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GENERAL MAXIM.

IF at any time a doubt shall arise respecting the meaning of any Law in this Code, such law shall be interpreted by the President, according to the strict Letter, without regard to any supposed Import which may militate against such interpretation; but should it so happen, that the interpretation given to any Law by the President appear incorrect, the Sense of the Society may be taken upon it, by a Motion being made, and supported by FIFTEEN Members.

CHAPTER I.

OF ORDINARY MEETINGS.

1. THE Ordinary meetings of the Society shall commence on the last Friday but one of October, and be held every Friday, until TWENTY-FOUR Dissertations shall have been read. ~~There shall not however be any Meeting on Good-Friday, but in its stead on the Thursday preceding it~~ *There shall not however be any meeting on Good Friday, nor on Christmas day if such should fall on a Friday, but in each case the Thursday preceding.*

2. Each Ordinary meeting for Private Business shall commence at five minutes after SEVEN o'clock P. M. and shall continue until dissolved by the President. But the Private Business shall not be protracted beyond five minutes before EIGHT o'clock, except for the express purpose of the Collection of Fines, (See Law 7, Chap. XII.) the collection of the Annual Contributions, (See Law 9, Chap. V.) and the Election of Presidents and Committees. If the Private business shall not then be finished, it shall be resumed, either at the next Ordinary Meeting, or at an Extraordinary one to be appointed for the purpose. There shall be an adjournment for a few minutes between Private and Public Business.

3. The Secretary, at the beginning of Private Busi-

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ness, and at the beginning of Public Business, shall call over the names of the Presidents, and Ordinary Members in the order of their seniority. He shall fine those who are absent at the first roll SIXPENCE, and those who are absent at the second, ONE SHILLING, and no excuses for absence shall be deemed valid except those specified in Law 3, Chap. XII. At ELEVEN o'clock a paper shall be signed by the President, and then placed in the Library-room for the signature of members, and those who neglect to sign it shall be fined SIXPENCE. ^{but the Fine Committee shall be authorized to remit the fine of any member's share in the appeal book that he was present at the hour specified} If the President in the chair neglect to provide such paper he shall be fined FIVE SHILLINGS. But if the discussion of the evening be not continued till eleven o'clock, the Secretary shall call a third roll, and every absent member shall incur the penalty of SIXPENCE, after which the meeting shall be dissolved. On the evenings on which there is no public business, the roll shall be called over TWICE, and the fine for absence at each roll-call shall be SIXPENCE.

4. If the Author of a Dissertation be absent during its Discussion more than FIFTEEN minutes, he shall be fined FIVE SHILLINGS; The President shall notice the time he may be absent. If the Author do not attend during any part of the Discussion, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE GUINEA, unless he make a satisfactory Excuse for his Absence.

5. If an Adjournment be moved during Public Business, the sense of the Society shall be immediately taken. But such adjournment shall not take place

"That accurate minutes be kept of the proceedings of the Society during Public Business, in which shall be inserted the Titles of all Papers & communications read before the Society, with the names of the Authors, & that the Authors be present at the time of the reading of their Papers."

unless assented to by FIFTEEN members present, and if thus agreed on, a notice of the adjournment shall be inserted in the Minutes, and affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library. Previously to the adjournment the roll shall be called.

6. At Adjourned Meetings the Roll shall be called at the commencement and termination of the Meeting. The Fine for Absence shall be the same as at Ordinary Meetings.

7. A Member may petition for Leave of Absence from the Meetings of the Society for a limited time, provided he be not to give in a Dissertation within THREE WEEKS. A petition for Leave of Absence on the ground of Indisposition shall be decided by Ballot immediately. If on any other ground, it shall first hang in the Library for a week; a Majority of THREE-FOURTHS of the Society being in either case required for its Admission; and if it be rejected, a second Petition shall not be presented by the same Member during that Session, founded on the same reasons.

ORDER OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY
AT ORDINARY MEETINGS.

PRIVATE BUSINESS.

1. SOCIETY constituted, and Roll called.
 2. Minutes of the preceding Meeting read.
 3. Dissertation delivered to the President.
 4. The Name of the Person who is to give in a Dissertation at the succeeding Ordinary Meeting announced.
 5. The announcing of Appointments for particular Nights.
 6. Petitions for Seats determined, and ~~Laws Signed~~
by ~~New Members~~.
 7. Petitions for Seats read.
 8. Petitions of Members read and determined.
 9. Reports of Committees received.
 10. Miscellaneous Business.
 - + 11. *New Members sign the Laws.* Visitors appointed, and SOCIETY adjourned.
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PUBLIC BUSINESS.

1. SOCIETY constituted, and Roll called.
2. Medical News.
3. Dissertation read and discussed.
4. Roll called, and SOCIETY adjourned.

CHAPTER II.

OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS.

1. To admit an Extraordinary Meeting of the Society for the discussion of Public Business, a MAJORITY of suffrages shall be required; but an Extraordinary Meeting for Private Business may be appointed, if required by ONE-THIRD of the Members present. The President in office shall appoint it within TWENTY-FOUR hours, unless the member proposing it consent to its being later.

2. The Roll shall be called at the beginning and end of every Extraordinary Meeting. Every Ordinary attending Member shall be fined ONE SHILLING for each Roll-Call to which he has not answered; but the following Appeals shall be considered valid:—Confinement by Illness,—Engagements at other Societies,—or at Classes,—and Absence from Town two miles.

3. An Extraordinary Meeting shall be held every SECOND year, during the Month of February, for the purpose of making and repealing Laws, as specified in Law 1, Chap. III.

vid. p. 345. 7. 4. On the FIRST Wednesday after the LAST Ordinary Meeting of each Session, there shall be an Extraordinary Meeting for the purpose of collecting the Money due to the Society; after which any Miscellaneous Business of the Society may be considered.

No appeal for
remission of fines,
incurred during last
fortnight, can be
received, unless
made before first
Extraordinary
meeting of the
Committee

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5. On the succeeding Friday, there shall be another Extraordinary Meeting, for the purpose of receiving the appointed statement from the Committee of Finance, (See Law 7, sect. iv. Chap. XXII.) as also the report of a Committee, which shall have been appointed at the last Ordinary Meeting of the Session, to examine the Accounts of the Annual Presidents.—(See Law 6, sect. vi. Chap. XXII.)

p. 82.

6. An Extraordinary Meeting may be convened at any time during the RECESS, provided Notice of such Meeting, signed by FIFTEEN Members, shall have been set up in some conspicuous part of the Library for a week previous. It is, however, clearly to be understood, that such Meeting can only deliberate upon Private Matters, which, it shall appear, require immediate consideration, or concerning which, it would be impossible to wait for the usual Ordinary Meeting of the Society. The Chair is to be taken by a President of the former Session if present, if not, by the Senior Ordinary Member. All questions are to be decided by a simple Majority.

7. Any Member who wishes to read a communication or paper to the Society during the SUMMER RECESS, may direct the Secretary to call a meeting of the Members then in town for that purpose;—but the attendance at such meeting shall be VOLUNTARY. The Senior President, or, in the absence of the Presidents, the Senior Ordinary Member present, shall take the chair, and the debate be regulated by the same laws which apply to the regular meetings of the Society.

See p. 27—where president is empowered to impose fines for irregularity, &c.

CHAPTER III.

OF NEW LAWS.

1. On the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in February, of every SECOND year, the President shall give notice, that all Proposals for making or repealing laws, must be presented at the NEXT ensuing Ordinary Meeting. Every Proposal shall hang in the Library, previously to its being determined at an Extraordinary Meeting, which the President at the Meeting when the Proposals are presented shall appoint to be held, in the course of the Week succeeding the THIRD Ordinary Meeting in the same Month; and no Proposal shall be admitted, if not approved by THREE-FOURTHS of the Society.

2. The Society may in any part of the Session make New Regulations, which shall have the force of Laws until the ensuing Legislative Meeting in February, and no longer. No Proposal for adopting a new Regulation shall be admitted, without the concurrent suffrages of TWO-THIRDS of the Society. If any proposal for a New Regulation be withdrawn, the Proposer shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING; and if it be rejected by more than TWO-THIRDS of the Society, he shall incur the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

3. When any Proposal is made to the Society, the proposing Member alone shall speak concerning it: At the Discussion of it, no Member shall speak more than TWICE, unless permitted by the President, except the

Proposer, who shall be allowed to reply to any Objections. This Law shall extend to Proposals of every kind made at Ordinary, as well as Extraordinary Meetings.

4. The operation of no Law shall at any time be Suspended without the sanction of the SAME MAJORITY of votes, as is requisite for the Enactment of the Law.
(See Law 6, Chap. IV.)

CHAPTER IV.

OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. When any proposal, made to the Society at an Ordinary Meeting, and seconded, is not unanimously agreed to, it shall be determined either at the nearest convenient Ordinary Meeting, or at an Extraordinary Meeting to be appointed for the purpose;—except a Proposal for an Extraordinary Meeting,—for the adjournment of Public Business,—for the Admission of a Visitor,—for the Purchase of Books or Apparatus,—or any other Proposal, the nature of which is incompatible with delay;—as also a Petition for a Diploma,—or for Leave of Absence on the ground of Indisposition,—any of which shall be ballotted for immediately. Petitions for Leave of Absence on any other ground than that of Indisposition, and Proposals for making or repealing Laws, shall in all cases first be suspended in the Library, as shall likewise all other Proposals, if objected to.

2. Any Proposals made at an Extraordinary Meeting and seconded, if not objected to by ONE in TEN, shall be ballotted for immediately : if otherwise, they shall be determined at an Extraordinary Meeting, to be appointed for that day se'nnight.

motion at
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3. The manner of balloting shall be as follows: Every Member who may not choose to vote having retired, each remaining Member shall receive a Ballotting Ball, which he shall put into the *Aye* or *No* side of the Ballotting Box: The Secretary shall then count the number of Voters; and if this be found by the President and FOUR Ordinary Members, summoned each Night in rotation according to their seniority, (who shall always together examine the returns), to correspond with the number of Ballotting Balls in the Box, the President shall announce the Decision of the Question according to the proportion of Balls in the different sides.

4. To adopt a Proposal for appointing an Extraordinary Meeting for Private Business, the concurrent Suffrages of ONE-THIRD of the Society shall be sufficient, but if for the discussion of Public Business, a MAJORITY of Suffrages shall be required.

5. To adopt a New Regulation,—to accept the excuse of a President for Absence during more than three successive Ordinary Meetings,—to exculpate the Library Committee when accused of misconduct,—or admit a Petition for altering the subject of a Dissertation,

a Majority of TWO-THIRDS of the Society shall be required.

6. To adopt a Law,—to admit a Visitor,—to grant a SINGLE Petition for a seat,—or a Petition for Leave of Absence,—or to elect a Corresponding Member, or Secretary, a Majority of THREE-FOURTHS of the Society shall be required.

7. To admit a number of Petitions for seats at ONCE, a Majority of MORE than THREE-FOURTHS, and to admit an Honorary Member, a Majority of MORE than FIVE-SIXTHS of the Society shall be required.

8. A Motion having been submitted to the Society and determined by it, no subsequent Proposal for altering or reversing that Decision shall be adopted, unless it be supported by the SAME proportion of suffrages which was required to constitute the Decision on the original Motion.

9. To Suspend the operation of any Law, the sanction of the SAME Majority of Votes shall be required as was requisite for its original Enactment. (See Law 6.)

10. The Sense of the Society collected from the Suffrages of a MAJORITY by Ballot, shall in all other cases, not particularly specified, regulate their Decisions.

CHAPTER V.

OF ORDINARY MEMBERS.

1. ADMISSIONS into the Society shall take place ONLY between the FIRST of November and the THIRD Ordinary Meeting in April inclusive.

2. Every Petition for a Seat shall be presented in due time, (*See Order of Proceedings, No. 7.*) at an Ordinary Meeting, by a Member who shall not be at liberty to make a recommendatory Speech in favour of the Petitioner; but the following Recommendation, signed by at least six Members, shall be affixed to every such Petition when it is presented:

We the Underwritten attest, that we believe the Petitioner to be a proper Person to become a Member of this Society.

And the Names of the attesting Members shall be inserted in the Minutes, after that of the Petitioner.

3. Every Petition for a Seat shall be inserted in the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting at which it is presented, and shall be determined at the following one. In the meantime, it shall be affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library, and circulate in the Minutes.

4. All the Petitions for Seats to be determined the same Evening shall be ballotted for at ONCE; but if not admitted by a greater Majority than THREE-FOURTHS of the Society, they shall be ballotted for separately;

in each case, a Majority of THREE-FOURTHS of the Society shall be required, and the Report of the Decisions of the Society concerning them shall be suspended, until the whole are determined.

5. No SINGLE Petition for a Seat shall be ballotted for more than ONCE during the same Evening, unless on discovery of a mistake in the Ballot; nor shall any Petition for a Seat be received from the same Person more than THREE times in One Session.

6. The newly elected Member may sign the Laws at the appointed time, (*See Order of Proceedings, No. 6.*) on the Evening of his Election, or during any of the THREE succeeding Ordinary Meetings; but if he neglect to do this, he shall forfeit the right of ever becoming a Member, unless he shall make in writing a satisfactory Apology. Every member on his Admission into the Society shall subscribe the following Obligation :

By subscribing my Name to the Laws of THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF EDINBURGH, I publicly declare, that I will obey all its Laws and Regulations ; and especially, that I will be particularly careful of all the Books belonging to its Library ; that I will never consent to any alienation of the said Library, or any other property of the Society, unless the same shall have been agreed to at a full and lawful Ordinary Meeting of the Society, held between the FIRST day of November and the LAST day of April inclusive ; at which Meeting there shall have been

present not fewer than six Honorary, and sixteen Ordinary Members of NINE MONTHS standing, who shall consent to the Alienation of the said Library and Property. And I further promise, that I will be careful that every Person becoming a Member of this Society shall subscribe this Obligation, as I now do in the presence of the Society.

