

apart for the meeting is drawing to a close, the Chairman will, if the rules provide, call on the Opposer to wind up the debate against the Motion. Then the Mover of the resolution will reply shortly and immediately after the resolution will be put to the meeting, voting being by show of hands.

RULES OF A DEBATING SOCIETY.

Each Society will, of course, make its own rules, and these will vary according to circumstances.

The rules generally will come under eight heads.

1.—THE CLUB.—Rules under this head will fix the name of the club, its object, its place, and time of meeting.

2.—MEMBERSHIP.—Under this will be provided for the nomination and election of members, entrance fee and subscription, and penalty for non-payment, which is generally suspension after notice, followed if necessary, by expulsion.

3.—OFFICERS.—The number and names of Officers will be fixed, their term of office, the method of proposal and election, and their duties when elected.

4.—MEETINGS.—These rules fix the times and days of meetings, providing for a regular or ordinary meeting and for special meetings to be called by the Secretary, on a requisition from a certain number of members, or by the Committee. They will also lay down what business must be transacted at a special meeting—*e.g.*, alteration of rules.

5.—CONDUCT OF MEETINGS.—Here will be described the ordinary procedure. The number of members to make a quorum, the Chairman's duties, his powers, and the order of business at a meeting will be defined. Rules will also be laid down to regulate debate, allotting time for