

proceed to ascertain the opinion of the Society on such question by ballot, the majority appearing on such ballot to determine the question, and preclude further debate thereon.

The presiding Officer, with the other Officers before named, are invested with full power and authority at every meeting, to preserve silence, order and decorum in the Society, to check all irregularity, and to impose a fine at their discretion on any offending member not exceeding the sum of one shilling.

The President, or presiding Officer for the time being, to have the custody and use of the Seal; and in case any thing should happen to prevent the Society meeting at the place which the majority all from time to time appoint, such Officer shall convene the Society at some other place in the town of Halifax.

The Secretary, or his deputy, shall keep an exact list of the members of the Society, both honorary and otherwise, and shall keep an exact account of the times each member shall absent himself from the meetings of the Society, and of the sums respectively due from each member to the Society. He shall also summon each member (except those who shall be excused) to attend not only the regular meetings of the Society, but also such special meetings as the presiding Officer of the Society shall appoint; the summons to be in writing, and left at each member's place of abode at least three days before the time of meeting, unless in case of special meetings, where the time appointed by the presiding Officer will not admit thereof: In such cases the summonses to be served as expeditiously as the time will admit. He shall also keep a regular entry of all the bye-laws and proceedings of the Society in a book to be kept for that purpose, with a proper index thereto. He shall have the custody and care of all the books and papers of the Society.

As much will depend on the care and attention of the Secretary and his deputy, he shall be allowed for summoning each meeting of the Society and his attendance thereon, the sum of two dollars, [see note appended to clause 4. section 3]; and for every certificate granted to a member, the sum of one dollar.