

so distinct that, one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the House.

#### XXVI.

A Motion to Strike Out and Insert shall be deemed indivisible; but the matter proposed to be inserted may be divided if required, according to the 26th Rule. A Motion to Strike Out being lost, shall preclude neither Amendment nor a Motion to Strike Out and Insert. No Motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment.

#### XXVII.

All Questions, except on the Final Passage of a Bill, or a Motion to Suspend the Rules, or those otherwise herein provided for, shall be determined by a majority of the members present; those dividing in the affirmative rising in their places, those in the negative continuing in their seat, and so *vice versa*, until a decision by the Speaker.

#### XXVIII.

The Question on the Final Passage of a Bill shall always be determined by yeas and nays, which shall be recorded on the Journal; and unless it shall thus appear that a majority of the whole number of Members elected to the House have voted in the affirmative, the Bill shall be declared rejected.

#### XXIX.

When a Question has once been decided in the affirmative or negative, a Motion of re-consideration shall be in order, if made by one Member and seconded by two others who voted in the majority, within three days of actual session, after the decision; but should a Bill, on its final passage, be declared rejected merely for the want of a Constitutional majority, the Motion for re-consideration may be made by one Member and seconded by two others who voted in either the affirmative or negative; and no Motion for re-consideration shall be postponed or laid on the table.

#### XXX.

Petitions, Memorials and other Papers addressed to the House, shall be presented by the Speaker, or by a Member in his place; and the object of all Petitions and Memorials shall be endorsed on the back, and entered on the Journal.

#### XXXI.

The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the preceding adjournment, shall have the preference in