

*Rule 40.*—When a majority report is followed by a report from the minority of a committee, the former after being read, shall lie upon the table until the latter is presented; after which on motion, either may be considered.

*Rule 41.*—When a report has been read, it shall be considered as properly before the Division without a motion to accept.

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## FUNERAL CEREMONY.

The presiding officer of a Division, having received notice of the death of a Son of Temperance within the jurisdiction of his Division, and the time and place of interment, will, with the consent of the family or friends of the deceased, cause the Division to be convened for the necessary arrangements. The presiding officer of the Division of which the deceased was a member, may invite as many Divisions to unite in the ceremony as he thinks proper; but the whole must be under his direction—unless he chooses to delegate it to another. He may call upon any grave and worthy brother to perform the services for him. In case the deceased was not a member of any of the attending Divisions, the ceremonies are to be conducted by the presiding officer of the oldest Division, unless he waive his right, or unless the G. W. P. or a D. G. W. P. or some P. G. W. P. be present—any of whom may perform the ceremony.

Uniformity of dress should be observed, if convenient. Black clothing and black gloves would be most appropriate, with the proper badge of mourning, which is hereby declared, to be the usual badge of the Order, with the rosette embossed or laid in crape.

When the brethren have assembled at the Division

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