

STANDING RULES AND ORDERS OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Resolved.—That the following be adopted by
the Legislative Council as Standing Rules
and Orders of the Legislative Council :—

CHAPTER I.

PROCEEDINGS ON THE OPENING OF
PARLIAMENT.

1. On the first day of the meeting of a new Parliament for the despatch of business, pursuant to Proclamation, and at the time and place appointed, the Clerk shall read the Proclamation. Proclamation read by Clerk at first meeting after a dissolution of the Legislative Assembly.
2. The Usher shall then introduce to the Council Chamber Commissioners from His Excellency the Governor appointed to open Parliament. Commissioners introduced.
3. At the desire of the Senior Commissioner the Usher shall request the presence of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to hear their Commission read. Assembly summoned.
4. The Members of the Legislative Assembly having presented themselves, the Clerk shall read the Commission. Commission read by Clerk.
5. The Senior Commissioner will then inform the Members of both Houses that His Excellency will at a future time declare the cause of his calling Parliament together, and will request the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the meantime to proceed to the election of their Speaker. Assembly requested to elect Speaker.
- 189 6. The Commissioners and the Members of the Legislative Assembly having withdrawn from the Council Chamber, the President shall take the Chair and read the Lord's Prayer. President takes Chair and reads Prayer.
7. New Members may then be introduced and sworn. New Members.
8. The Council will then adjourn.
9. At the next meeting after the adjournment the President shall take the Chair and wait the approach of His Excellency the Governor. Second meeting.
10. On the day and at the hour appointed for the commencement and holding of any Session of Parliament not being the first meeting after a dissolution of the Legislative Assembly, the Clerk shall read the Proclamation convening Parliament. Proclamation read by Clerk at a second or subsequent session.
11. When His Excellency the Governor has arrived at the Chamber, the Usher shall announce his arrival and conduct him to the Chair, the President leaving the Chair and taking one to the right of the Governor. Governor announced by Usher.

12. Upon the command of His Excellency the Governor the Usher shall desire the immediate attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Council Chamber. Assembly summoned by Usher.

13. When the Members of the Legislative Assembly have come with their Speaker into the Council Chamber, His Excellency the Governor will proceed to declare the cause of his calling the Parliament together. Governor's Speech.

14. The President and the Speaker will then each receive a copy of His Excellency the Governor's Speech from his Private Secretary, and His Excellency will then withdraw from the Council Chamber. Copy of Speech.

15. The President shall then take the Chair and read the Lord's Prayer. Prayer.

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₂₀₈ 16. Before the Governor's Speech is reported to the House, some Bill is read a first time.

34 17. Notices of motion may then be given, and papers laid upon the Table. Notices of Motion.

²⁰⁸ 18. The President shall then report to the Council the Speech of His Excellency the Governor. Speech reported.

19. The Speech having been read by the President, a motion for the appointment of a Select Committee to prepare an Address in reply to the Speech will then be made, and His Excellency the Governor's Speech will be referred to the Committee. Select Committee to prepare Address in reply.

20. The Committee shall at once withdraw to prepare the Address. Committee to withdraw.

21. When the Chairman has brought up the Report, the same shall be read by the Clerk. Report read by Clerk.

22. On the Address being read, the Council will resolve to agree to the same with or without amendment. Address dealt with.

23. A motion will then be made that the Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor by the President and such Members as may desire to accompany him, or in such other manner as the Governor may appoint. Motion for presenting Address.

24. The President shall report to the Council His Excellency the Governor's reply to their Address. Governor's reply reported.

25. In case the office of President of the Council become vacant during the prorogation of Parliament, and any new Member be elected during such prorogation, so soon as the Clerk has read the Proclamation convening Parliament, the Usher shall introduce a Commissioner appointed by the Governor for swearing Members, and the Clerk shall read his Commission. When office of President becomes vacant during prorogation of Parliament.

26. After the Commission as aforesaid has been read, the Clerk shall read, with the returns endorsed thereon, any Writs delivered to him that have been issued during the prorogation, either by the President while in office, or by the Governor in pursuance of the Act No. 702. Writs when office of President vacant.

27. Members returned pursuant to such writs will then be sworn as prescribed by the Constitution Act. Members sworn.

28. The Commissioner will then retire from the Council Chamber. Commissioner retires.

CHAPTER II.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

6 29. Whenever the office of President becomes vacant, a Member, addressing himself to the Clerk, shall propose to the Council for their President some Member then present, and move that such Member do take the Chair of the Council as President. Election of President.

7 30. If only one Member be proposed and seconded as President, he shall be called to the Chair of the Council without question put. When unopposed, such Member called to the Chair.

8 31. The Member on being called to the Chair expresses in his place his sense of the honor proposed to be conferred upon him, and submits himself to the Council. He submits himself to the House.

9 32. Being again called to the Chair, he is taken out of his place by the Members who proposed and seconded him, and by them conducted to the Chair. And is conducted to the Chair.

10 33. If more than one Member be proposed as President, a motion shall be made and seconded regarding each such Member, "That The Honorable do take the Chair of the Council as President;" and each Member so proposed addresses himself to the Council. When election of President is opposed.

11 34. A question shall be then put by the Clerk that the Member first proposed "do take the Chair of the Council as President," which is resolved in the affirmative or negative, like other questions. Question—That the Member first proposed do take the Chair.

12 35. If the question be resolved in the affirmative, the Member is conducted to the Chair; but if in the negative, a question shall be then put by the Clerk that the Member next proposed "do take the Chair of the Council as President," and if it be resolved in the affirmative, the Member is conducted to the Chair. Question—That the Member next proposed do take the Chair.

13 36. Having been conducted to the Chair, the Member elected returns his acknowledgments to the Council for the honor conferred upon him, and thereupon takes the Chair. The President takes the Chair.

Constitution Act, section 6.

37. Before proceeding to any business, the President, with such Members of the Council as desire to accompany him, shall present himself to His Excellency the Governor as the choice of the Council. The President presents himself to Governor as choice of Council.

38. The President shall report to the Council any reply that may be made by His Excellency the Governor. Governor's reply to be reported.

CHAPTER III.

PROCEEDINGS ON PROROGATION.

252 39. On the prorogation of Parliament by His Excellency the Governor in person, the Usher shall announce the arrival of His Excellency, and shall conduct him to the chair, the President leaving the chair and taking one to the right of the Governor.

Governor's approach announced by Usher.

40. By the Governor's command the Usher shall desire the immediate attendance of the Legislative Assembly in the Council Chamber.

Attendance of Legislative Assembly desired.

253 41. When the Members of the Legislative Assembly have come, with their Speaker, into the Council Chamber, the Clerk of the Parliaments having received the Supply and Appropriation Bills (if any) from the hands of the Speaker, will present them, together with other Bills passed by the two Houses of Legislature, to His Excellency the Governor for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, and His Excellency the Governor's determination on each Bill respectively will be read by the Clerk of the Parliaments.

Assent to Bills.

42. His Excellency the Governor will then make a Speech, and prorogue the Parliament.

Prorogation.

CHAPTER IV.

SITTING AND ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE.

221 43. The President shall take the Chair as soon after the time appointed for the meeting of the Council as a quorum of Members is present, and shall read the Lord's Prayer; but if, at the expiration of half an hour after the time appointed, there is not a quorum, the President shall then take the Chair and adjourn the Council to the next sitting day, the bells having been previously rung as in a division.

