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OF
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1. The name of the Association is **THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE 33RD DEGREE OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED RITE OF MASONRY FOR ENGLAND, WALES, AND THE COLONIES.**

2. The registered office of the Association will be situate in England.

3. The objects for which the Association is established are the promotion of Scientific and Archæological Freemasonry, and the encouragement and development of Masonic Charity, and the doing of all such things as may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

4. The income and property of the Association, whencesoever derived shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Association as set forth in this Memorandum of Association, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, or bonus, or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the persons who at any time are or have been Members of the Association, or to any of them, or to any person claiming through any of them.

Provided that nothing herein shall prevent the payment, in good faith, of remuneration to any officers or servants of the Association, or to any Member of the Association, or other person, in return for any services actually rendered to the Association.

5. The 4th paragraph of this Memorandum is a condition on which a licence is granted by the Board of Trade to the Association, in pursuance of Sec. 23 of The Companies Act, 1867.

For the purpose of stopping any evasion of the terms of the said 4th paragraph, the Board of Trade may from time to time, on the application of any Member of the Association, impose further conditions, which shall be duly observed by the Association.

6. Every Member of the Association undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Association, in the event of the same being wound up during the time that he is a Member, or within one year afterwards, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before the time at which he ceases to be a Member, and of the costs, charges, and expenses of winding up the same, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories amongst themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £30.

We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into an Association in pursuance of this Memorandum of Association.

Names, Addresses, and Descriptions of Subscribers.

CHARLES JOHN VICNE, J.P., Westfield House, near Bath, Somerset,
President of Association.

NATHANIEL GEORGE PHILLIPS, 23, Belgrave Road, London,
Sub-Officer, The Royal Body Guard, Vice-President.

HENRY CLERK, 3, Herbert Place, Eaton Square, London, Colonel,
Royal Artillery.

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near Bridport, Dorsetshire, J.P. for the County.

WILLIAM HENRY WENTWORTH ATKINS BOWYER, The
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ROBERT HAMILTON, 1, Howick Place, Victoria Street, Westminster,
Doctor of Medicine.

ALEXANDER WILLIAM ADAIR, of Heatherton Park, Taunton,
Somersetshire, J.P., Lieut.-Colonel, 2nd Somerset Militia.

Dated the 24th day of November, 1871.

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1. For the purposes of registration, the number of the members of the Association is declared not to exceed nine.

2. These Articles shall be construed with reference to the provisions of the Companies Act, 1862, and the Companies Act, 1867, and terms used in these Articles shall be taken as having the same respective meanings as they have when used in those Acts.

THE OBJECTS AND AFFAIRS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

3. The Association is established for the purposes expressed in the Memorandum of Association.

4. In order to the better attainment of the objects of the Association, the Association shall apply such funds or monies as from time to time may come into its possession, custody, or power, to any objects which it may deem conducive to the promotion of the Science of Freemasonry, and shall at the end of each financial year, after paying the rent, taxes, and other outgoings which may be connected with the premises for the time being occupied by the Association, the salary of its officers and others, and providing a sustentation fund for the general purposes of the Association, apply the residue to or amongst the following Masonic Charities:—The Masonic Boys' School, the Masonic Girls'

School, The Aged Freemasons' Institution, The Widows' Aged Freemasons' Institution, The Dublin Freemasons' Orphan Institution, and such other masonic object or objects of charity as the Association shall see fit.

5. The income of the sustentation fund, and if necessary the capital thereof, shall be applied in the payment of the current expenses of the Association. The capital of the sustentation fund shall not be broken in upon, except in case of necessity or except for such purposes of charity as aforesaid.

6. The Association shall choose one of its Members to hold the office of President. The President shall appoint one of the Members to be Vice-President.

7. In case the holder for the time being of the office of President shall cease under these Articles to hold that office, the Vice-President shall forthwith become President of the Association. In case the respective holders of both offices shall under these Articles cease to hold the same respectively, the Association shall elect a President.

8. The existing Members of the Association, not being President or Vice-President, shall retire from the Association in the following order, that is to say—Henry Clerk, of No. 3, Holbart Place, Eaton Square, in the County of Middlesex, Esquire, a Colonel in the Royal Regiment of Artillery, on the 15th day of January in the year 1872; John Montagu Pulteney Montagu, of Downe Hall, Bradpole, near Bridport, in the County of Dorset, Esquire, J. P., on the 11th day of December in the year 1872; The Reverend William Henry Wentworth Atkins Bowyer of the Rectory, Clapham Common, in the County of Surrey, Clerk in Holy Orders, on the 27th day of April in the year 1873; Sir Michael Costa, Knight, of No. 59, Eccleston Square, in the County of Middlesex, on the 5th day of May, 1873; Henry Howard Molyneux Herbert, Earl of Carnarvon, of No. 66, Grosvenor Street, in the County of Middlesex, and Robert Hamilton, of No. 1, Howick Place, Victoria Street, Westminster, in the same County, Esquire, M.D., on the 27th day of February, 1874; and Alexander William Adair, of Heatherton Park, Taunton, in the County of Somerset, Esquire, J.P. Lieutenant-Colonel of the Second Somerset Militia, on the 15th day of October, 1874, and from and after the periods aforesaid, every Member, not being President or Vice-President, shall at the end of three years from his last election retire from the Association.

Every Member on his retirement under this Article may be re-elected by the Association on the nomination of the President. In no case shall the number of the Members of the Association be less than seven, and whenever the execution of this Article would have the effect of so reduc-

ing the number of the Members, then the retirement of Members shall be postponed until the full number of members shall be made up.

9. In case any Member of the Association shall become insane, or bankrupt, or be convicted of felony or misdemeanor, or compound with his creditors, he shall, ipso facto, cease to be a Member of the Association, and shall vacate his office of President or Vice-President, if he shall hold office as such.

10. In case of the death of any Member, or in case of his ceasing to be a Member under any of the provisions in these Articles, the President shall forthwith nominate a Member of the body of Freemasons which are known therein as the 32nd Degree, or one of the Members of the body of Freemasons who may have already held the office and position of a Member of the 33rd Degree to fill the vacancy thereby created, and the person so nominated, shall, if approved by all the other continuing Members of the Association, and not otherwise, be elected a Member of the Association.

11. The first Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held on the 12th day of July next, and thenceforward Annual Meetings shall be held between the 1st day of July and the last day of July in each year, at the registered office of the Association or at such place as the President shall appoint.

VOTES.

12. Every Member shall have one vote only, and all questions shall be decided at the Meetings of the Association by a majority of votes, and, in case there shall at any Meeting be an equality of votes, the President shall have a casting vote.

13. The Association may purchase, hire, or take on lease, any lands or hereditaments for the purposes of the Association, upon such terms as they shall think fit, and may sell, let, and surrender, any such hereditaments as they may think proper, and may institute, conduct, defend, compromise, refer to arbitration, or abandon, any legal or other proceedings which may be brought or taken against the Association or any of their officers, or which may relate to their property or effects. They may also invest in their name, or in the names of trustees to be named by them for that purpose, any monies or funds not required for their immediate purposes, on any securities whatsoever.

AUDIT.

14. An account in writing of the receipts and expenditure of the Association for the current year shall be laid before the Association at

every Annual Meeting, prior to which such account shall be audited by a Member appointed by the President for that purpose.

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