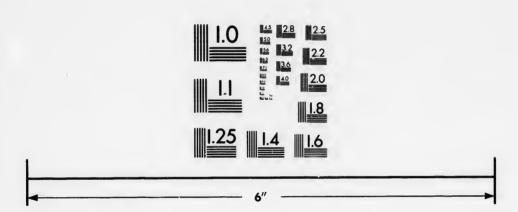


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## CONSTITUTION.

## ARTICLE I.

This Company shall be known by the name of the "Mayflower Company, Co. B. of the 63rd Halifax Rifles."

## ARTICLE II.

The Company shall be commanded by such officers as the Dominion regulations allow.

## ARTICLE III.

The Captain shall have the entire Military control of the Company, and shall be an ex-officion member of all committees. He shall conduct all communications with Head Quarters; but nothing shall be done by him which may in any way affect the interests of the Company, except with the approval of the other officers.

## ARTICLE IV.

The management of the financial and non-military affairs of the Company shall be vested in a committee of six, to be elected from the active members of the Company as hereinafter provided. There shall also be a Treasurer (an officer or non-commissioned officer) and Secretary and an Auditing Committee of Two.

#### ARTICLE V.

The annual meeting of the Company shall be held on the first Tuesday in April, at which reports from the Committee of Management and Treasurer for the past year shall be submitted, and election of office bearers for the ensuing year shall take place. All office bearers shall be eligible for re-election.

## ARTICLE VI.

A special meeting may be held at any time on receipt of a requisition by the Captain signed by 12 members of the Company containing the reasons for calling the meeting. The Captain shall have the power without such requisition.

## ARTICLE VII.

Each member shall pay towards the funds of the Company the sum of Two Dollars per annum.

## ARTICLE VIII.

At the death of any active member of the Company he shall be buried with military honors.

## ARTICLE IX.

The Constitution and Bye-Laws shall be signed by every member on joining.

## ARTICLE X.

The Constitution and Bye-Laws of this Company shall not be altered, amended or repealed, except at a general meeting of the Company called for that purpose, and upon a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

## BYE-LAWS.

#### SECTION I.

At the meetings of the Company the Captain shall preside, and in his absence the next senior officer. 12 members shall form a quorem.

#### SECTION II.

Rules of Order at meetings:

1. Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting.

2. Reports of Office-bearers and Committees, if any.

3. At annual meeting—Election of Office bearers.

4. At annual meeting—Secretary's Salary

5 General Business.

#### SECTION III.

All promotions shall be in accordance with Battalion Regulations.

## SECTION IV.

The junior commissioned officer shall be elected by ballot and shall have a majority of the votes of the Company. Should no candidate receive the necessary majority of votes at the first ballot, and there should be more than two candidates, the chairman shall throw out

the name of the one having the least number of votes and proceed to take a fresh ballot.

#### SECTION V.

The Lance Corporals shall be elected singly by ballot, as follows: The Captain shall nominate three candidates, and the one receiving the most votes shall be recommended by the Captain for promotion.

#### SECTION VI.

No person shall be admitted into this Company unless proposed by a member to the Committee of Management, and said committee shall have the power to elect (subject to the approval of the Captain), and any two of the committee voting against a candidate he shall be rejected.

#### SECTION VII.

The Managing Committee shall be proposed and elected at the annual meeting. Should more than six members be proposed the election will be by ballot, and the six candidates having the largest number of votes shall be declared elected.

## SECTION VIII.

The duties of the Managing Committee will be to make arrangements for the annual firing, to prepare prize list, approve of candidates for membership, make annual report, and transact all other financial and non-military affairs of the Company. They shall meet when necessary and four shall form a quorum.

## SECTION 1X.

The Treasurer shall be elected by bailot at the annual meeting of the Company, and it shall be his duty to take charge of the funds of the Company He shall keep regular accounts of his receipts and disbursements which he shall produce at the annual meeting, regularly audited by the Auditing Committee. All payments on behalf of the Company shall be made by the Treasurer upon a written order signed by any three members of the Committee of Manage-The Treasurer shall not at any time retain more than the sum of five dollars in his hands, but shall deposit to the credit of the Company into such Bank as the Committee of Management shall direct. All withdrawal cheques shall be countersigned by the Secretary.

#### SECTION X

The Secretary shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting, and it shall be his duty to attend all meetings of the Company and of the Committee of Management, keeping a true and correct minute of proceedings thereat. He shall also conduct the correspondence of the Company and of the Committee of Management, and issue the notices of drill and parades by order of the Commanding Officer, and keep a roll book of the attendance at same, and attend to all such other business connected with the affairs of the Company as the Captain and the Committee of Management may direct. The Secretary shall

be exempt from dues, and shall receive as remuneration for his services such sum as the Company shall vote.

#### SECTION XI.

The Auditors shall examine the accounts and books to be presented at the annual meeting of the Company.

#### SECTION XII.

Leave of absence may be granted by the Captain for sickness or absence from the city, in which case a written pass must be deposited with the Secretary before the date of exemption. Leave shall not count for or against.

## SECTION XIII.

Members who fail to attend half the number of drills up to the date of the annual Company firing, will not be permitted to participate in the prize list.

#### SECTION XIV.

Any member absenting himself from drill for two months continuously, without leave of absence, shall be specially notified by the Secretary, and if he fails to give a satisfactory ex planation within a month he shall be dealt with according to regulations.

#### SECTION XV:

Honorary Members may be elected on the nomination of any two active members of the Company, and such Honorary Members shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Company, with the exception of the right to vote or to compete for prizes in the annual target practice.

#### SECTION XVI.

All describes paid by the individual owing them be see the payment of the annual grant, the Captain shall have power to retain the same.

#### SECTION XVII.

When a member submits or speaks to a motion he must rise, address himself to the chair, strictly confining himself to the question under consideration, and carefully avoiding all personalities or unbecoming language. When called to order he shall take his seat until the point is settled. When more than one member rise at one time to speak, the chairman shall decide who is entitled to the floor. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or longer than ten minutes at a time (except to explain) and when he is speaking no one shall interrupt him except for the purpose of calling him to order.

#### SECTION XVIII.

No person shall be eligible for admission as a member of the Company who is less than five feet six inches in height in his stockings

## SECTION XIX.

An Officer in temporary command of the Company shall enjoy all the privileges and powers herein vested in the Captain.