If a quorum not present within a given time, Council adjourned.

60 44. If at any time after the commencement of the business of the day it appear, on notice being taken, or—on a division—or on the report from a Committee of the whole Council, that there is not a quorum of Members present, the President shall, after the bells shall have been rung as in a division, count the Council and, if there is not a quorum present, shall, without question put, adjourn the Council to the next sitting day.

If want of a quorum be noticed, Council adjourned.

85 45. The doors of the Chamber shall be unlocked whenever the President is engaged in counting the Council.

Doors unlocked whilst President counting.

46. The Usher shall from time to time take into his custody any stranger whom he sees or who is reported to him to be in any part of the Council appropriated exclusively to the Members of the Council, and also any stranger who, having been admitted into any other part of the Chamber or gallery, misconducts himself or does not withdraw when strangers are directed to withdraw while the Council or any Committee of the whole Council is sitting; and no person so taken into custody shall be discharged out of custody without the special Order of the Council.

Strangers.

72 47. No strangers shall, without leave of the Council, be admitted to the body of the Council Chamber within the Bar while the Council or a Committee of the whole Council is sitting.

Strangers not admitted within the Bar.

48. Members of the Legislative Assembly may be admitted without order to the benches to the right of the President, outside the Bar.

Members of the Legislative Assembly have seats outside the Bar.

49. Accommodation may be provided for the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly within the body of the Council Chamber.

Accommodation for the Speaker within the Council Chamber.

50. The President only shall have the privilege of admitting strangers to the body of the Council Chamber outside the Bar; but every Member shall have the privilege of admitting by Orders strangers to the Gallery of the Council Chamber.

President's orders and Members' orders for admission of strangers.

51. On the request of any six Members, or in his own discretion, the President shall at any time order all strangers to withdraw, and such strangers shall immediately withdraw accordingly.

Strangers to withdraw when ordered.

52. The Standing Orders Committee shall prescribe the arrangements for the opening and prorogation of Parliament, which arrangements the Usher shall carry into effect under the direction of the President.

Standing Orders Committee to prescribe arrangements for opening and prorogation of Parliament.

240 **73** 53. Every vote and proceeding of the Council shall be noted by the Clerks at the Table, and the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Council shall be printed; and the Government Printer and no other person shall print the same; and the Minutes of the Proceedings, so printed and signed by the Clerk of the Council, shall be the journals of the Council.

Minutes of Proceedings.

54. An entry of the Lists of Divisions in the Council shall be made by the Clerk in the Minutes of the Proceedings.

Division lists to be recorded.

55. No Member, unless he be a Minister of the Crown, or some Member deputed by him, shall be allowed to move, "That the Council do now adjourn," unless, on his rising to make such motion, six other members shall rise in their places and require the motion to be proposed. The names of such other Members shall be taken down by the Clerk, and entered on the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Council. The Member moving the adjournment shall state the subject that he proposes to speak to, and the debate shall be strictly confined to the subject so stated. And no Member having moved or seconded any such motion shall be entitled to move or second any similar motion during the same debate.

Motions for adjournment.

56. If the President be of opinion that a motion for the adjournment of a debate or of the Council during any debate, is an abuse of the rules of the Council, he may forthwith put the question thereupon from the Chair.

Debates on motion for adjournment.

CHAPTER V.

ATTENDANCE AND PLACES OF MEMBERS.

213 **214** **75** 57. Every Member is bound to attend the service of the Council, unless leave of absence be given to him by the Council, and shall during such attendance remain uncovered.

Every Member to attend service of Council.

(Handwritten initials)

58. The Usher shall keep a record of the daily attendance of Members, and no Member, without express leave of the Council, shall absent himself during the Session for more than two consecutive weeks without informing the President, nor for more than four consecutive weeks without express leave of absence from the Council; the President shall announce any breach of this Order to the Council, and any Member infringing this Order shall be held guilty of contempt. Absence of Member from Council.
- 218** 59. Leave of absence may be given by the Leave of absence.
76 Council to any Member for sufficient cause to be stated to the Council.
- 77** 60. Notice shall be given of a motion for giving leave of absence to any Member, stating the cause and period of absence. Notice of Motion to be given.
- 218** 61. If any Member having leave of absence Leave of absence how forfeited.
79 attend the service of the Council before the expiration of such leave, his leave shall thereupon expire.
- 216** 62. When an order is made that the Council Calls of the Council.
80 be called, such Members as do not attend the call and have not leave of absence shall be sent for and brought up in custody of the Usher.
63. No order for a call of the Council shall be made for any day earlier than seven days from the date of such order, inclusive of the day of such order. Call of the Council not to be made earlier than seven days from date of order.
- 216** 64. A copy of the order for a call of the Order for call of the Council to be forwarded.
82 Council, signed by the Clerk, shall be forwarded by post, addressed to each Member of the Council.
65. For the purpose of enabling this notice to be given, the Usher shall keep a book and enter therein the name and address of every Member. Usher to keep book of Members' addresses.
- 81** 66. The order for calling over the Council on a future day, shall be set down as an Order of the Day for the day so appointed. Call of the Council an Order of the Day.
- 216** 67. When the Order of the Day for calling Order in which names are called.
82 over the Council is read, unless the same be postponed or discharged, the names of the Members shall be called over by the Clerk in alphabetical order.
- 217** 68. The names of all Members who do not Members not present but subsequently attending.
83 answer when called shall be taken down by the Clerk, and subsequently called over a second time, when those who answer, or afterwards attend in their places on the same day, may be excused.
- 217** 69. Members not attending in their places on Members not attending during the day.
84 the same day are held guilty of contempt and may be ordered to attend on a future day; when unless they attend, or a reasonable excuse be offered for their absence, they may be dealt with for their default as the Council may think fit.

CHAPTER VI.

ORDERS OF THE DAY, NOTICES, MOTIONS, AND QUESTIONS.

