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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.

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 except in the case of the Collection of Fines, on the Evenings appointed for that purpose, (*See Law 7, Chap: XI.*) the Private Business shall not be protracted beyond eight o'clock, unless by permission of the President, who shall have a discretionary power of prolonging it until half-past eight, but no farther. 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 Names, 1st, Of the Presidents; 2dly, Of the Library Committee; 3dly, Of the Apparatus Commit-

tee ; 4thly, Of the Committee of Domestic Economy ; and lastly, Of the remaining Ordinary attending Members, according to the Seniority of their respective Election, shall be called over by the Secretary at the beginning and end of Private Business, and at the beginning and end of Public Business. Every such Member shall be fined SIXPENCE for each Roll-Call to which he has not answered. No Excuse for Absence shall be deemed valid except those specified in Law 3, Chap: XI ; but any Member is at liberty to go away at eleven o'clock without incurring a Fine, after having written down his Name on a Paper, signed by the President in the Chair, and placed in the Committee-Room for that purpose. If the President in the Chair neglect to provide such Paper, he shall be fined FIVE SHILLINGS.

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 the Public Business the Sense of the Society shall be immediately taken, and previously to the Adjournment the Roll shall be called. Notice of the Adjournment shall be inserted in the Minutes, and shall also be affixed to some conspicuous place in the Library.

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 circulate a Week; a Majority of not less than 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. During the permitted time of Absence the Privileges of such Member shall be suspended; and if after the expiration of this Term he should be absent from the THREE subsequent Ordinary Meetings, he shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion, unless a sufficient Apology be made.

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 for transcription.
 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. Visitors appointed.
 7. Petitions for Seats determined.
 8. Petitions for Seats read.
 9. Petitions of Members read and determined.
 10. Reports of Committees received.
 11. Miscellaneous Business.
 12. Laws Signed by New Members.
 13. Roll called, 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.
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CHAPTER II.

OF EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS.

1. WHEN ONE-THIRD of the Society may think an Extraordinary Meeting requisite, 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, with the exception of that mentioned in Law 7 of this Chapter. 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. During the Month of January an Extraordinary Meeting shall be held, for the purpose of considering the state of the Society's Finances. (*See Law 55, Chap: XXII.*)

4. During the Month of February an Extraordinary Meeting shall be held, for the purpose of making and repealing Laws, as specified in Law 1, Chap: III.

5. The Minutes of each of the above Meetings shall be read at the corresponding Meetings in the following Session.

6. 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.

7. On the succeeding Friday there shall be another Extraordinary Meeting, for the purpose of receiving the Report of a Committee, which shall have been appointed at the last Ordinary Meeting of the Session to examine the Accounts of the Presidents. No Fine shall be incurred for Absence from this Meeting.

CHAPTER III.

OF THE DECISIONS OF THE SOCIETY, AND OF NEW LAWS.

1. ON the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in February 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 circulate in the Minutes, and shall be 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.

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. 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.

4. 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 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 circulate in the Minutes, as shall likewise all other Proposals, if objected to.

5. 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'ennight.

6. 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 Ticket, which he shall put into the *Admit* or *Reject* 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 Tickets in the Box, the President shall announce the Decision of the Question according to the proportion of Tickets in the different sides.

7. To adopt a Proposal for appointing an Extraordinary Meeting, the concurrent Suffrages of not less than ONE THIRD of the Society shall be requisite and sufficient.

8. To adopt a New Regulation—to elect a Corresponding Member—to accept the resignation of a President, or his Excuse for Absence during more than three successive Ordinary Meetings—to exculpate the Library-Committee when accused of misconduct—or ad-

mit a Petition for altering the Subject of a Dissertation, a Majority of not less than TWO THIRDS of the Society shall be required.

9. To admit a Visitor—to grant a SINGLE Petition for a Seat—or a Petition for Leave of Absence—or to elect a Secretary or Transcriber, a Majority of not less than THREE-FOURTHS of the Society shall be required.

10. To admit a number of Petitions for Seats AT ONCE, a Majority of MORE than THREE FOURTHS of the Society shall be required; and to admit an Honorary Member, a Majority of MORE than FIVE SIXTHS: a Minority of not more than ONE FOURTH in the former case, and of ONE SIXTH in the latter, being sufficient for Rejection.

11. 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.

12. 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 IV.

OF ORDINARY MEMBERS.

1. ADMISSIONS into the Society shall take place ONLY, between the FIRST of November and the FIRST of May inclusive.

2. Every Petition for a Seat shall be presented in due time, (*See Order of Proceedings, No: 8.*) 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. 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 each be ballotted for separately; in which case, the Report of the Decisions of the Society concerning them shall be suspended, until the whole are determined.

4. 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.

5. The newly elected Member may sign the Laws at the appointed time, (*See Order of Proceedings, No: 12.*) during any of the THREE Ordinary Meetings succeeding his Election ; 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.

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

7. Every Member upon signing the Laws, shall pay to the President in the Chair the Sum of SIX POUNDS, NINE SHILLINGS. He shall receive a Copy of the Laws, a List of the Members, and a Catalogue of the Library: He shall also be considered as having paid his first Year's Subscription to the Library.

8. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in December, each Member, if it be the SECOND Session of his Attendance, shall pay TWO POUNDS, FIVE SHILLINGS; if the THIRD Session, ONE POUND, FOUR SHILLINGS.

9. Any Member coming to Town after the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in December, shall pay his Contribution at the Ordinary Meeting next following the time when he shall have claimed any of the privileges of a Member: 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.

10. If any Member assume 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 V.

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 Discussion, &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 ONE POUND, FOUR SHILLINGS, to pay Contributions. (*See Law 8, Chap. IV.*)

CHAPTER VI.

OF CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

1. MEMBERS of the Society, whether Ordinary or Extraordinary, eminent Practitioners in Medicine or Surgery, shall be eligible as Corresponding Members, provided they do not reside within TEN MILES of Edinburgh.

2. A Majority of not less than TWO-THIRDS of the Society shall be required for the Admission of a Corresponding Member, who shall be exempt from all Fines and Duties, but on his coming to reside within TEN MILES of Edinburgh, his Privileges shall be suspended.

CHAPTER VII.

OF HONORARY MEMBERS.

1. ANY Person may be proposed as an Honorary Member after the FIRST of January: 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 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.

CHAPTER VIII.

OF VISITORS.

1. AT the Private Business of every Ordinary Meeting, the President whose turn it may be to officiate at the Public Business of the next Ordinary Meeting, THREE Ordinary Members selected by rotation according to Seniority, and the Author of the Dissertation for the Evening on which his Dissertation is to be discussed, may propose a Visitor to be admitted, if approved by the Society, at the Public Business of the ensuing Ordinary Meeting. The Names of the three Ordinary Members shall have been inserted in the Minutes of the preceding Meeting. If any Member whose turn it may be to propose a Visitor be absent at the time for making the Proposal, he shall lose his Privilege, until it return to him again in rotation.

