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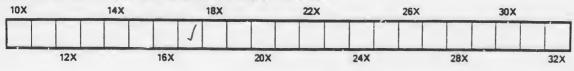
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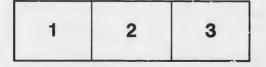
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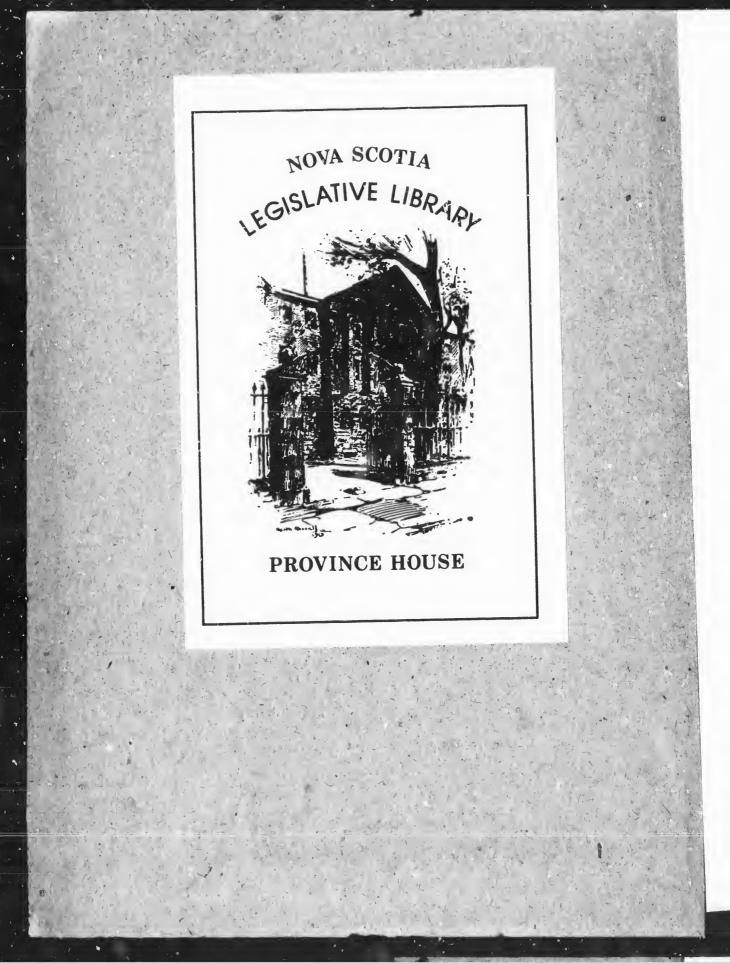
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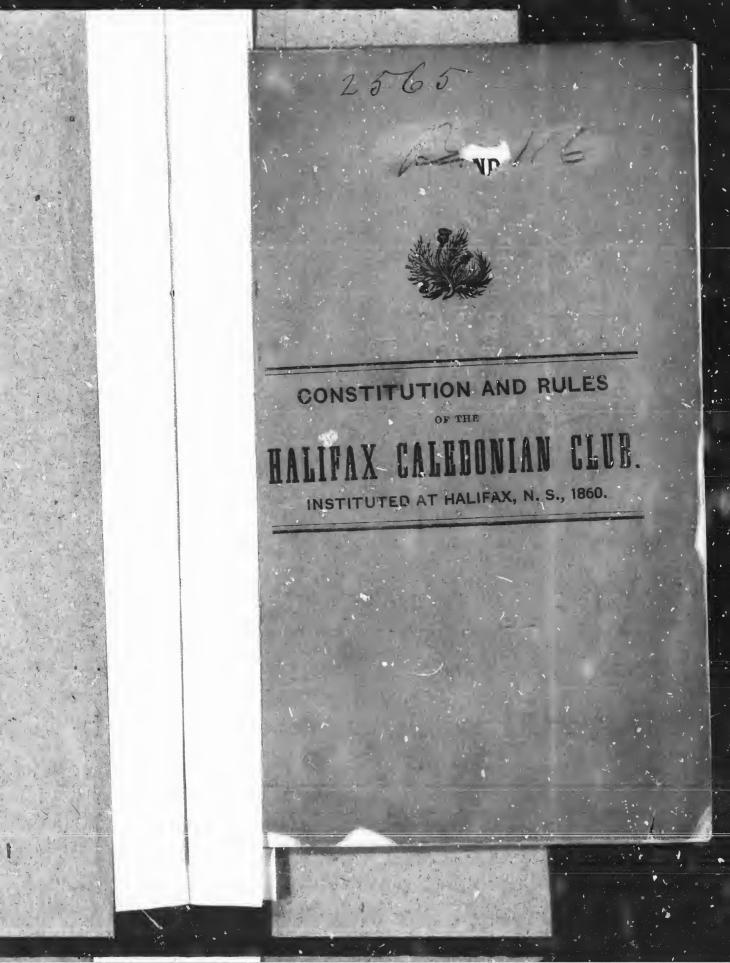
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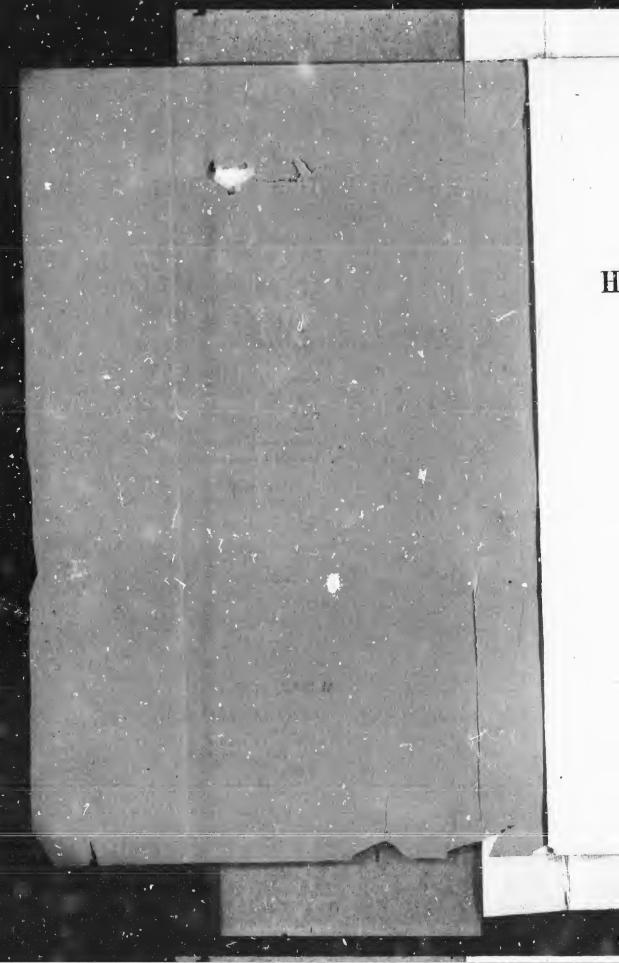
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CONSTITUTION AND RULES

