

XII. That the Journal of the day be read the next morning, prior to any other business.

XIII. That the Sergeant at Arms do not permit any person to come within the House, while it is sitting, except the Members and Officers attending.

XIV. That all persons who will question any return of Members to serve in General Assembly, do question the same within 14 days after the meeting of the House, and so within 14 days after any new return shall be brought in.

XV. That the House will not enter into a scrutiny of votes polled at any election of Members to serve in the General Assembly, unless a scrutiny was duly demanded of the Sheriff.

XVI. That any Member bringing in a Petition, shall in his place acquaint the House of the general purport of such Petition, and ask leave for it to be read, which must be seconded before it is read.

XVII. That the Speaker cannot take the Chair for the purpose of proceeding on any deliberations, or during any business whatever, except it be to receive the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, or a Message from the Council, or to enforce the attendance of absent Members, unless at least fourteen Members, including Mr. Speaker, be present ; but for the purpose before-mentioned, any number exceeding four, including Mr. Speaker, shall be deemed sufficient after the hour has arrived to which the House may be adjourned.

XVIII. That if any Member obtain leave of this House to act as an Attorney or Counsel in any matter, at the bar of the House, he shall not speak or vote as a Member upon such a matter.

XIX. That no Member be present in the House when a Bill or any business concerning himself is debating, but while the Bill is but reading or opening he may.

XX. That every Member be heard in his place, touching any charge brought against him, or other matter respecting his election, return or privilege, or wherever his private interest is materially affected, but is to withdraw before the House proceed to debate thereon.

XXI. That in case any offensive matter occurring in debate, the same shall be immediately noted down in writing ; and if it be neglected to be so noted on the day of its occurrence, the same shall not be afterwards considered by the House.

Mr. Simonds moved for leave to bring in a Bill to revise and include in one Act, the provisions of all the Laws now in force, for the public Registering of all Deeds, Conveyances, Wills, Judgments, Recognizances and other Incumbrances, which shall be made of, or that may affect Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within the Province.

Leave granted.

The said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from Benjamin L. Peters, Esquire, a candidate for the representation of the City of Saint John in General Assembly, at the late General Election, praying an investigation of the votes given for William B. Kinnear, Esquire, one of the Members returned for the said City, and the Petitioner ; and that he may be heard by Counsel, touching the allegations stated in the said petition ; which he read.

*Ordered,* That the said Petition be received, and lie on the Table.

Mr. S. Humbert moved for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act, to repeal all the Acts now in force, relating to the Light-House upon Partridge Island, and to make provision for the future support thereof, and of other Light-Houses at the entrance of the Harbour of Saint John.

Leave granted.