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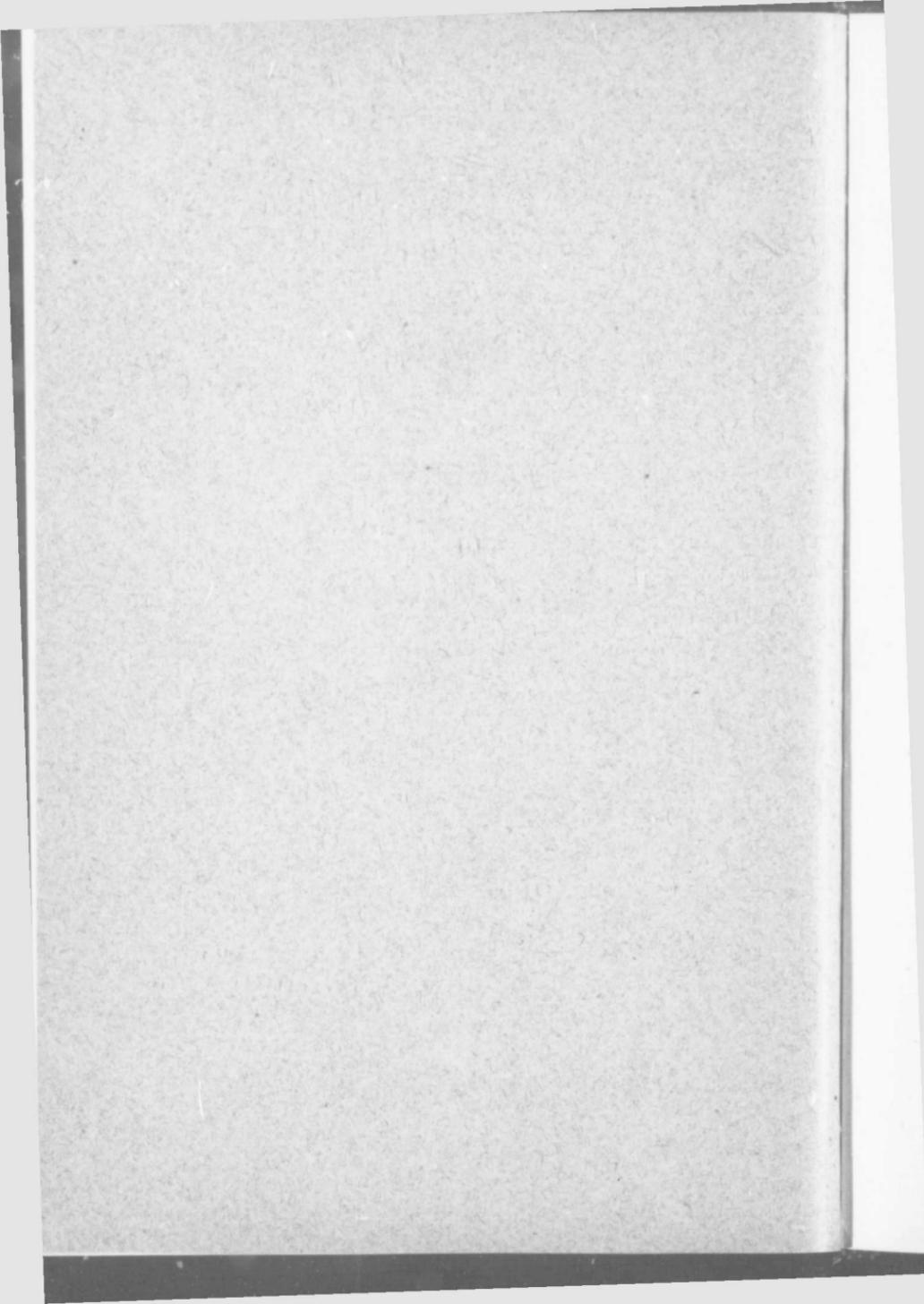
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## Historical Review of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

The Red Cross Society is an International Society, with branches or committees in every civilized country, working under the authority of the Geneva Convention, 1864.

The nominal headquarters are at Geneva, Switzerland.

Like other great philanthropic works, the Red Cross had its beginning in a very small way, and through the labours of one man, Henri Dunant, whose name deserves to be inscribed in letters of gold.

The Canadian Red Cross Society was organized in 1896 by Colonel George Sterling Ryerson, with the consent of and approval of the National Society for Aid to the Sick and Wounded in War, as by Letter of Authority dated at London, December 2nd, 1896.