OF THE

HALIFAX CALEDONIAN CLUB.

(INSTITUTED 1860.)

Clann nan gaidheal, ri guailibh a cheile!

"Oh Scotia ! my dear, my native soil, For whom my warmest wish to Heaven is sent, Long may thy hardy sons of rustic toil, Be blest with health, and peace, and sweet content!" --BURNS

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1861.



PATRONS.

REAR ADMIRAL SIR ALEXANDER MILNE, K. C. B.

Commander-in-chief, &c., &c.

HONOURABLE WILLIAM YOUNG,

Chief Justice of Nova Scotia.

Honorary Members.

HON. ALEXE. KEITH, M. L. C. HON. JOHN HOLMES, M. L. C. JOHN ESSON, ESQ., M. P. P. JAMES FORMAN, ESQ. JOHN GIBSON, ESQ. DONALD MURRAY, ESQ. ALEXANDER PRIMROSE, ESQ. JOHN', STRACHAN, ESQ. ROBERT NOBLE, ESQ. ANDREW MACKINLAY, ESQ. GEORGE MACKENZIE, ESQ. JOHN CREBAR, ESQ., PICTOV.

OFFICE BEARERS.

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President : ALEXR. STEPHEN, ESQ.

Vice President : GEORGE LANG, ESQ.

Directors : JOHN RICHARDEEN, DONALD ROSS, J. HENRY GRIGOR.

Secretaey :

G. MACLEAN, ESQ.

Treasurer :

W. H. BAULD, ESQ.

Chaplains :

REV. H. MCLEOD, D. D. REV. GEORGE BOYD, A. M.

Surgeon :

H. B. FORMAN, M. D.

JOHN MACKENZIE. JOHN PATTERSON.

CONSTITUTION.

The objects of this Club shall be the preserving and perpetuating in Nova Scotia, the National Dress, Music and athletic games of the people of Scotland, and the Club shall consist of *Scotsmen* and the sons and grandsons of Scotsmen resident in Nova Scotia.

RULE I.

The Management of the Club shall be vested in a Chief, a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and three Directors, who shall be designated the Managers of the Club.

II.

Admission to the Club shall be by ballot, candidates to be proposed at one meeting and ballotted for at the next meeting, and on being elected by a majority of the members present, shall pay an entry fee of ten shillings, and the sum of one shilling and three pence at each quarterly meeting thereafter towards the funds of the Club.