- 94** 70. The ordinary business of each day consists Ordinary business of the Day.
of the consideration of Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day.
- 95** 71. An Order of the Day is a Bill or matter Orders of the Day defined.
which the Council has ordered to be taken into consideration on a particular day.
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- 267 72. No Notice of Motion shall, without leave of the Council, be received after the Council has proceeded to the ordinary Business of the Day. Notice of Motion, when to be given.
- 115 73. Motions shall take precedence of Orders of the Day, except on days fixed for the consideration of Government business, and shall, unless postponed, be moved in the order in which they stand on the Notice-paper. Motions to precede Orders of Day.
74. On the presentation of any document, except a petition, a motion may be made, without notice, that it be printed, and a day appointed for its consideration. Printing of a document not a petition may be moved without notice.
75. After notices of motion have been disposed of, the President shall direct the Clerk at the table to read the Orders of the Day, without any question being put. Clerk to read the Orders of the Day without any question being put.
- 266 76. All dropped motions and Orders of the Day shall, according as they relate to Government business, or general business, be set down in the Notice-paper after the Notices of Motion and Orders of the Day respectively, for the next day on which the Council sits. Dropped motions and orders.
- 267 77. Every Member in giving notice of a motion shall read it aloud and deliver at the Table a copy of such notice fairly written, together with his name, and the day proposed for bringing on such motion. Every notice to be in writing, and delivered at the Table.
- 267 78. A Member may not give for himself two notices of motions consecutively, unless no other Member has any notice to submit. A Member not to give two notices consecutively
- 269 79. A Member may give notice for any other Member not then present by putting the name of such Member on the Notice of Motion. Notice may be given for absent Members.
- 257 80. No notice may be given beyond fourteen days from the day of giving the same. Restriction upon giving notices.
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- 268 81. Every Notice of Motion and Order of the Day shall be printed and circulated. Notices printed.
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- 275 82. Any notice or part of a notice containing unbecoming expressions may be expunged from the notice-paper, by order of the President. Notices may be expunged.
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- 268 83. A Member desiring to change the day for bringing on a motion, may give notice of such motion for any day subsequent to that first named, but not earlier, subject to the same rules as other notices of motion. Notices postponed.
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- 268 84. After a notice of motion has been given, the terms thereof may be altered by the Member, on delivering at the table an amended notice one day at the least prior to the day for proceeding with such motion. The terms may be altered.
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- 270 85. A motion directly concerning the privileges of the Council will take precedence of other motions, as well as of Orders of the Day. Questions of privilege.
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- 275 86. Precedence shall be given to a motion for a vote of thanks of the Council. Votes of thanks.
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- 118 87. A motion may be made by leave of the Council without previous notice. Motion without notice.

CHAPTER VII.

AMENDMENTS.

124 88. A question may be amended—1. By leaving out certain words; 2. By leaving out certain words in order to insert or add other words; or 3. By inserting or adding words.

- 277** 88. When a motion has been made and Questions proposed.
119 seconded, the question thereupon shall be proposed to the Council by the President.
- 277** 89. Any motion not seconded may not be further debated, and no entry thereof shall be made in the Votes. Motions not seconded.
- 279** 90. A Member who has made a motion may Motions withdrawn.
121 withdraw the same by leave of the Council.
- 280** 91. A question may be superseded: 1. By the Questions superseded:—
122 adjournment of the Council, either on the motion of a Member "That the Council do now adjourn," 1. By adjournment.
or on notice being taken, and it appearing that a quorum of Members is not present; 2. By a 2. By reading the Orders of the Day.
motion, "That the Orders of the Day be now read;" 3. By a motion "That this question be 3. By previous question.
now put," being proposed and negatived.
- 283** 92. If the motion "That this question be Previous question resolved in the affirmative.
123 now put" be resolved in the affirmative, the original question shall be put forthwith, without any amendment or debate.
- 284** 93. A question for reading the Orders of Previous question, &c., superseded by adjournment.
124 the Day, and also the motion "That this question be now put," may be superseded by the adjournment of the Council.
- 287** 94. The debate upon a question may be interrupted, 1. By message from His Excellency Debates interrupted.
125 the Governor; 2. By a matter of privilege suddenly arising; 3. By words of heat between Members; 4. By a question of order; 5. By a message from the Assembly; 6. By a motion for reading an Act of Parliament, an entry in the journal, or other public document, relevant to the question before the Council.
- 288** 95. The Council may order a complicated Complicated questions may be divided.
126 question to be divided.
- 290** 96. So soon as the debate upon a question Question put and again stated.
291 is concluded, the President shall put the question to the Council, and if the same be not heard, **127** shall again state it to the Council.
- 291** 97. A question being put, shall be resolved Question determined by majority of voices.
128 in the affirmative or negative, by the majority of voices "Aye" or "No."
- 291** 98. The President shall state whether, in The President states whether the "Ayes" or the "Noes" have it.
129 his opinion, the "Ayes" or the "Noes" have it, and unless his opinion be acquiesced in by the minority, the question shall be determined by a division.
- 305** 99. No question shall be proposed in the The same question not to be again proposed.
130 Council which is the same in substance as any question which, during the same Session, has been resolved in the affirmative or negative.
- 309** 100. A motion which has been by leave of A motion withdrawn may be made again.
131 the Council withdrawn, may be made again during the same Session.
- 305** 101. A resolution or other vote of the Council Resolution or vote rescinded.
132 may be read and rescinded.
- 133** 102. An order of the Council may be read An order discharged.
and discharged.

CHAPTER VII.
AMENDMENTS.

- 295** 103. A question having been proposed may Different forms of amendment.
134 be amended—1. By leaving out certain words only; 2. By leaving out certain words in order to insert or add other words; or 3. By inserting or adding words.

- 135** 104. An amendment proposed, but not seconded, will not be entertained by the Council, nor entered in the Minutes of Proceedings. Amendments to be seconded.
- 136** ²⁹⁵ 105. When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words, the President shall put a question, "That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question," which shall be resolved by the Council in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. Amendment to leave out words.
- 137** ²⁹⁵ 106. When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words, in order to insert or add other words, the President shall put a question, "That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question," which, if resolved in the affirmative, will dispose of the amendment; but if resolved in the negative, and there is no motion before the Council for amending the proposed amendment, another question shall be put, "That the words (*of the amendment*) proposed to be inserted [or added] in the place of the words omitted be so inserted [or added]" which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. Amendment to leave out words and insert or add other words.
- 138** ²⁹⁷ 107. When the proposed amendment is to insert or add certain words, the President shall put a question, "That such words be inserted [or added]," which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be. Amendment to insert or add words.
- 139** ²⁹⁷ 108. No amendment shall be proposed in any part of a question after a later part has been amended, or has been proposed to be amended, unless the proposed amendment has been by leave of the Council withdrawn. When later part of a question has been amended or proposed to be amended.
- 140** 109. No amendment shall be proposed to be made to any words which the Council has resolved shall stand part of a question, except the addition of other words thereto. No amendment to be made to words already agreed to.
- 141** ³⁰⁴ 110. A proposed amendment may be by leave of the Council withdrawn. Proposed amendment withdrawn.
- 142** ³⁰¹ 111. When an amendment has been proposed from the Chair, amendments may be moved thereto, as if such proposed amendment were an original question. Amendments to proposed amendments.
- 143** 112. When amendments have been made, the main question as amended shall be put. Question as amended put.
- 144** 113. When amendments have been proposed, but not made, the question shall be put as originally proposed. When amendments proposed but not made.

CHAPTER VIII.

DEBATE.