2. Each Ordinary and Extraordinary Member shall have liberty to propose six Extraordinary Visitors during the Session: but no Member shall be allowed to in-

introduce more than ONE Extraordinary Visitor on the SAME Evening.

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 not less than 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.

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 IX.

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 circulated with the Dissertation and Minutes.

2. At the same Meeting a Committee shall be appointed, to examine the List of Circulation and the Minutes, as specified in Law 52, 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, unless his Name shall have been previously on the List of Circulation for at least ONE WEEK, in the case of Ordinary Members, and for at least THREE WEEKS, in the case of Extraordinary or Honorary Members; 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 either of the cases specified in the preceding Law, shall incur the Penalty of Expulsion.

6. Every Member who is entitled to vote at the Election of Presidents shall be eligible to the Office of President.

7. On the Evening of Election, each Member being 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 the best qualified to fill the Office of Presidents.

8. A Committee shall then be appointed to examine the Lists, and to present a Written Report of the Names of the Members voted for, and of the Number of Votes for EACH.

9. If a Vacancy should occur in the Office of President during the Session, the same Order shall be followed in filling it up as at the Annual Election.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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 not less than TWO THIRDS of the Society.

13. 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.

14. No President shall be allowed to resign his Office, without the Consent of AT LEAST TWO THIRDS of the Society.

15. 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.

16. The Presidents shall *ex officio* be Members of the following Committees ; viz. The President of Private Business for the Evening shall be a Member of the Apparatus Committee, and of the Committee of Domestic Economy : The two Officiating Presidents of the Evening shall be Members of the Library Committee : All the Presidents shall be Members of the Committee of Fines, the Committee of Finance, and the Committee for Examining Communications for Publication ; and the President in Office may attend as a Member of any Committee.

17. The Officiating President in Public Business 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.

18. The Officiating President in Private Business, and at Extraordinary Meetings, shall have the SAME autho-

rity to fine and censure any Member, as the Officiating President in Public Business.

19. 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; and the President shall be responsible for any Omission or Mistake contained in them, under the Penalty of **TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE**.

20. 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.

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

CHAPTER X.

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

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

SOCIETAS MEDICA EDINBURGENA, Anno Domini MDCCXXXVII constituta, et Regia 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, adscripsimus; Adscriptumque Disputationibus ita interfuisse vidimus, ut omni attentione eas, omnique ingenio juvaret.

Quæ cum ita essent, ut ea Omnibus cognita vellemus, hasce ei Literas, Sigillo nostro Præsidumque manibus munitas, Discedenti lubentissime donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. ———

8. 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 tantem concessas, manibus nostris Sigilloque munitas, Discedenti lubentissime donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. ———

9. The Society may grant to an Annual President the following Addition to the Ordinary Diploma or Certificate.

His de more præmissis, subjungere officii ratio exigit, omnia nimirum hæc usque adeo Nobis probata esse, ut Præsidem eum Annuum, Comitiis ad id habitis ———, renunciaremus: Eumque demum testamur, in Honorificum hoc Munus liberis Sociorum suffragiis erectum, se ita deinceps gessisse, ut hoc palam profiteri decori habeamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. ———

10. 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 Rempublicam meritorum, animique ad optimum quodque parati, certiores facti fuerimus: In quorum fidem, has Literas, manibus nostris Societatisque Sigillo obsignatas, lubentissime donamus.

Edinburgi, Anno, &c. ———

CHAPTER XI.

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 50, 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, or at the Meetings of the Library-Committee, or of the Committee of Fines, shall be deemed valid, except TWO DAYS Confinement from Indisposition—TWO DAYS Absence from Town—Attendance at Classes during the Hours of such Meetings, (in which case it shall be necessary to specify the Class,) —or Clinical Duty.

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 to 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 48 and 50, 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 at least six hours before the NEXT Meeting of the Committee, under the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE; unless he shall have occasion to Appeal to the Committee, (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 Ses-

sion, (*See* Law 6. Chap: II.) the President in Office shall receive from the Committee of Fines the Statement specified in Laws 48 and 50, 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 SIX-PENCE, 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 SIX-PENCE 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 XII.

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 7, Chap: I; Law 10, Chap: IV; Laws 5 and 17, Chap: IX; Laws 4 and 11, Chap: XI; Law 7, Chap: XVII; and Law 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 the Penalty of Expulsion ; 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 XIII.

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 7, Chap: IX.

2. The Treasurer on entering upon his Office, shall give such Security, to the Amount of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS *Sterling*, 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 Committee of Domestic Economy,—or of the Committee of Fines, as well as by the Secretary.

4. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in January, a Committee shall be appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, as specified in Law 55, Chap: XXII.

CHAPTER XIV.

OF THE SECRETARY, LIBRARIAN, AND PORTER.

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 Porter. (*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 not less than THREE-FOURTHS of the Members present, he shall be declared Elected *ad Vitam, aut ad Culpam*.

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; during 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. The Secretary shall call over the Names of the Ordinary Members at the Times appointed by Law.

6. He shall present to the President at the appointed time in the Private Business of each Ordinary Meeting, a List of the Members who are to propose Visitors; also the Names of the Members who respectively deliver in a Dissertation on that and the following Evening (*See Order of Proceedings, No. 4.*); and he shall Report in Writing the Publications lying in the Drawer of the Library-Table, and the Deficiencies, if any exist.

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

8. The Secretary shall, within the space of A FORT-NIGHT 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, and the Subjects of their respective Dissertations. For every Transgression of this Law he shall incur the Penalty of Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

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 the Session he shall 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 as have been Objected to, and such Petitions as are ordered to Circulate according to Law, which he shall afterwards cause to be delivered together with the Dissertations received, to the Senior Member, EVERY SATURDAY during the Session, at SEVEN o'clock in the Morning.

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, together with any Copies which may have been written for the purpose of Circulation.

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 affix the SEAL of the Society to its Certificates and Diplomas, under the Regulations specified in Chap: X.

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

16. 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.

17. 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 48 and 50, Chap: XXII.

18. He shall receive from the Apparatus Committee an Account of Fines and other Sums to be levied on Members by their Order, and shall collect the same in the usual manner: He shall after EACH Collection of Fines transmit to that Committee an Account of the Sums actually Received, in consequence of Penalties imposed by the Laws relative to the Apparatus and its Committee.

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: XI.

21. 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 the Librarian 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 9—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 PORTER.

