

TWENTIETH—That the Clerk shall have the direction and controul over all the Clerks and Servants employed in his Office, subject to such orders as he may from time to time receive from Mr. Speaker and the House.

TWENTY-FIRST—That no member of this House shall speak twice to any Bill at any one time of reading, nor to any report, motion, or other matter, unless it be to explain some material point of his speech (but not to bring forward new argument,) and that, not without leave of the House first obtained, except the member bringing forward such Bill, report, motion, or other matter, who, at the close of the debate, shall be privileged to reply.

TWENTY-SECOND—That during any debate in this House, the Speaker do, as often as explanation shall seem to require, upon any point of order or practice, inform the House every thing he knows upon the subject from the Journals of this House or the History of Parliament; but that the said Speaker shall on no account argue or draw any conclusions from such information, nor, in any matter of doubt, attempt to sway this House; and that the Rule of the House of Commons of Great Britain, passed the 27th April, 1804, be strictly conformed to in the several matters before mentioned.

TWENTY-THIRD—That in order to expedite the business of the Legislature, the House should not insist on the privilege claimed and exercised by them, of laying aside Bills sent from the Legislative Council, because they impose pecuniary penalties; nor of laying aside Amendments made by the Legislative Council, because they introduce into or alter pecuniary penalties in Bills sent to them by this House; provided, that all such penalties thereby imposed are only to punish or prevent crimes and offences, and do not tend to lay a burthen on the subject, either as aid and supply to Her Majesty, or for any general or special purposes, by Rates, Tolls, Assessments, or otherwise.

TWENTY-FOURTH—That in future no Petition for a grant to a Public work, in aid of which the inhabitants of the District may have subscribed, be received, until there shall have

been produced along with such Petition, a certificate by the Road Commissioner of the District, that there has been deposited with him a duplicate of the subscription list.

TWENTY-FIFTH—That the Sergeant at Arms shall be entitled to take and receive the following Fees:

For taking a Member of the House or any other person into custody, - - - -	£0 3 9
For every day in custody, - - - -	0 5 0
For bringing a Member of the House, or any other person to the Bar, to be reprimanded. -	0 2 6
For travelling charges, when ordered by the House, for every mile travelled, - - -	0 0 6

STANDING ORDERS RELATIVE TO PRIVATE BILLS.

1. That all Petitions for Private Bills be presented within fourteen days after the commencement of every Session.

2. That no private Bills be brought into this House but upon a Petition first presented, truly stating the case, at the peril of the parties preferring the same; and that such Petition be signed by the parties who are suitors for such Bill.

3. That a Committee be appointed, at the commencement of every Session, consisting of five members, of whom three shall be a quorum, to be denominated "The Private Bill Committee," to whom shall be referred every private Bill; and that no proceedings be had upon any such Bill until such Committee have reported thereupon to the House.

4. That as soon as the Committee have reported any Bill, such Bill, together with the amendments, if any, suggested by the Committee, be printed at the expense of the parties who are suitors for such Bill; and printed copies thereof delivered to the members before the second reading, if deemed necessary by the Committee.

5. That no Bill for the particular interest of any person or persons, corporation or corporations, or body or bodies of people, be read a second time, until all fees be paid for the same into the hands of the Clerk of the House.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at Ten o'clock.

Friday, September 29, 1854.

THE Bill in addition to the Act regulating the laying out and altering of Highways was, according to order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be now committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Yeo took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein—

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair;

And the Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress, and had directed him to move for leave to sit again, which the House agreed to.