- 176** ³⁹⁴ 114. The President shall maintain order in the Council. Order maintained by the President.
- 177** ³⁵⁹ 115. Whenever the President rises during a debate, any Member then speaking, or offering to speak, shall sit down, and the Council shall be silent, so that the President may be heard without interruption. When the President rises Council to be silent.
- 146** ³¹⁷ 116. By the special indulgence of the Council a Member unable conveniently to stand, by reason of sickness or infirmity, may be permitted to speak sitting. Indulgence to Members unable to stand.
- 148** ³¹⁷ 117. No Member may speak to any question after the same has been put by the President and the voices have been given both in the affirmative and in the negative thereon. No Member to speak after question has been put

- ³¹⁹ 118. When two or more Members rise to speak the President calls upon the Member first observed by him. The President calls upon Members to speak.
- ³²⁰ 119. A motion may be made that any Member who has risen "be now heard," or "do now speak." Motion that a Member "be now heard."
- ³²⁸ 120. At the time of giving notices of motion, questions may be put to Ministers of the Crown relative to public affairs, and to other Members relating to any Bill, motion, or other public matter connected with the business before the Council, in which such Members may be concerned. Questions to Ministers or other Members.
- ³²⁹ 121. In putting any such question, no argument or opinion shall be offered, nor any facts stated, except so far as may be necessary to explain such question. Such question not to involve argument.
- ³²⁹ 122. In answering any such question, a Member shall not debate the matter to which the same refers. In answering a question the matter not to be debated.
- ³³⁰ 123. By the indulgence of the Council a Member may explain matters of a personal nature, although there be no question before the Council; but such matters may not be debated. Personal explanation.
- ¹⁵⁶ 124. No Member may speak twice to a question before the Council, except in explanation or reply. No Member to speak twice to a question.
- ³³¹ 125. A Member who has spoken to a question before the Council may again be heard, to explain himself in regard to some material part of his speech, but shall not introduce any new matter. Except to explain his words.
- ³³² 126. A reply shall be allowed to a Member who has made a substantive motion to the Council, but not to any Member who has moved an Order of the Day, an amendment, or an instruction to a Committee. Or to reply in certain cases.
- ³³⁵ 127. Any Member may rise to speak "to order," or upon a matter of privilege suddenly arising. Speaking "to order."
- ³³⁶ 128. No Member shall allude to any debate of the same Session, upon a question or Bill not being then under discussion, except by the indulgence of the Council for personal explanations. Debates of same Session not to be alluded to.
- ³³⁶ 129. No Member shall reflect upon any vote of the Council except for the purpose of moving that such vote be rescinded. Reflections upon votes of the Council.
- ³³⁶ 130. No Member shall allude to any debate in the other House of Parliament. Allusion to debates in the other House.
- ³³⁶ 131. No Member shall use offensive words against either House of Parliament; nor against any Statute, unless for the purpose of moving for its repeal. Offensive words against either House.
- ³⁴⁵ 132. No Member shall use offensive or unbecoming words in reference to any other Member. Offensive words against a Member.
133. No member shall digress from the subject-matter of the question under discussion, nor comment upon any expressions said to have been used in the Legislative Assembly; and all imputations of improper motives, and all personal reflections on Members, shall be considered highly disorderly. Debate how to be conducted.
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134. Any Member may, either in the Council or in Committee of the whole Council, call attention to continued irrelevance or tedious repetition on the part of a Member addressing the Chair, and the President or the Chairman, as the case may be, may direct such Member to discontinue his speech. If such Member disobey such direction, he shall be considered guilty of contempt. Irrelevance or repetition.
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169 135. When any Member objects to words used in debate, and desires them to be taken down, the President, if it be the pleasure of the Council, shall direct the Clerk to take them down accordingly. Words taken down by direction of the President.
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171 136. Every such objection shall be taken at the time when such words are used, and not after any other Member has spoken. Words to be objected to when used.
- 172** 137. Any Member having used objectionable words, and not explaining or retracting the same, or behaving offensively to the Council or to any Member thereof, and not offering apologies for the same, to the satisfaction of the Council, shall be censured, or otherwise dealt with as the Council may think fit; and any Member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain. Members not explaining or retracting.
138. Whenever any Member makes use of any expression personal and disorderly, or capable of being applied offensively to any other Member, the President shall, either of his own motion or upon his attention being thereto called, require the Member so offending to withdraw the expression, and to make a satisfactory apology to the Council. Personal or disorderly reflections.
139. A member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain. Member called to order must sit down.
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173 140. The Council will interfere to prevent the prosecution of any quarrel between Members, arising out of debates or proceedings of the Council or any Committee thereof. Council will prevent quarrels.
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174 141. No Member shall make any disturbance during the business of the Council. If any Member offend herein he shall be liable to be declared in contempt of the Council. No noise or interruption will be allowed during a debate.
142. In case of such disturbance the President may call upon the Member so offending by name, and such Member shall thereupon be heard in explanation. As soon as he has been so heard, he shall withdraw; and thereupon the Council shall take the case into consideration. Member named by President as disorderly to withdraw.
143. If any person disobey any order of the Council, or interrupt the business of the Council, he shall be guilty of contempt. When Members and others guilty of contempt.
- 70** 144. Every Member or other person declared guilty of contempt shall be committed to the custody of the Usher by warrant signed by the President. Commitment of Member or other person in contempt.
145. The following scale of Fees shall be payable to the Usher on the arrest or commitment of any person, and no person shall, without the express direction of the Council, be discharged out of custody until such fees be paid or the Session of Parliament concluded :—
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| For arrest | | £50 |
| For commitment | | £50 |
| For each day's detention, including sustenance | | £5 5s. |
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CHAPTER IX.

DIVISIONS.

- 363** 146. No Member shall be entitled to vote in
179 any division, unless he be present in the Chamber when the question is put with the doors locked, and the vote of any Member not so present will be disallowed. No Member to vote unless present when the question put.
- 366** 147. Every Member present in the Chamber
180 when the question is put with the doors locked shall be required to vote. Every Member then present must vote.
- 366** 148. So soon as a division has been de-
183 manded, the Clerk shall ring the bell and turn a two-minute sandglass, kept on the table for that purpose, and the doors shall not be closed until after the lapse of two minutes, as indicated by such sandglass. Clerk to ring bell and turn sandglass.
- 366** 149. At the expiration of such two minutes
184 the doors shall be closed and locked, and no Member shall enter or leave the Council until after the result of the division has been declared. Doors closed after the lapse of two minutes.
- 367** 150. When the doors have been locked, and
185 all the Members in their places, the President shall put the question, and, after the voices have been given, shall declare whether, in his opinion, the Ayes or the Noes have it; and if this opinion be disputed, he shall direct the Ayes to the right side of the Chamber, and the Noes to the left side of the Chamber, and shall appoint a Teller for each party. Question put, and "Ayes" and "Noes" to take different sides of the Chamber.
- 192** 151. An entry of the Division Lists shall be made by the Clerk in the Minutes of the Proceedings. Division Lists to be recorded.
- 373** 152. The Tellers shall report the numbers to
188 the President, who shall declare them to the Council. Tellers report the numbers.
- 189** 153. In case of confusion, or error concerning the numbers reported, unless the same can be otherwise corrected, the Council shall proceed to a second division. In case of confusion or error, House again divides.
- 190** 154. If the numbers have been inaccurately reported to the Council, the Council on being afterwards informed thereof, shall order the Minutes of Proceedings to be corrected. Mistakes corrected in Minutes of Proceedings.
- 375** 155. When, in case of an equality of Votes,
191 the President gives a casting vote, any reasons stated by him shall be entered in the Minutes of Proceedings. Reasons for casting vote when given to be recorded.
- 385** 156. No Member shall be entitled to vote
194 either in the Council or in any Committee upon any question in which he has a direct personal pecuniary interest, and the vote of any Member so interested shall be disallowed. No Member personally interested to vote.

CHAPTER X.

COMMITTEES OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL.

- 392** 157. A Committee of the whole Council shall
196 be appointed by the following resolution—That this Council do now (or will on some future day) resolve itself into a Committee of the whole Council. Council resolves itself into a Committee.
158. The same number of Members shall be required to form a quorum in Committee of the whole Council as are required to form a quorum of the Council. Quorum of Committee of the whole.

