

CHAPTER I.

Relative to meetings and the admission of members.

1. This Lodge shall be held at such place in Fredericton, as may from time to time be duly determined, on the first Tuesday after every Full Moon, (which are the regular nights of meeting) and at such other times as shall be found necessary, (which occasional meetings are to be deemed emergencies); and the Master, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, is hereby authorized and empowered to call the Lodge together at all times when there may be occasion; the cause of meeting to be specified in the summons for emergencies, and nothing else shall be then transacted.

The hour of meeting shall be not later than eight o'clock in the evening from May to October, both inclusive, and seven o'clock in the evening from November to April, both inclusive; and the Lodge shall be closed at or before ten o'clock, unless business shall require it to be kept open a longer time, which time shall be at the discretion of the presiding officer for the time being, but on no pretence shall any new matter be commenced after eleven o'clock.

2. For the speedy convening of this Lodge, every member residing within the City and Suburbs of Fredericton, that does not appear in clean and decent apparel within fifteen minutes after the hour appointed for meeting, (although the Lodge be not then opened) shall be fined seven pence half-penny. - Sickness of himself, or of some member of his family, or absence from the City, being alone sufficient reasons for absence: And any member wherever resident that does not attend within the same time after the hour of meeting when specially summoned on emergency, shall be fined one shilling and three pence, unless his reasons for such neglect be absolutely satisfactory to the Master and a majority of the members present; and the Master, Wardens, Secretary, or Treasurer, neglecting to attend at the hour appointed for meeting, or (if unable to attend) to send his key, books, and other implements and insignia of his office, shall forfeit and pay the sum of two shillings and six