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. On the FIRST Ordinary Meetings in December and 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 21 and 22, 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.

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

OF THE PORTER.

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

31. The PORTER shall be accountable to the Society for any Book that may be LOST, for which no Receipt stands in the Receipt-Book: If he refuse to make Compensation, he shall be Dismissed and Prosecuted.

32. 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.

33. 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 Boundaries of the Police of Edinburgh.

34. He shall be intrusted with the Care of the Apparatus, and lend it out to Members, as specified in Law 19, Chap: XXI.

35. He shall Collect the Books and Apparatus from Members having either in their Possession, at the Stated Periods of returning them for Inspection, as specified in Laws 21—23, Chap: XXI.

CHAPTER XV.

OF THE TRANSCRIBER.

1. THE SAME Form shall be observed in the Election of a Transcriber, when a Vacancy occurs in that Office, as in the Election of a Secretary: He shall continue in Office as long as he shall properly perform his Duty.

2. The Transcriber shall, in the course of the Week, transcribe the Dissertation into a Book kept for that purpose, and shall supply a Copy for Circulation: He shall deliver it without fail to the Secretary EVERY Friday Evening, by SIX o'clock, and in the course of the Evening he shall receive the Dissertation for the following Week.

3. He shall receive ONE SHILLING for EVERY FOLIO PAGE of the Records of the Society which he may copy, including a Copy of the Paper for Circulation.

CHAPTER XVI.

OF PROVIDING SUBJECTS FOR DISSERTATIONS.

1. AT the LAST Ordinary Meeting in February, a Committee, consisting of TEN Members chosen by Ballot out of those whose Names are on the List of Circulation, 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: This Committee shall also chuse THREE Persons to form a Committee for proposing the Subject of a Prize Dissertation, &c. as specified in Law 2, Chap: XX.

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: Each of the THIRTY-SIX Senior Members who intend to Write, shall then, from Numbers on Slips of Paper corresponding with the 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, and the Subjects of their respective Dissertations, (*See Law 8, Chap: XIV.*)

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.

7. If any Member be dissatisfied with the Subject which he has procured by Lot or Choice, he may Petition the Society for Leave to alter it, and it shall be necessary for him to state his Reasons; 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.

8. On the Receipt of such a Petition a Committee shall be Appointed by the President, to Report immediately to the Society, whether the Subject then Proposed has been Written on during the Session, or is to be

Written on by any other Member: If the Committee make an Erroneous Report, EACH of its Members shall be Fined Two SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE: Should the Report of the Committee be in the *Affirmative*, the Petitioner shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS: The Petition shall be inserted in the Minutes, and if Objected to, shall be Ballotted for at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting, a Majority of not less than TWO-THIRDS of the Society being required for its Admission: The Secretary shall, within EIGHT DAYS, insert any Alterations made in the Subjects, in the Book kept for the purpose.

9. 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: During the intermediate time, the Secretary shall in the course of the FIRST Week order the Dissertation to be transcribed into the Book kept for that purpose, and a Copy to be supplied, as specified in Law 2, Chap: XV; and, on the FOLLOWING Saturday, shall order the Porter to deliver it at SEVEN o'clock in the Morning to the Senior Member on the List of Circulation.

3. The Book in which these Dissertations are transcribed shall lie in one of the Drawers of the Library-Table, for the Inspection of Members. Any Person who shall remove it from the MEDICAL HALL shall be Fined TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE.

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 be transcribed the FIRST WEEK, and Circulate the remaining FORTNIGHT.

5. 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.

6. Extraordinary Members shall deliver a SECOND Dissertation in their Turn, under the circumstances specified in Law 1, Chap: V.

7. 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 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.

8. If any Member 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. Two Copies of each Dissertation shall be furnished by the Author, and a THIRD shall be procured at the Expense of the Society; so that every Member may receive them in Circulation.

2. At the Commencement of the Session, the Secretary shall arrange the List of Circulation according to the Seniority of the Members who may then intimate to him their desire of having their Names inserted in it: The Names of those Members who may afterwards desire to be put upon the List, shall be added to it according to Priority of Application: The Original Arrangement shall in no instance be altered, unless by the mutual agreement of Members to exchange their respective Situations on the List.

3. The Secretary shall begin the Circulation every SATURDAY during the Session, at SEVEN o'clock in the Morning, by sending the Dissertation and Minutes to the Senior Member whose Name may be on the List of Circulation; and the Porter shall convey them to the NEXT Member in Rotation at SEVEN o'clock in the Evening of the SAME Day, and so on to the OTHER Members.

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 shall be inscribed the Names and Places of Residence of the Members who are on the List of Circulation, and also the time allowed each Member to keep these Papers: In another Part of the same Book each Member shall write in proper Columns,
 1. The NAME of the Member from whom he received the Dissertation and Minutes:—2. The HOUR at which he received them:—3. The NAME of the Member to whom he sent them:—4. The HOUR at which he sent them:—5. His OWN NAME: For any Irregularity or Omission in 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, Chap: XIV.

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 An-

nually chosen on the Evening Appointed for the Election of the Library Committee, &c.

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

4. All Written Communications, whether from Ordinary or Extraordinary Members, or only through their Medium, shall be transmitted to the Secretary, and by him delivered 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 Subcommittee, 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 Set of Books, or a Medal of FIVE GUINEAS value, shall be Annually given to the Author of the BEST Dissertation on an Experimental Subject to be proposed by the Society; for which ALL the Members, Honorary, Extraordinary, and Ordinary, shall ALONE be invited as Candidates.

2. The Committee annually appointed to provide Subjects for the ensuing Session shall chuse THREE Persons, to form a Committee, who shall propose the Subject, determine the Merits of the Dissertations, and adjudge the Prize: The Sentence of this Committee shall be FINAL, NONE of its Members shall be allowed to be a Candidate for the Prize, and no Person shall be chosen on it TWO YEARS in succession.

3. The Dissertations are to be written in English, French, or Latin; and to be delivered to the Secretary ON OR BEFORE the FIRST of December of the succeeding Year to that in which the Subjects are proposed;

and the Adjudication of the Prize shall take place in the LAST WEEK of the February following.

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 Porter shall be in CONSTANT Attendance at the Library, with the exception of an HOUR allowed him to Dine, EVERY LAWFUL Day, from NINE o'clock in the Morning during the Session, and from SEVEN o'clock in the Morning during the Recess, 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; from whence no Book so delivered shall be Removed, under the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

4. If a Member having procured the Key of the Library-Drawers or Presses, shall not return it to the Porter or Housekeeper 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 FORT-NIGHT, 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.

6. Any Person removing from the HALL the Book placed in the Library-Drawer, in which the Dissertations are transcribed for the inspection of Members, shall be Fined TEN SHILLINGS and SIXPENCE, (*See* Law 3, Chap: XVII.)

