

and in no case shall the Hall, where it may be holding its sittings be cleared of spectators, except in cases of disorder.

### THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

*Rule 2.*—The President shall take the chair every day precisely at the hour to which the Convention stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order, and after Divine service has been performed, on the appearance of a quorum, shall cause the Journal of the preceding day to be read.

*Rule 3.*—The President shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; shall decide questions of order, (unless the yeas and nays be required,) subject to an appeal to the House by any two members, (in which appeal no member shall speak more than once, unless by leave of the Convention,) and he may vote on every question, except on an appeal from the decision of the Chair on a question of order.

*Rule 4.*—The President shall examine and correct the Journal before it is read; he shall have a general direction of the Hall; he shall have a right to name, from time to time, any member to perform the duties of the chair, but such substitution shall not extend beyond a term of seven days; he shall appoint all committees, unless otherwise directed by the Convention.

*Rule 5.*—No person shall be admitted within the bar of the Convention but members of the Executive and Judiciary Departments, members of the General Assembly, and such other persons as may be invited by the President.

*Rule 6.*—The President, (or Chairman of the Committee on the Whole,) may order the lobby to be cleared in case of disorder.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

*Rule 7.*—Section 1—The Secretary shall read the Journal of the preceding day; after the reading thereof, the Journal may be corrected, unless one member objects. In case of such objection, a majority of the members present shall be required to make the desired correction.

Section 2.—The presentation and disposition of petitions, memorials, or other papers.

Section 3.—Orders and Resolutions.

Section 4.—Reports of Standing Committees.

Section 5.—Reports of Select Committees.