7. Every Member, upon signing the Laws, shall be desired to annex to his own Name, that of his Country, and Place of Residence.

8. Every Member upon signing the Laws, shall pay to the President in the Chair, the Sum of FOUR POUNDS TEN SHILLINGS. He shall receive a Copy of the Laws, a List of the Members, and a Catalogue of the Library.

9. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in December, each Member, if it be the SECOND Session of his Attendance, shall pay THREE POUNDS FIVE SHILLINGS; if the THIRD Session, Two POUNDS FOUR SHILLINGS.

10. Any Member coming to Town after the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in December, shall pay his Contribution at the Ordinary Meeting next after the time when he shall have received notice from the Secretary that he is required to attend: and if any Member neglect to pay his Contribution when it is called for, he shall incur a Fine of FIVE SHILLINGS every Week it remains unpaid after the first TWO WEEKS.

11. If any Member assumes to himself a Title of the Society which he has not lawfully acquired, he shall be fined Two GUINEAS, and shall be obliged to relinquish the Title which he has assumed, under Penalty of Expulsion.

CHAPTER VI.

OF EXTRAORDINARY MEMBERS.

1. A Member, after having attended two complete Sessions, or a period equal to two Sessions,—discharged all his Debts to the Society,—and written a Dissertation, shall become an Extraordinary Member. He shall, notwithstanding, deliver a SECOND Dissertation in his turn, subject to all those Laws which respect the Delivery of Dissertations, Attendance during their discussions, &c. provided each Ordinary Member of TWELVE MONTHS standing shall have previously delivered in a Dissertation.

2. An Extraordinary Member shall enjoy all the Privileges of Ordinary Members, and be subject to all the Penalties to which they are liable, unless in such cases as are otherwise particularly specified. He shall moreover not be required to attend Meetings, nor, after his THIRD Contribution of Two POUNDS FOUR SHILLINGS, to pay Contributions.—(See Law 9, Chap. V.)

CHAPTER VII.

OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

1. Any eminent Practitioner in Medicine or Surgery may be proposed as a Corresponding Member after the **FIRST** of January, provided he does not permanently reside in Edinburgh. The proposal shall be affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library for **ONE MONTH**, and shall then be determined at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting.

2. A Majority of **THREE-FOURTHS** of the Society shall be requisite for the admission of a Corresponding Member, who shall not be required to write Dissertations, and shall enjoy all the Privileges of an Extraordinary Member, subject to the same Restrictions.

CHAPTER VIII.

OF HONORARY MEMBERS.

1. **ANY** Person may be proposed as an Honorary Member after the **FIRST** of January; but such proposal must be previously submitted to the Fine Committee, and, if agreed to by a Majority of **TWO-THIRDS** of the **WHOLE** Committee, it shall then be submitted to the Society, and exposed in a conspicuous place in the

Library for ONE MONTH, to be determined at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting.

2. A Majority of MORE than FIVE-SIXTHS of the Society shall be requisite for the Admission of an Honorary Member, who shall not be required to write Dissertations, and shall enjoy all the Privileges of an Extraordinary Member, subject to the same Restrictions.

On NEITHER of the above occasions shall any discussion be allowed.

CHAPTER IX.

OF VISITORS.

1. Each Member of the Society shall have liberty to propose TWELVE Visitors during the Session; but no Member shall be allowed to introduce more than ONE Visitor on the SAME Evening, and each Visitor shall be required to sign the following declaration on his card of admission:

I consider myself bound to observe the Laws of this Society, particularly those affecting Publication.

2. It shall be the duty of the President of Public Business for the Evening, to sign the Visitors' Tickets, and to Register their Names.

3. After the proposal of the Visitors, their Names

shall be read ; and if an Objection should be made to any Proposal, it shall be ballotted for immediately ; a Majority of THREE-FOURTHS of the Society being required for its Admission.

4. The SAME Person shall not be appointed a Visitor more than TWICE in the SAME Session, except on grounds which shall appear satisfactory to a Majority of THREE-FOURTHS of the Society.

5. At the commencement of every Session, the Secretary shall write, in alphabetical order, the Names of all the Ordinary Members, in a Book allotted for that purpose ; in which the President, on the Appointment of any Visitor, shall write his name, with the Day and Month of such Appointment, opposite the Name of the Member who proposed him.

CHAPTER X.

OF PRESIDENTS.

1. ON the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society after the SIXTEENTH of November, or on the SIXTEENTH of November, if an Ordinary Meeting happen on that Day, the President shall give notice, that the election of Annual Presidents will take place at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting ; and intimation of the Appointment shall be hung up in the Library, and circulated with the Dissertation and Minutes.

2. At the same Meeting a Committee shall be appointed, to prepare a list of those qualified to vote, as specified in Law 1, sect. vi. Chap. XXII.

3. No Ordinary Member shall vote at the Election of Presidents, if he have not been admitted* at least TWO MONTHS before its Occurrence.

4. No Member shall vote at the Election of Presidents, except he shall have intimated by a Letter to the Secretary before the close of the Ordinary Meeting preceding the Election, his intention of voting; which Intimation must be inserted in the Minutes of that Evening.

5. Any Member who shall falsify a letter to the Secretary in the case specified in the preceding Law, shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion.

6. Any Member who shall solicit a Vote, shall forfeit his right of voting at the election of Presidents, and shall incur the Penalty of ONE GUINEA.

7. Those Members alone shall be eligible to the office of Presidents, who are entitled to vote at the election of Presidents.

8. On the Evening of Election, each Member being

* By "admitted," is understood having signed the Laws.

called upon, according to Seniority, to deliver a List of those for whom he may vote, shall be required by the President to make the following Public Declaration :

I declare that, in voting for the FOUR Gentlemen whose names are in this List, I am bound by no promise, nor influenced by any motive or consideration, except the conviction, that these FOUR are, by their strenuous and pre-eminent exertions, in promoting the interests, and enhancing the reputation of the Society, entitled to the honour which our united suffrage is believed to confer.

9. A Committee, to consist of Seven Members, shall then be appointed to examine the Lists. They shall present a written report containing the names of the Members voted for, and the number of Votes for EACH, distinguishing therein such as are void from having been given to Members who could not be identified on account of some ambiguity in the names, or who are ineligible by law for the office. The President in the Chair shall then announce the result of the Election, according to the Majority of Votes ; but, in the event of two or more Members having an equal number of Votes, a Second ballot shall immediately take place, for ascertaining the ultimate decision of the Society, whether such coincidence of the numbers affect the rank of the Presidents in point of seniority, or the election of the fourth President.

10. If a Vacancy should occur in the Office of Pre-

sident during the Session, the same Order shall be followed in filling it up as at the Annual Election.

11. The four Presidents shall attend the Meetings of the Society, be subject to Fines as Ordinary Members, and officiate according to Seniority. If the President whose turn it may be to take the Chair should be absent at the Hour of meeting, he shall be fined ONE SHILLING; and if he should not appear during the whole Business, he shall be fined TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE. These Fines, however, shall not be incurred, provided he shall have obtained another President to officiate in his stead.

12. If, at the beginning of any Meeting, all the Annual Presidents be absent, the Office of President shall devolve on the Senior Member present; but if the President whose turn it may be to officiate, have occasion to leave the Chair, he may substitute in his place any Member whom he may think proper.

13. If a President shall absent himself for more than THREE successive Ordinary Meetings, prior to the FIRST Meeting in April, he shall not be entitled to a President's Diploma, and shall be fined FIVE GUINEAS, unless he make an excuse which shall be deemed satisfactory by TWO-THIRDS of the Society.

14. Any Member dissatisfied with the conduct of a President may accuse him: An Extraordinary Meeting shall be appointed for judging of the accusation. If

the Society find the allegations just, the President shall be censured or deposed; if not, the Accuser shall incur the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

15. A President may resign his Office at any time after his election, by simply giving notice in writing to the President in the Chair. He shall not however, after such resignation, be permitted to subscribe himself as Annual President, or formerly Annual President, unless he shall have previously obtained the consent of a Majority of TWO-THIRDS of the Society, at any of its Ordinary Meetings. The same Law shall apply when a President may have been deposed.

16. The President whose turn it may be to officiate at the Public Business of any Meeting, shall officiate at the Private Business of the succeeding Ordinary Meeting, and at all Extraordinary Meetings which may occur during the intervening Week.

17. The Presidents shall, *ex officio*, be Members of the following Committees; viz. All the Presidents shall be Members of the Committee of Fines, the Committee of Finance, and the Committee for examining Communications for Publication: The two officiating Presidents of the evening shall be Members of the Library Committee: The President in office (*See Law 16.*) shall be a Member of the Apparatus and Museum Committees, and may attend as a Member of any Committee.

18. The officiating President in Public Business

shall not allow the Medical News to be protracted beyond Ten o'clock. He shall read the Dissertation, (unless the Author prefer reading it himself,) and shall also regulate the Debate; for any irregularity during which, he may impose a Fine not exceeding ONE SHILLING. If any personal, impolite, or disorderly expression should occur during the Evening, the President shall immediately censure it. Should the President be inattentive to this part of his Duty, any Member may remind him of it, and may require him to take the opinion of the Society immediately. If the offending Member refuse to make such concessions as the Society may judge proper, he shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion; but if, after he shall have made such concessions, any Member should challenge him to a Duel, that Member shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion.

19. The officiating President in Private Business, and at Extraordinary Meetings, shall have the SAME authority to fine and censure any Member, as the officiating President in Public Business.

20. The President in Office shall draw up the Minutes of Private Business, and shall deliver them to the Secretary, to be transcribed into the records of the Society.⁺ The President and Secretary shall both sign the Minutes before the next Meeting of the Society, and if this be neglected, or any omission or mistake contained in them, the President shall be fined Two SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

⁺If the President in office neglect to draw up the minutes of Public Business, he shall be fined 2/6.

+ 21. The officiating President in Private Business shall read the Minutes of the preceding Meeting. He shall announce from the Chair every Vacancy in any Office of the Society when it shall occur; or if it happen in the middle of the Week, he shall take care that notice of it be inserted in the Minutes of the ensuing Ordinary Meeting, and it shall be filled up at the following one.

22. The money collected by each President, or received by him from the Secretary, shall be paid to the Treasurer within EIGHT DAYS, under the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE; and the SAME Penalty shall be repeated EVERY WEEK until the Sum be paid.

CHAPTER XI.

OF DIPLOMAS.

1. Every Member requesting a Diploma or Certificate, must petition for it in writing: The Petition shall be immediately determined by Ballot.

2. No Member shall be entitled to receive a Diploma or Certificate, until he shall have discharged his Debts to the Society.

3. No Member who has at any former period received a Certificate shall be granted a Diploma, unless

the Certificate formerly granted be returned to the Secretary.

4. No Member shall be granted a SECOND Diploma of the same kind on any account whatever, unless the FIRST be returned.

5. The Secretary shall not affix the Seal of the Society to any Certificate or Diploma, in which the Name and Date are not specified.

6. Every Member, Ordinary or Extraordinary, when granted a Certificate or Diploma, shall pay to the President in the Chair the Sum of FIVE SHILLINGS.

7. Every Member, when granted a President's Diploma, shall pay to the President in the Chair the Sum of TEN SHILLINGS.

8. The Society may grant to an Ordinary Member the following Certificate :

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, Anno Domini MDCCXXXVII. constituta, et Regiâ Auctoritate, Anno Domini MDCCLXXVIII. confirmata, Omnibus ad quos hæc pervenerint, Salutem.

Ingenuum ornatissimumque Virum ———, quippe cujus gravissime commendata fuerit, et in moribus integritas, et in discendis literis diligentia, Die ———, Numero nostro, liberis Sociorum suffragiis, adscriptimus ; Ad-

scriptumque Disputationibus ita interfuisse vidimus, ut omni attentione eas, omnique ingenio juvaret.

Quæ cùm ita essent, ut ea Omnibus cognita vellemus, hasce ei Literas, Sigillo nostro Præsidiumque manibus munitas, Discedenti lubentissimè donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. —

9. The Society may grant to an Extraordinary Member the following Diploma :

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, &c.

Ingenuus ornatissimusque Vir ———, dum Socius Nobis per ——— interfuit, plurima, eademque pulcherrima, haud minus ingenii felicitis, quam diligentiae insignis, animique ad optimum quodque parati, Exempla, in medium protulit. In quorum fidem, has Literas, meritis tantùm concessas, manibus nostris Sigilloque munitas, Discedenti lubentissimè donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. —

10. The Society may grant to an Annual President the following Diploma :

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, &c.

Ingenuum ornatissimumque Virum ———, ut qui nullis non ingenii opibus instructus primas apud nos meritò sibi vindicaret, haud indignum judicavimus quem ad honorificum Præsidis annui munus, Comitiis ad id habitis, ——— eveheremus : evecum nec rebus nostris nec suæ ipsius famæ

defuisse his literis, manibus nostris nostroque Sigillo munitis, lubentissimè omnibus testamur.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c.—

11. The Society may grant to a Corresponding Member the following Diploma:

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, &c.

Eximium ornatissimumque Virum ———, quippe quem Scientiam Medicam ingenio felici et laudabili diligentia provexisse, certiores facti fuerimus, inter Socios Externos adscripsimus: In cujus rei fidem, has Literas Meritis tantum concessas, manibus nostris, Sigilloque munitas, expedire lubentissimè jussimus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c.—

12. The Society may grant to an Honorary Member the following Diploma:

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, &c.

Spectatissimum ornatissimumque Virum ———, inter Primates, nempe Honorarios, nostræ Societatis adscripsimus; quippe cujus felicitis ingenii, laudum, inque Republicam meritorum, animique ad optimum quodque parati, certiores facti fuerimus: In quorum fidem, has Literas, manibus nostris Societatisque Sigillo obsignatas, lubentissimè donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c.—

Any member intending to resign his seat shall previous to tendering his resignation return to the Secretary any Diploma which he may have obtained from the Society. The money paid by the member for the Diploma shall be returned to him.

CHAPTER XII.

OF FINES, AND THE COLLECTION OF THEM.

