

- ARTICLE 7 The initiation fee shall be twenty-five cents.
- ARTICLE 8 The annual membership fee shall be twenty-five cents for gentlemen and fifteen cents for ladies.
- ARTICLE 9 All members are to contribute in some way to the entertainment of the following meeting when called upon by the President, or in default there of, shall contribute the sum of ten cents to the Treasury.
- ARTICLE 10 All members not complying with the rules of the Society shall be expelled.
- ARTICLE 11 The officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Critic, Editress Assistant Editress, two Censors, Door Keeper and a Committee of Management.
- ARTICLE 12 The Committee of Management shall consist of three members VIZ: President, Vice-President and Secretary Treasurer.
- ARTICLE 13 The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, to enforce observance of the Constitution, By Laws and rules of order, to announce results of all voting, to give casting ballot in case of tie, to sign all orders on the Treasurer and see that all other officers perform their duty or duties.
- ARTICLE 14 It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to fill the chair in case of absence or on request of the President.
- ARTICLE 15 It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to keep a true record of the proceedings of each meeting to read the minutes of the same to hold all funds of the Society, to pay all authorized accounts authorized by the President or Vice-President, to keep a true account of all moneys

received and expended, to submit a report at the close of each term of the Society or when ever called upon, to notify all members in arrears, register the post office of each member and to deliver to his or her successors all moneys, books, papers and other properties of the Society that may be in his or her possession.

ARTICLE 16 It shall be the duty of the Critic to criticize all the proceedings of the Society, to read the names of those who appear on each of the censor's reports for two consecutive meetings.

ARTICLE 17 It shall be the duty of the Editoress to superintend all things relating to the "Cronicle" and read the same for the benefit of the Society at its regular meetings.

ARTICLE 18 It shall be the duty of the assistant Editoress to assist the Editoress in any way she may direct.

ARTICLE 19 It shall be the duty of the Censors to write the names of those who are in any way disturbing the good order of the meeting and hand the same to the Critic.

ARTICLE 20 It shall be the duty of the Doors Keeper to admit no person who has not a legal right, according to the constitution of admittance.

ARTICLE 21 It shall be the duty of the Committee of Management to appoint the critic and two Censors and Door-Keeper, and to attend to all business not otherwise provided for.

ARTICLE 22 Vacancies.

If any officer should be absent the Society shall appoint a substitute "protern", in case not otherwise provided for. In case any officer does not attend to his or her duties or fails to put in an appearance or some good excuse to the Secretary, for three successive regular meetings, his or her office shall be declared vacant by a majority vote of those present.

ARTICLE 23 Alterations

No alterations shall be made in the Constitution or in the By-Laws or rules of order, except by a two third vote of the members present at the regular meeting, and unless such a notice of alteration be given in writing at a previous regular meeting.

ARTICLE 24 Any of the By-Laws and rules of order may be suspended for the time being by a majority vote of those present at a regular meeting.

BY-LAWS OF LITERARY SOCIETY

1. This Society shall meet every alternate Saturday evening, not later than eight o'clock and close not later than ten thirty o'clock.

Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. An annual entertainment shall be held under the auspices of the Society, except other wise directed.
3. The first person mentioned on a committee shall be the convener.

No committee shall have the power to enter into any contract binding the Society with out first obtaining its consent.

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All reports of committees shall be written.

4. Each member shall pay his annual fees within two weeks after the first meeting of the year.

No member against whom the Society holds any legal demands shall be considered a member if he or she fails to meet those demands after notification by the Secretary.

Should the funds at any time become inadequate to meet the expenses, an equal tax may be a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting be levied upon each member to make up the deficiency.

5. Invitations

No person shall be admitted to the regular meeting except members and their friends.

Members extending invitations to their friends are responsible for their conduct.

6. Election of Officers.

All voting for the election of officers and acceptance of members shall be by ballot.

No person against whom the Society holds any legal demands shall be entitled to vote.

The election of officers shall be half yearly.

7. Meetings of the Society may be declared open to the public from time to time, by a two thirds vote of members present. The Commencement of each year shall be January first each and every year.

Each member will be entitled to one copy of the Constitution, By-Law and Rules of Order.

Any member desiring to obtain another copy of the

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Constitution By-Law and Rules of Order, may do so by purchase at cost of the Secretary.

8. RULES OF ORDER

(1)

No notice of motion or report of committee shall appear in the minutes unless given to the Secretary in writing.

(2)

All motions must be seconded before being discusses.

(3)

It shall not be in order to make more than three amendments to any motion.

(4)

A motion to adjourn simply shall always be in order except (1) When a member is in possession of the floor. (2) When members are voting. (3) When an adjournment was the last preceding motion.