159. The Council shall appoint a Chairman of Committees of the whole Council who shall continue to act as such Chairman so long as the Session shall continue. Chairman of Committees to be appointed.
160. If when the Council resolves itself into a Committee of the whole, the Chairman of Committees be absent, the Committee may, if no objection be taken, call some other member then present to take the Chair of the Committee; but if objection be taken, the President shall resume the Chair, and the Council shall proceed to elect a member then present to take the Chair. The member called or elected, as last aforesaid, shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the Chairman of Committees during the sitting of the Council, at which he shall be so called or elected, if the Chairman of Committees be so long absent. Absence of Chairman.
161. Order shall be maintained in a Committee of the whole Council by the Chairman of Committees, but disorder in a Committee can only be censured by the Council on receiving a report thereof. Order in Committee to be maintained by Chairman.
162. In a Committee of the whole Council, the Chairman, if it appear to be the pleasure of the Committee, shall direct the Clerk to take down the words to which objection has been made, in order that the same may be reported to the Council. Words of heat in Committee.
- 349** 163. Every such objection shall be taken at the time when such words are used, and not after any other Member has spoken. Words to be objected to when used.
164. If the Chairman be of opinion that a motion—That the Chairman do report progress, or do leave the Chair, is an abuse of the rules of the Council, he may forthwith put the question thereupon from the Chair. Debates on motion to report progress.
- 395** 165. A Committee of the whole Council shall consider such matters only as shall have been referred to them by the Council. A Committee to consider only such matters as are referred.
- 394** 166. Every question in Committee of the whole Council shall be decided by a majority of voices, and in case of any equality of voices, the Chairman shall give a casting voice. Questions decided by a majority of voices.
- 193** 167. Divisions shall be demanded and taken in Committee of the whole Council in the same manner as in the Council itself. Divisions in Committee.
- 397** 168. A motion made in Committee of the whole Council need not be seconded. A motion is not seconded.
- 397** 169. No motion "That this question be now put" shall be made in Committee of the whole Council. No previous question allowed.
- 398** 170. In Committee of the whole Council, Members may speak more than once to the same question. Members may speak more than once.
- 399** 171. The same order in debate shall otherwise be observed in Committee of the whole Council as in the Council itself. Order in debate.
- 401** 172. If any sudden disorder arise in Committee of the whole Council, the President may resume the Chair without any question being put. Disorder arising.
- 402** 173. If notice be taken in Committee of the whole Council, that a quorum of Members be not present, the bells shall be rung as in a division, and if, at the expiration of two minutes, or on a division, it appear that a quorum of Members be not present, the Chairman shall leave the Chair, and the President shall resume the Chair. When a quorum of Members not present.

⁴⁰² 174. If a quorum of Members be present House counted by the President.
212 when the Council is counted by the President, the Council shall again resolve itself into the Committee of the whole Council, without question put.

⁴⁰⁵ 175. When all matters referred to a Com- Report.
213 mittee of the whole Council have been considered, the Chairman shall be directed to report the same to the Council.

⁴⁰³ 176. When all such matters have not been Report of progress.
214 considered, the Chairman shall be directed to report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

⁴⁰³ 177. A motion may be made during the Motion to report progress.
215 proceedings of a Committee of the whole Council that the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

⁴⁰⁴ 178. A resolution that the Chairman do now Motion that the Chairman do now leave the Chair.
216 leave the Chair shall supersede the proceedings of a Committee.

⁴⁰⁵ 179. Every report from a Committee of the Report to be brought up without question.
217 whole Council shall be brought up without any question being put.

⁴⁰⁵ 180. Every report from a Committee of the Report of Committee.
218 whole Council may be adopted or not adopted by the Council, or re-committed to the Committee, or the further consideration thereof postponed.

181. Lists of divisions in Committee of the Division lists.
 whole Council shall be printed weekly, and when the Chairman shall on an equality of votes in a division give a casting vote, any reason stated by him shall be entered on the printed Lists of Divisions.

CHAPTER XI.

SELECT COMMITTEES.

⁴¹¹ 182. A Select Committee shall consist of not Number of Members requisite.
219 less than five, nor, without leave of the Council, of more than ten members.

183. It shall not be compulsory on the Pre- President not compelled to serve.
 sident to serve on any Select Committee.

184. The quorum of every Select Committee Quorum of Committee.
 shall be fixed at the time of appointing such Committee.

⁴¹¹ 185. Every Member intending to move for Notice of nomination to be given.
221 the appointment of a Select Committee shall, one day at least preceding the nomination of such Committee, place on the notice-paper the names of the Members intended to be proposed by him to be Members of such Committee, but if the Except when appointed by ballot.
 mover be desirous that the Committee should be appointed by ballot, then the number only need be stated.

186. If upon any motion for a Select Com- Manner of balloting for Committee.
 mittee any six Members require it, such Committee shall be formed in the following manner, viz.:—Each Member shall deliver at the clerk's table a list of the Members whom he wishes to be appointed on such Committee, not exceeding the number proposed, inclusive of the mover; if any list contain a larger number of names it shall be rejected; and the President shall appoint two members to be scrutineers, who, with the Clerk, shall ascertain the number of votes for each Member; the Members who shall be reported to have the greatest number of votes shall be declared by the President to be the Members of such Committee; in any case of doubt arising from two or more Members having an equality of votes, the President shall decide which shall serve on such Committee.

- ⁴²² 187. Every Select Committee, previous to the commencement of business, shall elect one of its Members to be the Chairman. Election of Chairman.
- ⁴¹¹ 188. To every question asked of a witness Names of Members asking questions to be entered in the minutes of Evidence.
²²³ under examination in the proceedings of any Select Committee shall be prefixed in the minutes of the evidence the name of the Member asking such question.
189. An entry shall be made in the Proceedings of the names of the Members attending each Select Committee meeting, and of every motion or amendment proposed in such Committee, together with the name of the mover thereof. Names of Members present to be entered.
190. If any division take place in a Select Committee, the Clerk shall take down the names of the Members voting in any such division, distinguishing on which side of the question they respectively vote, and such lists shall be given in with the report to the Council. Divisions to be entered.
- ⁴¹⁵ 191. If there be not a quorum of Members present within half an hour after the time fixed for the meeting of any Select Committee, the Chairman may adjourn the meeting of the Committee to a future day. If quorum of Members wanting, Chairman may adjourn.
- ⁴¹⁵ 192. If at any time during the sitting of a When quorum not present.
²²⁶ Select Committee of the Council the quorum of Members fixed by the Council be not present, the Clerk of the Committee shall call the attention of the Chairman to the fact, who shall thereupon suspend the proceedings of the Committee until a quorum be present, or adjourn the Committee to some future day.
- ⁴¹⁴ 193. Members may be discharged from attending a Select Committee, and other Members appointed or added, by resolution of the Council. Members discharged and added.
- ⁴¹⁶ 194. Whenever it thinks fit, the Council may give a Select Committee power to send for persons, papers, and records. Power to send for persons, papers, and records.
- ⁴¹⁸ 195. When a Select Committee is examining witnesses, strangers may be admitted or excluded at pleasure; but shall always be excluded when the Committee is deliberating. Admission of strangers to Committees.
- ⁴¹⁸ 196. Members of the Council not being of the Committee, may be present when a Committee is examining witnesses; but shall withdraw when the Committee is deliberating. When Members of the Council may be present.
- ⁴²² 197. No strangers, or Members, not being of the Committee, shall be admitted at any time to a Secret Committee. Secret Committee.
198. In a Select Committee all questions shall be decided by a majority of voices. Questions how decided in Committee.
- ⁴²³ 199. The Chairman of a Select Committee Chairman can only vote when voices equal.
²³³ can only vote when there is an equality of voices.
- ⁴²⁴ 200. A Select Committee may adjourn from time to time; and, by leave of the Council, from place to place. Committee adjourns.
- ⁴²⁵ 201. All Select Committees sitting at the time that the President is about to take the Chair shall be informed by the Usher that the President is about to take the Chair, and all proceedings after such notice shall be null and void, unless such Committees be otherwise empowered to sit. All proceeding void after notice that the President is to take Chair.
- ²³⁵ 202. Except by leave of the Council, no Select Committee may sit during the sittings of the Council, or on any day on which the Council itself is not appointed to sit. Not to sit during sitting or adjournment of the House without leave.

