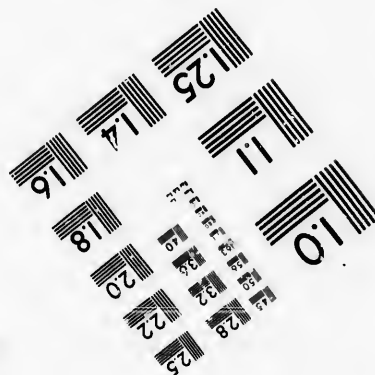
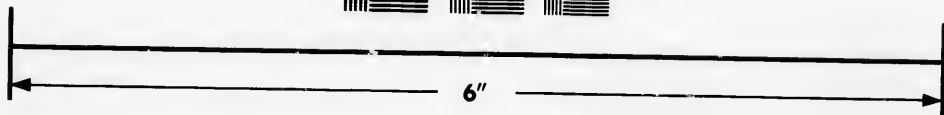
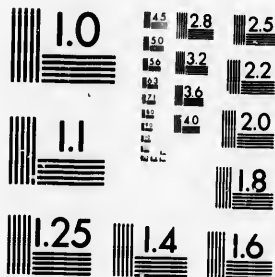


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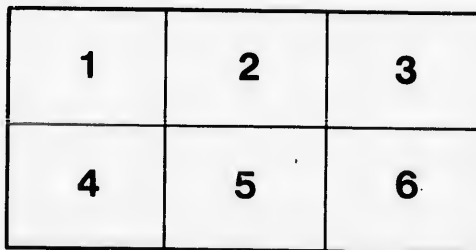
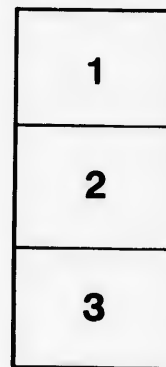
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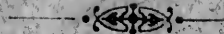
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OFFICERS.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Hon. Wilfrid Laurier.

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PRESIDENT—Alexander Mitchell.

VICE-PRESIDENTS— $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Edward Guerin.} \\ \text{W. A. Weir.} \end{array} \right.$

HON. SECRETARY—TREASURER—Chas. A. L. Fisher.

HON. ASSISTANT—TREASURER—Charles Archer.

CONSTITUTION
OF
The Liberal Club of Montreal.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

This club shall be called The Liberal Club of Montreal.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

The Object of this Club shall be the promotion of sound political education and organization, in the interests of the Liberal Party of Canada.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

MEMBERS.

All Liberals are eligible to become members upon being proposed and seconded (with their address) in writing, and elected by a majority, upon a show of hands, unless five members require a ballot, in which case the ballot shall be taken only at a subsequent meeting.

The annual subscription shall be one dollar payable in advance ; and no new name shall be entered on the regular membership roll, until such subscription has been paid. It is a condition of membership, that before voting, members shall have paid their subscription.

Any member over one year in arrears for dues shall be removed from the membership roll.

None but members shall be permitted to be at the meeting of the club, unless vouched for by a member, and with the consent of the chair.

A regular register of the names and addresses of the members of the club shall be kept.

Any member may render himself liable to expulsion, by such acts or misconduct as involve a breach of the principles of the club, or a gross violation of his obligations as such member.

Any charge preferred against a member under the above clauses shall be sent in writing to the Secretary and signed by the member preferring it. The Secretary shall thereupon communicate the same to the council who

may upon investigation reject the charge, if it deems the offence or evidence insufficient, or report to a general meeting of the club called for that purpose; provided that in the latter case the member charged shall have two weeks' notice of such meeting.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

The officers of this club shall consist of an Hon. President, Hon. Vice-President, a President, first and second Vice-Presidents, a Secretary-Treasurer, and an Assistant Secretary; speaking and writing both languages, to be elected at the annual meeting by the members present, in good standing, the vote to be by ballot whenever there are more than one nominated for the same office.

ARTICLE III.

COUNCIL.

The Council shall consist of ten members in good standing, to be elected by ballot at the annual meeting.

All office-bearers shall be ex-officio members of the council. Seven shall constitute a quorum at meetings of the council.

ARTICLE IV.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COUNCIL.

(1) The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and shall preserve proper order. He shall also, in conjunction with the Sec'y-Treas. call the annual and special meetings of the club.

(2) The Vice-Presidents shall assist the President, whenever necessary, in the discharge of his duties, and in the absence of the President, one of them shall preside in his place. In the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents the meeting shall elect a chairman from among the members present.

(3) The Sec'y-Treas. shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the annual and special meetings. He shall also, on the request of the President, call the meetings of the club, and shall also keep a faithful and accurate account of the finances of the club, and prepare and read a statement of receipts and expenditure accompanied by proper vouchers, at each annual meeting, or whenever required to do so by the officers, or a majority of them.

In the absence of the Sec'y-Treas. the Assistant Secretary shall be called upon to act; in his absence the members shall elect a Secretary pro tem.

(4) COUNCIL :- It shall be the duty of the Council to take an active interest in the prosperity of the club, and in the organization of the party in the city of Montreal; to meet for the purpose of examining the voter's list from time to time, and take such action thereon as may be necessary; to promote the distribution of campaign literature and to request the President to call special meetings of the club, whenever the interests of the Liberal cause may require such action.

ARTICLE V.

CLUB YEAR.

The Club Year shall be from the first day of October to the first day of October following.

ARTICLE VI.

MEETINGS.

- (1) The annual meeting shall be held on the second Thursday in October.
- (2) The President shall call special meetings on the written request of any

five members of the council.

(3) Any fifteen qualified members shall have power to call upon the President to convene a general meeting of the club, which meeting of the club shall be announced, either by advertisement in one daily English paper, or by special notice sent to each member of the club.

(4) The quorum at a general meeting of the club shall consist of fifteen qualified members.

(5) Regular meetings shall be held on the second Thursday in each month.

ARTICLE VII.

RULES OF ORDER.

The rules of order and procedure of business at all ordinary and special meetings of the club shall be as follows :

1. Reading of the Minutes.
2. " " Correspondence.
3. " " Reports.
4. Election and proposal of new Members.
5. Unfinished business.
6. New business.

But at the annual meeting of the club the Election of Officers and Council shall take place immediately after item 3 in above order of procedure.

ARTICLE VIII.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS,

(1) The Nominations for Officers and Council shall take place on the second Thursday in September, and the Election from those then nominated at the annual meeting in October following.

(2) Nominations must be made in writing by two members in good standing at the time, and the said members must be in good standing for the election at the annual meeting following.

(3) When there are more than one nominee for an office a ballot must be taken, and the candidate receiving the lowest vote must then withdraw, and a second or more ballots be taken, as before if necessary, until only two candidates remain for a final ballot, the one then receiving the plurality vote to be declared elected. In the case of a tie, the casting vote of the President or Chairman to decide the election.

(4) For the Council ten candidates receiving the highest votes on the first ballot, shall be elected.

ARTICLE IX.

MOTIONS &c.

All Motions &c., with the names of the mover and seconder, to be made in writing, or they will not be received by the President or Chairman.

ARTICLE X.

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION.

Any amendment or addition to the Constitution and By-Laws, must be proposed at a regular meeting of the club, and action taken thereon at the following meeting. It shall require a two-thirds vote of the members in good standing at the meeting to make such alterations or additions.

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