



REVISED STATUTES OF THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY, LONDON.

I. NAME.

Art. 1. The English Society of Philatelists was constituted on the 10th of April, 1869, under the name of "THE PHILATELIC SOCIETY, LONDON."

II. OBJECTS.

Art. 2. The objects of the Society are :

- 1° The study of postage stamps, stamped envelopes, newspaper bands and Post Cards, in their relation to History, Geography, Engraving, Printing, Paper making, &c. ;
- 2° The facilitating and spreading of Philately ;
- 3° The detection and prevention of forgeries.

III. MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 3. All amateurs, ladies and gentlemen, whatever their nationality, political views, or religious creed, are eligible as members of the Society.

Art. 4. Candidates for admission must be proposed in writing by one of the members, and elected by unanimity of votes.

IV. COMPOSITION OF THE SOCIETY.

Art. 5. The Society is composed of :

- a* Members proper ;
- b* Corresponding members ;
- c* Honorary or Titular members ;
- d* Free members.

Art. 6. Corresponding members consist of amateurs, ladies and gentlemen, residing in the United Kingdom or abroad.

Art. 7. Dealers are only admitted as Corresponding members, and cannot, in any case, attend the Meetings.

Art. 8. Corresponding members, dealers excepted, may, at any time, attend the Meetings, by notifying their intention to the Secretary and Treasurer.

Art. 9. Honorary or Titular members consist of gentlemen who, although not collectors themselves, are willing to furnish the Society with informations concerning the stamps of the country in which they reside, or through which they may happen to travel.

Art. 10. Free members consist of the Publishers appointed by the Committee, and in whose Journals the Reports and Reference Lists of the Society do appear.

Art. 11. Subscribers may, at any time, bring a friend with them, to be present at a Meeting; the same friend not to be brought more than *once*.

V. COMMITTEE.

Art. 12. The business of the Society is conducted by a Committee composed of five members, as follows :

1. A President ;
2. A Vice-President ;
3. A Secretary and Treasurer ;
- 4 and 5. Two of the members of longest standing.

Art. 13. All the members of the Committee must reside in London.

Art. 14. The election of the Committee takes place at the Annual Meeting of the Society, on the first Saturday in May.

Art. 15. Every member of the Committee is elected for a year, and can be re-elected.

Art. 16. The Secretary and Treasurer conducts the correspondence of the Society, keeps the minutes, and draws up the Reference Lists.

Art. 17. The Secretary and Treasurer has charge of the Funds of the Society, and is to present the Balance Sheet to the Committee, in time that it may be audited and laid before the Society, at the Annual Meeting in May.

VI. SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Art. 18. The Annual Subscription for Members proper, and for Corresponding members, amateurs and dealers, residing abroad, is *Ten Shillings*; for Corresponding members, amateurs and dealers, residing in the United Kingdom, *Six Shillings*.

Art. 19. The Subscription is paid on being admitted a member, and annually, on or before the 1st of February.

Art. 20. Members wishing to withdraw from the Society, must notify their intention to the Secretary and Treasurer, on or before the 1st of December.

Art. 21. All letters must be addressed to the Secretary and Treasurer, 272, Cornwall Road, Notting Hill, W.

Art. 22. Remittances by letter must be sent by P. O. O. payable to H. A. DE JOANNIS, AT 8, LADBROKE GROVE ROAD P. O., LONDON, W., and addressed as above (Art. 21).

VII. MEETINGS.

Art. 23. Meetings are held in London, *always* on a Saturday, at 2.30 p.m. precisely, at such a date and place as the Committee may appoint.

- Art. 24. The Meetings are presided over by the President, or, in his absence, by the Vice-President.
- Art. 25. Should both the President and Vice-President be prevented from attending, the senior member of the Committee will take the Chair.
- Art. 26. As soon as the Chair is taken, the Secretary and Treasurer is to read the minutes of the previous Meeting, as well as all communications he may have received on behalf of the Society.
- Art. 27. The business appointed for the day is to be proceeded with without interruption.
- Art. 28. Any novelties are to be exhibited after the business of the Meeting is over.
- Art. 29. Any Member of the Committee has a right, at any Meeting, to call upon the Secretary and Treasurer to produce at the following Meeting, both the book containing the copies of the letters written by him, and the account book showing what monies have been received and spent on behalf of the Society.

VIII. PUBLICATIONS.

- Art. 30. The proceedings of the Society, as well as the Reference Lists of the Stamps studied at the Meetings, are to be published in both the English Magazines, viz. :—
“*The Philatelist*,” published by Messrs. H. Stafford, Smith & Co., Royal Colonnade, Brighton (Subscription, 6s. per annum, at home ; 7s. 6d. abroad, Post free), and
“*The Philatetical Journal*,” published by Messrs. James R. Grant & Co., St. Mary’s Church, Torquay (Subscription, 4s. per annum, at home ; 5s. abroad, Post free).

LONDON, MAY 22, 1875.

COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1875-76.

President :—SIR DANIEL COOPER, Bart.

Vice-President :—F. A. PHILBRICK, Esq.

Secretary and Treasurer :—H. A. DE JOANNIS, Esq.

Dr. C. W. VINER.

Señor V. G. DE YSASI.

Nota.—Copies of the Statutes may be had on application to the Secretary and Treasurer.