Which was read.

Mr. Latrobe moved to amend the order by striking out four and six respectively, and inserting in lieu thereof eight and half-past ten.

The said amendments were adopted, and the order as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Smith, of Worcester, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That during the balance of the session that no member be permitted to speak over ten minutes.

Which was rejected.

Mr. Riggs submitted the following order:

Ordered, That Mr. Offutt, of Montgomery, have leave of absence for two days.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Jordan submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that John W. Harden was absent from this House on Saturday last on account of visiting his home.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Jordan submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Henry S. Davis was absent from this House on Saturday last on account of having received a telegraphic dispatch to come home.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown submitted the following order:

Ordered, That T. H. Hubbard have leave of absence until Monday next, the 16th.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Devection submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Wm. Devection during the late Senatorial contest, was unavoidably absent on business, but that if he had been present he would have voted for the Hon. Philip Francis Thomas.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Smith, of Worcester, gave notice of his purpose to offer an amendment to rule ten of the Rules of Order of this House, so as to read, that no member shall speak more than once upon any subject before the House, and not longer than ten minutes.

Mr. Coad submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered upon the Journal that if Mr.