

General Rules.

I.—As soon as the Master presiding shall have taken the Chair, the officers and brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in due and ancient form.

II.—The order of procedure, after opening shall be as follows :

1. The reading by the Secretary of the Minutes of last meeting, and of every emergency that may have taken place during the month, the consideration of any objection which may be made or any part thereof, and their approval with or without amendment, as the case may require ; but such objections or amendments must have reference only to the manner in which the proceedings of the previous evening may have been recorded.

2. The nomination or election of officers on the evening designated for such nomination or election.

3. The receiving and consideration of reports of the investigating committees, and balloting thereon.

4. The initiation of Candidates, and passing and raising of members.

5. The receiving and consideration of reports of committees, which may require to be done.

6. The reading and consideration of Accounts, Petitions, and other communications in the hands of the Secretary.

7. The appointment of Committees on Petitions.

8. Money appropriations.

9. Good and Welfare—being first unfinished business in order of priority at former meetings ; and secondly, new business, reading Minutes, and Closing.

III.—Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, if requested by the Master or any member of the Lodge.

IV.—No question should be put by the Master, unless regularly moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until so put, and when put no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion.

1. To adjourn.
2. To lay on the table.
3. To put the previous question.
4. To postpone.
5. To refer.
6. To amend.