(5)

Order of Business

Call to order by the Chairman, Minutes and approval of same by Sec. Communications received, proposal new members, Acceptance, Nomination and election of officers, Unfinished business, Reports, New Business, Programme, Adjournment.

Clara Axford.

OUR HOSPITALS

-by Mrs. Angus McKenzie-

We are proud to pay tribute to two such fine hospitals as are situated at our door.

The first hospital was located in St. Thomas on Pearl Street. It was donated by Amasa Wood, retired general merchant of Fingal, who lived his later years on the west side of East Street.

His original home at Fingal has been preserved and is now owned and occupied by Fergus Cron and his wife Genalta Darrach Cron and family.

Amasa Wood hospital was opened May 24, 1892 with Amy Pollard a South Yarmouth daughter as superintendent. The staff consisted of three girls, Miss Kestin, Miss Stubbs and Miss Hart. The institution contained 30 ward beds and 4 private rooms.

Miss Pollard trained in St. Catherines school of nursing and relates, quote "The board of governors gave me no little vexation. I doubt if any of this august body of men had ever been inside a hospital before. They knew about as much about running a hospital as I did about running an engine."

Every Saturday, Amasa Wood sent to the hospital one orange for each patient, but the nurses were never remembered. The rates were; ward \$3.50 per week, private 80 to 90 cents per day.

Dr. James D. Curtis and Dr. Robert Aymot from Toronto Medical School, viewed the first operation performed by Dr. Harry Meek of London 64 years ago.

No operating room was available in the new Amasa Wood hospital so Dr. Wm. Vanbuskirk constructed a pine table with a

trough down the centre and painted it grey. It worked. Amy Pollard later married J. B. Morford, master mechanic of the New York Central railroad.

Many improvements were made with the addition of the Hepburn-Forsythe wing and the fine Memorial section opened in 1922.

Elgin and St. Thomas citizens have set a co-operative pattern for Ontario in the 330-bed General Hospital of Elm St. The estimated cost \$3,500,000. seemed a vast expenditure but Elgin and St. Thomas citizens subscribed one half million toward the cost of furnishings and equipment in a public campaign conducted early in 1950. It was officially opened Tuesday, May 11, 1954, a great demonstration of rural and urban co-operation in the interest of humanity. It is the last word in hospitalization, pneumatic tube system, public address system, fluorescent lighting, seven modern nurseries, obstetrical department, five operating rooms, cafeteria, tuck shop and so many modern devices that it would be impossible to list them. It is truly designed to meet the needs of the future. The main entrance is simple, dignified and graceful, the rotunda spacious and cheerful, looking toward the street. The landscaping plans were prepared by Professor John Weale of O.A.C. Guelph.

Our hospital recognizes Blue Cross hospital plan which has 17,000 participants in Elgin. At time of writing, Miss Bernice Lewis is director of nursing.

Our Ontario Hospital, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of St. Thomas built in 1937-38 during the Hepburn regime is the most modern institution for the care and treatment of mental patients in Canada.

It was built at a cost in excess of \$7,000,000 and could not be duplicated to-day at twice the amount.

The hospital has accommodation for approximately 2,200 resident patients and a staff of 600 persons.

During the second World War, the hospital was taken over by the Dominion Government and converted into a British Commonwealth Training School, "No. 1 Technical Training School" the largest air training institution in the British Empire.

Some 60,000 R.C.A.F. volunteers were trained for ground crew service in the converted hospital.

The building is designed after the large American hospital built on Long Island, New York, fifteen years previous. The Ontario Hospital incorporates the most advanced facilities for psychiatric study and treatment of mental diseases.

Directly across the highway connected by a tunnel is the attractive nurses' residence, providing accommodation for a staff of 200 nurses.

The residents of Yarmouth feel they have truly been blessed to have two such fine institutions erected in their township.

1897

MR. & MRS. ANDREW MILLS

1943

Andrew and Delia (Russ) Mills were regular attendants of the Yarmouth Centre United Church from 1897 to 1943, at which time they retired and moved to St. Thomas.

As a child Delia Russ with her older sisters attended Sunday School in the old church at the age of three years, (1872). At the time of her passing at 86 years she was the oldest member but one (Miss Kate M^CIntyre) of the church.

Mr. Mills held many offices during his 46 years of residence here; Trustee, Secretary of the Board, Sunday School Superintendent, teacher, member of the choir and Secretary of the Bible Society.

Their testimony or prayer was always heard in prayer meeting.

Mr. Mills completed his third reading of the Bible shortly before he answered his call on Christmas Eve, at the age of 95 years.

Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Mills enjoyed sixty-four years and ten months of marriage.