- 427** 203. The evidence taken by any Select Committee, and documents which have been presented to such Committee, but have not been reported to the Council, shall not be published by any Member of such Committee, nor by any other person. Evidence, &c., not to be published before reported.
- 427** 204. By leave of the Council, a Select Committee may report its opinion or observations from time to time, or report the minutes of evidence only, or proceedings from time to time. Report from time to time.
- 428** 205. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of every Select Committee to prepare the Report. Chairman to prepare report.
- 428** 206. The draft report so prepared shall, if necessary, be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Committee; and shall be read paragraph by paragraph to the Select Committee convened for the purpose of considering it, and a question put to the Committee at the end of each paragraph, That it do stand part of the report. A Member objecting to any portion of the report shall propose his amendment at the time the paragraph he wishes to amend shall be under consideration. Proceedings on consideration of draft report.
- 431** 207. The Report of a Select Committee shall be brought up by the Chairman, and may be ordered to lie upon the Table, or otherwise dealt with, as the Council may direct. Report brought up.

CHAPTER XII.

INSTRUCTIONS TO COMMITTEES.

- 408** 208. An instruction empowers a Committee of the whole Council to consider matters not otherwise referred to them. Effects of an instruction.
- 510** 209. No Instructions may be moved to order a Committee to make provision in a Bill; What instructions may not be moved.
- 242** nor to empower a Committee to make provision, if they already have that power.
- 513** 210. An instruction may be moved after the Council has ordered the Bill to be committed, and not as an amendment to the question that the President do now leave the Chair. When instructions to be moved.
- 511** 211. An instruction to a Select Committee extends or restricts the order of reference. Instruction to a Select Committee.

CHAPTER XIII.

WITNESSES.

- 416** 212. Witnesses shall be summoned in order to be examined at the Bar of the Council, Witnesses summoned by orders of the House.
- 245** or before a Committee of the whole Council, or a Select Committee, by orders of the Council, signed by the Clerk.
- 433** 213. Where a witness is in the custody of any person such person may be ordered to bring the witness in safe custody, in order to his being examined, and from time to time as often as his attendance is required; and the President may be ordered to issue his warrant accordingly. Witnesses in custody.
- 433** 214. A Committee having power to send for persons, papers, and records may summon witnesses by its own order, signed by the Clerk. Summoned by Committees.
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- ⁴³³ 215. If any witness do not attend, pursuant to the order of a Committee, his absence shall be reported, and the Council may order him to attend the Council; but such order may be discharged in case the witness shall have attended the Committee before the time appointed for his attending the Council. When witness does not attend a Committee.
- ⁴³² 216. The neglect or refusal of a witness to attend in obedience to an order of the Council, or of a Committee having power to summon witnesses, or in obedience to a warrant of the President, may be censured or otherwise punished, at the pleasure of the Council. Neglect or refusal to attend.
- ⁴³⁴ 217. When the attendance of a Member is desired, to be examined by the Council or a Committee of the whole Council, he is ordered to attend in his place. Attendance of Members to be examined by Council or by Committee of the whole Council.
- ⁴³⁴ 218. If a Select Committee desire the attendance of a Member as a witness, the Chairman shall in writing request him to attend. By a Select Committee.
- ⁴³⁴ 219. If any Member of the Council refuse, upon being sent for, to attend, or, when in attendance, to give evidence as a witness to a Select Committee, the Committee shall acquaint the Council therewith. If a Member refuse to attend.
- ⁴³⁴ 220. If any information that charges any Member of the Council come before any Committee, the Committee shall direct that the Council be acquainted with the matter of such information, without proceeding further thereupon. Committee to acquaint House of charges against Members.
- ⁴³⁵ 221. When the attendance of a Member of the Legislative Assembly, or of an officer of that House, is desired for the purpose of examination by the Council, or any Committee thereof (not being a Committee on a private Bill), a message shall be sent to the Assembly to request that the Assembly give leave to such member or officer to attend, in order to his being examined accordingly upon the matters stated in such message. Message for attendance of Member or officer of the Legislative Assembly.
222. Witnesses cannot be examined upon oath by the Council, or any Committee thereof, except in cases provided for by Statute. Witnesses not examined on oath except in certain cases.
- ⁴⁴² 223. If it appear that any person has been tampering with any witness, in respect of his evidence to be given before the Council, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly endeavouring to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, or that any person has given false evidence in any case before the Council or any Committee thereof, every such person shall be guilty of contempt. Tampering with witnesses. False evidence.
- ⁴⁴³ 224. All witnesses examined before the Council or any Committee thereof shall be entitled to the protection of the Council in respect of anything that may be said by them in their evidence. Witnesses entitled to protection.
- ⁴⁴³ 225. No Clerk or Officer of the Council, or Shorthand-Writer employed to take minutes of evidence before the Council, or before any Committee thereof, may give evidence elsewhere in respect of any proceedings or examination had at the Bar or before any Committee of the Council, without the special leave of the Council. Evidence not to be given elsewhere of proceedings without leave.

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262 226. When the witness appears before the Council, the President shall examine the witness; and no other Member shall put any question otherwise than through the President. In Council, witnesses examined by the President.
227. When a witness is in custody at the Bar, he shall be examined by the President alone. Witness in custody at the Bar.
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265 228. If any question be objected to, or other matter arise, the witness shall withdraw from the Chamber while the same is under discussion. Witness withdraws if question objected to.
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266 229. A Member of the Council shall be examined in his place. Member examined in his place.
- 263** 230. In Committee of the whole Council any Member may put questions to the witness. Witnesses examined in Committee of the whole Council.

