty, a Trustee may be removed from office, by motion which shall have been laid on the table one week, and which shall have been sanctioned by a majority of two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLE VI.—*Duties of Members.*

Sec. 1.—Members at their initiation shall pledge themselves to support the Constitution and By-Laws, by subscribing their names to them—and shall at the same time state to the F. S. their place of residence.

Sec. 2.—Every member who is six months in arrears for

dues, shall be notified by the F. S., and, if after a further period of four weeks the dues still remain unpaid, shall be dealt with in accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution, and Chapter 5, Code of Laws.

Sec. 3.—Any member who shall feign illness, for the purpose of receiving pecuniary benefit, shall be dealt with for conduct unbecoming a member of the order.

Sec. 4.—Any member who shall make public business which should be known only to the Division—who shall divulge the name of a member who may have spoken or voted against a Candidate for membership—or receive or use the pass-word illegally, or who shall mention to any person, not a member of the Order, any application for membership before it has been favourably received, shall be dealt with for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order.

Sec. 5.—It shall be the duty of each and every member, to report the sickness of any member to the W. P. or some other member of the Visiting Committee, as soon as possible after receiving knowledge thereof.

Sec. 6.—A suspended member when re-instated shall pay all dues the same as if not suspended, and if a benefit member shall not be entitled to benefits for six months from the time of restoration.

Sec. 7.—A member wishing for a Card of Withdrawal shall apply for same at a regular meeting, personally or in writing, and when all dues are paid receive the Card from the F. S. for which 12 cents shall be paid, after a vote to grant the Card has been passed by the Division.

Sec. 8.—Members applying for admission by Card, if elected, shall pay half the regular initiation fee.

Sec. 9.—A non-benefit member wishing to become a benefit member of the Division, shall submit an application in writing, which shall be referred to the Committee of Investigation for report at the next regular meeting; if the report is adopted by the Division, the applicant shall pay the difference between the initiation fee of a benefit and non-benefit member, and such member shall not be entitled to receive any benefits until one year from the date of paying the same.

ARTICLE VII.—*Finance.*

Sec. 1.—No money shall be taken from the funds of the Division without the unanimous consent of the members present, except for working expenses and the amount required for sending Delegates to attend the Quarterly Sessions of the Grand Division, (the latter to be decided by a two-third vote of the members present at a regular meeting,) unless a resolution stating the amount required, and the object to which it is to be devoted, has laid on the table at least one week; and a clear majority of the members present vote in favor of the same.

Sec. 2.—A member appointed as messenger to the Division, shall receive quarterly the sum of \$1.50.

ARTICLE VIII.—*Elections.*

Sec 1.—In balloting for members, the ballot box shall be placed before the W. P., and shall be examined by that officer and the W. A.

Sec. 2.—Every successful candidate shall receive from the R. S., previous to next meeting, a written notice of his election, and a request to come forward for initiation. If this be not done within six weeks, the election shall be considered void, unless the candidate be sick or absent from the city.

ARTICLE IX.—*Funerals.*

Sec. 1.—In the event of the death of a member, unless the relatives object, the W. P. shall direct the R. S. to invite the members of this and other Divisions to meet at the Division Room, and attend the funeral in a body; each member having black crape on the left arm.

ARTICLE X.—*Amendments.*

Sec 1.—No part of these By-Laws shall be repealed unless the proposed alteration be stated in writing at least two weeks before discussion, nor shall it be adopted unless two-thirds of

the members present vote in favour of the change; to meet a peculiar case however, any By-Law may be suspended by a unanimous vote, for a period not exceeding one week.

ARTICLE XI.—*Order of Business.*

Sec 1.—The business of the Division shall be transacted in the following order.—

1st. The Division shall be opened in the manner prescribed by the Blue Book.

2nd The F. S. shall call the roll of Officers, note absentees, and collect fines.

3rd. The R. S. shall read the minutes of last meeting.

4th. The report of the Committee of Investigation shall be received.

5th. Persons previously proposed shall be balloted for.

6th. Persons previously elected and in waiting, shall be initiated.

7th. The W. P. shall enquire whether any cases of sickness have occurred since last meeting.

8th. The W. P. shall make the following enquiry: "Has any member broken the pledge, or violated any of our other rules; Does any member know of one who has done so."