1. The Secretary shall mark down the Name, Offences, and Penalties, of EACH Member who may have transgressed ANY of the Laws, in a Book to be kept for the purpose, which shall lie in one of the Drawers of the Library Table.

2. In the same Book such Member may appeal for the remission of his Fines within a fortnight after they shall have been incurred, with the exception of those incurred during the LAST Fortnight of the Session, previously to the FIRST Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee of Fines, (See Law 7, sect. v. Chap. XXII.)

all Appeals for the remission of which must be made BEFORE that Meeting. Each Member must sign his name to the Appeal which he makes in the Fine-Book.

3. No excuse for Non-Attendance at an Ordinary Meeting of the Society, shall be deemed valid, except TWO DAYS confinement from indisposition,—TWO DAYS and TWO MILES absence from Town,—and attendance at Classes during the hours of such Meetings, (in which case it shall be necessary to specify the Class.) Attendance at the Royal Infirmary between the hours of TWELVE and ONE, and at the Surgical Hospital between the hours of TEN and ELEVEN, or during the time of a DISSECTION at either of those Institutions, shall be con-

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sidered sufficient ground of exemption from Fines incurred during those periods. Also Clerks in the Royal Infirmary shall be exempted from Fines between the hours of ELEVEN and TWELVE, and ONE and TWO, if engaged in clinical duty during that time. ^{and the same exemption shall apply to the Medical Officers & Pupils of the various Dispensaries during the hours appropriate in each Institution} The same rule shall apply to the stated Meetings of Committees, with the exception of the Committee for examining ^{the reception of Patients if engaged in duty at that time, and to the annual Pupils of the Dispensary in Hospital if engaged attending Cases at the time the fines are incurred} Communications for Publication, and that for proposing and adjudging Prize Dissertations.

4. If any Member make an Appeal in the Fine-Book, which the Committee of Fines shall discover to contain a Misrepresentation of Fact, or be inconsistent with any other Appeal made by the same Member, he shall incur the penalty of Expulsion.

5. All Appeals without exception, must in the first instance be submitted to the Committee of Fines. Such Fines as are confirmed by the Committee, the Secretary shall register in a Book to be kept for the purpose, and shall at the stated times (*See Laws 5 and 7, sect. v. Chap. XXII.*) transmit an Account of them to the Members who may have respectively incurred them, intimating at the same time the Period within which they must be paid.

6. Each Member on receiving an Account of his Fines, shall pay them to the Secretary on or before the Day previous to the NEXT Meeting of the Committee, under the penalty of TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE; unless he shall have occasion to Appeal to the Commit-

+ tee, (in which case he must state his reasons for not having done so within the time limited by Law 2 of this Chapter,) or from the decision of the Committee to the Society.

7. At the Appointed Periods for the Collection of Fines; viz. at the THIRD Ordinary Meetings in the Months of November, January, and March, and at the FIRST Extraordinary Meeting at the CLOSE of the Session, (See Law 4, Chap. II.) the President in Office shall receive from the Committee of Fines the Statement specified in Laws 5 and 7, sect. v. Chap. XXII; and EVERY Member who has not then paid his Fines, shall by him be called upon for the Payment of them, with the ADDITIONAL Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE, as directed in the preceding Law.

+ 8. Any Member may Appeal from the Decision of the Committee of Fines, when called upon for Payment of his Fines at the stated times by the President: but if his Appeal be not sustained by the Society, the Appellant shall incur the ADDITIONAL Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

9. Any Member who neglects the Payment of his Fines at either of the appointed Ordinary Meetings in November, January, and March, as directed in Law 7 of this Chapter, shall forfeit his Privileges as a Member; and the FIRST Fine of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE shall be DOUBLED at EACH successive Ordinary Meeting of the Society, until the whole Sum is paid.

In such case of neglect, the Secretary shall officially acquaint the Member, that his Fines are accumulating according to Law.

10. At the FIRST Extraordinary Meeting at the CLOSE of the Session, or previously to it if he be about to leave Town, every Member must discharge his Debts to the Society; or, in default thereof, shall incur the Penalty of a Sum EQUAL to his Original Fine, and be deprived of the Privileges of a Member till the whole Sum is paid.

11. In case any Member who has been proscribed for TWELVE MONTHS, do not pay his Debts to the Society, he shall be EXPELLED, unless he can offer such an Excuse for his Neglect as shall be deemed satisfactory to the Society. Proper Intimation shall be given to the Proscribed Member.

12. During the Recess, a Member about to leave Town, shall apply to the Secretary for an Account of any Fines which he may have incurred, and shall discharge the same to him. The Money so received shall be paid by the Secretary to the Treasurer, if none of the Presidents be in Town, within a FORTNIGHT from the Receipt of it, under the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

CHAPTER XIII.

OF EXPULSION.

1. ANY Member who shall Publish, or intentionally furnish any Person with Materials for Publishing, any Transactions of the Society, without their Authority, shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion; which is also incurred by the Conduct specified in Law 11, Chap. V; Laws 5 and 18, Chap. X; Laws 4 and 11, Chap. XII; Law 8, Chap. XVII; and Laws 14 and 16, Chap. XXI.

2. Any Member dissatisfied with the Conduct of another may accuse him. An Extraordinary Meeting shall be appointed for judging of the Accusation, and Intimation of the Day Appointed shall be given in WRITING by the Secretary to the Party Accused.

3. The Party Accusing and the Party Accused, unless they obtain Leave from the President, shall be allowed to speak only TWICE upon the Subject, the Accuser beginning; after this the Parties shall withdraw till called for.

4. After the Parties have retired, the President shall ask the Opinion of the Members upon the Subject. No one shall speak more than TWICE, unless he obtain Leave

from the President. The Accusation shall then be determined by Ballot.

5. If the Sense of the Society be in favour of it, the Accused Member shall incur such Penalty as shall be determined by a Majority of the Society, on the proposal of the Accuser; if not, the Accuser shall be Fined **TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.**

6. If the Accused Member, after having received Intimation of his Accusation, do not appear in his own Defence, or send a satisfactory Excuse, he shall thereby incur the Penalty of Expulsion; and if the Accusing Member do not appear to substantiate his Charge, or send a satisfactory Excuse, he also shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion.

7. No Accused Member shall be permitted to Resign his Seat until the Accusation be decided.

8. Immediately after an Expulsion has been carried, it shall be determined by Ballot, whether or not it shall be published in the Newspapers.

CHAPTER XIV.

OF THE TREASURER.

1. THE same form shall be observed in the Election of a Treasurer, when a Vacancy occurs in that Office, as in the Election of the Presidents, with the exception only of that Part of it prescribed by Law 8, Chap. X.

2. The Treasurer, on entering upon his Office, shall give such Security, as the Society shall deem sufficient; and shall continue in Office as long as he shall faithfully perform his duty.

3. The Treasurer shall receive all the Money of the Society, and disburse none of it without its Order: He shall pay no Bills which have not been examined and attested by two Members of the Library Committee,—of the Apparatus Committee,—of the Museum Committee,—or of the Committee of Finance,—as well as by the Secretary.

4. The Receipts and Payments of the Society shall be adjusted yearly on the THIRTY-FIRST Day of December; on or before which, all outstanding Accounts having been called in by the Secretary, shall be settled by the Treasurer.

CHAPTER XV.

OF THE SECRETARY, LIBRARIAN, AND
ASSISTANT-LIBRARIAN.

SECT. I.—OF THE SECRETARY AND LIBRARIAN.

1. THE SAME Person shall act both as Secretary and Librarian, and shall receive the sum of ONE HUNDRED POUNDS STERLING *per Annum*, on consideration of his paying the Annual Wages of FORTY POUNDS STERLING to the Assistant-Librarian.—(See Minutes, Feb. 22, 1815; Feb. 28, 1816; and April 8, 1818.)

2. If after a Probationary Period, not exceeding THREE MONTHS of the Winter Session, the Secretary give satisfaction to the Society, as marked by the approbation of THREE-FOURTHS of the Members present, he shall be declared Elected *ad Vitam, aut ad Cul-*
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3. He shall not be permitted to speak in the Society as a Member; but if Accused of Neglect of Duty, &c. he may, on Petition, be Allowed to Answer in his own Defence, as Members when Accused.

4. He shall not be allowed to Resign his Office, without giving the Society FOUR WEEKS Notice; dur-

ing which time a Committee shall be appointed to examine into the State of the Library, to receive the Keys, and to settle Accounts with him.

5. He shall call over the names of the Ordinary Members at the times appointed by Law.

6. He shall report in Writing to the President at the appointed time in the Private Business of each Ordinary Meeting, the Names of the Members who respectively Deliver in a Dissertation on that and the following Evening.—(*See Order of Proceedings, No. 3 and 4.*)

7. In Ballotting, he shall count the Number of Voters in the Room, and carry round the Balls and Box.

8. He shall, within the space of a FORTNIGHT at farthest from the Meeting on which the Subjects of Dissertations shall have been disposed of by Lot, transcribe into a Book, to be kept in the Library for the Inspection of Members, all the Subjects; annexing to each its proper Number, and the Name of the Member who is to write on it. He shall then deliver to each Member the Original Subject allotted to him. At the commencement of each Session, he shall hang up in the Library a List, specifying the Names of the Members who are to write, the Subjects of their respective Dissertations, and the Date on which they are to be given in. For every trans-

gression of any Regulation of the above Law, he shall incur the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIX-PENCE.

9. On the FIRST Friday in October he shall give Notice to the Senior Ordinary Member then resident in Edinburgh, to deliver his Dissertation to the President in Office, as specified in Law 1, Chap. XVII.

10. At the commencement of every Session, he shall write, in alphabetical order, the Names of all the Ordinary Members, in a Book allotted for the purpose, as specified in Law 5, Chap. IX. and shall at the same time arrange the List of Circulation, as specified in Law 2, Chap. XVIII.

11. He shall transcribe into the Records all the Transactions and Minutes of the Society, and at the end of EACH Meeting deliver such Records to the President, to be inspected and signed by him: Out of which he shall transcribe such Motions and Petitions as are ordered to Circulate according to Law, which he shall afterwards cause to be delivered together with the Dissertations.

12. He shall receive the Dissertations and Minutes, after they shall have circulated among the Members; and shall deliver the Dissertations to their respective Authors, with the exception of that copy of each which is the property of the Society.—(See Law 3, Chap. XVII.)

13. He shall transcribe into a book, to be kept in the Library for the Use of the Members, all New Laws and Regulations, within EIGHT DAYS after they have been passed.

14. He shall Register, under the direction of the Museum Committee, in a Book to be kept for the purpose, the Donations of all persons contributing to the Museum.

15. He shall affix the SEAL of the Society to its Certificates and Diplomas, under the regulations specified in Chap. XI.

16. He shall give Members Notice when they are obliged to attend any Extraordinary Committee, and shall himself attend Committees, when ordered.

17. If an Extraordinary Meeting be appointed, for the Accusation of any Member, the Secretary shall give Information of the Day Appointed to the Party Accusing and the Party Accused.

18. He shall, in a Book to be kept for the purpose, which shall lie in one of the Drawers of the Library Table, mark down the Name of every Ordinary attending Member who may have been absent from any of the Roll-Calls, specifying the particular one, and the Penalty incurred: He shall also mark down in the same Book, the Name, Offences, and Penalties, of EACH Member who may have transgressed ANY of the Laws. He

shall, at the stated times, transmit to every Member an Account of his Fines, intimating at the same time the Period within which they must be Paid, according to Laws 5, and 7, sect. v. Chap. XXII.

19. He shall immediately pay to the President in Office, all Monies which he may have received. In a Book kept for the purpose, he shall register at the end of EVERY Meeting the Sum of Money received during that Meeting: To this Account he shall affix his Name, and deliver the Book to the President who received the Money, that it may be attested by him also.

20. He shall pay all Monies which he may receive during the Recess to the Treasurer, (if none of the Presidents be in Town) within A FORTNIGHT from the Receipt of it, under the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE, as specified in Law 12, Chap. XII.

21. During the First Week of December he shall ascertain the Names of All the Persons to whom the Society is indebted, and shall send a Note to Each, requiring them to present their accounts before the Settling Day, (*See* Law 4, Chap. XIV.) which he shall specify for this purpose; and he shall examine and attest all the Bills of the Society, previously to their being paid by the Treasurer.

22. The SECRETARY, as LIBRARIAN, shall, within A WEEK after a Book has been Bound, insert its Name in the Manuscript-Appendix, and Press-Catalogue: For

any infringement of this Law he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE.

23. He shall not erase the Name of any Book from the Press-Catalogue, unless under the inspection of a Committee appointed for the purpose.

24. He shall Collect and Preserve the Periodical Publications.

25. He shall Attend at the Library EVERY Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, between the Hours of FOUR and six in the Afternoon, for the purpose of giving out and receiving Books, according to the Regulations specified in Laws 8—14, Chap. XXI. after which time he shall not be obliged to give out any Books.

26. He shall not intrust the Keys of the Library during his Absence, to ANY PERSON except the ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN, but may authorize him in his absence to give out Books to Members.

27. When a Book is Returned, he shall expunge its Name from the Receipt-Book IMMEDIATELY, under the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS: He shall Fine any Member who shall not return a Book when required, as specified in Law 15, Chap. XXI.

28. He shall be accountable to the Society for any Book that may be LOST, for which no receipt stands in the Receipt-book.

29. On the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in April, he shall intimate in Writing to EVERY Member who may have in his possession any of the Books or Apparatus of the Society, the Order that such Books or Apparatus be returned ON OR BEFORE THE ENSUING Wednesday at TWELVE o'clock; with a view to their Inspection by the Committee to be Appointed for that purpose at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting, according to Laws 22 and 23, Chap. XXI. He shall deliver to the Committee of Fines, a List of those Members who neglect to obey that Order. If he transgress this Law, he shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

30. For every Neglect of Duty, not otherwise particularly specified, he shall incur the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

SECT. II.—OF THE ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

1. THE SECRETARY, as LIBRARIAN, shall appoint a Person approved by the Society, to act as ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN, to whom he shall pay the Sum of FORTY POUNDS *Sterling* Annual Wages, (*See* Law 1, sect. i. of this Chapter.)

