

## RULES OF ORDER.

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*Rule I.*—The Presiding Grand Officer, having assumed the Chair, shall direct the Grand Officers and Members to take their respective stations, and, calling up the Grand Lodge, may request the Grand Chaplain, if present, to address the Supreme Ruler of the Universe in prayer, and shall thereafter direct proclamation to be made by the Grand Marshal of the opening of the Grand Lodge.

*Rule II.*—The order of Procedure, after opening, shall be as follows:—

- 1.—The calling of the Roll of Officers and Members.
- 2.—The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by Absentees from previous meetings.
- 3.—The receiving and consideration of any Report from the Committee on Credentials, on claims for admission as Representatives.
- 4.—The admission and instruction (when requisite) of new Members.
- 5.—The reading by the Grand Secretary of the Minutes of last meeting, the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.
- 6.—The receiving and consideration of any Report from the Committee on Returns, relative to the Returns from Subordinate Lodges, and the reading of such Returns as may be reported correct.
- 7.—The reading and referring of Accounts presented.
- 8.—The reading, consideration and disposal of Petitions from Subordinate Lodges, or from Members thereof.
- 9.—The reading and referring of Appeals from Subordinate Lodges, or from Members thereof.
- 10.—The reading, consideration and disposal of other Communications.
- 11.—The receiving of any Reports from the other Standing Committees of this Grand Lodge, in the following order:—Committee on Finance; Committee on Grievances; Committee on Laws of Subordinates.