It was the first Colonial Branch established in any country. It tendered its services to the belligerents in the Spanish-American War, but owing to the short duration and climatic conditions it was not able to accomplish very much in this war.

The Society was in the proud position of being ready for active work when the call came to Canada to assist in supporting the Empire in the war in South Africa, and it first solicited subscriptions from the people on October 5th, 1899. During the war fifty-three Local Branches were established throughout the Dominion of Canada, and the Society was the medium, through Red Cross channels, of contributing in kind to the amount of \$23,552.75, while the cash receipts were \$58,826.64.

This splendid showing was the result of the indefatigable and voluntary efforts of the following members of the Council: The President His Honour Colonel J. M. Gibson, Colonel George A. Sweny, D. R. Wilkie, Esq., J. T. Small, Esq., Mrs. Edith Boulton Nordheimer, Lieutenant-Colonel G. S. Ryerson, Colonel James Mason, Dr. C. R. Dickson, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, Honorary Secretary, and Dr. J. George Hodgins, Honorary Treasurer, the last five of whom, together with the President, composed the Executive Committee, of which Committee Colonel Mason was Chairman during the absence of Colonel Ryerson in South Africa.

The success of the movement was in the main due to the loyal and patriotic support given by the women of Canada, and the proud record of this, the first work of the Canadian Red Cross Society, will remain in the history of our country as a lasting testimony to the loyalty of all creeds and classes.

In order to ensure proper and effective distribution of supplies and other assistance, it was deemed necessary to send Colonel G. S. Ryerson, A.M.C., as Commissioner to South Africa. The zeal and energy of our Commissioner were commended in despatches of Lord Roberts and other generals.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. Lyons Biggar acted as Assistant Commissioner, and effectually carried on the work so ably begun by his predecessor.

Mr. J. T. Small, K.C., a member of the Council, undertook while in England in 1900 the important duty of looking after the Canadian sick and wounded in the hospitals there, pending their return to Canada.

Upon the close of the war the unexpended balance of \$7,000 was transferred to a trust fund, which balance is now in the hands of the Society for the special purpose for which it was originally subscribed.

The Society was incorporated as The Canadian Red Cross Society by Act of Parliament of the Dominion of Canada in 1909, and thus became the official channel of communication as between the public of Canada, the British Red Cross Society, and the Department of Militia and Defence of Canada, for the purposes of furnishing aid and assistance to the sick and wounded in war

#### ORGANIZATION OF BRANCHES.

The Council will proceed with the work of organizing Provincial and Local Branches, and to this end invite those interested in this branch of philanthropic work to communicate with the General Secretary, who will be pleased to furnish full information in respect to Red Cross Work.

It is expected that the Society will receive the hearty co-operation and willing aid of all loyal and patriotic Canadians of every class, creed and nationality.

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# OFFICERS

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## Canadian Red Cross Society

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Col. G. A. Sweny.

Col. James Mason.

Edward vii. Chap. 68, 8-9, 1910.

## CHARTER

### An Act to incorporate the Canadian Red Cross Society.

(ASSENTED TO 19TH MAY, 1909.)

**Preamble.**

Whereas an Association known as The Canadian Red Cross Society has been in operation for some years past, and was actively engaged during the late war in South Africa in contributing funds and tending the sick and wounded; and whereas the said association was in affiliation with the Society in England known as "The National Society for Aid to the Sick and Wounded in War," and the work, operations and powers of the last named Society have now been transferred to and are being carried on, under the patronage of His Majesty King Edward the Seventh, by The British Red Cross Society, with which The Canadian Red Cross Society has now become affiliated; and whereas the International Conference of Geneva of 1863 recommended: "That there should exist in every country a Committee whose mission consists in co-operating in times of war with the hospital service of the armies by all means in its power;" and whereas it is expedient that there should be a permanent organization in Canada in affiliation with the British Red Cross Society to carry out the purposes of the said treaty, and especially to secure supplies and to execute the humane objects contemplated by the said treaty, with the power to adopt and use the distinctive flag and badge specified by the said treaty in Article 7, on which shall be the sign of the Red Cross, and for the purpose of co-operating with the "Comité International de Secours aux Militaires Blessés;" and whereas it is expedient that the existing association in Canada should be incorporated for the purposes aforesaid; Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

**Incorporation.**

1. His Honour Colonel John Morison Gibson, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario; Sir Louis A. Davies, Ottawa; The Honourable George W. Ross, Toronto; The Honourable Hugh

