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and prayer; and shall then cause the Journals to be read and approved. And the business of the Conference shall proceed in the following order:—

(1) Reports—first of the Standing and then of the Special Committees

(2) Resolutions and other business of which notice had been previously given—*Provided always*, that each call, severally, shall have been completed before either preceding one shall be repeated, and the Secretary shall, immediately after the reading of the Journal, announce the order of business for the day.

II.—The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but in case of such appeal the question shall be taken without debate.

III.—In case two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall decide which has the floor, and shall announce, if required, his name, and the Conference to which he belongs; and no member shall remain standing during debate, excepting the member addressing the President.

IV.—All motions or resolutions shall be submitted, *in writing*, by the proposer.

V.—When a motion is made, or a resolution moved and seconded, or a report is presented and is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference; but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before amendment or decision.

VI.—All motions to postpone or lay on the table shall be taken without debate.

VII.—No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following motions should intervene, which shall have precedence in the order in which they are here placed:—

(1) Indefinite postponement.