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This Association shall be known as Little Missouri River Stockmen's Association.

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The object of this Association is to advance the interests of stock-growers and dealers in live stock of all kinds in Western Dakota, and for the purpose of the protection of the same against frauds and swindlers, and to prevent the stealing, taking, and driving away of horned cattle, sheep, horses, and other stock from the rightful owners thereof, and to enforce the stock laws of the Territory of Dakota.

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The officers of the Association shall consist of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman, elected annually at the first meeting held after the fall round-up, and a Secretary, elected at each meeting, whose work is to be superintended by the Chairman.

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The representation in the Association is to be by firms, each firm being entitled to but one vote.

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There shall be at least two meetings of the Association annually; to be held at the time and place appointed by

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the Association; and at the request in writing of any three members of the Association a special meeting shall be called by the Chairman, who shall, however, give at least one week's notice thereof. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Calling the roll.
2. Reading minutes of last meeting.
3. Election of new members.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Reports of officers and committees.
6. Election of officers.
7. General business.

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No member shall gather cattle on any range not his own during the months between December 1st and the date of the general spring round-up, without giving due notice a reasonable time beforehand to the other ranchmen of the neighborhood.

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In order to attain greater efficiency in round-ups, we hereby agree to place our men under the orders of the foreman of the round-up, so long as they remain with it, and in case of refusal by any man to do faithfully and well the duty assigned to him, or to obey the orders given to him by the foreman in driving, cutting out, and other work, we hereby authorize the foreman of any round-up to prohibit any man so offending from any further participation in said work.

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It is the sense of this Association, and is hereby made binding on its members, that any man who shall hereafter turn out any female neat cattle upon the range shall place with them, at the time of turning loose, not less than seven (7) serviceable bulls for every one hundred (100) head of female cattle which are two years old and upward at that time ; and that on or before July 1st, of each year thereafter, every member shall supply the same proportion of bulls of the same usefulness and quality to all female cattle of the above age of which he may then be the owner. Proved violation of the above rule shall be deemed a proper subject for complaint, the penalty to be decided by a majority of the Association present at the next meeting.

If any of the cattle companies or stockmen along the river refuse to obey the rules and by-laws of this Association, the Association will refuse to act with them or allow them to take part in the round-up ; and the captain of the round-up shall see that no stockman debarred by action of this Association from participating in the round-up is allowed to take part in it, and he shall further see that no third party, acting in the interest of said stockman, is permitted to take part in or derive benefit from the round-up.

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