John Macdonald, Winnipeg; The Honourable George A. Cox, Toronto; Colonel George Sterling Ryerson, Toronto; Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. D. Labelle, Montreal; Lieutenant-Colonel T. G. J. Loggie, Fredericton; Lieutenant-Colonel John Bayne MacLean, Toronto; Colonel Frederick Minden Cole, Montreal; Lieutenant-Colonel The Honourable John S. Hendrie, Hamilton; Lieutenant-Colonel William N. Ponton, Belleville; Lieutenant-Colonel George A. Sweny, Toronto; Lieutenant-Colonel John Irvine Davidson, Toronto; Colonel James Mason, Toronto; Colonel Sir Henry M. Pellatt, Toronto; Lieutenant-Colonel Hugh H. McLean, St. John, N.B.; Charles R. Dickson, M.D., Toronto; The Honourable George E. Foster, Toronto; Alexander MacNeill, Wiarton; The Honourable W. H. Montague, Winnipeg; Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, Victoria; Judge D. J. Hughes, St. Thomas; Justin Miller, Mayor of Ingersoll; John George W. Hodgins, LL.D., Toronto; James Algernon Temple, M.D., Toronto; Daniel R. Wilkie, Toronto; Thomas G. Roddick, M.D., Montreal; Frederick M. Montizambert, M.D., Ottawa; Henry S. Strathy, Toronto; John T. Small, K.C., Toronto; and Charles Alfred Hodgetts, M.D., Toronto; and the following ladies, presidents of local organizations: Mrs. H. A. Boomer, London; Mrs. Harrington, Dorchester, N.B.; Mrs. Cornella de Lanery Smith, Moncton, N.B.; Mrs. Helen Arnold, Sussex, N.B.; Mrs. Edith Boulton Nordheimer, Toronto; Mrs. Jennie C. McFadden, Brampton; Mrs. Florence A. Robertson, Newmarket; Mrs. Emma Tyrwhitt, Bradford; Mrs. Frances M. DuMoulin, Hamilton; Mrs. Emily C. Watson, Edmonton; Lady Tilley, St. John, N.B.; Mrs. Alberta Poulle, Sackville, N.B.; Mrs. Jessie McEwen, Brandon; Mrs. Annie Lett, Guelph; Mrs. Kate I. Hare, Whitby; and Mrs. A. I. Domville, Rothesay, N.B.; and their associates and successors are hereby created a body corporate and politic in and for the Dominion of Canada under the name of "The Canadian Red Cross Society," hereinafter called "the Society." Corporate name.

2. The purposes of the Society shall be:— Purposes.

(1) To furnish volunteer aid to the sick and wounded of armies in time of war, in accordance with the spirit and conditions of the conference of Geneva of October, 1863, and also of the treaty of the Red Cross or the treaty of Geneva of August twenty-second, 1864, to which Great Britain has given its adhesion. Aid to sick and wounded in war.

(2) To perform all the duties devolved upon a national society by each nation which has acceded to said treaty, but in affiliation with the said British Red Cross Society. Performance of national duties under Treaty of Geneva.

(3) To succeed to and take over all the rights and property heretofore or now held and enjoyed by, and all the duties heretofore performed by, the unincorporated association known as the Canadian Red Cross Society. Succession to former association.

Emblem and badge.

By-laws and regulations.

Authority to act under Treaty of Geneva.

Penalties for unlawful use of Society's name, badge, etc.

Acquisition and holding of property.

Limit of real estate.

Government of Society

Branches.

3. The Society shall have the right to have and use in carrying out its purposes as an emblem and badge a Greek Red Cross on a white ground as the same has been described in the treaty of Geneva dated the twenty-second day of August, 1864, and adopted by the several nations acceding thereto; and may make by-laws and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of Canada or of any province thereof; and generally may do all such acts and things as are necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Act and promote the purposes of the Society; and the Society is hereby designated as the Canadian organization which is authorized to act in matters of relief under the said treaty.

4. From and after the passing of this Act it shall be unlawful for any person within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada to falsely and fraudulently hold himself out as, or represent or pretend himself to be, a member of, or agent for, the Canadian Red Cross Society, for the purpose of soliciting, collecting or receiving money or material; or for any person to wear or display the sign of the Red Cross, or any insignia coloured in imitation thereof, for the fraudulent purpose of inducing the belief that he is a member of, or an agent for, the Canadian Red Cross Society. Nor shall it be lawful for any person or corporation, or their successors, other than the Canadian Red Cross Society, not now lawfully entitled to use the sign of the Red Cross, hereafter to use such sign or any insignia coloured in imitation thereof for the purposes of trade or as an advertisement to induce the sale of any article whatsoever. If any person violates the provisions of this section, he shall be guilty of an indictable offence and shall be liable to a fine of not less than one nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or both, for each and every offence. The fine so collected shall be paid to the Canadian Red Cross Society.

