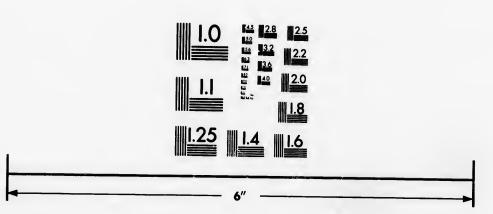
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CONSTITUTION.

SECTION I.

This Society shall be called "The Ottawa Legal Name and Literary Society."

SECTION II.

The object of the Society shall be the promotion of object the study of the law and the cultivation of public speaking and reading.

SECTION III.

Religious subjects shall not be discussed, and no argument involving matters of faith or doctrine shall be drawn from the Bible.

SECTION IV.

Any person desiring to become a member shall be Candidates nominated by a member and shall be ballotted for at the

next meeting thereafter, and a two-thirds vote of the members present shall be necessary for an election.

SECTION V.

Immediately after the election of any candidate for admission, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify such candidate of his election. Should the candidate so elected fail to attend any meeting of the Society for one month thereafter, the Secretary shall then notify him that in default of attendance for two weeks, his right under such election to become a member of this Society will lapse.

SECTION VI.

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Such persons as are elected under the preceding rule shall become members upon paying the annual fee and signing the roll.

SECTION VII.

nnual Fee

The annual fee shall be one dollar, and in every case the payment of the annual fee shall be a condition precedent to full membership, and whether paid at the annual meeting or at any time thereafter during the then current year of the Society shall entitle the member paying the same to the rights and privileges of membership until the next annual meeting, and no longer.

SECTION VIII.

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Any member shall be liable to expulsion upon just causes shown to the satisfaction of two-thirds of the members present at any meeting, provided that two-

weeks' prior notice in writing, stating such cause, shall have been given by the Secretary to the Society and to such member.

SECTION IX.

The Officers of the Society shall consist of a Presi-Officers dent, a first Vice-President, a second Vice-President, a Secretary-Treasurer, a Critic, and a Committee of five members, of which Committee three shall form a quorum.

SECTION X.

A meeting for the nomination of Officers shall be Nomination held one week previous to the annual meeting.

SECTION XI.

The annual meeting shall be held on the last Satur- Vacancy day in October in each year.

SECTION XII.

The election of officers shall take place at the annual officers of meeting, and shall be by ballot. In case more than two persons are nominated for any office, other than Committee men, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to an election, and in case of a tie, successive ballots shall be taken until such a result is obtained. The Chairman shall name two Scrutineers to collect and count the ballots and declare the result to the meeting.

SECTION XIII.

In case of a vacancy occuring in any office after such Annual Meeting

annual meeting such vacancy shall be filled according to the foregoing rule at the next regular meeting thereafter.

SECTION XIV.

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In case any officer is absent from three consecutive meetings it shall be the duty of the Secretary to report such absence to the Society and to notify such officer, whose office shall thereupon be declared vacant unless he gives a satisfactory explanation for his absence.

SECTION XV.

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The President or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents (if not appointed reader, essayist or debater for that evening) shall preside at all meetings of this Society.

SECTION XVI.

In case at any meeting no member be present who is qualified to act as Chairman under the preceding section, a Chairman chosen by the members present shall preside.

SECTION XVII.

The President, may at his discretion appoint any member present at a regular meeting to take the chair in his place.

SECTION XVIII.

utles of Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the minutes, ry-Treasurer shall conduct all correspondence, shall receive and

account for all moneys belonging to the Society and shall submit at the annual meeting a full report of the doings of the Society during the year.

SECTION XIX.

The meetings shall be 'seld weekly on Saturday Meetings evenings at 7:30 but a majority of the members present at any meeting may adjourn that meeting for a longer period.

SECTION XX.

Seven members including the Chairman shall form quorum a quorum at all meetings.

SECTION XXI.

Debates shall be held at each alternate meeting. Debates The subjects to be discussed at such meetings shall be selected by the Committee who shall appoint not more than six debaters for each debate and shall give such debaters two weeks notice of such appointment.

SECTION XXII.

The Committee shall also appoint a Reader for each Reader meeting giving him at least one weeks notice.

SECTION XXIII.

At one of the meetings not provided for by the 21st section five minutes' speeches shall be delivered by the members upon subjects proposed and chosen by lot by the members present at the preceding meeting, and at

the other of such meetings an essay or address shall be delivered by some member appointed by the Chairman four weeks prior to such meeting and such member shall give the Society one weeks notice of the subject of such essay or address.

SECTION XXIV.

Public Meetings Public meetings may be held when thought desirable by this Society.

SECTION XXV.

Order of Business and variation of

The order of business at meetings shall be as follows (subject however to any alteration that may be made for the evening by a vote of the majority of the members present):—

- (1) Reading the minutes of last meeting.
- (2) Reading communications.
- (3) Notices of Motion.
- (4) Motions of which notice has been given.
- (5) Business from the Committee of Management and arising out of the minutes and communications and general business.
- (6) Election of officers.
- (7) Reading essays and selections.
- (8) Debates.
- (9) Criticism.

SECTION XXVI.

After the criticism the Chairman shall sum up the Decision arguments and give his decision.

SECTION XXVII.

No motion shall be put from the Chair unless sub-Rules of Order mitted in writing, with the names of the mover and seconder, except a motion to adjourn, to lay on the table or to move the previous question.

SECTION XXVIII.

The Chairman shall have the power to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the meeting, a two-thirds majority of the members present being necessary to sustain such an appeal.

SECTION XXIX.

No member shall address the meeting unless a motion is before the chair, except when general business is being transacted.

SECTION XXX.

When a member intends to speak or submit a motion he shall rise in his place, and respectfully addressing the chair confine himself to the subject and avoid personalities.

SECTION XXXI.

Should more than one member rise to speak at the same time, the Chairman shall at once and without appeal determine who is entitled to the floor.

SECTION XXXII.

On a point of order being raised while a member is speaking, the member speaking shall at once take his seat; the point of order shall be stated by the member raising it, and the Chairman shall without further debate decide thereupon.

SECTION XXXIII.

In business discussions each member shall be allowed to speak twice, but no member shall speak for the second time until all the members desiring to speak once have done so.

SECTION XXXIV.

No amendment can be received after an amendment to an amendment.

SECTION XXXV.

The following motions shall be put from the chair immediately, without debate:—

To adjourn simply;

To lay on the table;

The previous question.

SECTION XXXVI.

A motion to adjourn simply shall always be in order, except—

(1) In interruption of a member speaking:

(2) When members are voting;

(3) When an adjournment was the last preceding motion;

(4) When it has been decided that the previous question shall be put.

SECTION XXXVII.

The previous question shall be put in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" If this is carried, no further motions or amendments or debate shall be permitted; but the main question shall be put without delay.

SECTION XXXVIII.

Except when voting is by ballot, the Chairman shall be entitled to vote only on an equality of votes, in which case he shall have the casting vote.

SECTION XXXIX.

The yeas and nays upon any question shall be recorded in the Minutes, when called for by three members.

SECTION XL.

This Constitution may be amended or added to at any regular meeting, provided notice in writing shall have been given at least two weeks previously.

SECTION XLI.

By a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting, the operation of any article or articles of this Constitution, except section XL, may be suspended for that meeting.



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