2. He shall be in CONSTANT Attendance at the Library, for the purpose of Delivering such Books as may

be required by Members reading there, as specified in Laws 2 and 3, Chap. XXI. He may also be permitted by the Secretary to give out the Books which circulate.

3. He shall conduct the Circulation of the Dissertations and Minutes, as specified in Laws 3 and 4, Chap. XVIII.; but shall not be obliged to carry Books or Papers beyond the limits of a Circuit, bounded on the North, by the Custom House,—on the South, by Montague Street,—on the East, by the Palace of Holyrood-House,—and on the West, by St. George's Church.

4. He shall be intrusted with the Care of the Apparatus, and lend it out to Members, as specified in Law 20, Chap. XXI.

5. He shall be intrusted with the Key of the Museum, and shall lend it to Members, as specified in Law 8, sect. iii. Chap. XXII.

SECT. III.—OF THE HOUSEKEEPER.

1. When a vacancy occurs in the office of House-Keeper, a Committee shall be appointed to receive the testimonials of the Candidates, and to decide upon the one best qualified to discharge the duties required.

2. The Housekeeper shall be in constant attendance to answer the Door Bell, and to take charge of any Message or Books that may be delivered to her in the absence of the Assistant Librarian, and shall give to him, on his return, a proper account of such occurrences.

3. She shall keep the Furniture of the House, and every apartment, clean, and in the best possible order.

4. She shall have the Library, and the adjoining room ready, with fire, every Morning during the Session, by nine o'clock, and may shut the doors at nine in the Evening, except on the nights of Meeting. And during the Recess, the doors may be kept open till ten o'clock in the Evening.

5. She shall have charge of all the Apparatus, and shall keep the different articles clean and in good order.

6. She shall, on no account whatever, leave the House at any time of the day, unless she can be relieved by the Assistant Librarian; and on these occasions, she must return previous to the hour he is at liberty to leave the Hall.

7. The Housekeeper, in all matters connected with her office, which are not particularly specified, shall, when they may occur, apply to the Secretary, and receive instructions concerning them; for which he shall be answerable to the Society.

CHAPTER XVI.

OF PROVIDING SUBJECTS FOR DISSERTATIONS.

1. AT the LAST Ordinary Meeting in February, a Committee, consisting of TEN Members chosen by Ballot, shall be Appointed, for the purpose of providing THIRTY-SIX subjects, either Medical, or Philosophical connected with Medicine, for the Dissertations to be Written during the ensuing Session.

2. Any Member may write on a Subject proposed by HIMSELF, provided it shall have met with the Approbation of the Committee, and provided he shall have signified in WRITING his intentions at the time of making the Proposal.

3. The Committee shall, previously to the SECOND Ordinary Meeting in March, prepare a List of the Subjects which they may have chosen, and shall direct the same to be affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library during the Week. After the THIRD Ordinary Meeting of the SAME Month, the Committee shall meet, for the purpose of receiving and taking into consideration such Subjects as may have been proposed to them in Writing by Members with their signatures annexed.

And on the **FOURTH** Ordinary Meeting of the **SAME** Month, they shall present to the President **THIRTY-SIX** Covers, Sealed and Numbered, each containing a Subject, together with a Report specifying the Numbers allotted to particular Members at their own Request.

4. The Subjects having been thus Received, the President shall Order that every Member intending to Write in the ensuing Session, shall at the **NEXT** Meeting declare, in Person or by Letter, his Intention. The Subjects assigned to particular Members at their own Request having been withdrawn, the remainder of the **THIRTY-SIX** Members who intend to Write, shall then, in the Order of Seniority, from Numbers on slips of paper corresponding with the remaining Subjects, draw One.

5. After the Lots shall have been drawn, the Secretary shall, within the space of a **FORTNIGHT** at farthest, transcribe into a Book to be kept in the Library for the Inspection of Members, all the Subjects ; annexing to **EACH** its proper Number, and the Name of the Member who is to Write on it. He shall then deliver to **EACH** Member the Original Subject allotted to him ; and at the commencement of the ensuing Session he shall hang up in the Library a List, specifying the names of those Members who are to Write, the Subjects of their respective Dissertations, and the Date on which they are to be given in. (*See Law 8, sect. i. Chap. XV.*)

6. After the Subjects shall have been thus disposed of by Lot or Choice, any Person who shall make any alteration in them, shall be Fined FIVE SHILLINGS for EACH alteration.

7. After having transacted the usual Business, the Committee shall meet on the FIRST FRIDAY of every Month during the Session, at ONE o'clock, till the Election of a new Committee in the ensuing year; except during the first SIX WEEKS in the Winter Session, when they shall meet every FORTNIGHT, viz. on the Second Last Friday in October, and on the First and Third Fridays of November. The Committee shall keep regular Minutes of their Proceedings, and the Minutes shall be Signed, at each Meeting, by all the Members present, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING each.

8. If any Member of the Committee be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE; and if he neglect to attend during the whole Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE. No excuse for non-attendance shall be deemed valid, except those specified in Law 3, Chap. XII.

9. If any Member resign his Seat, or leave Town, the election of another Member will take place on the ensuing Friday.

10. All Petitions for leave to alter the Subject of a

Dissertation, by Members dissatisfied with the Subject they have already procured, or to Write on Particular Subjects, by Members admitted or returning to Town after the Subjects are disposed of by Lot, shall be determined by this Committee; but no Member, with the exception of the Authors of the TWO FIRST Dissertations, shall be allowed to present such a Petition, within THREE WEEKS of the time when his Dissertation ought to be given in, and it shall be necessary for him to state his reason for this Petition.

11. At their next Meeting after the receipt of such Petition, the Committee shall examine whether the subject then proposed has been Written on during the Session, or is to be written on by any other Member; should the Committee find this to be the case, the Petitioner shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS; if not, the Petition shall be determined by Ballot.

12. Any Member may appeal from the Decision of the Dissertation Committee; but if his Appeal be not sustained by the Society, he shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

13. The Secretary shall, within EIGHT days, insert any Alteration made in the Subjects, in the Book kept for that Purpose.

14. For every transgression against the above Laws not particularly specified, the President, Secretary, or

Member, shall incur the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

CHAPTER XVII.

OF THE DELIVERY OF DISSERTATIONS.

1. ON the FIRST Friday in October, the Secretary shall give Notice to the Senior Ordinary Member then resident in Edinburgh, to deliver to the President on the LAST Friday BUT ONE in October, two Copies of a Dissertation on the Subject allotted to him. The President in Office shall direct the Members, according to Seniority, to deliver their Dissertations. Any Member coming to Edinburgh after his Turn of Writing, shall be called on for the NEXT Dissertation.

2. The FIRST Writer having, according to the above Law, delivered his Dissertation on the LAST Friday BUT ONE of October, the Society shall discuss it on the SECOND Friday of November.

3. One of the Copies of the Dissertation which each Member is required to produce, shall be written on Paper of a particular size, to be supplied by the Society, and shall become the Property of the Society,

and be bound up, after circulation, uniformly with the Transactions of the Society.†

4. EVERY Writer shall, in like manner, deliver TWO Copies of his Dissertation to the President, THREE WEEKS before it is to be discussed, in order that it may circulate during that period.

5. The President shall, in the course of the Evening, examine the Copies thus presented, to ascertain that they are legible and complete: If deficient in either respect, he shall require the Author to furnish perfect Copies in time for circulation, under the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE; and the same Penalty shall be incurred by the President, if he neglect the performance of this duty.

6. No Member shall be allowed to exchange his Turn of Writing with another, unless Leave to Exchange has been obtained by Petition. No Member shall be permitted to Exchange with One who was not to have Written that Session.

7. Extraordinary Members shall deliver a SECOND Dissertation in their Turn, under the circumstances specified in Laws 1 and 2, Chap. VI.

8. Should the Member appointed to Write neglect to give in his Dissertation at the stated time, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE for EVERY HOUR of Neglect, until his Fine shall amount to TEN SHILLINGS

† That, when any member shall have obtained leave from the Society to publish any dissertation; the property of the Society which shall have been read before them or any part or abridgement of the same, if he duly acknowledged at the publication a having been read before the Society, at date of the date of communication at the same time given

and SIXPENCE: If he neglect to give it in at the NEXT Meeting, he shall incur the FARTHER Penalty of ONE GUINEA; and if he do not give it in at the FOLLOWING Meeting, he shall be EXPELLED, unless an Apology be made which shall be deemed satisfactory by the Society. Sickness shall in no case be deemed a valid Excuse, unless the Member shall have been confined for TWO WEEKS previous to the time appointed for giving in his Dissertation.

9. If any Member, without having obtained leave by Petition, present to the Society an Essay for Discussion, upon a subject already Written on during the Session, or to be Written on by any other Member, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE GUINEA; and if on ANY OTHER Subject not allotted or granted him according to the several Laws contained in Chap. XVI. he shall incur the Penalty of TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

CHAPTER XVIII.

OF THE CIRCULATION OF MINUTES AND DISSERTATIONS.

1. At the commencement of every Session, the Secretary shall hang up in the Library, a permanent No-

tice, to the effect that, on application to the Assistant Librarian, a Copy of the Essay in circulation shall be conveyed to any Member at such time as he shall appoint, provided it be not secured by prior application.

2. There shall be a List of not more than THIRTY Members, who, on applying to the Secretary, at the beginning of the Session, may have their Names put down on a Circulation List, and receive a Copy of the Dissertation at the Time they appoint, without giving any further Notice during the Session; but the Members on this List shall not be entitled to receive the Dissertation on any other Day. The other Copy of the Dissertation may, when applied for, circulate among Members whose names are not on this List, as provided by Law 1.

3. The circulation of the Copies of the Dissertation shall commence on the Saturday after its delivery, at Seven A. M., and the Assistant Librarian shall convey them to the Next Member on the List of application, at Seven P. M. of the same Day, unless there be a Vacancy, when they shall be placed in the Library Drawer.

4. The Dissertation and Minutes shall not circulate on SUNDAYS, but on OTHER Days no Member shall keep them longer than TWELVE HOURS, under the Penalty of SIXPENCE for EVERY HOUR during which he shall detain them. If detained MORE than TWELVE

HOURS, they shall be carried to the Member whose right it may be to receive them at that time.

5. Every Member shall send the Dissertation and Minutes at the TIME APPOINTED, whether they have been twelve hours in his possession or not; and should they be delivered at the Abode of any Member LATER than the HOUR appointed for him to have sent them away, he shall endeavour to set the Circulation right as soon as possible, but shall not incur a penalty although they should happen to be detained.

6. With the Dissertation and Minutes a Book shall circulate, in which every Member shall write, in proper columns, the hour at which he received, and the time of his returning the paper. For any irregularity or omission in thus marking the circulation, he shall incur the penalty of ONE SHILLING.

7. The Lists of Circulation of the Preceding Week shall be examined at EVERY Ordinary Meeting by the Author whose Dissertation was Read at the Preceding Meeting. For Neglect or error in the Performance of this Duty he shall be Fined Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

8. The Dissertation and Minutes, after circulating amongst the Members, shall be received by the Secretary, as specified in Law 12, sect. 1, Chap. XV.

CHAPTER XIX.

OF COMMUNICATIONS FOR PUBLICATION.

1. The Ordinary and Extraordinary Members of the Society are invited to transmit to their Fellow-Members, any interesting and important Facts or Inquiries in Medical Science which fall under their own Observation, particularly such accurate Statements of Morbid Appearances, as may tend to illustrate more clearly the Nature and Seats of Disease.

2. A Committee shall be Appointed for Examining such Papers; which Committee shall consist of the Presidents of the Society *ex officio*, and of six Extraordinary Members Resident in Edinburgh, who shall be annually chosen on the Evening appointed for the Election of the Library Committee, &c.

3. This Committee shall meet on the FIRST MONDAY of December and March, and shall be empowered to adjourn as often as they may find necessary.

4. All Written Communications presented to the Society, shall be transmitted to the Secretary, who shall cause them to be entered in a Book, kept for the purpose. All communications for Publication shall be

delivered by the Secretary to the Committee of Examination at their next Meeting.

5. These Communications shall be read from the Chair at the commencement of Public Business, at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting after they have received the sanction of the Committee: On this Occasion no Discussion shall take place.

6. The Committee shall be authorized to determine the Merits of each Paper, and to order those Papers which they may judge worthy of Publication, to be transcribed into a particular Book, provided the Person who presents them have no Objection.

7. The Committee shall recommend to the Society the Publication of such Papers, as soon as they possess a sufficient Number to form an Octavo Volume of moderate size; and shall appoint from their Number a Sub-Committee, to superintend the Printing and Publication of the Transactions when they shall have received the sanction of the Society.

CHAPTER XX.

OF PRIZE QUESTIONS.

1. A Sum of Money, a Medal, or a Set of Books, (at the option of the successful Candidate), of such value

as may, on each occasion, be determined, shall be offered at any period which may be considered expedient, for the **BEST** Dissertation on an Experimental Subject proposed by the Society, for which **ALL** Men of Science shall be invited to compete.

2. The President in the chair, after reading this Law, shall appoint **FIVE** Extraordinary Members to give in, a fortnight thereafter, a prize question on some Experimental subject; and if their Report be approved by the Society, notice of the subject and the terms of competition shall be transmitted by the Secretary to the Editors of the most popular Scientific Journals.

3. The dissertation (to be written in English, French, or Latin,) shall be directed to be given in to the Secretary on or before the **FIRST** of **NOVEMBER** the year following, and transmitted by him to the Committee; who shall, on the **FIRST** Ordinary Meeting in February, adjudge the Prize to the Author of the best Dissertation; if he appears to them to have treated the Subject in a satisfactory manner. The sentence of the Committee shall be final; none of its Members shall be allowed to compete for the Prize.