5. The Society may purchase, take, have, hold, possess, retain and enjoy any property, real or personal, corporeal or incorporeal, whatsoever, and for any or every estate or interest therein whatsoever, given, granted, devised, or bequeathed to it, or appropriated, purchased, or acquired by it in any manner or way whatsoever, to, for, or in favour of the uses and purposes of the Society.

(2) The annual value of the real estate held in Canada by or in trust for the Society shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.

6. The governing body of the Society shall consist of a Central Council, numbering eighteen persons, to be elected immediately after the passing of this Act by the corporators above named. It shall be the duty of the Central Council to organize with as little delay as possible branches in the various provinces of Canada under such rules as the Central Council may prescribe; and upon the formation of such branches each province shall be entitled to appoint one member of the Central Council specially to represent it,

such member so to be appointed to be in addition to the eighteen above named.

(2) The said eighteen members of the Central Council shall be elected each for three years, retiring members being eligible for re-election by all the then members of the Society.

Election of  
members of  
Central  
Council.

(3) The Central Council shall have the power to appoint an executive committee of seven of its members, five of whom shall be a quorum, who, when the Central Council is not in session, shall have and exercise all the powers of the Central Council.

Executive  
Committee

7. The Society shall, not later than the thirty-first day of January of each year, furnish to the Minister of Militia and Defence a report of its proceedings for the previous calendar year, including a full, complete and itemized report of receipts and expenditures of whatever kind, which report shall be duly audited by the Department of Militia and Defence.

Report of  
Proceedings.

(2) If for the space of one month the Society neglects or refuses to furnish such report the Society shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars for every day during which such default continues, and any member of the Society who knowingly or wilfully authorizes or permits such default shall be liable to the like penalty.

Penalty for  
not furnishing  
report.

# The Canadian Red Cross Society

## By-Laws and Regulations

At a meeting held at Government House, Toronto, on 20th December, 1909, His Honour Colonel John Morison Gibson, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, in the chair, the Corporators of the Canadian Red Cross Society, founded in 1896 and incorporated by an Act of the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, passed in the ninth year of the reign of His Majesty King Edward VII. as Chapter 68, adopted the following By-Laws and Regulations:—

### OBJECTS.

1. The Canadian Red Cross Society, hereinafter called "the Society," having been incorporated by an Act of the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada to carry out the purposes of the Treaties of Geneva and to co-operate with the "Comité International de Secours aux Militaires Blessés," in affiliation with the British Red Cross Society, in furnishing aid to the sick and wounded in time of war, the aforesaid Act of Incorporation is the Charter, and the purposes of the Society shall be those set forth therein.

(2) The aims and objects of the Society shall be to collect funds and material, and to provide assistance in time of war. Such aid and assistance will be supplementary to that furnished by the official Naval and Military Medical Departments concerned and will consist of such additional comforts and such general help as may be considered beyond the reasonable scope of the official bodies.

2. The Society will be concerned in the organization of the Red Cross movement throughout Canada, and will promote by every means in its power an interest in Red Cross work and a familiarity with its details.

3. The Society shall examine, systematise, and co-ordinate all offers of help, in order to prevent waste and overlapping and render them of the utmost possible value.

4. In time of war the Society shall co-operate with the Department of Militia and Defence of Canada or the British Red Cross Society.

### MEMBERSHIP,

5. The Society may enrol Members, Life Members and Associates.  
 (a) Members shall be those who subscribe and pay annually

the sum of two dollars to the Society's funds. (b) Life Members shall be those who contribute the sum of twenty-five dollars to the Society's funds. (c) Associates shall be those who subscribe and pay annually the sum of one dollar to the Society's funds.

(2) Only those members who have conformed to the above Regulations shall be entitled to vote at any election of officers or at any meeting of the Society.

## FINANCES.

6. The Society, having by the Act of Incorporation succeeded to and taken over all the rights and property heretofore held and enjoyed by the unincorporated association known as the Canadian Red Cross Society, including a Trust Fund now at the credit of Trustees, such capital sum shall remain in the hands of the said Trustees until others shall be appointed by the Central Council of the Society, and such Trust Fund shall only be expended in the event of war in which British troops are engaged. No existing funds of the Society, whether belonging to the Trust Fund above mentioned, or derived from donations or from the subscriptions of members or associates, will be employed in rendering aid in any war except those in which British troops are engaged.