CHAPTER XIV.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

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298 231. A Message verbal or written from the Governor may be communicated to the House by a Minister of the Crown, being a Member. How communicated.
232. The President shall immediately read the Message to the Council, and, if necessary, a day shall be fixed for taking the same into consideration. Consideration of Message from the Governor.
- 302** 233. Addresses to the Governor may be presented by the whole Council, by the President, or by such Members as the Council may name for that purpose. Addresses, how presented.
234. When an address is ordered to be presented by the whole Council, the President, with the Members, on being admitted to the Governor's presence, shall read the address to the Governor, the Members who moved and seconded such address being on his left hand. By the whole Council.
235. When it is ordered that an Address in which the Assembly joins the Council be presented by the whole Council, such Address shall be presented by the President, and such Members as may be named by the Council, together with the Speaker and the Members appointed by the Assembly. Addresses in which the Council shall join the Assembly.
236. The Governor's answer to any Address presented by the whole Council shall be reported to the Council by the President. Governor's answer to Address presented by the whole House.
237. The Governor's answer to any Address presented otherwise than by the President shall be reported to the Council by the Member or one of the Members presenting the same. To Address presented otherwise than by the whole House.
238. Unless it be otherwise ordered by the Council, all Addresses to the Governor shall be forwarded by the Clerk of the Council. Addresses to the Governor.
- 305** 239. The concurrence of the Council in an address communicated by the Assembly shall be signified by Message. Concurrence with other House to be signified by Message.

CHAPTER XV.

PETITIONS.

240. No petition shall be presented after the Council has proceeded to the Orders of the Day. Time for presentation of petitions.
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- 567 241. Petitions can only be presented to the Council by a Member, and no Member can present a petition from himself. Petitions presented by Members.
- 564 242. Every petition shall be respectful, decorous, and temperate in its language. Petitions to be respectful.
- 569 243. Every member presenting a petition shall acquaint himself with the contents thereof, and ascertain that it does not contain language disrespectful to any branch of the Legislature, or violate any of the Standing Orders of the Council, and shall affix his name at the beginning of the petition. Contents of petitions.
- 562 244. Every petition must contain a prayer at the end thereof. To contain a prayer at the end.
- 563 245. Every petition must be signed by at least one person on the last page thereof. To be signed on the last page.
- 563 246. Every petition shall be signed by the parties whose names are appended thereto, with their names or marks, and by no one else on their behalf, except in case of incapacity by sickness. To be signed by the parties.
- 563 247. The signatures shall be written upon the petition itself or upon sheets attached thereto, but no individual or single signature shall be pasted upon, or otherwise transferred thereto. Signatures not to be transferred.
- 563 248. Petitions of corporations shall be made under their common seal. Petitions of corporations.
249. If any person forge the name of any other person to any petition to the Council or affix thereto any fictitious name, he shall be deemed guilty of contempt. Forgery of signatures.
- 563 250. Every petition shall be in the English language, or be accompanied by a translation, certified by the Member who presents it. To be in English, or with a certified translation.
- 563 251. No letters, affidavits, or other documents may be attached to any petition. No letters, &c., to be attached.
- 319 252. No reference shall be made in a petition to any debate in Parliament. Debates not to be referred to.
- 570 253. Every Member offering to present a petition to the Council, not being a petition for a private Bill, or relating to a private Bill before the Council, shall confine himself to a statement of the parties from whom it comes, of the number of signatures attached to it, and of the material allegations contained in it, and to the reading of the prayer of such petition. Members confined to statement of facts in petition.
- 571 254. Every such petition not containing matter in breach of the privileges of the Council, and which according to the rules or usual practice of the Council can be received, shall be handed to the Clerk at the table, and the President, shall not allow any debate upon, or in relation to such petition; but it may be read by the Clerk if required. Not to be debated. But may be read by Clerk.
- 571 255. In the case of such petition complaining of some present personal grievance, for which there may be an urgent necessity for providing an immediate remedy, the matter contained in such petition may be brought into discussion on the presentation thereof. Petitions complaining of grievances.
256. No petition the prayer of which is for a distinct grant of money shall be received by the Council. Petition for distinct grant of money cannot be received.

CHAPTER XVI.

BILLS.

- ⁴⁸⁴ 257. Every Bill shall be brought in upon Bills or-
340 motion made and question put, That leave be dered.
 given to bring in such Bill.
- ⁴⁹⁸ 258. A Bill shall be presented by the Bills pre-
348 Member who has obtained leave to bring in the sented by a
 same, and immediately after its presentation its Member.
 first reading shall be proposed.
- ⁴⁹⁸ 259. When any Bill is presented by a Member, First reading
350 or is brought up from the Legislative Assem- and printing
 bly, the questions, "That this Bill be now read without de-
 a first time," and "That the Bill be printed," bate.
 shall be decided without amendment or debate.
- ⁴⁹⁹ 260. When a Bill has been read a first time, Bill ordered
351 its second reading shall be made an Order of the to be read a
 Day for a future day. second time.
- ⁵⁰² 261. On the Order of the Day being read Second read-
352 for the second reading of a Bill, the question ing.
 shall be put, "That the Bill be now read a
 second time."
- ⁵⁰³ 262. Amendments may be moved to such Amendments
353 question by leaving out "now," and inserting to question
 any other time ; or that the Bill be laid aside or for second
 be rejected. reading.
- ⁵⁰⁴ 263. No other amendment may be moved to Amendments
354 such question, unless the same be strictly rele- to be rele-
 vant to the Bill. vant.
- ⁵⁰⁹ 264. A Bill having been read a second time, Bill com-
355 may be ordered to be committed to a Committee mitted.
 of the whole House, or to a Select Committee.
- ⁵⁰⁹ 265. On the Order of the Day being read for Committee
356 the Committee on a Bill, the President shall put of the whole
 the question, "That I do now leave the Chair;" House on the
 which being resolved in the affirmative, the Bill.
 Council resolves itself into a Committee of the
 whole Council on the Bill.
266. When the Committee has reported pro- After pro-
 gress, the President shall leave the Chair on the gress has
 Order of the Day being read without putting been re-
 any question. ported.
- ⁵¹¹ 267. An amendment may be moved to the Amendments
357 question, That the President do now leave the to the ques-
 Chair, by leaving out all the words after the tion for the
 word "That" in order to add the words "this President to
 Council will, on (*some future day*), resolve itself leave the
 into the said Committee." Chair.
- ⁵¹⁰ 268. On the Order of the Day being read for Instructions
358 the committal of a Bill, an instruction may be to Commit-
 moved to the Committee, but shall not be moved tee.
 by way of amendment.
269. In Committee on a Bill the Preamble Preamble.
 shall stand postponed until after the considera- postponed.
 tion of the rest of the Bill without question put.
- ⁵¹⁸ 270. Any amendment may be made to a Amendments
521 clause, provided the same be relevant to the to clauses,
 subject-matter of the Bill, or pursuant to an &c.
 instruction, and be otherwise in conformity with
 the rules and orders of the Council ; but if any
 such amendment be not within the title of the
523 Bill, the Committee shall extend the title
362 accordingly, and report the same specially to
 the Council.