III.

At all meetings of the Club, nine members shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

IV.

The Club shall meet quarterly, on the first Tuesday of August, November, February and May, and shall have an annual out-door gathering at Halifax, on the 8th day of June, the anniversary of the settlement of Halifax.

v.

The members of the Club shall appear at the annual

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gatherings in Highland costume wearing the tartans of their respective clans, or such other tartan as they may prefer, and at quarterly meetings shall wear a tartan plaid or scarf or any other suitable badge.

VI.

At the annual gatherings, prizes will be awarded to eligible competitors by the Club, as follows :

A prize for proficiency in Scottish Music on the Highland Pipes.

A prize for Danciag-Gillie Callum or Sword Dance. Highland Fling, Reel of Tulloch and other Caledonian Dances.

A prize for Putting the Stone, Throwing the Hammer, Tossing the Caber, Leaping, Running foot and hurdle races, back race, Broad Sword exercise and other games.

A prize will also be awarded to the wearer of the best Highland Costume, Nova Scotian made tartan preferred.

VII.

The Chief. President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Directors shall remain in office one year, but may be reelected at the annual meeting for the election of office bearers, and such election shall take place at the quarterly meeting n November in each year.

VIII.

Patrons and Honorary Members raay be appointed at any of the Meetings of the Club, by the unanimous consent of the members present.

IX.

The Club shall appoint two Chaplains, a Surgeon, Standard Bearers and Pipers, whose term of office shall be fixed by the Managers of the Club.

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BYE-LAWS.

The Funds of the Club shall be applied to the following purposes, viz.: All necessary expenses attending the annual gathering of the Club—for prizes at the games, for hire of rooms, advertising, printing, stationery. postages and other necessary business of the Club.

II.

Any member in arrears for more than one year, shall not be entitled to vote at any of the meetings of the Club, and it in arrears for two years, without satisfactory reasons being given, his name may be struck off the roll of members.

III.

A Finance Committee of three shall be chosen at each annual meeting of the Club, who shall audit the Books of the Treasurer and Secretary, and report in writing to the Club, at each annual meeting.

IV.

All committees shall be chosen by a majority of the vote of the members present, at any regular meeting of the Club.

V.

Scotsmen and the descendants of Scotsmen appearing in Highland Costume at the annual gathering of the Club, shall he eligible to compete in all the games, at the discretion of the Committee of Management.

VI.

Any member conducting himself improperly at any of the meetings of the Club, may be expelled by a majority vote to

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that effect, at any regular meeting; said member shall previously be allowed full opportunity to make his defence.

VII.

Every member on being duly admitted shall sign the Bye-Laws of the Club, and in case of changing his place of residence, shall notify the same to the Secretary.

VIII.

The Rules and Bye-Laws of the Club shall not be repeaied, altered or amended, unless at the regular meeting of the Club in November, notice of motion for such repeal, alteration or amendment to be given in writing, at least one meeting previous to action being taken upon them, when if twothirds of the members present vote in favor of the motion it shall be carried.

BY A VISITOR.

Land of the pibroch and the plaid !---Land of the chieftain and the clan !---O'er thy bright soil my feet have stray'd, Thy sons and scenery to scan.

I've view'd each lov'd romantic spot, The rugged steep—the wooded glade—

The moorland waste-the spangled grot-The mountain stream-and high cascade.

Each fair and fatal valley, where The patriot's sword—the poet's pen— Have made in song and story dear, I've wandered o'er and o'er again.

I've calmly ranged each ruin, where Prince Charlie and Queen Mary dwelt:

And heav'd the sigh, and shed the tear, While musing o'e: the woes they felt.

I've scann'd Iona's sacred isle,

And view'd great Fingall's matchless cave : I've trod sweet Morven's classic soil,

And seen famed Ossian's lonely grave.

I've landed on Columbia's rocks, And gravely paced St. Coleman's beach ; I've filled the pulpit of stern Knox,

And heard the thrilling Chalmers preach.

I've sailed around the wild Cantyre; Trod Arran, Islay, Bute, and Mull; View'd Cory-vrekan in its ire;

And Ailsa Craig-the wonderful.

I've seen the Trosachs in their pride;
I've scaled Benlomond's lofty brow;
I've watch'd the foaming Falls of Clyde;
And ranged the dead, profound Glencoe.

I've worn the robes of proud Macbeth, And drawn the sword of Wallace brave;I've been where Bruce resign'd his breath, And press'd the sods on Rob Roy's grave.

I've view'd the flower of fair Dumblane; The banks and braes of Doon and Dee; The valley of the "Gentle Swain;"

The mountain of the minstrelsy;

The classic hall of wizard Scott; The native place of magic Burns; The Ettrick Shepherd's lowly cot; And all their monumental urns.