4. To **EACH** Dissertation shall be prefixed a **MOTTO**, which shall likewise be written on the Outside of a Sealed Packet, containing the Name and Address of the Author. No Dissertation will be received with the Author's Name **AFFIXED**; and all Dissertations, except

the successful one, will be returned, if desired, with the Sealed Packet unopened.

CHAPTER XXI.

OF THE LIBRARY AND APPARATUS.

1. No Member shall be allowed to Speak in the Library while another is Reading, except during the time the Librarian is transacting Business in it. The Fine for each Offence shall be Two SHILLINGS. Any two Members shall be entitled to Fine any one Transgressing this Law.

2. The Assistant Librarian shall be in CONSTANT Attendance at the Library, with the exception of an HOUR allowed him to Dine, EVERY LAWFUL Day during the Session from TEN o'clock, and during the Recess, from NINE o'clock in the Morning, until SIX o'clock in the Evening, when he shall shut the Presses, the Drawers remaining open as usual.

3. During the Periods above mentioned, he shall deliver such Books as may be required by Members for the purpose of Reading in the Library; whence no Book so delivered shall be Removed, under the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS. If authorized by the Secretary he may also lend out Books to Members. (See Law 26, Sect. 1. Chap. XV.)

4. If a Member having procured the Key of the Library-Drawers, shall not return it to the Assistant Librarian before leaving the HALL, or shall neglect to replace any Book, &c. he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING.

5. All New Publications received into the Library shall lie in the appropriated Library-Drawers A FORTNIGHT, and the Last Number of Periodical Publications A MONTH. Any Person who shall remove from the HALL, or injure, any of these Books, shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS. Any Member removing from the HALL any copy of the Dissertation placed in the Library-Drawer, shall be Fined TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE. +

Any member defacing by word or otherwise any book or manuscript belonging to the Society, or left in the library for inspection, shall be

6. No Book shall be placed in the Library-Drawer or Presses, before the Name of the Society shall have been entered in the Title-Page, and on the First Page of the Text; nor any Book containing Plates, before the Plates shall have been Stamped in some conspicuous part: And the Library Committee may, if they deem it expedient, prevent any particular Book from being placed in the Drawer.

subject to the fine of five shillings for every book or manuscript so defaced.

7. When a New Number of a Periodical Publication shall appear, the former shall either be bound immediately, or laid aside until a sufficient number be collected: Each Volume shall then be entered into the Library-Catalogue, (See Law 22, sect. i. Chap. XV.) and lent out under the common regulations of the Library,

as specified below. The Assistant Librarian, for the convenience of Members, shall be intrusted with the Key of the Press in which the Periodical Publications are placed previously to their being bound.

8. Books shall be lent out to Members ONLY, and to NO Member in the name of ANOTHER.

9. Such Books as are allowed to Circulate, shall be delivered by the Librarian, EVERY Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, between the Hours of FOUR and SIX in the Afternoon, after which time the Librarian shall not be obliged to give out any Books. (*See Law 25, sect. i. Chap. XV.*)

10. The Librarian may take a receipt for EVERY Volume lent out ; which receipt shall be inserted in a Book to be kept for the purpose, signed by the Member who takes out the Book. When a Book is returned, the Librarian shall immediately expunge its Name from the Receipt-Book, under the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

11. With the exception of Books of Extreme Value, or Works of Reference STRICTLY so called, which shall circulate or not at the discretion of the Library Committee, ONE COPY at least of every Book in the Society's possession shall circulate among the Members. But should the Society be in possession of more than one copy of any Work, the Library Committee may, with

the consent of the Society, prevent the circulation of any ONE of such additional copies.

12. No Member shall be allowed to have out more than TWELVE Volumes from the Library at ONE TIME, unless when a Work consists of a greater number of Volumes, in which case he may take out the WHOLE WORK; and from the FIRST of November to the FIRST of May, when the number of Members on the Roll shall exceed FORTY, no Member shall be allowed more than EIGHT Volumes at a time, except in the case above mentioned. If a Member take out a GREATER number of Books than that allowed by Law, the Librarian shall Fine that Member TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE, and by so doing shall HIMSELF be freed from any Charge of Neglect of Duty, in giving out a greater number of Books than the Law permits.

13. Such Books of Plates as are allowed to circulate shall be delivered by the Librarian, who shall take a receipt from the Member, expressing the number and condition of the Plates intrusted to him, with an Obligation to return them in an equally good condition. Each Volume of Plates shall be returned ONCE A MONTH for the inspection of the Members of the Library Committee, under the penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE should this be neglected; but if any Volume of Plates shall have remained TWO WEEKS in the possession of a Member, it shall be returned, if requested in writing by another Member. If the Member neglect to return the Book of Plates within THREE

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days after such request, he shall incur the penalty of ONE SHILLING for EACH day that it may be detained. Upon being returned it shall be examined, and the receipt discharged by any of the Members of the Library Committee, unless any of the Plates be damaged, in which case they must be laid aside for the cognizance of the Committee at their FIRST Meeting. No Member shall be allowed to have out more than FOUR Volumes of Plates at ONE TIME.

14. The Manuscript Dissertations may be lent out in the same manner, and subject to the same Obligations and Penalties as Books of Plates. Should any Member remove, or wilfully destroy any portion or portions of these or other Manuscripts belonging to the Society, he shall be considered as having incurred the Penalty of EXPULSION.

15. If any Member neglect or refuse to return a Book at the request of another Member, after it shall have been FOURTEEN DAYS in his possession, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING for EACH DAY he may detain it. New Books may be called in after being EIGHT DAYS in the possession of any Member for the first THREE MONTHS after their admission into the Library.

16. If any Member shall leave Town without returning the Books which he may have in his possession, he shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS, which, if not paid, shall accumulate as other Fines. If

any Member refuse to account for Books in his possession belonging to the Society, he shall be considered as having incurred the Penalty of **EXPULSION**.

17. No Member shall lend a Book or Books belonging to the Society to any Person not a Member of it, under the Penalty of **TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE**.

18. No Member shall remove a Book belonging to the Society farther than **THREE MILES** from Edinburgh, under the Penalty of **TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE** for **EACH** Book.

19. All the army and navy medical officers on duty at or near Edinburgh, shall be allowed to consult in the Library any Book belonging to the Society; and the same privilege shall be extended to any medical man passing through Edinburgh who may be introduced by a Member.

20. The Housekeeper shall be intrusted with the care of the Apparatus. The Assistant Librarian shall lend it to Members on their giving him a receipt, expressing the number and condition of the Articles taken out, and an Obligation to return them clean, and in an equally good condition. He shall transmit all such receipts to the Apparatus Committee at their Ordinary Meetings. When any Apparatus is returned, he shall keep it apart until it has been examined by a Member of the Committee.

21. Any part of the Apparatus that has remained **THREE WEEKS** in the possession of a Member shall be returned, if requested in **WRITING** by another Member. If such Member neglect to return the Apparatus within **THREE DAYS** after the Request has been presented, he shall incur the Penalty of **ONE SHILLING** for **EACH DAY** that it may be detained.

22. At the **FIRST** Ordinary Meeting in April, the President shall order all Books and Apparatus of the Society to be returned **ON OR BEFORE** the **ENSUING** Wednesday at **TWELVE** o'clock, with a view to their Inspection by the Committee to be appointed for that purpose at the **NEXT** Ordinary Meeting, according to Law 3, sect. vi. Chap. XXII.—Should the President fail to observe this Law, he shall incur the Penalty of **FIVE SHILLINGS**.

23. At the **SAME** Meeting, the Librarian shall intimate in Writing the above Order to **EVERY** Member who may have in his possession **ANY** of the Books or Apparatus of the Society. Should the Librarian fail to observe this Law, he shall incur the Penalty of **FIVE SHILLINGS**. The Assistant Librarian shall not be obliged, on this occasion, to call upon any such Member, for the purpose of receiving his books or apparatus.

24. If any Member neglect to return his Books by the appointed time, he shall incur the Penalty of **FIVE SHILLINGS** for **EVERY** Book not returned. He shall

incur the SAME Penalty, if he detain the WHOLE or ANY PART of the Apparatus in his possession, unless he shall give notice that the Apparatus so detained has been BROKEN.

CHAPTER XXII.

OF COMMITTEES.

1. No Committee shall be permitted to meet on a SUNDAY.

2. The Secretary shall attend Committees when ordered.

3. The President in Office may attend as a Member of ANY Committee.

4. When a Member shall omit to attend altogether, or shall give an imperfect attendance at a Meeting of any Committee of which he has been appointed a Member, he shall, in all cases not particularly specified, incur a Penalty, the precise amount of which shall be determined by the Majority of the Committee, provided that it shall not exceed FIVE SHILLINGS.

5. For any neglect of Duty not particularly specified, the Members of every Committee shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.

It shall be in the power of the chairman of a Committee, or in his absence from town of the senior member of the Committee to call extraordinary meetings of that Committee when it shall appear expedient.

6. There shall be a New Election when any Member of a Committee leaves town or resigns his seat. ~~Should any Member leave town or resign his seat during the recess, the Committee to which he belongs shall be empowered to elect another in his stead.~~

7. When Notice of an ensuing Election for any of the Standing Committees shall have been announced from the Chair, such Notice shall be set up in some conspicuous part of the Library a Week previous to the Meeting on which such Election shall take place, so that those Members who may be desirous of filling the vacant situation may subscribe their names. This list shall be laid on the table of the Discussion Hall, on the evening of the Election. If, however, no Member offer himself as a candidate for the vacant situation, the President in the Chair shall proceed to nominate the Senior Ordinary Member, unless he can excuse himself to the satisfaction of the Society. If so, the President shall then proceed to the next Ordinary Member, and so on in succession.

— Any member who shall solicit a vote directly or indirectly for a seat on any committee shall be declared ineligible and in addition shall submit himself to a penalty of 10^s/6.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

SECT. I.—LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

1. AT the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the election of the Annual Presidents, (See

Law 1, Chap. X.) a Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of proposing and purchasing Books. It shall consist of FIVE Members to be chosen by Ballot, and of the two Officiating Presidents for the EVENING. The former Presidents are to continue Members of the Committee until the new one is formed.

2. The Committee shall meet on the FIRST and THIRD Fridays of EVERY Month during the SESSION, at SIX o'clock P. M. If any Member be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE. If he neglect to attend during the WHOLE of the Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE. No excuses for Non-Attendance shall be deemed valid, except those specified in Law 3, Chap. XII.

3. All the Proceedings of the Committee shall be minuted by themselves in a Book to be kept for the purpose, and the Minutes shall be signed at EACH Meeting by ALL the Members present, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.

4. They shall at their Ordinary Meetings examine all accounts relating to the Library, and attest the same by the signatures of two of their Members.

5. The Committee shall Fine those Members who neglect to return the Plates, according to Law 13, Chap. XXI. They shall take care that the Society receive compensation for any Injury the Plates may

have sustained while in the possession of any Member.

6. The Committee shall, on the FIRST and THIRD Ordinary Meeting of EVERY Month, present to the Society A LIST OF BOOKS which in their opinion ought to be purchased, stating, as nearly as they can estimate it, the Price of each Work. During the intermediate time a Book shall lie in one of the drawers of the Library Table, in which any Member may propose such Books as he may think proper, annexing his signature to the same; subject however to the revisal of the Committee, who, at their subsequent Meeting may reject those which they deem improper. Any Member dissatisfied with the decision of the Library Committee in rejecting a work, may propose the admission of the same in the Society, by a motion seconded by not less than FIVE MEMBERS; and if rejected, the proposing Member shall be fined TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE, and each of his supporters ONE SHILLING.

7. From the list thus presented EACH Book shall, at the Ensuing Ordinary Meeting, be separately proposed by the President, and, if objected to, shall be Ballotted for. During the intermediate time, it shall be affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library, and circulate in the Minutes. No Member shall be allowed to speak more than ONCE for or against any Book proposed by the Library Committee. If no objection be made to a Book, it shall be considered as ADMITTED.

8. The Society having appointed a general Bookseller, the office of purchasing books shall be delegated by the Library Committee to two of their Members, who shall order from him, within TWO WEEK DAYS, such books as have been admitted by the Society. Should the Sub-Committee give an Order to any Bookseller without attending to these conditions, they shall incur a Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS EACH, and the Society shall not be responsible for such Orders. The Library Committee shall be authorized to purchase at sales, or from any Bookseller, such old works as may have been approved of by the Society.

9. It shall be the Duty of the Library-Committee to inspect the conduct of the Members whom they appoint for the purchase of Books; to Fine them for neglect in a sum not exceeding FIVE SHILLINGS; to remove them for improper conduct in the exercise of their Office, and to substitute others in their room.

10. The Library-Committee shall appoint one of their number in rotation, to Stamp in some conspicuous part all Plates, within ONE WEEK from the reception of the Book containing such Plates, and also the Title-Page, and the First Page of the Text of EVERY Book, before it is placed in the Library-Drawer or Presses, the name of the Society, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING for EACH Book, until the Fines shall amount to FIVE SHILLINGS. (See Laws 5 and 6 Chap. XXI.)

11. They shall appoint One of their number in ro-

tation to enter in a Book to be kept for the purpose, the Titles of ALL Books received into the Library: This entry the Appointed Member is required to complete previously to every Meeting of the Committee, under the Penalty of SIXPENCE for EVERY volume omitted, until the Fine amounts to Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

12. Besides their Ordinary Reports, the Committee shall on the THIRD Ordinary Meetings of December and March, appoint a Sub-Committee to prepare a statement of the Periodical Publications and Transactions of Societies that have been purchased since LAST Report, and of deficiencies existing, to be laid before the Committee at its NEXT Meeting previously to its being presented to the Society the SAME evening. The Committee shall also be intrusted with the care of supplying the deficiencies.

13. The Committee shall, at their FIRST Meeting in April, appoint a Sub-Committee to examine the Order-Book, and report at the NEXT Meeting of the Committee, if ALL the Books ordered in the course of the LAST TWELVE MONTHS have been received into the Library. If any have not been received, the Sub-Committee shall be directed to take the necessary steps to procure them. A report of the Books thus wanting shall be presented to the Society, and entered on the Minutes; and this list shall likewise be examined by the Committee of the SUCCEEDING Year, who shall take

the necessary steps to procure any Books that may still not have been received.

