

MANUAL OF THE FORMS OF PROCEEDING
OF THE
SENATE OF CANADA.

OPENING OF A NEW PARLIAMENT.

First Day.

1. On the day appointed by Proclamation for the opening of a New Parliament for the Despatch of Business, thirty minutes before the hour named by the Governor General for coming to the Senate Chamber, the Speaker leaves his room, with his staff in the following order:—

1st, The Usher ; 2nd, The Sergeant ; 3rd, The Speaker with his hat on and having the Clerk on his right and the Deputy Clerk on his left ; 4th, The Chaplain ; 5th, The two Assistant Clerks. Should there be only one Assistant Clerk, he walks on the left of the Chaplain. At the opening of Parliament only, do the Clerks at the Table enter the Chamber with the Speaker. On entering the Chamber, they all bow to the Throne. The Speaker takes the Clerk's Chair. He bows right and left, and motions to the Chaplain to begin Prayers.