

held annually in the months of July or August, at which the business shall be to receive from the Treasurer a balance-sheet showing the financial position of the Exchange, to elect a Committee and officers for the ensuing year, and also generally to conduct any business provided for in these rules.

23. At any annual general meeting, after all business herein provided for shall have been disposed of, it shall be competent for any member to bring under the notice of the meeting any business or matter within the object or purposes of the Exchange, and to give notice of any proposition to be considered at a future meeting.

24. A special general meeting may be called by the Committee at any time.

25. A special general meeting shall be called by the Committee upon the receipt of a requisition addressed to the Secretary requesting them to do so, signed by at least three members, and stating the business for which such meeting is required; and if the same shall not be convened within seven days from the time of such requisition being so left, or within one month if the object of such meeting is the alteration, amendment, or repeal of these rules, or any of them, the requisitionists or any three members may themselves convene a meeting by giving the required notice at an official meeting.

26. A special general meeting can only be held after at least twenty-four hours' notice has been given by announcement at an official meeting, specifying the day and hour of the meeting and the general nature of the business to be considered; provided that this rule shall not apply to meetings called for the purposes of altering, amending, or repealing these rules or any of them.

27. No other business shall be transacted at a special general meeting except that stated in the notice convening the meeting, and no resolution shall be passed, or other business transacted, which is not included within the objects and purposes for which the meeting is convened. No amendment shall be allowed upon any resolution contained in the notice convening any meeting not directly pertinent thereto.

28. Any general meeting shall have power, *inter se*, to adjourn from time to time as may be found necessary. Whenever an adjournment to a future day has been decided upon, notice thereof shall be given in such manner as may be determined by the chairman of the meeting.

29. No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting so adjourned.

30. Every member shall have one vote, and all questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present and voting, except in case otherwise provided for in these rules. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.

31. The quorum for general and special general meetings shall not be less than five. If there is not a quorum present at any meeting, either of the Exchange or the Executive Committee, within fifteen minutes of the time appointed, the same shall lapse. The lapse of a meeting shall in no way prejudice or affect the right to call another meeting for the same purpose.

#### FUNDS.

32. The Committee shall have full control over the funds of the Exchange, and shall pay therefrom all current expenses and outgoings, and any other payments for which they have the authority of the members. All moneys received shall be paid into a bank account, and all accounts, salaries, &c., shall be paid by cheques drawn on such account.

33. The Committee shall invest the funds as they may in their absolute discretion think advisable, and shall have power to sell and vary investments.

34. Cheques drawn on or against any funds of the Exchange shall bear the signature of the Secretary or Acting-Secretary and of one member of the Committee.

#### ENTRANCE FEE.

35. No entrance fee shall be payable for the period ending 30th June, 1922, but thereafter twenty-five guineas or such other sum as the Exchange may from time to time determine shall be paid by candidates for membership at the time of application for admission. In the event of a candidate being rejected his entrance fee shall be returned to him; provided that any candidate for admission by virtue of the purchase of a membership shall not be required to pay any entrance fee other than the sum mentioned in rule 50.

#### SUBSCRIPTION.

36. The annual subscription shall be £2 2s. (payable in one sum on the 1st day of July in each year), and the Executive Committee shall have power to make such other calls as may be necessary to meet current expenses, to be payable within fourteen days from the date of such call. It shall be competent for the Committee to suspend any member whose subscription or call shall have remained unpaid for

fourteen days from the date on which such subscription or call is due; and, further, if such subscription or call shall remain unpaid for the space of one month from the date on which it is due, the seat shall be rendered liable to forfeiture at the discretion of the Committee. In the case of a deceased member, notice of the dates when subscriptions or calls fall due shall be sent to the executors by the Secretary of the association, who shall at the same time direct attention to the provisions of this rule.

37. The membership of a resigning member, from the date of resignation until the election of his nominee, shall be subject to the same annual subscription as that of existing members during that period.

38. A membership purchased by the Committee shall not be liable for the annual subscription whilst held by them.

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

39. Every candidate for admission to membership must be proposed by a member and seconded by another member, and his name shall be submitted to the Committee, and announced at an official meeting, and posted in the room of the Exchange, at least seven days before the day of election. The ballot shall be taken at the first call of shares on the day after such seven days have expired. Application for admission to membership, except as otherwise provided, shall be in the following form:—

Gisborne, , 19 .

To the Secretary of the Gisborne Stock Exchange.

SIR,—I am desirous of being admitted a member of the Gisborne Stock Exchange, upon the terms of and under and subject in all respects to its rules and regulations which now are or hereafter may be for the time being in force.

I have read the rules as at this date, and am willing to sign them when called upon to do so.

Enclosed I beg to hand you cheque for £ , being the entrance fee required.

I am, &c., .

40. Candidates shall be elected by the members by ballot. One black ball in five shall exclude. Proxies shall not be allowed. No ballot shall be valid unless at least one-half of the total of members of the Exchange entitled to vote do actually vote. No rejected candidate shall be again proposed for election within the space of six months after his rejection.

41. Any member may during his absence from Gisborne, or whilst ill, or on any other emergency, delegate to a nominee all or any of his rights under these rules, provided such nominee is approved by the Committee. Such approval may be withdrawn at any time by the Committee without assigning any reason for such withdrawal. The member so delegating his rights shall be responsible for all acts and defaults of such nominee in the same way as the delegating member would be responsible were such acts or defaults committed by such member.

42. Every member shall sign the rules. A member shall not be entitled to the privileges of membership until he has done so.

#### RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS.

##### *Personal.*

43. The rights and privileges of every member shall be personal to himself, and shall not be transferable by operation of law nor by his own act except as provided in these rules.

##### *Interest in Membership.*

44. Every member shall have an interest in his membership but he shall have no power to and shall not encumber or assign the same by way of mortgage, and the Exchange shall have a preferential lien thereon for any debt or debts owing by the said member to the Exchange or to any member or members thereof.

##### *Transfer of Membership.*

45. Any member may propose a candidate for membership in his stead, provided he, at the time of such proposal, lodge with the Secretary the resignation of his own membership. In the event of such candidate being rejected the member may again propose a candidate, until a candidate proposed by him shall be elected. Pending the election of a candidate proposed by him, the member shall retain his membership and all the privileges thereof; but as soon as a candidate proposed by him shall be elected the resignation of such member shall take effect.

46. Any member may resign his membership, and thereafter nominate a candidate to be proposed for membership in his stead. In the event of such nominee being rejected, the resigning member may again nominate a candidate until a candidate nominated by him be elected.