

Then read what was done yesterday
 Then was read the Rules and Orders of the House, and voted to be transcribed
 and sett up within this House, for the Members of the House upon all occasions
 to peruse. Which are as follows - Viz.

With
 Rules of
 the Lower
 House

Rules and Orders of this House to be observed by all the Delegates
 within this House - By the Lower House of Assembly October 3^o 1683.

It is this day ordered by the Burgesses and Delegates of this Province
 now assembled that these Rules and Orders shall be observed by the Burgesses
 and Delegates now assembled and by the Clerks of the House during the said
 Sessions of Assembly.

1. That noe Burgess, Deputy or Delegate (Member of this House shall use
 any Reviving Speeches nor Name any one by his proper Name, but by
 another Signification (viz.) the Gentleman that Spoke last or the like.
 2. That noe one Speak above once at a Reading, to any Bill without the
 Consent of the Speaker, and if two persons or more rise up together, Mr. Speaker
 shall assign who shall Speak first and noe one may interrupt another Speaker
 till the other hath ended.
 3. That noe shall deliver his opinion or Speake sitting to any But shall
 stand up and reverently direct his Speech to the Speaker.
 4. That every Bill proposed to the House shall be read three severall days
 before it be Engaged, and that between every Reading one day shall be
 intermitted unless upon very urgent occasion Mr. Speaker with the Consent
 of the House shall dispence therewith and then one being read twice at
 one sitting shall be sufficient as read two severall days and times
 when soe entered upon the Clerks Journall.
 5. That noe one shall come into the House of Assembly whilst the House
 is sitting with a sword, or other weapon but shall put the same into the
 hands of the Door keeper or other persons appointed thereto upon penalty of a
 fine as Mr. Speaker, Deputy and Delegates shall thinke fitt.
 6. Every of the Members bound to attend this assembly who shall be
 absent from the House at 9^o hour and place appointed after the number
 of eleven of them and the Speaker according to the Order for settling the
 House shall be fined according to the discretion of the House unless upon
 Lawfull Excuse and admitted by the Speaker.
 7. All Misdemeanours which shall happen within this House shall
 be Considered and fined in this House. When any Bill is presented
 and noe one make any objection thereto, Mr. Speaker shall appoint
 any one Member to Speake to the said Bill and deliver his opinion
 first and soe in order as Mr. Speaker shall thinke fitt.
- That during this assembly noe one whatsoever Either Deputy, Burgess, Delegate
 or Clerk shall utter words or make relation of any words spoken in the
 House or otherwise upon Debate or Conference upon penalty of what the