(2) Where belligerents other than British are engaged in war and are accepting aid through the British Red Cross Society, the Council may determine whether aid shall be rendered to the sick and wounded in such war. Should the Council determine to render aid, the funds or material required shall be raised by a special appeal to the public.

7. The Central Council may enact from time to time that certain sums derived from the interest of the Trust Fund aforesaid or from other sources shall be used for the conduct of the business of the Society.

8. The Council shall have the power to appoint, as required, from time to time, Trustees to be custodians of special funds, present or future, and each trust so created shall be administered by at least three Trustees, who shall provide proper bonds for the same, when so requested.

## ORGANIZATION.

9. The governing body of the Society shall be the Central Council (hereinafter called "the Council"), numbering eighteen persons, elected in the first place by the Corporators named in the aforesaid Act, and thereafter triennially by the then members of the Society at an annual meeting, and in addition one member for each duly organized Province, appointed as hereinafter provided.

10. The Council shall meet as often as the interests of the Society require; nine members shall constitute a quorum, and a majority vote shall determine the result of any action under consideration.

11. The President or any three members of the Council may call a meeting of the Council.

12. The Council shall prepare annually a certified balance sheet, showing all moneys received, either directly by them or from Branches, together with the details of the manner in which such moneys have been invested or expended, and shall prepare the report to be furnished by the Society to the Minister of Militia and Defence not later than the thirty-first day of January of each year.

13. The Council shall appoint an Executive Committee of seven of its members (five of whom shall be a quorum), who, when the Council is not in session shall, pursuant to the Act of Incorporation, have and exercise all the powers of the Council.

14. The Council or the Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint special committees and to appoint on the same members of the Society other than members of the Executive Committee.

15. The Council shall be empowered to appoint Honorary Solicitors to the Society.

16. The Council may, with the consent and approval of the Minister of Militia and Defence or of the British Red Cross Society as occasion may require, appoint a Commissioner or Commissioners in time of war, to carry out the active work of the Society at the seat of war, in conjunction with the British Red Cross Society. The duties and powers of such Commissioner or Commissioners shall be laid down in warrants and instructions to be issued from time to time by the Council.

17. The Council shall have power to adopt measures for the encouragement and organization of schemes for voluntary aid detachments, instruction in first aid, improvised accommodation, transport of wounded, nursing and other useful auxiliary aid in time of war.

18. The Council shall establish Provincial Branches, and adopt rules and forms for the organization and working thereof, and for the organization and operation of local or subsidiary Branches under the said Provincial Branches, wherever it may be deemed advisable or expedient, and defining the relations between such Provincial and local or subsidiary Branches and their respective powers and duties, and upon formation of such Branches, each Province so organized shall be entitled to appoint annually one member of the Central Council to specially represent it.

(2) Where no Provincial Branch shall have been organized or established in any Province, the Council may organize local Branches in such Province directly under its own authority.

(3) Each Provincial, or subsidiary or local Branch, duly organized and established, shall receive a warrant authorizing it to use the Society's name and badge in the collection of funds and material, or in the work of the Society, together with regulations for its guidance. No Branch will be recognized and no warrant issued until organization of such Branch is completed by the appointment of its officers.

(4) The Council may at any time for what it may deem and consider sufficient cause cancel and withdraw the warrant of a Local Branch, and such Local Branch shall *ipso facto* cease to exist, and all funds, property and records of such Local Branch shall be forthwith handed over to the Executive Committee of its Provincial Branch, or to the General Secretary of the Society, as the case may be. Nothing in this by-law shall prevent the re-establishment of a Local Branch in such locality.

### PRESIDENT.

19. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a General Secretary (hereinafter called "the Secretary"), and an Honorary Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by the Council. Any vacancy occurring in the Council or any office during a recess shall be filled by the Council.

20. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and perform such other duties as by usage pertain to his office. The President shall be *ex-officio* Chairman of the Council, but shall vote therein only in case of a tie.

(2) The Vice-Presidents shall assist the President in the performance of his duties, and in his absence or at his request one of them shall preside at any meeting of the Society, and perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to the Chair.

### GENERAL SECRETARY.

21. The Secretary shall give written or printed notice of the annual or other meetings of the Society to all members of the Society by mailing same to their post office addresses as on record in his office at least three weeks prior to the date of such meeting. He shall keep a register of the members of the Society. He shall attend with the documents and records of the Society, and shall keep a record of the annual and other meetings of the Society, of its Committees, when requested, and of the Council, and shall be *ex-officio* Clerk of the Council.