7. 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.

8. 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, Chap: XIV.) and Lent out under the common Regulations of the Library, as specified below.

9. Books shall be Lent out to Members ONLY, and to no Member in the Name of ANOTHER.

10. 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. Chap: XIV.)

11. 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.

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. The Manuscript-Dissertations may be Lent out in the same manner as other Books, but they must be Returned after EIGHT DAYS if required.

14. 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 to the Library Committee, at their NEXT Ordinary Meeting after such Plates shall have been received, under a Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS, to be REPEATED at EVERY Meeting of the Committee until the Return be made (*See* Law 9, Chap: XXII). No Member shall

be allowed to have out more than FOUR Volumes of Plates at ONE TIME.

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.

16. If any Member shall leave Town without Returning the Books which he may have had 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. The Porter shall be intrusted with the Care of the Apparatus: He shall lend it to Members on their giving him a Receipt, expressing the Number and Con-

dition 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 the Committee, unless ANY OTHER Member wish to take it out; in which case, the latter shall give a Receipt precisely similar to that of the former Member, who shall in consequence be no longer answerable for it; the Responsibility for any Injury which the Apparatus may have sustained since it was first examined, attaching to the Member into whose possession it shall then pass.

20. 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.

21. At the FIRST Ordinary Meetings in December and 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 54, Chap: XXII. Should the President fail

to observe this Law, he shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

22. At the SAME Meetings, 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, and shall direct the Porter to call on every such Member previously to the Day appointed to deliver them in; for which purpose the Porter shall be exonerated from his Duty in the Library for THREE DAYS in that Week. Should the Librarian fail to observe this Law, he shall incur the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS.

23. If any Member neglect to leave out his Books by the time the Porter calls, he shall be responsible for their Return, and 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.

 STANDING COMMITTEES.

SECT: I. LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

4. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents, (*See* Law 1, Chap: IX.) a Committee shall be Appointed for the purpose of proposing and purchasing Books: It shall consist of FIVE Members to be chosen by Ballot out of those whose Names are on the List of Circulation, 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.

5. Should any Member of the Committee take his Name from the List of Circulation, he shall be consi-

dered as having Vacated his Seat, and there shall be an Election of a New Member: There shall be a New Election also ~~when~~ any Member of the Committee leaves Town, or Resigns his Seat.

6. 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: XI.

7. 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.

8. 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.

9. The Committee shall Fine those Members who neglect to Return the Plates, according to Law 14, Chap: XXI, in the Penalty of FIVE SHILLINGS; which Fine shall be REPEATRD at EVERY Meeting of the Committee until the Return be made: They shall take care that the Society receive Compensation for any Injury

the Plates may have sustained while in the possession of any Member : When a Book of Plates is returned to the Committee, it may be given out to the Member returning it, provided that no other Member have applied for it.

10. The Committee shall, on the FIRST and THIRD Ordinary Meetings of EVERY Month, present to the Society A LIST OF BOOKS which in their opinion ought to be Purchased : 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.

11. From the List thus Presented EACH Book shall be separately proposed by the President, and if Objected to, shall be Ballotted for : No Member shall be allowed to speak FOR or AGAINST any Book more than ONCE : If no Objection be made to a Book, it shall be considered as ADMITTED.

12. The Office of Purchasing the Books Admitted by the Society shall be delegated by the Committee to two of their Members : The Sub-Committee shall be authorized to give Orders signed by themselves to ANY Bookseller, 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 an-

nexed. Should they 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.

13. 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.

14. 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 to write in the Title-Page, and on 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 7, Chap: XXI).

15. They shall appoint One of their Number in Rotation 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.

16. 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.

17. 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.

18. Within A FORTNIGHT from their FIRST Meeting after the CLOSE of the Session, they shall 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 which Appendix they shall annex a List of the Donations presented to the Society during the Session, and direct the whole to be Printed without delay.

19. The Committee shall meet during the RECESS on the SECOND Saturday 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, the Practice of Physic, 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 Sum of TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS.

20. 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 them-

selves 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.

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

SECT: II. APPARATUS COMMITTEE.

22. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents (*See* Law 1, Chap: IX) a Committee 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 the President of Private Business for the Evening.

23. This Committee shall be allowed the Sum of FIVE POUNDS ANNUALLY, together with all Sums arising from Fines incurred on account of the Apparatus, to be Expended as hereafter mentioned.

24. The Committee shall meet on the SECOND and FOURTH 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.

25. They shall keep regular Minutes of their Proceedings, which must be Signed at EACH Meeting by ALL the Members present.

26. 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.

27. 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 Members the Penalty of SIXPENCE for every Article of Apparatus which may have been returned DIRTY.

28. 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 19—23, Chap: XXI*).

29. They shall enter in their Cash-Book the Amount of ALL Sums expended by them ; as also the Sums to be Received for Broken Apparatus, and the Sums actually received on account of the Apparatus ; of the latter of which an Account shall be transmitted to them by the

Secretary after EACH Collection of Fines: They shall be entitled to draw on the Treasurer for the Amount of the Sums so Received, (*See* Law 18, Chap: XIV).

30. 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.

31. 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.

32. 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.

33. The Office of Purchasing Apparatus shall be delegated by the Committee to two of their Members: The Sub-Committee shall be authorised 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 Order 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 Orders.

34. 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.

35. 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 Absence, as during the Session.

36. The Committee shall be authorized during the RECESS, to Purchase such Apparatus as they may deem necessary, without the Sanction of the Society; provided that the Purchase of such Apparatus shall not have been previously prohibited by the Society, and that the Expense attending it shall NOT EXCEED the Amount of the Sum in their Hands.

37. The Accounts of the Committee shall be ANNUALLY Examined by a Committee, to be appointed for that purpose at the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in April, as specified in Law 56 of this Chapter.

SECT: III. COMMITTEE OF DOMESTIC ECONOMY.

38. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents, (*See* Law 1, Chap: IX) a Committee of Domestic Economy shall be Appointed: It shall consist of FIVE Ordinary Members to be chosen by Ballot, and the President of Private Business for the Evening.

39. The Committee shall have Authority to Order all things necessary for the House, to Examine and Attest all Bills not connected with the Books and Apparatus, and to consider it their Duty to prevent all Waste: No Servant of the Society shall be permitted to Purchase any thing without their Sanction.

40. This Committee shall be subject to the SAME Fines, and stand in every respect on the SAME Footing, as the Library and Apparatus Committees.



SECT: IV. COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

41. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting of the Society AFTER the Election of the Annual Presidents, (*See* Law 1, Chap: IX) a Committee of Finance shall be Appointed: It shall consist of THREE Members to be chosen by Ballot, and the FOUR Presidents.