14. Within a Fortnight from their FIRST Meeting, after the close of the Session, the Library-Committee, assisted by all the Presidents in Town, shall examine the Minutes of the Society, for the purpose of extracting and arranging any New Laws which may have passed at the LAST Legislative Meeting. They shall likewise prepare a separate Catalogue of the Books added that Session, containing the Names of the Books, with the Places and Times of their Publication, disposed as in the former Catalogues in Alphabetical Order. To this Appendix they shall annex a list of the Donations presented to the Society during the Session, including that transmitted to them for the purpose by the Museum-Committee, and direct the whole to be printed without delay. †

15. The Committee shall meet during the RECESS on the FIRST Monday of EVERY Month, at THREE o'clock P. M. subject to the SAME Fines in case of Absence as during the Session, for the purpose of receiving from One of their Number a list of the publications received in the Interval of their Meetings, and of immediately ordering and purchasing any Works on Chemistry, Physiology, Medicine, Surgery, or Natural History, which may not have been known to the Committee to have been published previously to their LAST Report to the Society; but in such Purchases during the RECESS, they shall not exceed the limits of

a sum which shall have been granted for the purpose at the Second Extraordinary Meeting, at the close of the Session.

16. Should it appear to any Member that the Library-Committee have been remiss in procuring Books which had been admitted, or otherwise guilty of misconduct; on specifying the grounds of his Complaint, a Committee of FIVE shall be appointed, of which the complaining Member shall be Chairman, the SECOND be appointed by him, the THIRD by the SECOND, and so on, for the purpose of obtaining an explanation from the Library-Committee, which they shall report at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting of the Society. If the Library-Committee appear in fault, and cannot exculpate themselves to the satisfaction of TWO-THIRDS of the Society, they shall be removed from Office, and a new Committee shall be Elected in their room.

17. For EVERY Neglect of Duty not particularly specified, the Members of the Committee shall be Fined ONE SHILLING EACH.

SECT. II.—APPARATUS COMMITTEE.

1. ~~At the first Ordinary Meeting of the Society,~~
 AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents, a Com-

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~~mittee shall be appointed for the purpose of providing and inspecting Chemical Apparatus, and other Philosophical Instruments. It shall consist of FOUR Members to be chosen by Ballot, and of the President in office.~~

~~2. The Committee shall meet on the second Friday of EVERY Month during the SESSION, at SIX o'clock P. M. If any Member be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE. If he neglect to attend during the WHOLE of the Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING and SixPENCE.~~

~~3. They shall keep regular Minutes of their Proceedings, which must be signed at EACH Meeting by ALL the Members present, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.~~

~~4. They shall, at their Ordinary Meetings, examine all accounts relating to the Apparatus, and attest the same by the Signatures of two of their Members.~~

~~5. They shall, at their Ordinary Meetings, enter in a Book to be kept for the purpose, a list of ALL the Articles of Apparatus which may have been given out during the intervals. They shall also examine the Apparatus returned within the same period, and register its return in the same Book. They shall Order the Secretary to impose on the Members the Penalty~~

~~of SIXPENCE for every Article of Apparatus which may have been returned DIRTY.~~

6. They shall transmit to the Secretary an account of the Fines incurred by Members for breaking or injuring the Apparatus, or otherwise infringing any of the Laws respecting it. (*See* Laws 20—24, Chap. XXI.)

7. They shall keep a correct list of ALL the Articles of Apparatus, with the price of EACH annexed. When any Article is destroyed, it shall be expunged from the list, and the Member who is answerable for it shall be charged with the sum expressing its value.

8. They shall receive from any Member proposals in WRITING for the purchase of particular Articles, which they shall register in their Minutes, together with their decision on the same.

9. They shall at the Ordinary Meeting of the Society succeeding EACH Ordinary Meeting of the Committee, present to the Society a LIST of such Articles of Apparatus as they shall deem it expedient to Purchase or Repair; stating, as nearly as they can estimate it, the expense. From the list thus presented, each Article shall be separately proposed by the President, and if objected to, shall be immediately Ballotted for: The Articles to which no objection is made shall be considered as ADMITTED.

10. ~~The Office of Purchasing Apparatus shall be de-~~
legated by the Committee to two of their Members.
The Sub-Committee shall be authorized to give orders
signed by themselves, provided that they mark in a
Book to be kept for the purpose, the TIME when, and
the PERSON to whom, their orders were addressed, with
their SIGNATURES annexed. Should they give an or-
der without attending to these conditions, they shall
incur a Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE EACH,
and the Society shall not be responsible for such or-
ders.

11. The Committee may Fine the Members whom
they have appointed for the purchase of Apparatus, for
neglect, in a sum not exceeding Two SHILLINGS and
SIXPENCE, may remove them for improper conduct in
the exercise of their Office, and substitute others in
their room.

12. The Committee shall meet during the RECESS on
the FIRST Saturday of EVERY Month, at THREE o'clock
P. M. and be subject to the SAME Fines in case of ab-
sence, as during the Session.

13. The Committee shall be authorized during the
RECESS, to Purchase such Apparatus as they may deem
necessary; provided that the Purchase of such Appa-
ratus shall not have been previously prohibited by the
Society, and that the expense attending it shall not
~~EXCEED~~ the Sum of FIVE POUNDS.

II *and Apparatus.*
SECT II.—MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

1. AT the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society, AFTER the election of the Annual Presidents, a Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of superintending and inspecting the Museum. ^{& Apparatus} It shall consist of SEVEN Members to be chosen by Ballot, and of the President in Office.

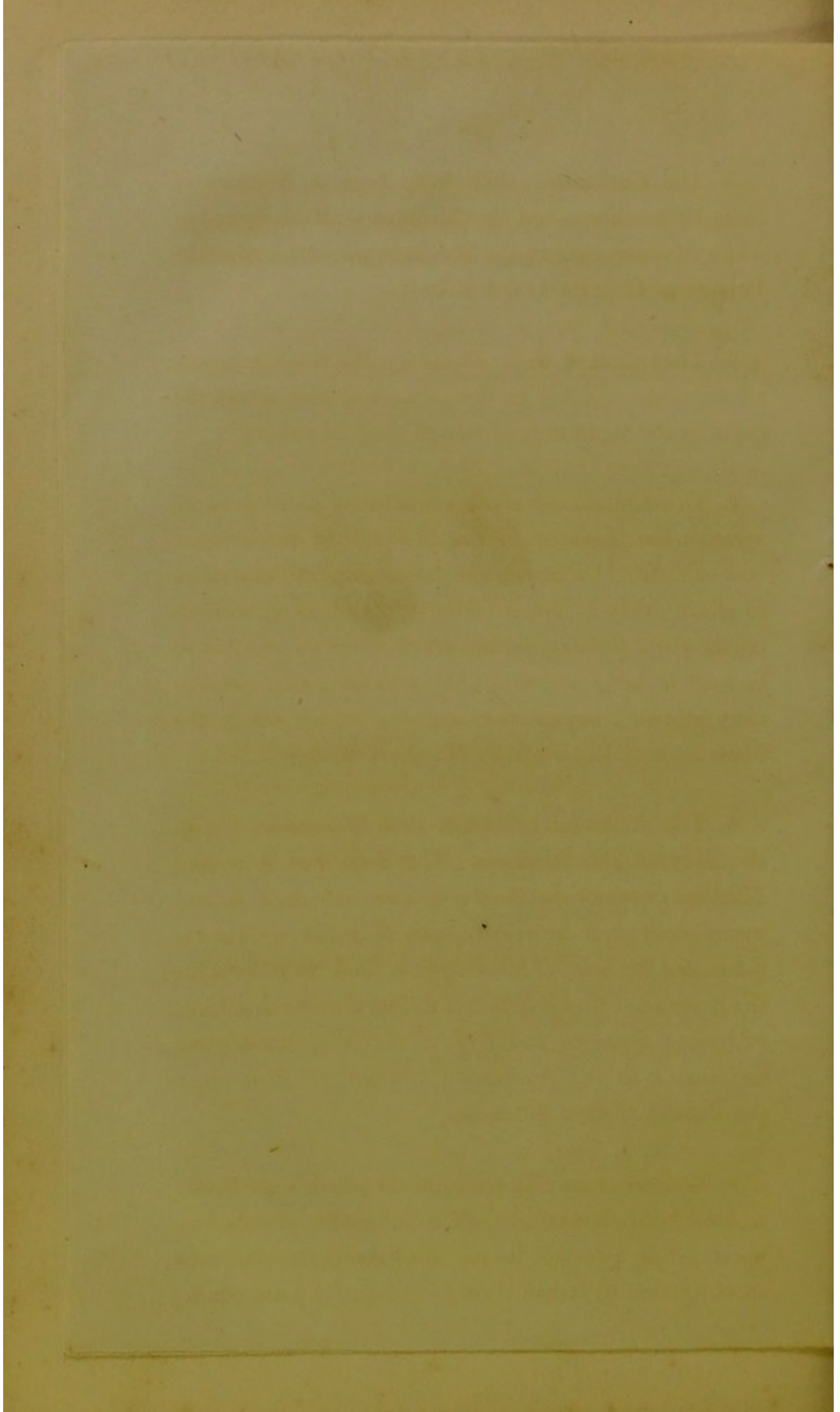
~~2. The Committee shall have authority to order whatever may be necessary for the support and preservation of the Museum; provided the expense does not in any one year exceed the Sum of TEN POUNDS.~~

~~3. Should any Member absent himself from more than THREE successive Ordinary Meetings of the Committee, without making a satisfactory excuse, he shall be considered as having vacated his Seat; in which case, as well as on a resignation taking place, a new Member shall be Elected.~~

~~4. During the SESSION, the Committee shall meet on the SECOND and FOURTH Thursdays of EVERY Month, at TWO o'clock, P. M. If any Member be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE; if he neglect to attend during the WHOLE of the Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE.~~

2. During the Session, the Committees shall meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month, at 3 o'clock, P. M. If any member be absent at the time of meeting he shall incur the penalty of sixpence; if he neglect to attend during the whole of the meeting he shall incur the penalty of - 1/6.
3. The committee shall keep regular minutes of their proceedings and the minutes shall be signed at each meeting by all the members present under the penalty of - 1/- each.
4. They shall at their ordinary meetings examine all accounts relating to the Museum & Apparatus, and attest the same by the signatures of two of their members. They shall also enter into a Book to be kept for the purpose a list of all the articles of the Apparatus or Museum allowed to circulate, which may have been given out since their last ordinary meeting. They shall also examine the articles returned within the at period, registering the return of each in the same book, & ordering the Secretary to impose on the members answerable the penalty of sixpence for every article returned dirty.
5. They shall keep a correct list of all the articles of Apparatus, with the price of each annexed. When any article is destroyed, it shall be replaced, and the member who is answerable for it shall be charged with the sum expressing its value, which it shall be the duty of the Committee to call upon him to pay up within one week from the time when the apparatus may be demanded by another member in accordance with the Law. 21. Ch. ~~XXI~~.
6. They shall transmit to the Secretary an account of the fines incurred by members for breaking or injuring the articles of the Apparatus or Museum, or otherwise infringing any of the laws respecting them.
7. The committee shall have authority to order, at the expense of the Society whatever may be necessary for the support & preservation of the Museum & Apparatus (except in the case specified in Law. 5) provided the expense does not in any one year exceed the sum of £5. They shall also propose at the ordinary meetings of the Society any additions to the Museum and Apparatus which they may consider requisite. - These proposals shall hang up in the Library for a week, after which they shall be

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5. The Committee shall keep regular Minutes of their Proceedings, and the Minutes shall be signed at EACH Meeting by ALL the Members present, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.

6. They shall at their Ordinary Meetings examine all accounts relating to the Museum, and attest the same by the signatures of two of their Members.

7. The Committee shall consider it their duty to arrange the Articles of the Museum in the manner best calculated for convenient inspection, and otherwise to afford every accommodation in their power, without opening the Presses, which are as much as possible to be kept locked; and they shall take care that the Society receive compensation for any injury which the Museum may sustain from Members visiting it.

8. The Assistant-Librarian shall be intrusted with the Key of the Museum. He shall lend it to any Member between the Hours of TEN o'clock, A. M. and two o'clock, P. M. provided such Member inserts his name and the time of his visit in a Book to be kept for the purpose. If any Member fail to observe this Law, or having obtained the Key of the Museum neglect to return it to the Assistant-Librarian, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING.

9. Members may take from the Museum such Bones as have been marked by the Committee for circulation, upon giving a receipt to the Assistant-Librarian with an obligation to return them in an equally good condi-

tion before the NEXT Meeting of the Committee, under the penalty of ONE SHILLING, to be doubled at every Meeting of the Committee till the return be made. No Member shall be allowed to have out at the same time more than either the Bones of one Extremity, the Bones of the Head, or the Vertebral Column with the Pelvis attached.

10. The Committee shall keep a Manuscript Catalogue of the Articles contained in the Museum, together with a Book for the insertion of more detailed descriptions, and histories annexed to them.

11. The Committee shall also have charge of a Book, in which the donations of all persons contributing to the Museum shall be registered by the Secretary, under the direction of the Committee.—This book shall lie with the two former in a Drawer of the Museum.—At the CLOSE of EVERY Session, a list of the donations presented to the Museum during that Session shall be copied from the Register, and transmitted to the Library-Committee, for the purpose of being printed under their direction, at the end of the Annual Appendix to the Library-Catalogue. (See Law 14, sect. i. of this Chap.)

12. At the SECOND Ordinary Meeting in November, and at the FOURTH Ordinary Meeting in March, the Committee shall present to the Society a Report on the State of the Museum, including a list of the donations received since their LAST Report.

13. During the RECESS, the Committee shall meet on the SECOND Thursday of EVERY Month at TWO o'clock, P. M.; subject to the SAME fines in case of absence as during the Session.

