

case, unless the House shall be equally divided.—He may give his reasons for so voting. He shall stand uncovered when addressing the House.

Rules and regulations
of the House.

9. That when the Speaker is called upon to explain a point of order or practice, he is to state the rule applicable to the case without argument or comment.

MEMBERS.

10. That every Member, previous to his speaking, shall rise from his seat, uncovered, and address himself to the Speaker.

11. That when two or more Members rise at once, the Speaker shall name the Member who is first to speak; and the other or others may appeal to the House if dissatisfied with the Speaker's decision, by the Question, "*Which Member was first up?*"

12. That every Member who shall be present when a question is put, shall vote thereon, unless the House shall excuse him, or unless he shall be personally interested in the question; provided such interest be resolvable into a personal pecuniary profit, or such as is peculiar to the Member and not in common with the interest of the subject at large, in which case he shall not vote.

13. That when the Speaker is putting a question, no Member shall walk out of, or across the House; nor when a Member is speaking shall any Member hold discourse to interrupt him, except to order, nor pass between him and the Chair.

14. That a Member called to order shall sit down unless permitted to explain; and the House, if appealed to, shall decide on the case, but without debate; if there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to.

15. That no Member shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen or any of the Royal Family, or Person administering the Government of this Province; nor shall he use unmannerly or indecent language against the proceedings of this House, or against particular Members; nor shall he speak beside the question in debate.

16. That each Member may, of right, require the question or motion in discussion to be read for his information at any time of the debate, but not so as to interrupt a Member speaking.

17. That no Member shall speak more than once on the same question, without leave of the House, except in explanation of a material part of his speech, which may have been misconceived; but then he is not to introduce new matter.

18. That no Member shall speak more than once, without leave of the House, upon a previous Question.

19. That any Member may, at any time, desire the House to be cleared of strangers; and the Speaker shall immediately give directions to the Sergeant at Arms to execute the order, without debate.

20. That it be recommended to every Member wishing to go out during the sittings to inform the Sergeant at Arms of the place where he may be found, if wanted.

21. That no Member, during the Session, shall absent himself for more than one sitting at a time, without an express leave of absence from the House.

22. That this House will not grant leave of absence to any Member, (unless that there are forty-three Members present in town,) but on the most urgent and accidental business, specially stated to this House.