42. This Committee shall examine the Accounts of the Society EVERY MONTH during the Session; and shall give in a Statement of the Funds at the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in November, January, and March, and at the LAST Ordinary Meeting in April.

43. 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 THREE HUNDRED POUNDS *Sterling*, and of *Five per Cent*: when it is UNDER that Sum.

SECT: V. COMMITTEE OF FINES.

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

45. This Committee shall meet EVERY Friday Evening during the Session, at ten minutes before SEVEN o'clock: 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: XI.

46. 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.

47. 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 Periods, as specified in Law 23, Chap: XIV.

48. 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: XI).

49. 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.

50. 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 Extraordinary 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: XI).

51. 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.

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

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

SECT: VI. PERIODICAL COMMITTEES.

52. At the Ordinary Meeting PREVIOUS to the Election of Presidents, a Committee shall be Appointed to examine the List of Circulation and the Minutes: (*See* Laws 1 and 2, Chap: IX). 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.

53. 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.

54. At the SECOND Ordinary Meetings in December and April, a Committee shall be Appointed to examine the Library and Apparatus. (*See* Law 21, Chap: XXI).

55. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in January, a Committee consisting of two of the Presidents and THREE OTHER Members, shall be Appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts: This Committee shall Report to the Society, at an Extraordinary Meeting to be Appointed for the purpose during the SAME Month,

the Expenditure and Sums of Money Received by the Treasurer during the PRECEDING YEAR, together with the Balance in his Hands.

56. At the FIRST Ordinary Meeting in April a Committee shall be Appointed, to examine the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Apparatus Committee.

57. At the LAST Ordinary Meeting of EVERY Session a Committee shall be Appointed, to examine the Minutes of the PRECEDING YEAR, and to incorporate any New Laws which may have been Passed, into the Book of Laws kept for that purpose.

58. The Six last-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.

59. At the LAST Ordinary Meeting in February, a Committee consisting of TEN Members chosen by Ballot out of those whose Names are on the List of Circulation 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.

60. 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, when NO FINE shall be incurred for Absence. (See Law 7, Chap: II).



SECT: VII. OCCASIONAL COMMITTEES.

61. On the Occasion of the Secretary tendering his Resignation, a Committee shall be Appointed, as specified in Law 4, Chap: XIV.

62. On the Occasion of a Member LEGALLY Petitioning for Leave to alter the Subject allotted to him for a Dissertation, a Committee shall be Appointed by the President, as specified in Laws 7 and 8, Chap: XVI.

63. 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.

64. The Committee shall give in their Report in WRITING at the Appointed Time on the ENSUING Ordinary Meeting, (*See* Order of Proceedings, No. 10.) 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.

65. 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 otherwise 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.

66. For ANY Neglect of Duty not particularly specified, the Members of EVERY Committee shall incur the Penalty of ONE SHILLING EACH.

60. The Committee shall give its final report to the House on the 1st day of June in the next session of the House. It shall also report to the House on the 1st day of June in the next session of the House. It shall also report to the House on the 1st day of June in the next session of the House.

61. When a Member shall want to attend a meeting of the Committee, he shall give an explicit statement to the Committee of the reasons of which he has been appointed a Member. It shall be the duty of the Committee to report to the House on the 1st day of June in the next session of the House.

62. For any neglect of duty on the part of any Member, the Committee shall report to the House on the 1st day of June in the next session of the House.

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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.
Law 9, Chap: XIV, p: 38 ; & Law 1, Chap: XVII, p: 47.

THIRD FRIDAY,

WHEN WITHIN THE SESSION.

(viz. *When the 1st of the Month is either a Saturday, Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday.*)

Library-Committee to meet at Six o'clock P: M: and present the same Evening to the Society a List of Books which in their opinion ought to be Purchased.

Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

OCTOBER.

LAST FRIDAY BUT ONE.

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

Secretary to hang up in the Library a List, specifying the Names of those Members who are to write during the Session, and the Subjects of their respective Dissertations.

Law 8, Chap: XIV, p: 37, 38.

First Ordinary Meeting of the Committee of Fines at ten minutes before Seven o'clock P: M:

Law 45, Chap: XXII, p: 73.

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

The First Writer to deliver to the President in Office Two Copies of a Dissertation on the Subject allotted to him. Laws 1 & 2, Chap: XVII, p: 47, 48.

 LAST SATURDAY.

(viz. *The FIFTH SATURDAY, when the 1st of the Month is either a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday; and the FOURTH SATURDAY when otherwise.*)

The Secretary to commence the Circulation, by ordering the Porter to convey the Minutes and Dissertation to the Senior Member on the List, at Seven o'clock A: M: Law 2, Chap: XVII, p: 48; & Laws 1—3, Chap: XVIII, p: 50.

NOVEMBER.

NOVEMBER 1,

Earliest Period for the Admission of Ordinary Members.
Law 1, Chap: IV, p: 15.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: and
Proposals for the Purchase of Books.

Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

Committee of Fines to direct the Secretary to transmit to
every Member a Written Account of his Fines.

Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

Committee of Finance to present to the Society a State-
ment of the Funds. Law 42, Chap: XXII, p: 73.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

Secretary to present to the Committee of Fines a State-
ment of every Member's Account of Fines. Law 17, Chap:
XIV, p: 39, 40; & Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

Discussion of the First Dissertation.

Law 2, Chap: XVII, p: 48.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library Committee at Six o'clock P: M: and
Proposals for the Purchase of Books.

Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

NOVEMBER.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

Statement of Accounts presented by the Committee of Fines to the President in Office, and Collection of Fines from the Chair. Law 7, Chap: XI, p: 31, 32; & Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

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. Law 1, Chap: IX, p: 21, 22.

A Committee to be Appointed, to examine the List of Circulation and the Minutes, and Report at the next Ordinary Meeting. Law 52, Chap: XXII, p: 76.

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.
Laws 1, 7, & 8, Chap: IX, p: 21—23.

A Committee to be Appointed, to Examine and Report the Lists of Votes. Law 53, Chap: XXII, p: 76.

NOVEMBER.

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 and Apparatus Committees, and of the Committees of Domestic Economy, of Finance, and of Communications for Publication. Law 2, Chap: XIX, p: 52, 53; & Laws 4, 22, 38, & 41, Chap: XXII, p. 62, 68, & 72.

FOURTH FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus Committee at Six o'clock P: M: Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p. 68, 69.

FIRST FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

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

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

DECEMBER.

DECEMBER 1,

Latest Period for the Delivery of Prize-Dissertations proposed in the March of the preceding Year
Law 3, Chap: XX, p: 54.