- 518 271. A question shall be put that each Clause to
363 "clause stand part of the Bill," or "as amended stand part of
stand part of the Bill." the Bill.
- 523 272. Any clause may be postponed, unless the Clauses post-
365 same has already been amended. poned.
273. New clauses relevant to the subject- When new
matter of the Bill, or pursuant to any instruction, Clauses to be
shall be proposed after the clauses in the Bill proposed.
have been considered, and before the schedules,
if any, are proposed.
- 524 274. After every clause and schedule has been Preamble
366 agreed to, the preamble shall be considered, and agreed to.
if necessary amended; and a question shall be
put, "That the preamble, or the preamble as
amended (as the case may be), stand part of
the Bill."
- 526 275. No notice may be taken of any pro- Proceedings
367 ceedings in Committee of the whole Council, in Committee
or a Select Committee on a Bill, until such pro- not to be
ceedings or Bill have been reported. noticed until
reported.
- 526 276. When the Bill has been fully con- Bill reported.
369 sidered, the Chairman shall be directed to report
the Bill, with or without amendment, to the
Council.
- 528 277. At the close of the proceedings of a Bill as amen-
370 Committee of the whole Council on a Bill, the ded to be con-
Chairman shall report the Bill forthwith to the sidered.
Council, and a time shall be appointed for taking
such Report into consideration.
- 522 278. After a Bill has been reported to the Bills re-
523 Council such Bill may be ordered to be re- committed.
374 committed to a Committee of the whole, or to
a Select Committee, either upon the same or
upon any future day.
279. Before any Bill is read a third time, the Certificate of
Chairman of Committees shall certify that it is
in accordance with the Bill as agreed to by the
Committee.
- 536 280. The order of the day for the third Order for
375 reading of a Bill may be read and discharged, third reading
and the Bill ordered to be recommitted. discharged.
- 376 281. The Order of the Day being read for Third read-
the third reading of a Bill, the question shall be ing.
put, "That the Bill be now read a third time,"
to which amendments may be moved, as on the
second reading.
- 535 282. After a Bill has been read a third time, Verbal or
verbal or consequential amendments, and none consequential
other, may be made. amendments made.
- 379 283. The further proceedings on a third read- Further pro-
ing may be adjourned to a future day. ceedings on
third reading
adjourned.
- 536 284. After the third reading, and further Bills passed
378 proceedings thereon, the question shall be put, and title
"That this Bill do pass"; after which the title agreed to.
of the Bill shall be agreed to, or amended and
agreed to.
- 380 285. By leave of the Council, Bills may be Bills passed
passed with unusual expedition through their with unusual
several stages. expedition.
- 537 286. When a Bill has been originated in Bills sent to
382 the Legislative Council and all the proceedings the Legisla-
thereon have been concluded, the Bill shall be tive Assem-
ordered to be transmitted to the Legislative bly.
Assembly and their concurrence desired.

540 287. When a Bill is returned from the Legis- Bills re-
 383 lative Assembly with amendments, such amend- turned from
 ments shall be read and agreed to, or agreed to the Legisla-
 with amendments, or disagreed to, or the further tive As-
 consideration thereof put off to some future day, sembly.
 or the Bill ordered to be laid aside or rejected.

384 288. Amendments by the Legislative As- Amendments
 sembly to Bills originated in the Council shall of Legislative
 be appointed to be considered on a future day, Assembly.
 unless the Council order them to be considered
 forthwith.

289. When a Bill has originated in the Legis- Bills re-
 lative Assembly and has been agreed to by the turned to
 Council with amendments, such Bill with the Legislative
 amendments attached thereto shall be returned Assembly
 to the Legislative Assembly and their concu- with amend-
 rrence desired in such amendments. ments.

290. When a Bill which has originated in Bills agreed
 the Assembly has been agreed to by the Council to without
 without amendment, a Message shall be trans- amendment.
 mitted to the Legislative Assembly acquainting
 them therewith.

291. Whenever the Governor proposes any Amendments
 amendment in a Bill presented to him for Her proposed by
 Majesty's assent, which has originated in the Governor.
 Council, and the Message proposing such Consti-
 amendment is transmitted to the Council, the tution
 amendment shall be agreed to or not agreed to Act, sec. 36.
 by the Council, but no amendment shall be pro-
 posed therein.

292. When the Council have agreed to any When Gover-
 amendment proposed as last aforesaid by the nor's amend-
 Governor, such amendment shall be transmitted ments are
 by Message to the Legislative Assembly for agreed to, to
 its concurrence. be sent to
 Legislative
 Assembly.

293. Whenever the Legislative Assembly has Amend-
 agreed to any amendment proposed to be made ments of
 by the Governor in any Bill, and transmits the Governor
 same to the Council, the amendment shall be agreed to by
 agreed to or not agreed to by the Council, but no Assembly
 amendment shall be proposed therein. how dealt
 with by
 Council.

294. Whenever any Bill for repealing, alter- Bills altering
 ing, or varying all or any of the provisions of Consti-
 the Constitution Act, and for substituting others tution
 in lieu thereof, has passed its second and third Act how
 readings in the Council, with the concurrence certified.
 of an absolute majority of the whole number of
 the Members of the Council, the Clerk, or other
 proper officer of the Council, shall certify the
 fact on the Bill accordingly.

CHAPTER XVII.

ACCOUNTS, PAPERS, AND PRINTING.

295. The Council may order that accounts and Accounts,
 papers be laid before it, and may, if it think fit, &c., ordered.
 direct the same to be printed.

576 296. When the Royal prerogative is con- Addresses for
 386 cerned in any account or paper, an address shall papers.
 be presented to the Governor praying that the
 387 same may be laid before the Council.

388 297. Other papers may be presented by com- Papers pre-
 mand of His Excellency the Governor, or sented pur-
 pursuant to Statute. suant to Sta-
 tute or by
 command.

582 298. At the commencement of each Session, Appointment
 393 a Select Committee shall be appointed to con- of Printing
 sider and order upon all matters which relate Committee.
 to the printing to be executed by order of the
 Council, and for the purpose of selecting and
 arranging for printing returns and papers,
 presented in pursuance of motions made by
 Members.

580 299. When any account or paper is presented Papers pre-
 by a Member, it shall be delivered to the Clerk sent by
 of the Council. Members.

300. Accounts and other papers which are Papers de-
 required to be laid before the Council by any posited with
 Act of Parliament, or by any order of the the Clerk of
 Council, may be deposited with the Clerk, and the Council.
 the same shall be laid on the table, and a list of
 such accounts and papers read by the Clerk.

301. Every account and paper not presented Accounts
 pursuant to any Act of the Legislature shall and Papers
 be ordered to lie upon the table. ordered to lie
 on the
 table.

CHAPTER XVIII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

302. In all cases not herein provided for, Resort to be
 resort shall be had to the Rules, Forms, Usages, had in cases
 and Practice of the Commons House of Parlia- for which no
 ment of Great Britain and Ireland, which shall provision is
 be followed so far as the same may be applica- made by
 ble to this Council and not inconsistent with the these rules
 foregoing Rules. to the prac-
 tice of the
 House of
 Commons.

303. The foregoing Rules and Orders, or any Standing
 of them, may at any time be suspended or dis- Orders may
 pensed with by the Council, but (except by be suspended
 leave of the Council) no motion shall be made on notice
 to dispense with any such Rule or Order with- being given.
 out due notice thereof.

304. In these Standing Orders, the expression Interpreta-
 "leave of the Council" shall mean the leave of tion of
 the Council granted without any negative "Leave of
 the Council,"
 voice.

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*Adopted by the
 Legislative Council the
 twenty third day of October
 one thousand eight hundred
 and eighty three*

*Approved
 Governor.*

*John Parlier
 Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

