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THE TORONTO SOCIETY FOR MASONIC STUDY AND RESEARCH

1. The name of this Society is the Toronto Society for Masonic Study and Research.

2. The aim and purpose of this Society is to assist in and encourage the study of Freemasonry in its varied aspects and branches, by addresses and papers given at the meetings upon such subjects as Masonic History, Symbolism and Philosophy; to diffuse Masonic knowledge by supplying speakers when requested and to furnish information to the Brethren both at the meetings and by correspondence. Matters relative to the rendition of the ceremonies, the Constitution, jurisprudence or lodge administration cannot be considered as such do not come within the province of this Society.

3. The officers shall be:

Honorary President
President
First Vice-President
Second Vice-President
Secretary-Treasurer,

and shall be elected as provided for in Section Five.

4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Past Presidents, the VicePresidents and the Secretary-Treasurer, together with such Brethren as the President may appoint to assist. The First Vice-President shall act as Chairman and in his absence, the Second Vice-President shall preside. They shall have supervision over the finances and general affairs of the Society.

The Programme Committee which shall consist of a Chairman and three members, shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and shall be entrusted with procuring speakers and arranging the programpe for the meetings.

The Publishing Committee which shall consist of a Chairman and three members, shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and shall be entrusted with printing, publishing and distributing such papers and reports as shall be so directed by the Society.

5. The regular meeting shall be held on the third Saturday in each month at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m., except during the months of June, July and August.

At the regular meeting in December, the Secretary-Treasurer shall present the Annual Report and Financial Statement, following which the nomination and election of officers named in Section Three, shall take place.

6. Membership in this Society is open to Master Masons in good standing under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario or under the jurisdiction of a Grand Lodge which is in fraternal communication therewith.

The Society may elect as honorary members such distinguished Brethren as shall have rendered signal service to the Craft, and such members shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

A lodge may be accepted for membership and shall be entitled to receive such papers and reports as may be supplied to individual members.

7. The annual dues shall be two dollars (\$2.00), payable in advance.

8. The funds shall be devoted to such current expenses as are necessary in the work of the Society and to printing, publishing and distributing such addresses, papers and articles on Masonry and allied subjects, as the Society may from time to time direct.

9. The order of business shall be:
Reading and confirming the minutes,
Receiving reports of Committees,
Reading correspondence,
General business,
Exhibition of articles of interest,
Address or Paper,
Discussion.

A reasonable time shall be allowed for the address or reading of the paper, following which three Brethren may be severally allowed seven minutes each for discussion thereon. It is requested that the Brother giving the address or paper, shall deposit a copy of his paper with the Chairman of the Programme Committee two weeks prior to the meeting, in order that this latter may be enabled to make arrangements for suitable discussion. Following this scheduled discussion, the meeting may be thrown open for a brief period for general discussion and the asking of and replying to questions. Questions must be germane to such subjects of masonic or allied interest as come within the province of this Society. Bourinot's "Procedure" is adopted as the guide in the conduct of the meetings.

Read and adopted at the meeting held on Saturday, September 15th, 1928.

AUSTIN EVANS, P.M.,
President

N. W. J. HAYDON,
Secretary-Treasurer.