DECEMBER.

FIRST MONDAY.

Meeting of the Committee for examining Communications or Publication. Law 3, Chap: XIX, p: 53.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: and Proposals for the Purchase of Books.

Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

Collection of Annual Contributions.

Laws 8 & 9, Chap: IV, p: 17.

President to order all Books and Apparatus of the Society to be Returned on or before the ensuing Wednesday at Twelve o'clock. Law 21, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

Secretary to communicate the above Order, and to direct the Porter to call on Members for its execution.

Laws 28 & 35, Chap: XIV, p: 42, 43; & Laws 21—23, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

SECOND FRIDAY.

A Committee to be Appointed to examine the Library and Apparatus. Law 54, Chap: XXII, p: 76.

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

THIRD FRIDAY.

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Laws 6—10, & 16, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64, & 66.

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FIRST FRIDAY.

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Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

Committee of Finance to present to the Society a Statement of the Funds. Law 42, Chap: XXII, p: 73.

A Committee to be Appointed to examine the Treasurer's Accounts, and Report at an Extraordinary Meeting for considering the State of the Society's Finances, to be Appointed during the same Month. Law 55, Chap: XXII, p: 76, 77.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock, P: M: Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII. p: 68, 69.

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THIRD FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock, P: M: and Proposals for the Purchase of Books. Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

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JANUARY.

FOURTH FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

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 FEBRUARY when otherwise.*)

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p. 70.

FEBRUARY.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
and Proposals for the Purchase of Books.
Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

President to give notice that all Proposals for making or repealing Laws must be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting. Law 1, Chap: III, p: 11.

Earliest Admission of Honorary Members. (*Unless the 1st of January is a Wednesday or Thursday, in which case it is on the FIFTH FRIDAY in JANUARY.*)

Law 1, Chap: VII, p: 19.

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SECOND FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

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THIRD FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
and Proposals for the Purchase of Books.
Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the
Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

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Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
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(viz. *The 29th of the Month in Leap-Years when the 1st of
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in all other cases.*)

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the
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Adjudication by the Committee for proposing Prize-Dissertations, of the Prize proposed in the March of the last Year but one. Law 3, Chap: XX, p: 54, 55.

LAST FRIDAY.

(viz: *The 29th of the Month in Leap-Years when the 1st of the Month is a Friday; and the FOURTH FRIDAY in all other cases.*)

A Committee to be Elected to provide Subjects for the Dissertations to be written during the ensuing Session, and also to elect the Prize-Committee.

Law 1, Chap: XVI, p: 44; & Law 2, Chap: XX, p: 54.

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Meeting of the Committee for examining Communications for Publication. Law 3, Chap: XIX, p: 53.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: and Proposals for the Purchase of Books.

Laws 6—10, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64.

Committee of Fines to direct the Secretary to transmit to every Member a Written Account of his Fines.

Law 48, Chap XXII, p: 74

MARCH.

FIRST FRIDAY.

Committee of Finance to present to the Society a Statement of the Funds. Law 42, Chap: XXII, p: 73.

BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND FRIDAYS.

Dissertation-Committee to hang up in the Library a List of the Subjects which they may have chosen.

Law 3, Chap: XVI, p: 45.

SECOND FRIDAY.

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Secretary to present to the Committee of Fines a Statement of every Member's Account of Fines. Law 17, Chap: XIV, p: 39, 40; & Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

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Statement of Accounts presented by the Committee of Fines to the President in Office, and Collection of Fines from the Chair. Law 7, Chap: XI, p: 31, 32; & Law 48, Chap: XXII, p: 74.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: &c; and Appointment of a Sub-Committee to prepare a Report on the State of the Periodical Publications.

Laws 6—10, & 16, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64, & 66.

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

MARCH.

BETWEEN THE THIRD AND FOURTH FRIDAYS.

Dissertation-Committee to Meet for the Consideration of Subjects proposed to them by individual Members.

Law 3, Chap: XVI, p: 45.

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Dissertation-Committee to present a List of Subjects for the Dissertations to be written on during the ensuing Session.

Law 3, Chap: XVI, p: 45.

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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.)

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

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FIRST FRIDAY.

Book, &c.; and Presentation of a Report on the State of the Periodical Publications.

Laws 6—10, 16 & 17, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64, & 66.

President to order all Books and Apparatus of the Society to be Returned on or before the ensuing Wednesday at Twelve o'clock. Law 21, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

Secretary to communicate the above Order, and to direct the Porter to call on Members for its execution. Laws 28 & 35, Chap: XIV, p: 42, 43; & Laws 21—23, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

A Committee to be Appointed to examine the Accounts of the Apparatus-Committee. Law 56, Chap: XXII, p: 77.

SECOND FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

A Committee to be Appointed to examine the Library and Apparatus. Law 54, Chap: XXII, p: 76.

THIRD FRIDAY.

Meeting of the Library-Committee at Six o'clock P: M: &c; and Presentation of a Report of Books Ordered in the course of the last Twelve Months, but not Received.

Laws 6—10, & 17, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 64, & 66.

Proposals for the Purchase or Repair of Apparatus by the Apparatus-Committee. Law 32, Chap: XXII, p: 70.

APRIL.

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IF WITHIN THE SESSION.

(See below.)

Meeting of the Apparatus-Committee at Six o'clock P: M:
Laws 24—27, Chap: XXII, p: 68, 69.

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.)

Committee of Finance to present to the Society a Statement of the Funds. Law 42, Chap: XXII, p: 73.

A Committee to be Appointed to examine the Minutes of the preceding Year, and to incorporate New Laws.
Law 57, Chap: XXII, p: 77.

A Committee to be Elected to examine the Accounts of the Annual Presidents. Law 60, Chap: XXII, p: 78.

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. Law 50, Ch: XXII, p: 75.

APRIL.

LAST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SESSION.

THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY.

Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Committee of Fines and Presentation of the Statement of Accounts to the President in Office. Laws 48 & 50, Chap: XXII, p: 74, 75.

First Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, and Collection from the Chair of the Money due to the Society. Law 7, Chap: XI, p: 31, 32.

THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY.

Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, for receiving the Report of the Committee appointed to examine the President's Accounts.

Law 7, Chap: II, p: 11 ; & Law 60, Chap: XXII, p: 78.

The Recess,

COMMENCES on the SATURDAY succeeding the Second Extraordinary Meeting of the Society at the Close of the Session, and terminates on the THURSDAY preceding the First Ordinary Meeting on the last Friday but one in October.

The longest and earliest Recess occurs in Leap-Years when the 1st of April is a Wednesday, beginning on the 25th of April, and ending on the 23d of October: The shortest and latest begins on the 2d of May, and ends on the 22d of October.

