unless sufficient reason may appear to account for the omission, or provided it may appear desirable to make some enquiry by Committee or otherwise, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 7th .- This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of twothirds of the members at any annual meeting of the Association.

ART. 8th.—The Religious sentiments of this Body are those expressed in the Articles of the "Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches of Nova

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1.—After religious worship, the officers shall be chosen by ballot: the Moderator of the preceding year, or in his absence the Clerk, shall call the Association to order.

RULE 2.—The first letter read shall be from the church with which the Association is assembled.

RULE 3.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded, and no person shall speak on any subject more than twice unless by consent of the Association. The first of the state of the s

RULE 4th.-When any Church is received the Moderator shall give to one of its delegates the right hand of fellowship.

RULE 5th .- At the commencement of each sitting, the Minutes of the preceding one shall be read and approved, and of the last sitting, before the final adjournment.

RULE 6th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, except so ordered by the Association.

RULE 7th .- All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

RULE 8th.—Each meeting for business shall be commenced and concluded with prayer.

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RULE 10th.—These Rules shall be read by the Moderator at the commencement of every annual sitting of the Association. I make a with a long worth a long of a state of

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