

OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

6th. The Clerk of the House shall, within six days from the commencement of the session, place in the hands of the Speaker, a correct list of all bills, resolutions and reports, which originated in this House, and were referred from the preceding to the succeeding session.

7th. Immediately after the reading of the proceedings of the preceding day, the Clerk shall announce the bills ready for a second reading, and the orders of the day; after which the following order of proceeding shall be observed, &c.

The presentation and disposition of petitions, memorials, applications or other papers.

Orders and leaves to introduce bills and resolutions will be received.

Reports of standing committees will be in order.

Reports of select committees will be in order.

Bills reported for a first reading, will then be in order.

Reports, orders, resolutions and bills, entitled to a second reading by the 40th rule, will be taken up and considered in due order, according to the 42d rule.

The order of the day will then be taken up for consideration.

Which last shall not be taken up before twelve o'clock, unless all the ordinary business shall have been previously disposed of, and shall after that hour, have preference over all ordinary business.

OF DECORUM, DEBATE, &c.

8th. Every member shall take his seat when the Speaker takes the chair, and when the House adjourns, every member shall remain in his place until the Speaker go forth.

9th. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be sick and unable to attend.

10th. When a member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat uncovered, and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker,"—he shall confine himself to the question under debate; shall avoid personality; and shall use some other distinction than the proper name of any other member to whom he may refer in debate.

11th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the Speaker shall determine which shall speak first, and no member shall speak more than twice to the same question, nor more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

12th. If any member shall, in any manner, transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may call to order, in which case the member so called to order, shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain; and the House shall if appealed to, decide on the case, but without debate; if three be no appeal, the decision of the chair shall be submitted to; if the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at