(2) The Secretary shall receive all reports and communications and shall file them with the other records, subject to the order of the Council. He shall be the custodian of the sea. books, records,

manuscripts and all other property of the Society, with the exception of the real estate, funds deposited with the Treasurer, any trust funds held by Trustees, and funds held by Branches.

(3) The Secretary shall conduct and supervise all correspondence of the Society. He shall superintend the publication of the annual report and of any other literature of the Society, under the direction of the Council, and the proper distribution of the same, and shall perform all the ordinary duties of his office.

(4) The Secretary shall collect all moneys due the Society and shall transfer the same to the Treasurer as received. He shall pay all accounts approved by the Executive Committee by cheque of the Treasurer, countersigned by the President and by himself, and shall take proper vouchers therefor.

(5) The Secretary shall bring in a properly classified annual report of the business transacted since the last annual meeting, which, together with his books and vouchers, shall be duly audited.

(6) The Secretary shall complete all business in his department arising during his tenure of office before handing over his documents to the Council. He shall, not later than the thirty-first day of January in each year, transmit to the Minister of Militia and Defence the report of the Society for the previous calendar year, as adopted by the Council.

(7) The Council may at its discretion appoint from time to time an Assistant Secretary to aid the Secretary in his duties, and provide for the remuneration of the Secretary or such Assistant.

## HONORARY TREASURER.

22. The Honorary Treasurer shall receive from the Secretary all funds of the Society as the same are paid in. He shall open an account in the name of the Society in a bank approved of by the Council, and shall deposit therein all funds received by him. He shall be accountable for the safe keeping of all funds in his charge.

(2) He shall sign all cheques of the Society required for payment of such accounts as are approved by the Executive Committee, when the same are properly countersigned by the President and the Secretary.

(3) The Honorary Treasurer shall present a report at the annual meeting of the Society, which, together with his books and vouchers, shall be examined by the Auditors; and, when called upon by the Council, shall hand over to his successor in office, or anyone appointed by the Council to receive them, all moneys, papers, vouchers, books, or other property in his possession belonging to the Society, for which proper receipt shall be given to him.

## MEETINGS.

23. The Head Office of the Society shall be in the City of Toronto, and the Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held each year in the said city at such time and place as shall be determined by the Council.

(2) Special or emergency meetings of the Society may be called at any time by the President, or upon a requisition signed by twenty members of the Society, or five members of the Council.

(3) At all meetings for the election of officers or for considering amendments to by-laws and regulations, a quorum of at least fifteen members shall be necessary.

(4) All elections of officers shall be by ballot, the result being determined by a majority vote of those present and voting. In the case of proposed amendments to the By-Laws and Regulations, a two-thirds majority vote by ballot shall be necessary.

24. The Society shall appoint at each annual meeting two Auditors, to whom the Secretary and Treasurer shall submit their accounts, annual statements and vouchers. Each item shall be compared with its corresponding voucher, and the result submitted in a report to the Society at its next annual meeting.

25. The Seal affixed to these By-Laws and Regulations is hereby adopted as, and declared to be, the Corporate Seal of this Society.

26. Any By-Law or Regulation of the Society may be altered, amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote by ballot of all members of the Society present and voting at an Annual Meeting of the Society, but not less than fifteen members must be present, provided that notice of the proposed amendment, together with the names of proposer and seconder, shall have been given in writing to the Secretary at least one month prior to such Annual Meeting of the Society, and provided further, that at least three clear weeks' notice, in the manner aforesaid, together with copy of proposed amendment, shall have been sent to each member of the Society.



## Rules of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

The following rules have been adopted by the Central Council of The Canadian Red Cross Society for the organization and conduct of Branches of the Society:—

### PROVINCIAL BRANCHES.

I. Each Province of the Dominion of Canada is entitled to have established in it a Provincial Branch of the Society, to bear the name of the Province, under the special patronage of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, who is *ex officio* a Vice-Patron of the Society.

II. Each Provincial Branch duly established and organized shall receive from the Central Council a Warrant authorizing such Branch to use the name and badge of the Society in the collection of funds and material, or in other work of the Society, together with Rules for its guidance.

III. No Provincial Branch will be recognized and no Warrant will be issued until the organization of such Branch is completed by the appointment or election of its officers and committee, and a report of the same forwarded to the Central Council of the Society.

IV. The officers of a Provincial Branch shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, an Honorary Secretary and an Honorary Treasurer. There shall also be an Executive Committee.