III
SECT. IV.—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

1. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents, a Committee of Finance shall be appointed. It shall consist of FIVE Members to be chosen by Ballot, and of the FOUR Annual Presidents.

2. This Committee shall have the sole charge of inspecting the Society's accounts, and shall consider it their duty to suggest whatever they may deem expedient towards improving or economizing the Society's resources.

3. The Committee shall meet on the FIRST Saturday of EVERY Month throughout the YEAR at ELEVEN o'clock, A. M. when they shall examine the accounts of the Society for the preceding Month. They shall also have an Extraordinary Meeting at the SAME HOUR, on the Thursday following the LAST Ordinary Meeting of the Session, for the purpose of preparing the Statement to be presented at the SECOND Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the CLOSE of the Session. (See Law 7 of this Section.)

4. If any Member of the Committee be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE; if he neglect to attend during the WHOLE of the Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING and SIXPENCE. No excuse for non-attendance shall be deemed valid, except those specified in Law 3, Chap. XII.

5. The Committee shall keep regular Minutes of their proceedings, and the Minutes shall be signed at EACH Meeting by ALL the Members present, under the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.

6. During the FIRST Week of December, the Committee shall appoint two of their number, with the exception of the Presidents, to superintend the periodical collection of outstanding accounts, with a view to their punctual discharge, ON OR BEFORE the THIRTY-FIRST day of that Month.

7. At the SECOND Ordinary Meeting in January, the Committee shall present a Statement of the Funds and Expenditure of the Society, digested under proper heads, as likewise of the balance remaining at the END of that period. The Statement shall comprehend all the particulars in distinct columns, so as to exhibit, at a single view, the collected account of the whole Year; a General Abstract of which, together with a Statement of the Accumulating Fund, shall be subjoined. At the SECOND Extraordinary meeting at the CLOSE of the Session, the Committee shall present a report of the

then state of the funds and engagements of the Society.
 —The reports of the Committee shall be inserted **AT**
LARGE in the Minutes.

8. The Committee shall have charge of a **FUND**, to be laid aside from the Annual Income of the Society, and vested in its name in public securities, for the purpose of keeping the House and Premises in repair, and for making any necessary additions or alterations thereto. The sum to be laid aside shall be at the rate of *Ten per Cent.* when the Annual Income of the Society amounts to or exceeds **FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS Sterling.** The deduction shall be appointed at the Meeting of the Committee for preparing the annual report, and the sum shall be invested immediately thereafter by the Treasurer under direction of the Committee.

9. No part of the accumulating Fund shall be appropriated to any purpose whatever, without the consent of at least **THREE-FOURTHS** of the Society, and the Bank in which the Fund is deposited, shall not pay any part thereof except to the Treasurer, after having been duly authorized so to do by a letter signed by the Presidents and countersigned by the Secretary, with instructions as to the amount to be drawn.

10. The Committee shall have exclusive authority to direct the Ordinary Expenditure connected with the Society's premises. No servant of the Society shall be permitted to purchase any thing without their sanc-

tion, and they shall consider it their duty to prevent all waste.

SECT. IV.—COMMITTEE OF FINES.

1. The Committee of Fines shall consist of NINE Members; namely, the FOUR Annual Presidents, and the FIVE Senior Ordinary Members.

2. This Committee shall meet EVERY Friday during the SESSION, at ONE o'clock, P. M. If any Member be absent at the time of Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of SIXPENCE; if he be absent during the WHOLE of the Meeting, he shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING. No excuses for non-attendance shall be deemed valid, except those specified in Law 3, Chap. XII.

3. At their Ordinary Meetings, the Committee shall examine the Minutes of the PRECEDING Meeting of the Society, and authenticate the same by their SIGNATURES. They shall also examine ALL FINES that shall have been incurred NOT LATER than a FORTNIGHT before, and shall determine by ballot every question which may arise respecting the validity of Appeals from Fines. Each Member shall be understood to have pledged his honour, that he will not divulge what may pass among them, unless PUBLICLY in a Meeting of the Society,

having previously obtained permission from the Society so to do.

4. They shall receive from the Secretary a list of those Members who neglect to obey the order for returning Books and Apparatus at the stated period, as specified in Law 29, sect. i. Chap. XV.

5. At their FIRST Meetings in the Months of November, January, and March, they shall direct the Secretary to transmit to EVERY Member a written account of his Fines; at their NEXT Meeting they shall receive from him a statement of the accounts so delivered, and of the sums received by him in consequence thereof; which statement, corrected as they may find necessary, shall, on the FOLLOWING evening, be presented to the President in office. (*See Laws 5—7, Chap. XII.*)

6. When an Appeal shall be made to the Committee which appears to them reasonable, but which they are prevented from sustaining by a positive law, they shall recommend it to the consideration of the Society.

7. The Committee of Fines shall have an Extraordinary Meeting at ONE o'clock, P. M. on the Saturday SUBSEQUENT to the LAST Ordinary Meeting of the Society, when they shall determine on ALL Fines incurred previously to their meeting, and not formerly examined. They shall then direct the Secretary to transmit to EVERY Member an account of his Fines. On the FOLLOWING Wednesday they shall have ANOTHER Extraor-

dinary meeting at HALF-PAST SIX o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of preparing the statement of the Fines to be presented on the SAME Evening to the President. (See Laws 5—7, Chap. XII.)

8. The Committee shall have two Extraordinary Meetings during the RECESS; viz. on the THIRD Friday of May and July at ONE o'clock, P. M. subject to the usual Fines in case of absence, when they shall determine on ALL Fines incurred previously to their Meeting, and not formerly examined. They shall then direct the Secretary to transmit to EVERY Member an account of his Fines, which must be paid to the Secretary on or before the succeeding Thursday, under the additional Penalty of TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE. The money so collected shall be paid by the Secretary to the Treasurer according to Law. From the decision of the Committee at these two last mentioned Meetings, there shall be no APPEAL.

9. The Members of the Committee of Fines shall incur a penalty of TWO SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE EACH, at any time when it shall appear to a majority of the Society that they have acted inconsistently with, or in violation of a positive Law.

10. When a vacancy occurs in the Fine Committee, the Secretary shall inform the next oldest Ordinary Member of the Society, that he is expected to officiate as a Member of the said Committee from that date.

COMMITTEE FOR PROVIDING SUBJECTS FOR DISSERTATIONS. *See* Chap. XVI.

COMMITTEE FOR EXAMINING COMMUNICATIONS FOR PUBLICATION. *See* Chap. XIX.

COMMITTEE FOR PROPOSING AND ADJUDGING PRIZE-DISSERTATIONS. *See* Chap. XX.

V
SECT. VI.—PERIODICAL COMMITTEES.

1. At the Ordinary Meeting PREVIOUS to the Election of Presidents, a Committee shall be appointed to prepare a list of those qualified to vote. (*See* Laws 1 and 2, Chap. X.) This examination they are required to make before EIGHT o'clock of the FOLLOWING Morning, and to present a report on the same at the NEXT Meeting. In case of neglect or error in any part of the duty prescribed by this Law, the Members of the Committee shall RESPECTIVELY incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

2. On the Evening of the Election of Presidents a Committee shall be appointed, to examine the Lists of Votes, and to present a WRITTEN report of the names

of the Members voted for, and of the numbers of votes for EACH.

3. At the SECOND Ordinary Meeting in April, a Committee shall be appointed to examine the Library and Apparatus. (See Law 22, Chap. XXI.)

4. The above-mentioned Committees shall be nominated by the President in Office, unless an objection be made to this mode of appointing the Committee, BEFORE the President shall have nominated any Member, in which case the Committee shall be elected by Ballot.

5. At the LAST Ordinary Meeting in February, a Committee consisting of TEN Members, chosen by Ballot, shall be appointed, for the purpose of providing subjects for the Dissertations to be written on during the ENSUING Session, as specified in Law 1, Chap. XVI.

6. At the LAST Ordinary Meeting of the Society in EVERY Session, a Committee shall be elected by Ballot, to examine the accounts of the Annual Presidents. This Committee shall make their report to the Society at the SECOND Extraordinary Meeting at the close of the Session. (See Law 5, Chap. II.)

VI
SECT. VII.—OCCASIONAL COMMITTEES.

1. On the Occasion of the Secretary tendering his resignation, a Committee shall be appointed, as specified in Law 4, sect. i. Chap. XV.

2. At any time the Society may deem expedient, a Committee of FIVE EXTRAORDINARY Members shall be appointed to give in a fortnight thereafter a PRIZE QUESTION on some Experimental Subject, as provided by Law 2, Chap. XX.

3. If a Committee be thought necessary for ANY OTHER purposes than those already specified, the proposer of the motion for the execution of which the Committee may be thought necessary, shall be nominated by the President to be Chairman of the Committee. The Chairman shall then nominate a SECOND Member, the SECOND a THIRD, and so on till the Committee be completed; but should any Member object to this mode of procedure, such Committee shall be elected by Ballot.

4. The Committee shall give in their Report in WRITING at the appointed time on the ENSUING Ordinary Meeting, (*See Order of Proceedings, No. 9.*) and be then dissolved, if the contrary be not specified. If the Committee shall omit to give in a report without offering a sufficient reason, the President shall publicly take notice of the omission.

5. The names of **Members** appointed to convey the thanks of the Society to any individual, shall be inserted in the Minutes. Such Members shall, at the subsequent Ordinary Meeting, report their having conveyed the same in terms of their appointment, under the Penalty of **Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.**

No committee shall meet on Good Friday or on Christmas day, but in either case on the day preceding.

TABLE

OF THE PRINCIPAL PROCEEDINGS, APPOINTED
FOR PARTICULAR PERIODS DURING

THE SESSION.

OCTOBER.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Secretary to give notice to the Senior Ordinary Member then resident in Edinburgh, to deliver to the President in Office at the First Ordinary Meeting of the Session, Two copies of a Dissertation on the subject allotted to him.—Chap. XV. sect. i. Law 9, p. 41 ; and Chap. XVII. Law 1, p. 52.

LAST FRIDAY BUT ONE.

Secretary to hang up in the Library a List, specifying the Names of those Members who are to write during the Session, the subjects of their respective Dissertations, and the Date on which they are to be given in.—Chap. XV. sect. i. Law 8, p. 40.

First Ordinary Meeting of the Society, at five minutes after Seven o'clock P. M.—Chap. I. Laws 1 and 2, p. 6.

The First Writer to deliver to the President in Office Two copies of a Dissertation on the subject allotted to him.—Chap. XVII. Laws 1—3, p. 52.

NOVEMBER.

NOVEMBER 1.

Earliest Period for the Admission of Ordinary Members.
—Chap. V. Law 1, p. 16.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Committee of Fines to direct the Secretary to transmit to every Member a written account of his Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Secretary to present to the Committee of Fines a Statement of every Member's Account of Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

Museum Committee to present a Report on the State of the Museum.—Chap. XXII. sect. iii. Law 12, p. 80.

Discussion of the First Dissertation.—Chap. XVII. Law 2, p. 52.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Statement of Accounts presented by the Committee of Fines to the President in the chair, and Collection of Fines by him.—Chap. XII. Law 7, p. 34; and Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

NOVEMBER 16,

IF A FRIDAY, OR THE FIRST FOLLOWING FRIDAY IF NOT.

(viz. *The FOURTH FRIDAY, when the 1st of the Month is a Friday; and the THIRD FRIDAY when otherwise.*)

President to give notice that the election of Annual Presidents will take place at the next Ordinary Meeting.—Chap. X. Law 1, p. 22.

A Committee to be appointed to prepare a List of those qualified to vote, and report at the next Ordinary Meeting.—Chap. X. Law 2, p. 23; and Chap. XXII. sect. vi. Law 1, p. 87.

FIRST FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

(viz. *The FIFTH FRIDAY, when the 1st of the Month is a Friday; and the FOURTH FRIDAY when otherwise.*)

Election of the Annual Presidents.—Chap. X. Laws 1—8, p. 22—24.

A Committee to be appointed, to examine and report the Lists of Votes.—Chap. X. Law 9, p. 24; and Chap. XXII. sect. vi. Law 2, p. 87.

SECOND FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

(viz. *The FIFTH FRIDAY, when the 1st of the Month is a Thursday; and the FIRST FRIDAY in DECEMBER when otherwise.*)

Election of the Library, Apparatus, Museum, Finance, and Publication Committees.—Chap. XXII. sects. i. ii. iii. iv. Law 1, p. 68, 74, 78, 81; and Chap. XIX. Law 2, p. 57.

DECEMBER.

DURING FIRST WEEK.

Secretary to call in all Outstanding Accounts.—Chap. XV. sect. i. Law 21, p. 43.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Collection of Annual Contributions.—Chap. V. Laws 9 and 10, p. 18.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Library Committee to appoint a Sub-Committee to prepare a report on the state of Periodical Publications.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 12, p. 72.

JANUARY.

JANUARY 2.

Earliest period for the proposal of Corresponding or Honorary Members.—Chap. VII. and VIII. Law 1, p. 20.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Library Committee to present a report on the state of the Periodical Publications.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 12, p. 72.

Committee of Fines to direct the Secretary to transmit to every Member a written account of his Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Secretary to present to the Committee of Fines a statement of every Member's account of Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

Committee of Finance to present a statement of the Funds and Expenditure.—Chap. XXII. sect. iv. Law 7, p. 82.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Statement of Accounts presented by the Committee of Fines to the President in the chair; and collection of Fines by him.—Chap. XII. Law 7, p. 34; and Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

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FEBRUARY.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Every Second Year, President to give notice that all proposals for making or repealing Laws must be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting.—Chap. III. Law 1, p. 12.

SECOND FRIDAY.

EVERY SECOND YEAR.

Proposals for making or repealing Laws to be presented; and an Extraordinary Meeting for determining them, to be appointed by the President between the Third and Fourth [Fridays of the Month.—Chap. III. Law 1, p. 12.

LAST FRIDAY.

A Committee to be elected to provide subjects for the Dissertations to be written during the ensuing Session.—Chap. XVI. Law 1, p. 48.

