

IV. GENERAL COMMITTEE OF ELECTIONS.

shall continue to be a Member of the Committee until the end of that Session of Parliament, or until he cease to be a Member of the Commons House of Legislative Assembly, or until the General Committee report that he is disabled by continued illness from attending the Committee, or until the Committee be dissolved as hereinafter provided.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That in every case of vacancy in the General Committee of Elections, the Speaker, on the first day on which the House meets after such vacancy is known by him, shall make known the vacancy to the House, and thereupon all proceedings of the General Committee shall be suspended until the vacancy is supplied as hereinafter provided.

Vacancies to suspend the proceedings of the Committee.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That if the General Committee of Elections at any time report to the House, that by reason of the continued absence of more than two of its Members, or by reason of irreconcilable disagreement of opinion, the said Committee is unable to proceed in the discharge of its duties, or if the House resolve that the General Committee of Elections be dissolved, the General Committee shall be thereby forthwith dissolved.

Committee may be dissolved in certain cases.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That every appointment to supply a vacancy in the General Committee, and every re-appointment of the General Committee after the dissolution thereof, shall be made by the Speaker by Warrant under his hand, laid upon the table of the House on or before the third day on which the House meets after the dissolution of the Committee, or notification of the vacancy (as the case may be), and the Warrant shall be subject to the disapproval of the House in the like manner as is hereinbefore provided in the case of the first warrant for the appointment of the General Committee, and upon any re-appointment of the General Committee, the Speaker may if he think fit, re-appoint any of the Members of the former Committee not disqualified to serve on it.

Vacancies in Committee, how filled up.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That the Speaker shall appoint the time and place of the first Meeting of the General Committee of Elections, and the Committee shall meet at the time and place so appointed; but no Member shall act upon such Committee until he have been sworn at the Table of the House by the Clerk, truly and faithfully to perform the duties belonging to a Member of the said Committee, to the best of his judgment and ability, without fear or favour.

Speaker to fix time and place of first meeting.

Members to be sworn.