V. All officers and all members of the Executive Committee of a Provincial Branch shall be elected or appointed in such manner as the Provincial Branch shall determine, and all must qualify as Members of the Society, as hereinafter provided.

VI. Upon the formation of Provincial Branches, each Province so organized, upon reporting the same to the Central Council, shall be entitled to appoint annually one Member of the Central Council of the Society to specially represent it.

VII. The duties of a Provincial Branch shall be to assist and co-operate with the Central Council in

- (a) collecting funds and material and providing assistance in time of war;
- (b) the organization of Red Cross work throughout the Province;
- (c) promoting an interest in Red Cross work and a familiarity with its details.

VIII. In time of war all monies and contributions of material are subject to the order of the Central Council.

IX. Money or contributions of material must in no case be forwarded direct to the scene of hostilities or to any other destination, except by permission and authority of the Central Council. When such permission is granted, accurate records of such transactions must be kept by the Branch, and report thereof furnished immediately to the Central Council.

X. Each Provincial Branch shall hold an Annual Meeting for the election of its officers and of an Executive Committee, and for the transaction of other business, not later than the second Friday in the month of November in each year.

XI. Provincial Branches shall report annually direct to the Central Council of the Society not later than the first day of December in each year.

The money collected by a Provincial Branch may remain with the Branch, provided that the Central Council is informed annually of the amount so held, or it may be forwarded to the Central Council with the Annual Report, less a deduction for the local expenses of the Provincial Branch.

XII. The Annual Report of a Provincial Branch shall contain

- (1) a complete list of the names of the officers and members of the Executive Committee and other members of such Provincial Branch;
- (2) a similar list of the officers, committees and members of all Local or subsidiary Branches in its jurisdiction;
- (3) a record of all subscriptions, contributions and donations, receipts and expenditures for the current year and of the amount of cash on hand;
- (4) a report of its proceedings and that of its Local Branches for the current year;
- (5) and such other information as may from time to time be required by the Central Council.

#### LOCAL BRANCHES.

XIII. It will be the duty of each Provincial Branch to organize as speedily as possible subsidiary or Local Branches in the cities, towns or other municipalities of the Province, which shall receive instructions from and shall report to their respective Provincial Branches. Immediately upon the organization of such a subsidiary Branch, the Provincial Branch will notify the Central Council of the Society.

XIV. The Central Council will issue a Warrant to each Local Branch duly organized, authorizing such Branch to use the name and badge of the Society in enrolling Members and Associates, in collecting funds and material, or in other work of the Society,

and the Council will furnish Rules for the guidance of the Branch.

XV. No Local Branch will be recognized and no Warrant issued until the organization of such Local Branch is completed by the election or appointment of its officers and committee, and a report of the same is furnished to its Provincial Branch.

XVI. Where no Provincial Branch shall have been established or organized in any Province, the Central Council may organize Local Branches in such Province directly under the authority of the Council. Such Local Branches shall report to the Central Council and shall be answerable only to the Council. They shall report annually not later than the first day of December in each year.

XVII. Any person desiring to form a Local Branch in an unorganized district should make application to the Central Council through the General Secretary of the Society. If the application is approved, a Letter of Authorization and instructions will be sent to the applicant.

XVIII. The officers of a Local Branch shall be a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and an Honorary Secretary-Treasurer. There shall also be a Committee.

XIX. All officers and all members of the Committee of a Local Branch must qualify as Members of the Society as hereinafter provided, and the Branch shall elect its officers at its Annual Meeting, which must be held not later than the first Friday in October in each year.

XX. Each Local Branch shall be self-sustaining and self-managing, subject to the Warrant and Rules. It shall make such Standing Orders as are thought fit for the transaction of its own business, and shall be answerable for the conduct of its affairs to the Provincial Branch unless located in an otherwise unorganized district.

XXI. The duties of a Local Branch shall be

- (1) To enrol Members, Life Members and Associates.
- (2) To collect subscriptions and donations of money and material.
- (3) To adopt measures, if desired, for the encouragement and organization of schemes for voluntary aid detachments, instruction in first aid, improvised accommodation, transport of wounded, nursing, and other useful auxiliary aid in time of war, and thus foster by means of lectures, demonstrations and discussions, an interest in Red Cross work.
- (4) To ascertain the particular form which the Branch would wish their aid to take in time of war.

- (5) To co-operate with the Central Council in such work cognate to the object of the Society as may be approved by the Council.
- (6) To furnish to the Executive Committee of the Provincial Branch an Annual Report of the work of the Branch, as well as an Annual Statement of accounts.

