

matters are debating, either in the House or at Committees, it is for honor's sake thought fit, and is so Ordered, that all personal, sharp, or taxing Speeches be forborne; and that whosoever answereth another Member's Speech, shall apply his Answer to the matter, without wrong to the person; and as nothing offensive is to be spoken, so nothing is to be ill taken, if the party that speaks it shall presently make a fair exposition, or clear denial of the words that might bear any ill construction; and if any offence be given in that kind, as the House itself will be very sensible thereof, so it will censure the offender, and give the party offended, a fit reparation, and a full satisfaction.

XVII.

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avoided.

That, for avoiding all mistakes, unkindness, or other differences, if any Member shall conceive himself to have received an affront, or injury, from any other Member of the House, either in the