over the hour named; but shall in such case have precedence of all other business immediately upon the conclusion of the called for reports of Select Committees.

The Committees on Rules, Elections, and Ways and Means, may report at any time, with precedence among said Committees in the order named.

# OF DECORUM, DEBATE, &c.

#### RULE VII.

Every member shall take his seat when the Speaker takes the Chair.

## RULE VIII.

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

#### RULE IX.

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.

### RULE X.

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.

### RULE XI.

If any member shall in any manner transgress the Rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may call him to order, in which case the member called to order shall