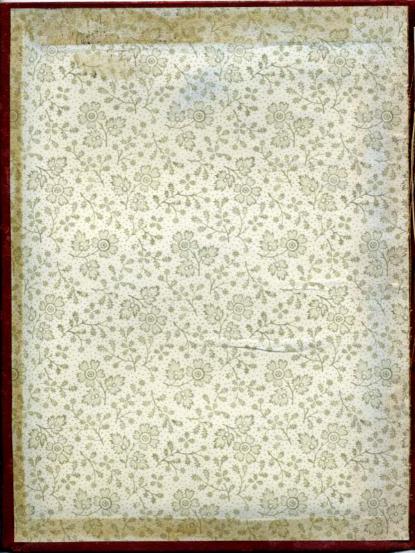
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#### ARTICLE I

#### Meetings of Chapter

Sec. 1. The stated convocation of this Chapter shall be held in the hall of Shryock Lodge No. 47, A. F. & A. M., in Ronceverte, West Virginia, on the evening of the third Friday of each month. The hour of meeting shall be seven (7) o'clock p. m. from October to March inclusive, and at seven thirty (7:30) o'clock p. m. the remainder of the year.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Officers

Sec. 1. The officers of this Chapter shall be Most Excellent High Priest, Excellent King and Scribe, called a Council; a Secretary, Treasurer, Captain of the Host, Principal Sojourner, Royal Arch Captain, a Master of the Third, Second and First Veils, and Tyler. The High Priest, King and Scribe, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot annually at the stated convocation in June, and the Council shall appoint the remaining officers of the Chapter.

Sec. 2. The installation of the officers elected and appointed shall take place prior to, or at the next stated convocation; such as may be absent shall be installed at the first subsequent meeting which they may attend.

Sec. 3. All the officers of this Chapter shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected, appointed and installed.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **Duties of Officers**

Sec. 1. The Most Excellent High Priest, or, in his absence, the Excellent King or Excellent Scribe, may convoke a Chapter when necessary. He shall cause the proceedings of the last stated, and all intervening convocations, to be read immediately on the opening of all stated convocations.

- Sec. 2. The Secretary shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the Chapter, and all the Lodges held in its bosom, and shall make all reports required by the Grand Chapter, or Grand Secretary. The Secretary shall receive for his services a compensation of one dollar per meeting, payable annually.
- Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall keep a regular book of accounts and receive all moneys from the Secretary. He shall deliver to the Auditing Committee a statement of all accounts of the funds of the Chapter when called for.
- Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall make no disbursements except by order of the Chapter, signed by the M. E. High Priest and Secretary, except in cases of charity, and then only by order of the Council.
- Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Tyler to take charge of the jewels and furniture belonging to the Chapter, to keep the same in due form and proper order; to see that they be again restored in safety; and to prepare the room for each meeting of the Chapter.
- Sec. 6. The Tyler shall tile the Chapter faithfully, go on messages, and serve summonses.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Applications and Petitions

- Sec. 1. Every application for membership, exaltation, or any degree which can be conferred under the authority of this Chapter shall be in writing, and signed by the petitioner, who must be recommended by two members of this Chapter. It must be presented at a stated convocation and shall lie over until the next stated convocation, when the ballot shall be taken, and if it is unanimous in favor of the petitioner, he shall receive the benefit of such admission, exaltation or degree as may conform to his request. Such petitions to be in accordance with the forms prescribed by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of West Virginia, as found on pages 191 and 192 of the text book.
- Sec. 2. A candidate presenting a petition for membership shall deposit ten dollars with the petition; the said ten dollars shall be refunded if the candidate be rejected; if he be received, it shall be considered a part of his fee; but if he does not apply for the benefit of his petition within six months, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Chapter.

#### ARTICLE V

#### Dues

- Sec. 1. Every member shall pay two dollars annually as dues. Dues shall be payable at the stated convocation in June. Should any member become in arrears for dues to the amount of one year's dues or more, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify him of the same at once. In case the arrearages are not paid, it shall be the duty of the Secretary at the next stated convocation to report the same to the Chapter, when on motion, the Secretary may be instructed to notify the delinquent to appear at a subsequent convocation to show cause why he shall not be suspended for non-payment of dues. If this notice is not answered, or the arrearages are not paid at the time specified, the delinquent may, by a two-thirds vote of the Chapter, be indefinitely suspended for non-payment of dues.
- Sec. 2. The Chapter may, on majority vote of members present, remit the dues of any member who shall be shown to be unable to pay his dues.
- Sec. 3. The fee for the Royal Arch degree, including the preparatory degrees, shall be twenty-

five dollars, which must be paid before any of the degrees are conferred.

Sec. 4. The fee for the Council degrees, conferred upon Companions who hail from other jurisdictions, applying for affiliation and membership, shall be ten dollars.

#### ARTICLE VI

- Sec. 1. All subjects on which votes are to be taken, except such as are specifically provided for, shall be decided by a majority; and in case of an equal number of votes, the Most Excellent High Priest shall decide by virtue of his second vote.
- Sec. 2. Proper order and decorum shall be maintained during the convocations, and every Companion wishing to deliver his sentiments shall address the Council in due form.
- Sec. 3. No Companion shall be at liberty to retire after having taken his seat, without first obtaining permission from the proper officer.

#### ARTICLE VII

Sec. 1. Any person wishing to withdraw from this Chapter shall make the same known, either in person, by proxy, or in writing; but no one shall be permitted to withdraw until he has paid all fees, dues, etc.

#### ARTICLE VIII

Sec. 1. At the stated convocation in June of each year it shall be the duty of the Council to appoint a committee of three to examine the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and report their condition and the state of the finances of the Chapter, which report shall be read in Chapter on or before the next stated convocation, and shall be entered in full upon the record.

Sec. 2. The Council shall constitute a Standing Committee of Charity, to whom all applications shall be referred during the recess of the Chapter; provided they shall not expend more than five dollars on any one applicant without special order of the Chapter.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Amendments

Sec. 1. Any amendment proposed to these By-Laws shall be made in writing at a stated convocation, and shall be read and laid over until the next stated convocation and all members of the Chapter duly notified, when if approved by two-thirds of the members present, it shall become a part of these By-Laws.

These By-Laws shall supersede all previous By-Laws and amendments thereto.

O. A. PRICE,
J. R. JOHNSON,
T. P. DOUGHTY,
Committee.

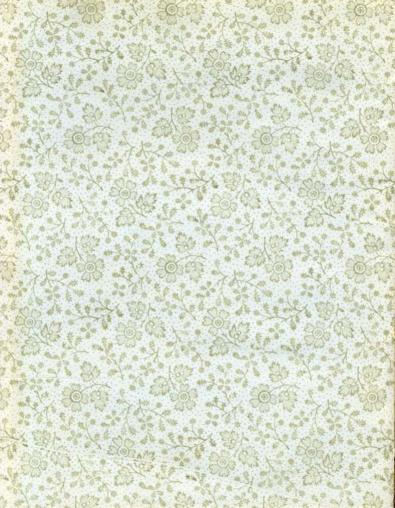
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