9th. Applications for membership shall be received.

10th. Reports of Special and Standing Committees shall be received.

11th. Miscellaneous business shall be transacted.

TABLE OF FINES.

The following fines shall be exacted for violation of the preceding By-Laws and Article 2 of the Constitution:—

A Watcher, for neglect of duty—\$1.00.

An Officer who is absent at the commencement of any regular or special meeting—\$0.12.

The R. S. and F. S. when their books are not present at the opening—\$0.12½.

A member who uses improper language, who treats with disrespect the Officers of the Division, or disobeys the W. P. when called to order, not exceeding \$1.00.

A member who acts improperly out of the Division, or who knowingly proposes an unworthy person as a candidate, not less than \$1.00.

A member of Committee, for neglect of duty—\$0.25.

Every member on initiation shall receive a copy of these By-Laws, but if any further copies are required by members they shall pay the sum of five cents for each copy.

RULES OF ORDER.

DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF W. P.

Rule 1.—It shall be the duty of the W. P. to preserve order, and to endeavour to conduct all business before the Division, to a speedy and proper result.

Rule 2.—The W. P. shall state every question properly presented to the Division, and before putting it to vote, shall ask, "Is the Division ready for the question?" And should no member offer to speak, the W. P. shall rise to put it, and after the W. P. has risen, no member shall be permitted to speak upon it.

Rule 3.—The W. P. shall have a casting vote in case of a tie, but in ordinary cases shall not vote; he shall announce all votes and decisions. The decisions of the W. P. on points of order shall not be debateable, unless entertaining doubts on the subject, discussion is invited.

Rule 4.—The W. P. may speak to points of order in preference to other members of the Division, rising from the chair for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once.

Rule 5.—When an appeal is made from the decision of the chair, the W. P. shall put the question thus: "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

Rule 6.—It shall be the duty of the presiding officer and the privilege of any member of the Division, to call a member to order who violates an established Rule of Order.

MOTIONS.

Rule 7.—A motion must be seconded, and afterwards repeated from the chair or read aloud, before it is debated. A motion shall be reduced to writing if any member require it.

Rule 8.—All resolutions shall be submitted in writing.

Rule 9.—Any member having made a motion may withdraw it with leave of the seconder before it is debated, but not afterwards without leave of the Division.

Rule 10.—A motion to amend an amendment shall be in order, but a motion to amend an amendment to an amendment shall not be entertained.

Rule 11.—An amendment destroying or altering the intention of a motion, shall be in order; but an amendment relating to a different subject shall not be in order.

Rule 12.—On an amendment to "strike out and insert," the paragraph to be amended shall first be read as it stands, then the words proposed to be struck out and those to be inserted, and finally the paragraph as it would stand if so amended.

DEBATE.

Rule 13.—A member when speaking or offering a motion, shall rise, and respectfully addressing the W. P., be confined to the question under consideration, and avoid personality or unbecoming language.

Rule 14.—When members are called to order, they shall take their seats until the point is determined.

Rule 15.—When two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the presiding officer shall decide who is entitled to the floor.

Rule 16.—While a member is speaking, no one shall interrupt, except for the purpose of calling to order, or asking of the presiding officer leave to explain, or to call the previous question. A member allowed 'to explain,' shall only have the right to explain an actual misunderstanding of language, and shall be strictly prohibited from going into debate on the merits of the case.

Rule 17.—For any member in speaking, to impeach the motives of fellow-members or treat them with personal disrespect, or to pass between them and the chair while a member is speaking, shall be deemed a violation of order, which may incur the censure of the presiding officer of the Division.

Rule 18.—If any member shall deem himself personally aggrieved by a decision of the chair, he may appeal from such decision.

Rule 19.—On a call for the division of the question, the majority shall decide. The call can only be granted when the division called for will leave distinct and entire propositions.

Rule 20.—Any conversation, by whispering or otherwise, which is calculated to disturb a member while speaking, or hinder the transaction of business, shall be deemed a violation of order, and if persisted in, shall incur censure of the chair or of the Division.

Rule 21.—No member shall speak more than twice, nor longer than ten minutes each time, on any question, without leave of the Division, which leave shall be granted or refused without debate.

PRIVILEGED QUESTIONS.