During the Recess, the Apparatus Committee meet on the FIRST SATURDAY, and the Library-Committee on the SECOND SATURDAY of EVERY Month, at THREE o'clock P: M: Laws 19 & 35, Chap: XXII, p: 67 & 71.

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OF

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IN ALL cases not particularly specified, the Name, Offences, and Penalties of EACH Member who may have transgressed ANY of the Laws, shall be marked down by the Secretary in a Book to be kept for the purpose, which shall lie in one of the Drawers of the Library Table. (See Law 1, Chap: XI, p: 30; & Law 17, Chap: XIV, p: 39, 40.)

OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

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OFFENCES.

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MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

THE PRESIDENT IN OFFICE.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

—Being absent during the whole Meeting, without having obtained another President to officiate in his stead.

Law 10, Chap: IX, p: 23.

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TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
Law 19, Chap: IX, p: 26.

THE PRESIDENT IN THE CHAIR.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

—Omitting to provide the usual Paper at Ordinary Meetings, for the Inscription of the Names of those Members who leave the Society at ELEVEN o'clock.

Law 3, Chap: I, p: 7.

THE AUTHOR OF A DISSERTATION.—Being absent during the Discussion of his Dissertation longer than FIFTEEN minutes.

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—Being Absent during the WHOLE Discussion,—except he make a satisfactory Excuse.

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Law 4, Chap: I, p: 7.

ANY ORDINARY ATTENDING MEMBER.—Not answering to the several Roll-calls at Ordinary or Adjourned Meetings, with the exception, &c.
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Law 3, Chap: I, p: 7.ONE SHILLING for EACH Roll-call.
Law 2, Chap: II, p: 10.

ANY MEMBER.—Committing any irregularity during a Meeting.

A Fine not exceeding ONE SHILLING, at the discretion of the President in the Chair. Law 17, Ch: IX, p: 25.

PROPOSALS AND ACCUSATIONS.

ANY MEMBER.—Proposing a New Regulation, withdrawing his Proposal.
—On the Rejection of his Proposal by more than TWO-THIRDS of the Society.

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Law 2, Chap: III, p: 12.TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
Law 2, Chap: III, p: 12.

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TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
Law 13, Chap: IX, p: 24; &
Law 5, Chap: XII, p: 34.

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PENALTIES.

FINES AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE PRESIDENT.—Omitting to pay to the Treasurer within EIGHT DAYS, the Money received by him from the Secretary, or collected by himself.

TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE to be repeated EVERY WEEK until the Payment is made.

Law 21, Chap: IX, p: 26.

THE SECRETARY.—Omitting to pay within A FORTNIGHT to the Treasurer, when none of the Presidents are in Town, any Money which he may receive during the Recess.

TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 12, Chap: XI, p: 33; &

Law 20, Chap: XIV, p: 40.

ANY MEMBER.—Omitting to pay his Contribution when called for.

FIVE SHILLINGS EVERY WEEK after the FIRST FORTNIGHT, until the Payment is made.

Law 9, Chap: IV, p: 17.

—Omitting to pay his Fines at the stated Times to the Secretary, at least SIX HOURS before the NEXT Meeting of the Committee of Fines,—unless he have occasion to Appeal.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 6, Chap: XI, p: 31.

—On the Rejection of his Appeal to the Society, from a Decision of the Committee of Fines.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 8, Chap: XI, p: 32.

—Omitting to pay his Fines at either of the appointed Ordinary Meetings in November, January, and March.

The first Fine of TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE DOUBLED at each successive Ordinary Meeting, with Suspension from the Privileges of a Member until the whole Sum is Paid.

Laws 6 & 9, Chap: XI, p: 31, 32.

—Omitting to discharge his Debts to the Society, at the FIRST Extraordinary Meeting at the CLOSE of the Session, or previously if he be about to leave Town.

The original Fine DOUBLED, with Suspension from the Privileges of a Member until the whole Sum is Paid.

Law 10, Chap: XI, p: 32, 33.

PROVISION OF SUBJECTS FOR DISSERTATIONS, AND
DELIVERY OF DISSERTATIONS.

THE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, OR ANY MEMBER.—Committing any Transgression not particularly specified against the Laws of Chap: XVI.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

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OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

PROVISION OF SUBJECTS FOR DISSERTATIONS AND
DELIVERY OF DISSERTATIONS.

THE SECRETARY.—Committing any Transgression against the Regulations of Law 8, Chap: XIV.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
Law 8, Chap: XIV, p: 37, 38.

ANY PERSON.—Making any alteration in the Subjects of Dissertations, after they have been disposed of by Lot or Choice.

FIVE SHILLINGS.
Law 6, Chap: XVI, p: 46.

ANY MEMBER APPOINTED TO WRITE A DISSERTATION.—Petitioning for a Subject which has been Written on during the Session, or is to be Written on by any other Member.

FIVE SHILLINGS.
Law 8, Chap: XVI, p: 46, 47.

—Omitting to deliver his Dissertation to the President at the stated time.

SIXPENCE, EVERY HOUR of Neglect, until the Fine amounts to **TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.**
Law 7, Chap: XVII, p: 49.

—Omitting to deliver his Dissertation to the President, at the NEXT Ordinary Meeting after the stated time.

ONE GUINEA,—and if not delivered at the following Meeting,—**EXPULSION,** unless, &c.
Law 7, Chap: XVII, p: 49.

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ONE GUINEA.
Law 8, Chap: XVII, p: 49.

—Presenting to the Society an Essay for Discussion upon ANY OTHER Subject, not allotted or granted him by Law.

TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
Law 8, Chap: XVII, p: 49.

CIRCULATION OF THE MINUTES AND DISSERTATIONS.

THE AUTHOR OF A DISSERTATION.—Committing any Error or Neglect, in examining the Lists of Circulation, &c.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.
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OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

CIRCULATION OF THE MINUTES AND DISSERTATIONS.

ANY MEMBER.—Chargeable with Irregularity or Omission in signing the Lists of Circulation.

—Detaining the Dissertations and Minutes longer than TWELVE HOURS, except on SUNDAYS.

ONE SHILLING.

Law 6, Chap: XVIII, p: 51,

SIXPENCE, for EVERY HOUR of Detention.

Law 4, Chap: XVIII, p: 51.

PURCHASE OF BOOKS AND APPARATUS.

EACH MEMBER OF THE APPOINTED SUB-COMMITTEES.

—Giving an Order for Books or Apparatus, without observing the Conditions prescribed by Law.

—Committing ANY OTHER Neglect not particularly specified.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE

for the Apparatus Sub-Committee ;—

and FIVE SHILLINGS for the Library Sub-Committee. Laws 12 & 33, Chap: XXII, p: 64, 65, 70, & 71.

