

WEDNESDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1831.

Prayers.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from William H. Street, Esquire, of Saint John, Wine and Spirit Merchant, praying the House will take under consideration the propriety of an alteration in the duties now imposed upon Wines imported into the Province ; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Trade.

Mr. Weldon, from the Committee appointed to revise the Rules and Regulations of the House of Assembly of this Province, and to make further Rules for the Government of this House, reported, that they had attended thereto, and prepared a number of Rules ; which he read.

Ordered, That the Report be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Weldon,

The House went into Committee of the whole, in consideration of the said Report.

Mr. Taylor in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee, reported that they had gone into consideration of the Report of the Select Committee, and had agreed to the Rules therein reported, with amendments, and they being severally read at the Clerk's Table, were agreed to by the House, and are as follow :—

Rules

FOR GOVERNMENT OF HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

I. No Member to come into the House, or move from one place to another with his hat on.

II. While the House is sitting, and any Member is speaking, no Member is allowed to speak or whisper so as to interrupt him, unless it be to speak to order.

III. When any Member intends to speak, he is to stand in his place and address himself to the Speaker, and if more than one stand to speak, the Speaker is to determine who was up first, and the person named by him is to speak, unless he gives way to the other.

IV. No Member is allowed to be standing in his place while another is speaking.

V. When any business is in debate, if any Member rise to speak to a new business, any other Member may, but Mr. Speaker ought to, interrupt him.

VI. When any Member or Mr. Speaker speaks to order, the question of order must be decided previous to the business then before the House being proceeded in.

VII. When any question is put and a division is demanded, those that are for the question are to rise, and those against it are to remain sitting.

VIII. When a motion has been made and seconded, that matter must receive a determination by the question, unless the previous question is put and carried, or an adjournment be moved, or the motion is withdrawn by the Member that made it.

IX. When a motion is made and seconded, the Member's name who made the motion is to be inserted on the Journal.

X. After a question is propounded, no Member may speak more than once to the matter, except the Member who made the motion, and he may reply, and if any new matter arise, then speak to that matter only.

XI. When a question is decided by vote, the number of both the affirmatives and negatives shall be inserted in the Journal, and also the Members' names, if insisted on by three or more Members.

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