I've seen bold Byron's Loch-na-gar; Great Benmacdhui's summit stern;

I've crossed the plains of hostile war-Culloden-muir and Bannockburn.

I've linger'd o'er the verdant spotWhere lovely Highland Mary sleeps;I've verged the tomb of far-famed Watt,Where Genius her bereavement weeps.

I've rambled o'er the Grampian Hills, Four thousand feet above the sea,

Where lordly eagles shed their quills, And chase their prey in sportive glee.

I've pierced wild Killiecrankie's pass,
Where Dundee, dying, won the day;
I've trod o'er Bannock's famed morass,
Where Freedom's foes were crushed for aye.

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My roving feet have rambled through The wildest regions of the west-Bernera, Assynt, and Poolew, In Nature's sternest aspect dressed. Each frowning fast, and foaming fall-Sepulchral cairn—sequester'd glen; Each Alpine pass and feudal hall, From bleak Cape Wrath to Hawthornden. Glen Almond and Fenella's Vale-Foyers, Aberfeldie, Corra-Linn-Melrose, Dunnottar, Berriedale-My eyes have seen, and all their kin. From Dunnet Bay where Harold bled, Beneath the soul-expelling wound-To Galloway, where Mary shed Her latest tear on Scottish ground : Each princely tower and proud domain-And cave, and crag, and camp of note-Dark Birnam Wood—dread Dunsinane, Of which the mighty Shakspere wrote. I've read the "Minstrel" and the "Grave," The "Seasons" and the "Sabbath" sweet : The "Course of Time" the "Wrecking Wave." With their dead Authors 'neath my feet. Brown, Burnet, Campbell, Bruce, and Blair; Burns, Beattie, Thomson, Hogg, and Scott; Hume, Smollett, Robertson, Playfair; Smith, Stewart, Reid, Home, Erskine, Watt : These were thy authors-men of might! Who o'er the land their lustre shed:

With solemn awe, and sweet delight, Their tombs I've trod, their works I've read.

I've seen thy living lions too—

Great Brougham, Jeffrey, Chalmers, Duff-Famed Wilson, Campbell, and Wardlaw-

Whose names are eulogy enough.

Thy classic towns and cities fair— Rothesay, and Inverness, and Perth— Kelso, Dumfries, Montrose and Ayr— Of ancient fame and modern worth.

Bright Aberdeen, and Edinbro'— St. Andrew's, Stirling, and Dumblane— Dunfermline, and old Linlithgow,

The proudest in the Bruce's reign.

Sweet Inveresk and charming Crieff-Superb Dunkeld-admired Killin-Proud Inverary with its chief-And smiling Banchory, I've seen.

The peaceful shores of Tweed and Tay, And Clyde, and Forth, I've paced along; Each lake, and frith, and cape, and bay,

Has heard my morn and evening song.

My bark has braved, 'mid billows high, The whirling sounds and stormy seas Of Shetland, Orkney, Lewis, Skye, And all the Western Hebrides.

I've seen the castles of the great, Buccleugh, Breadalbane, Fife, Argyle; And each brave Highland chief's estate.

From Inverloch to Aberfoyle.

I've seen amid the gathering storm,

When rumbling thunders rent the sky, Benmore, Ben Nevis and Cairngorm

In all their cloud-clad majesty.

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I've seen Dumbarton's towering fort— Dunstaffnage, Glammis, Cawdor, Scone— King Fingal's seat—St. Patrick's port— Ardto: ish, and the Brig o' Don.

Sweet Ettrick vale—secluded spot ! Where Hogg was born and Boston died : Fair Yarrow Dale, where Mary Scott And Munge Park lie side by side.

St. Kilda's Isle—St. Bernard's Well— St. Mary's Loch—St. Martin's Green—
St. Andrew's Cross—St. Fillan's Cell— And St. Columba's Tomb I've seen.

Lochs Lomond, Katrine, Leven, Tay, And Earne, and Awe, and Ness, I've view'd In all their dazzling proud array, And all their sombre solitude.

Each firth and forest, carse and kyle— Each lofty peak and deep ravine— Each fertile plain and barren isle— And all the Celtic Alps I've seen.

I've mingled with enlightened Scots, Of various grades, in every place, From Gretna-Green to John O'Groat's, And found their sons a noble race.

Ye classic regions of the North, Of chivalrous renown and pride! My soul to quit your soil is loth, And with your sons would still abide

But duty calls me from thy soil, My native land cries "Come away!" And I must leave thy shores awhile, Although my spirit fain would stay.

Land of the brave—the fair—the good ! In thee no more my heart must dwell : Land of the lake—the mount—the wood ! Sweet Caledonia !—FARE-THEE-WELL !

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