XXII. Local Branches may enrol Members, Life Members and Associates:

- (a) Members shall subscribe and pay annually the sum of Two Dollars to the funds of the Society.
- (b) Life Members shall contribute the sum of Twenty-five Dollars to the funds of the Society.
- (c) Associates shall subscribe and pay annually the sum of One Dollar to the funds of the Society.
- (d) All subscriptions shall be paid to the Honorary Secretary of the Provincial Branch, or the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the Local Branch.
- (e) Only those members who have conformed to the above Rules shall be entitled to vote at any election of officers or at any meeting of the Society or its Branches, or shall be eligible to serve as an officer or on a committee.

XXIII. A specially designed card will be issued by the Executive Committee of the Provincial Branch for Members, Life Members and Associates, on the receipt of due instructions from a Local Branch. These cannot be issued until the subscription for the current year has been paid.

XXIV. In order to prevent unnecessary duplication of work and supplies, collection of the latter by Local Branches should be deferred until the Central Council makes a call upon the several Provincial Branches for concerted action, when the work which each Local Branch may find itself able to do will be duly apportioned to it.

XXV. Although Local Branches may adopt their own methods of procedure in collecting funds or material required for the Society, all irregular methods must be guarded against and avoided, and when considered necessary published warning against unauthorized collectors given to the public.

XXVI. All receipts of subscriptions and donations shall be acknowledged upon official receipt forms to be obtained from the General Secretary of the Society.

XXVII. No Local Branch is authorized to collect funds or material for purposes other than the work of the Society as defined by its Charter and the Warrant and Rules.

XXVIII. Each Local Branch shall keep and maintain a list of its Members and Associates, together with a record of all subscriptions and contributions received, and shall annually report its position and its proceedings, with a list of the names of its officers, of its committees and its members to the Executive Committee of the Provincial Branch, to which it shall forward at the same time its cash on hand after deducting its local expenses. This report, with the accompanying cash, must reach the Executive Committee of the Provincial Branch not later than the twenty-first day of October in each year.

XXIX. No funds can be received or accepted from any source when accompanied by conditions which it may be inexpedient or impossible for the Central Council of the Society to observe or carry out.

XXX. Local Branches shall report to their respective Provincial Branches in all matters, and Provincial Branches shall report to, and be directly responsible to, the Central Council of the Society. All Warrants and Rules shall be issued by the Central Council alone.

XXXI. The badge of the Society is a Greek Red Cross on a white ground, as the same has been described in the Treaty of Geneva, dated the twenty-second day of August, 1864, and the use of such badge by others than Members of the Society is an indictable offence, punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both, as provided for in Section 4 of the Act of Incorporation.

XXXII. The Honorary Secretary-Treasurers of Local Branches will obtain the necessary official receipt forms, cards of membership, literature, badges, stationery and other supplies, from the Honorary Secretary of the Provincial Branch concerned, who in turn shall secure them as required from the General Secretary of the Society, to whom all correspondence for the Central Council should be directed, and from whom any information relating to the work of the Society not covered by these Rules may be obtained.

XXXIII. The Honorary Secretary-Treasurers of Local Branches in otherwise unorganized districts will communicate directly with the General Secretary of the Society for supplies, instructions and information, and shall forward to him or to a destination designated by him all material and funds secured by such Branch, less a deduction for the local expenses of the Branch.

Address of the General Secretary of the Society:

~~MAJOR C. A. HODGKINS, M.D., A.M.C.~~

~~Parliament Buildings,~~

~~Toronto.~~

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# Canadian Red Cross Society

## Receipts and Payments

*For year ending 31st December, 1909.*

### RECEIPTS.

Cash in Dominion Bank 1st January, 1909 .....	\$9,416 81	
Interest on above .....	273 55	
Subscriptions:		
Col. Gibson .....	\$25 00	
Col. Mason .....	25 00	
		50 00
		\$9,740 36

### PAYMENTS.

Clerk of the Senate of Canada, fees and charges re application for incorporation, Canadian Red Cross Society .....	\$ 210 00	
E. P. Hartney, Esq., Examiner Private Bills, House of Commons .....	200 00	
C. A. Hodgetts, Esq., M.D., for disbursements re Bill .....	47 57	
Cash in Dominion Bank 31st December, 1909 ....	\$9,232 79	
" in Home Bank .....	50 00	9,282 79
		\$9,740 36

Audited and found correct, 15th January, 1910, Toronto.

*H. D. LOCKHART GORDON, F.C.A. (Can.),*

*Chartered Accountant.*