MARCH.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Committee of Fines to direct the Secretary to transmit to every Member a written account of his Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND FRIDAYS.

Dissertation Committee to hang up in the Library a List of the subjects which they may have chosen.—Chap. XVI. Law 3, p. 48.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Secretary to present to the Committee of Fines a statement of every Member's account of Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Statement of Accounts presented by the Committee of Fines to the President in the Chair, and Collection of Fines by him.—Chap. XII. Law 7, p. 34; and Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 5, p. 85.

Library Committee to appoint a Sub-Committee to prepare a report on the state of the Periodical Publications.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 12, p. 72.

BETWEEN THE THIRD AND FOURTH FRIDAYS.

Dissertation Committee to meet for the consideration of subjects proposed to them by individual Members.—Chap. XVI. Law 3, p. 48.

FOURTH FRIDAY.

Dissertation Committee to present a List of subjects for the Dissertations to be written on during the ensuing Session.—Chap. XVI. Law 3, p. 48.

Museum Committee to present a report on the state of the Museum.—Chap. XXII. sect. iii. Law 12, p. 80.

NEXT FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

(viz. *The FIFTH FRIDAY, when the 1st of the month is either a Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday; and the FIRST FRIDAY in April, when otherwise.*)

Allotment of the subjects of the Dissertations to be written on during the ensuing Session.—Chap. XVI. Law 4, p. 49.

APRIL.

FIRST FRIDAY.

The Library Committee to present a report on the state of the Periodical Publications, and to appoint a Sub-Committee to examine the Order-Book.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Laws 12 and 13, p. 72.

President to order all Books and Apparatus of the Society to be returned on or before the ensuing Wednesday at Twelve o'clock.—Chap. XXI. Law 22, p. 66.

Secretary to communicate the above Order, and call on Members for its execution.—Chap. XV. sect. i. Law 29, p. 45; and Chap. XXI. Law 23, p. 66.

SECOND FRIDAY.

A Committee to be appointed to examine the Library and Apparatus.—Chap. XXI. Law 22, p. 66; and Chap. XXII. sect. vi. Law 3, p. 88.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Latest period for the Admission of Ordinary Members.—Chap. V. Law 1, p. 16.

The Library Committee to present a report of Books ordered in the course of the last Twelve Months, but not received.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 13, p. 72.

LAST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SESSION.

(viz. *The FOURTH FRIDAY, when the 1st of the Month is either a Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, except when in Leap-Years it is a Wednesday; and the THIRD FRIDAY in the latter and all other cases.*)

A Committee to be elected to examine the Accounts of the Annual Presidents.—Chap. XXII. sect. vi. Law 6, p. 88.

THE FOLLOWING SATURDAY.

First Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee of Fines, and Direction to the Secretary to transmit to every Member a written Account of his Fines.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 7, p. 85.

THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY.

Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee of Fines and Presentation of the Statement of Accounts to the President in the Chair.—Chap. XII. Law 7, p. 34; and Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 7, p. 85.

First Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, and Collection by the President in the Chair, of the money due to the Society.—Chap. II. Law 4, p. 10; and Chap. XII. Law 7, p. 34.

THE FOLLOWING THURSDAY.

Extraordinary Meeting of the Finance Committee, to prepare a statement of the Funds and Expenditure of the Society.—Chap. XXII. sect. iv. Law 3, p. 81.

THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, for receiving the reports of the Committee of Finance, and Committee appointed to examine the President's Accounts.—Chap. II. Law 5, p. 11.—Chap. XXII. sect. iv. Law 7, p. 82; and sect. vi. Law 6, p. 88.

Amount of Grant to the Library Committee for purchase of Books during the Recess, to be determined.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 15, p. 73.

DURING THE SESSION.

The Library Committee meet on the First and Third Fridays of every Month, at Six o'clock, P. M. and present to the Society a list of Books which they propose to be purchased. Chap. XXII. sect. i. Laws 2 and 6, p. 69, 70.

The Apparatus Committee meet on the Second Friday of every Month, at Six o'clock, P. M. and at the Ordinary Meeting of the Society succeeding each Ordinary Meeting of the Committee, present to the Society a list of Apparatus they propose to be purchased.—Chap. XXII. sect. ii. Laws 2 and 9, p. 75, 76.

The Museum Committee meet on the Second and Fourth Thursdays of every Month, at Two o'clock P. M. and present reports on the state of the Museum at the Second Ordinary Meeting in November, and Fourth in March.—Chap. XXII. sect. iii. Laws 4 and 12, p. 78, 80.

The Finance Committee meet on the First Saturday of every Month, at Eleven o'clock, A. M. and present reports to the Society at the Second Ordinary Meeting in January, and at the Second Extraordinary Meeting at the close of the Session.—Chap. XXII. sect. 4. Laws 3 and 7, p. 81, 82.

The Committee of Fines meet every Friday during the Session at One o'clock, P. M. and present a statement of the Fines at the Third Ordinary Meeting in November, January, and March, and at the First Extraordinary Meeting at the close of the Session.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Laws 2, 5, and 7, p. 84, 85.

THE RECESS

COMMENCES on the SATURDAY succeeding the Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, and terminates on the First Ordinary Meeting of the Society.

During the Recess, the Library Committee meet on the First Monday, and the Apparatus Committee on the First Saturday of every month, at Three o'clock, P. M.—Chap. XXII. sect. i. Law 15, p. 73; and sect. ii. Law 12, p. 77.

The Museum Committee meet on the Second Thursday of every month, at Two o'clock, P. M.—Chap. XXII. sect. iii. Law 12, p. 81.

The Finance Committee meet as during the Session.—Chap. XXII. sect. iv. Law 3, p. 81.

The Fine Committee meet on the Third Friday of May and July, at One o'clock, P. M.—Chap. XXII. sect. v. Law 8, p. 86.

REGULATIONS,

HAVING THE EFFECT OF LAWS, UNTIL THE LEGISLATIVE
MEETING IN FEBRUARY 1835.

CHAPTER XXII.

Insert the following after Law 7.

8. Any Member who shall solicit a vote DIRECTLY or
INDIRECTLY for a seat on ANY Committee shall be declared
INELIGIBLE, and in addition shall subject himself to a
penalty of TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE. (See Minutes,
22d March 1833.)

9. ~~The Candidates for seats in any of the Committees
shall send in their names to the chair on the Friday pre-
vious to their election, and the same shall be exposed in a
conspicuous place in the Library during the intermediate
week. (See Minutes, 29th March 1833.)~~

Via. ch. I. p. 7.

APPENDIX

TO THE

LIST OF MEMBERS.

GENERAL LIST.

SESSION XCIV. 1830-31.

1830.

- Nov.* 5. John Abraham Mason—*Yorkshire*.
12. Edward H. Colquhoun—*Dumfriesshire*.
Richard Parnell—*Exeter*.
19. William Dick—*Perthshire*.
Alexander Jardine Lizars—*Edinburgh*.
James T. Hansard—*London*.
J. R. W. Vose—*Lancashire*.
Richard G. Davoren—*St. Christophers*.
James Stark—*Edinburgh*.
Edward John Scott—*Portsea, Hants*.
26. Robert Newbigging—*Edinburgh*.
George Lund—*Scarborough*.
William M. Andrew—*Ayrshire*.
Dec. 3. Thomas Wood—*Edinburgh*.
10. Alfred Harper—*Yorkshire*.
John Watt Reid—*Edinburgh*.
James Tetley—*Bradford*.
James Bulteel—*Plymouth*.

- Dec. 10. John Taylor—*Edinburgh*.
 24. T. Augustus Ashcroft—*Liverpool*.
 31. William Gregory, M. D.—*Edinburgh*.
 John Davie Morries—*Edinburgh*.
 1831.
 Jan 7. George Macartney Cheyne—*Dublin*.
 Alexander Crichton—*St. Petersburg*.
 28. Alexander Shand—*Kincardineshire*.
 Feb. 18. James A. Sewell—*Quebec, Lower Canada*.
 25. Donald Crawford—*Edinburgh*.
 March 4. JOHN ABERCROMBIE.
 WILLIAM LAWRENCE.
 5. Thomas W. Hunt—*Bermuda*.
 11. William Gillbee—*Kent*.
 April 22. Alexander W. Littlepage—*Maraval, Trinidad*.
 Patrick S. K. Newbigging—*Edinburgh*.
 Thomas Macknight—*Edinburgh*.
 Robert H. Taylor—*Dumfriesshire*.
 Hugh G. Fallon—*Dublin*.

SESSION XCV. 1831-32.

1831.
 Nov. 4. Charles Mansford—*Bristol*.
 F. Ibbotson—*Wakefield*.
 18. Francis M. Maury—*Edinburgh*.
 Nicholas Tyacke—*Cornwall*.
 25. Charles H. Aitkens—*Staffordshire*.
 Archibald W. Cockburn—*Edinburgh*.
 Dec. 2. James Inglis—*Glasgow*.
 Patrick George Kennedy—*Gloucestershire*.
 William Smith—*Durham*.
 Peter Martin—*Surry*.
 9. W. G. Everett—*Wiltshire*.
 16. Alexander Campbell—*Tabriz, Persia*.
 F. C. T. Arnoldi, M. D.—*Marianopole, Lower Canada*.
 1832.
 Jan. 27. John Mure—*Galloway*.
 Feb. 10. John Tucker—*Dorset*.
 George C. Child—*Edinburgh*.

James Dunsmure—*Edinburgh*.
 George W. Bell—*Edinburgh*.
 Duncan W. Macpherson—*Inverness*.

March 9. Albrecht von Schonberg.

April 25. Robert Spittal, M.D.—*Edinburgh*.

SESSION XCVI. 1832-33.

1832.

Nov. 2. Thomas G. Weir—*Edinburgh*.

9. Charles Cowan—*Bristol*.

T. P. J. Grantham—*Lincolnshire*.

George J. Bompas—*Bristol*.

John W. Coster—*Devonshire*.

16. William Carson—*Edinburgh*.

Andrew Skene—*Aberdeen*.

David A. Carnegie—*Forfarshire*.

Thomas Jerdon—*Roxburghshire*.

23. Benjamin D. Fraser—*Halifax, Nova Scotia*.

James Surrage—*Gloucestershire*.

John Orr—*Forfarshire*.

Richard W. Martin—*Chatham, Kent*.

Theophilus P. Richmond—*Bedfordshire*.

G. A. F. Wilks—*London*.

30. Thomas S. Hardie—*Selkirkshire*.

William C. Engledue—*Hampshire*.

Arthur Holland—*Cheshire*.

R. J. Watson—*Hampshire*.

James Duncan—*Perth*.

James Cruickshank—*Perth*.

Dec. 7. Eric Mackay—*Sutherlandshire*.

Edward Charlton—*Northumberland*.

William Arpthorp—*London*.

14. Walter Ainslie—*East Lothian*.

James Cox—*Edinburgh*.

Abram Cox—*Edinburgh*.

21. James B. C. Muir—*Ayrshire*.

28. John H. Pollexfen—*Orkney*.

1833.

Jan. 9. Edward Q. Sewell—*Montreal, Lower Canada*.

Henry J. Tucker—*Bermuda*.

- Henry Lediard—*Gloucestershire*.
Jan. 14. John M. Stokes—*London*.
 18. John J. M. Abercromby—*Edinburgh*.
 Donald Macfarlane—*Perth*.
Feb. 1. James Patterson—*Edinburgh*.
 15. Joseph Bullar—*Hampshire*.
 James R. Bennett—*Hampshire*.
 Charles W. Kinglake—*Somersetshire*.
 22. William Wood—*Edinburghshire*.
March 1. Charles Cogswell, B.A.—*Halifax, Nova Scotia*.
April 4. James Simpson—*Linlithgow*.
 John S. Drysdale—*Edinburgh*.
 12. H. R. Melville—*St. Vincent*.
 John Johnston—*Manchester*.
 Francis A. Harrison—*Kentishtown, Middlesex*.
 William Short—*Lincolnshire*.
 19. Rufus S. Black—*Halifax, Nova Scotia*.
 Thomas Palethorpe—*Lincolnshire*.
 Henry Imlach—*Edinburgh*.
 Octavus U. Trezevant—*Charleston, S. Carolina*.
 George Reid—*Edinburgh*.
 26. P. CH. A. LOUIS.
 G. ANDRAL.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

SESSION XCIV. 1830-31.

1831.
Mar. 4. John Abercrombie.
 William Lawrence.

SESSION XCVI. 1832-33.

1833.
Apr. 26. P. Ch. A. Louis.
 G. Andral.

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

SESSION XCV. 1831-32.

1832.

March 9. Albrecht Von Schonberg.

PRESIDENTS.

SESSION XCIV. 1830-31.

John Paget.
 John Hutton Balfour.
 Andrew Wood.
 Thomas Stone.

SESSION XCV. 1831-32.

Hewett Cottrell Watson.
 George B. Whiteley.
 William Gregory, M.D.
 John Hutton Balfour, M.D.
 George Glover, elected on the resignation of
 Dr. Balfour, 13th January 1832.

SESSION XCVI. 1832-33.

George Paterson.
 Charles Ransford.
 Andrew Douglas Maclagan.
 Robert Newbigging.
 J. R. W. Vose, elected on the death of Mr. New-
 bigging, 18th January 1833.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS

SESSION XXV. 1882-83. 1883.
Nathaniel Van Buren, New York.

PRESIDENTS

SESSION XXIV. 1881-82. 1882.

John Page, New York.
John H. Brown, New York.
Andrew Wood, New York.
Thomas H. Brown, New York.

SESSION XXIII. 1880-81. 1881.

Henry C. Smith, New York.
George B. Whipple, New York.
William Gregory, M.D., New York.
John H. Brown, M.D., New York.
George C. Smith, elected to the presidency of the Union, 13th January 1881.

SESSION XXII. 1879-80. 1880.

George P. Smith, New York.
Charles P. Smith, New York.
Andrew Douglas, New York.
Robert P. Smith, New York.
J. H. W. Smith, elected to the chair of the New York, 13th January 1880.



