

Sergeant communicates the order to the Door-keeper.

Speaker
calls items
on order
paper.

34. After the doors are opened and the Senators seated, the Speaker calls the several items of routine as they appear on the Order Paper. R. 19; B. 218.

PETITIONS, &c.

Petitions
presented.

35. Senators now present any petitions entrusted to them. During a debate, Senators are allowed to present petitions or papers relating to the debate, but only with the special leave of the Senate; and the Speaker always says: "Is it your pleasure?" Rs. 58, 59, 60, 108-112; M. 229, 614, 657; B. 230-233.

Senators often take advantage of a lull in the business to present petitions or other papers, and introduce Bills, before the Orders of the Day are called. Such proceedings are, however, not allowed during a debate, except in the case of a petition referring to the debate, as above.—["A Lord intending to address the House of Lords at any length on a Petition, usually gives notice of its presentation." M. 616; B. 233.]