Rule 22.—When a question is before the Division, the only motions in order shall be,—1st, to adjourn; 2nd, the previous question; 3rd, to lay on the table; 4th, to postpone indefinitely; 5th, to postpone to a definite period; 6th, to refer; 7th, to divide, if the sense will admit of it; or 8th, to amend. To take precedence as herein arranged, and the first three to be decided without debate.

Rule 23.—When the previous question is moved and seconded, it shall be put in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" If this be carried, all further motions, amendments, and debate shall be excluded, and the question put without delay. If the question has been amended, the question shall be taken on the amendment first. If more than one amendment has been made, the last made amendment in order shall take the precedence in the vote. It shall not be in order to re-consider the agreement to take the "previous question."

Rule 24.—When a motion is postponed indefinitely, it shall not come up again during the session.

ADJOURNMENT.

Rule 25.—A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except 1st, when a member is in possession of the floor; 2nd, when the yeas and nays are being called; 3rd, when the members are voting; 4th, when adjournment was the last preceding motion; or, 5th, when it has been decided that the previous question shall be taken.

Rule 26.—A motion to adjourn to a given time may be amended, and is open to debate.

QUESTIONS NOT DEBATEABLE.

Rule 27.—1st. A motion to adjourn, when to adjourn simply; 2nd, a motion to lay on the table when claiming privilege over another motion; 3rd, a motion for the previous question; 4th, a motion to re-consider; 5th, a motion to read a paper; 6th, a motion to take up particular items of business; 7th, questions of order whilst the previous question is pending; 8th, questions of order when not appealed from the decision of the W. P., or not submitted by him to the Division.

READING OF PAPERS.

Rule 28.—The reading of any paper called for, relating to the subject under debate, shall always be in order.

TAKING THE VOTE.

Rule 29.—When the presiding officer has commenced taking the vote, no further debate or remark shall be admitted, unless a mistake has been made; in which case the mistake shall be rectified, and the presiding officer shall recommence taking the vote.

Rule 30.—When the decision of any question is doubted, the presiding officer shall direct the Conductor and Assistant Conductor to count the votes in the affirmative and negative and report the same.

Rule 31.—The yeas and nays upon any question before the Division may be called for by any two members, and upon the assent of one-third of the members present, shall be so taken. They may be called for at any time before a peremptory decision of the vote by the chair.

Rule 32.—In taking the yeas and nays, the R. S. shall call the roll and record the yeas and nays; after the roll is called the result shall be read aloud to rectify mistakes, if any, after which the R. S. shall hand the vote to the W. P. who shall announce the same.

Rule 33.—In voting by yeas and nays, and by ballot, all present in regular standing in the Division must vote, unless excused by the Division, but no member shall vote who was not in the room at the time the question was put. A motion to excuse shall be decided without debate.

FILLING BLANKS.

Rule 34.—When any blank is to be filled by the names of persons, a vote shall be taken on the names in the order of their nomination; but when a blank is to be filled by any sum of money or time proposed, the question shall be first put on the largest sum of money and the most remote time.

RECONSIDERATION AND REPEAL.

Rule 35.—A question may be re-considered at the meeting when it was decided, if re-consideration be moved and seconded by two members of the majority on the decision. A question may be considered at the next meeting after its decision, on motion of any two members—provided that a notice of such motion be given at the meeting, when the question was taken, A vote for rejecting a candidate may be re-considered by motion of any members, at any period subsequent to the announcement of the vote. The re-consideration of a question places it before the meeting. If reconsideration be not followed by any action affecting the question, it remains as previously decided. No question shall be re-considered more than once; nor shall a vote to re-consider be re-considered.

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COMMITTEES AND THEIR REPORTS

Rule 37.—The member first named in the appointment of a special committee shall be convener of the same, and shall call the committee together at such time and place as he may select; but when thus convened, any committee shall have its own Chairman and Secretary.

Rule 38.—All reports of committees, except reports of progress, shall be made in writing and signed by the convener.

Rule 39.—When a majority report is followed by a report from the minority of a committee, the former shall lie on the table until the latter is presented on motion, either may be considered.

Rule 40.—When a report has been read and considered as properly before the Division with a view to its acceptance.

Rule 41.—All Committees shall be appointed by the Division unless otherwise provided for.

Rule 42.—All reports, &c., to be handed to the convener, who shall read the same.