Any Sum not exceeding Two SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE for the Apparatus Sub-Committee ; and not exceeding FIVE SHILLINGS for the Library Sub-Committee.

Laws 13, & 34, Chap: XXII, p: 65, & 71.

THE APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY-COMMITTEE.

—Omitting to Insert the Name of the Society in any Book, previously to its being placed in the Library-Drawer or Presses :—as likewise omitting to Stamp any Plate within ONE WEEK from the Reception of the Book containing it.

—Omitting to Enter in the usual Book, previously to each Meeting of the Committee, the Title of any Book Received into the Library.

ONE SHILLING for EACH Book, until the Fine amounts to FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 14, Chap: XXII, p: 65.

SIXPENCE for EACH Volume, until the Fine amounts to Two SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 15, Chap: XXII, p: 65.

THE SECRETARY AS LIBRARIAN.

—Omitting to Insert the Name of any Book, within A WEEK after it has been Bound, in the Manuscript-Appendix, and Press-Catalogue.

SIXPENCE.

Law 22, Chap: XIV, p: 41.

OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

LOAN AND RETURN OF BOOKS AND APPARATUS.

THE PRESIDENT.—Omitting at the Stated Times to order the Return of all Books and Apparatus of the Society, &c.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 21, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

THE SECRETARY AS LIBRARIAN.—Omitting at the SAME Meetings to communicate the above Order to Members:—to send the Porter for its Execution:—or to deliver to the Committee of Fines a List of those Members who neglect it.

FIVE SHILLINGS. Law 28, Chap: XIV, p: 42; & Laws 21, & 22, Chap: XXI, p: 60, 61.

—Omitting to expunge the Name of any Book from the Receipt Book, IMMEDIATELY on its Return.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 27, Chap: XIV, p: 41.

ANY MEMBER.—Taking out from the Library a GREATER number of Books than the Law permits.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE, to be imposed by the Secretary as Librarian. Law 12, Ch: XXI, p: 58.

—Lending any Book or Books belonging to the Society to any Person not a Member of it.

TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE. Law 17, Chap: XXI, p: 59.

—Removing any Book belonging to the Society farther than THREE MILES from Edinburgh.

TEN SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE for EACH Book.

Law 18, Chap: XXI, p: 59.

—Omitting to Return, previously to leaving Town, any Books of the Society in his possession.

FIVE SHILLINGS,—to accumulate if unpaid, in the usual manner.

Law 16, Chap: XXI, p: 59.

—Neglecting or Refusing to Return at the Request of another Member any Book, after it shall have been FOURTEEN DAYS in his possession.

ONE SHILLING for EACH DAY of Detention. Law 15, Ch: XXI, p: 59.

—Neglecting to Return Books of Plates to the Library-Committee, at their NEXT Ordinary Meeting after such Plates shall have been Received.

FIVE SHILLINGS at every Meeting of the Committee, until the Return is made, to be imposed by the Library-Committee. Law 14, Chap: XXI, p: 58; and Law 9, Chap: XXII, p: 63.

—Neglecting to Return any Book or Article of Apparatus at the Stated Periods of Inspection, except in the case of giving notice of BROKEN Apparatus.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 23, Chap: XXI, p: 61.

OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

LOAN AND RETURN OF BOOKS AND APPARATUS.

ANY MEMBER.—Neglecting or Refusing, within THREE DAYS after it shall have been requested in WRITING by another Member, to Return Apparatus after having been THREE WEEKS in his possession.

—Returning Apparatus in a DIRTY state.

ONE SHILLING for EACH DAY of Detention. Law 20, Chap: XXI, p: 60.

SIXPENCE.—To be imposed by the Apparatus-Committee through the Secretary. Law 27, Ch: XXII, p: 69.

USE OF THE LIBRARY.

ANY MEMBER.—Speaking in the Library whilst another is Reading, except during the time the Secretary is transacting Business in it.

—Omitting to return the Key of the Library-Drawers or Presses to the Porter or Housekeeper before leaving the HALL;—as likewise Omitting to replace any Book, &c.

—Removing from the Library any Book delivered by the Porter for reading in it;—as likewise Removing from the HALL, or Injuring any of the Books placed in the Library-Drawers.

—Removing from the HALL the Book in which the Dissertations are transcribed.

TWO SHILLINGS.—At the discretion of any two Members. Law 1, Chap: XXI, p: 55.

ONE SHILLING. Law 4, Chap: XXI, p: 56.

FIVE SHILLINGS. Laws 3 & 5, Chap: XXI, p: 56.

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DUTIES OF COMMITTEES, &c.

ANY MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY, APPARATUS, FINES, OR DOMESTIC ECONOMY COMMITTEES.—Being absent at the BEGINNING of any Meeting of their respective Committees.

ANY MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY, APPARATUS, OR DOMESTIC ECONOMY COMMITTEES.—Being absent during the WHOLE of any Meeting of their respective Committees.

SIXPENCE. Laws 6, 24, 40, & 45, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 68, 72, & 73.

ONE SHILLING AND SIXPENCE. Laws 6, 24, & 40, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 68, 69, & 72.

OFFENCES.

PENALTIES.

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES, &c.

ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE OF FINES.—Being absent during the whole of any Meeting of the Committee.

ONE SHILLING.

Law 45, Chap: XXII, p: 73, 74.

EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE OF FINES.—On a Majority of the Society determining that they have acted inconsistently with, or in violation of, a Positive Law.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 51, Chap: XXII, p: 75.

ANY MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY-COMMITTEE.—Omitting to Sign the Minutes of any Meeting of the Committee, when present ;—as likewise committing any other Neglect of Duty not particularly specified.

ONE SHILLING.

Laws 7, & 21, Chap: XXII, p: 63, 68.

EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO EXAMINE THE LIST OF CIRCULATION, &c.—Committing any Error or Neglect in their Duty.

FIVE SHILLINGS.

Law 52, Chap: XXII, p: 76.

EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO EXAMINE PETITIONS FOR ALTERING SUBJECTS OF DISSERTATIONS.—Making an Erroneous Report.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 8, Chap: XVI, p: 46, 47.

ANY MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE.—Being absent, or giving an imperfect Attendance at any Meeting of the Committee,—in all cases not otherwise particularly specified.

Any Fine not exceeding FIVE SHILLINGS, to be imposed by a Majority of the Committee.

Law 65, Chap: XXII, p: 79.

—Committing any Neglect of Duty not particularly specified.

ONE SHILLING.

Law 66, Chap: XXII, p: 79.

THE SECRETARY committing any Neglect of Duty not particularly specified.

TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE.

Law 29, Chap: XIV, p: 42.

THE END.