

record of their proceedings, and recorded in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany county, shall constitute the bounds and limits of said city.

24\*. The free white male citizens of the age of twenty-one years, who have resided in the city of Cumberland one year next preceding the election, shall, on the second Monday of May in each year, at the market house in said city, elect one person, residing in said city, and having real and personal property therein to the value of five hundred dollars, mayor of the city of Cumberland.

25\*. The persons qualified as required by the preceding section, shall also at the same time and place elect six persons, who shall have resided in said city one year next preceding said election, and who shall be assessed on the books of said city to a sum not less than one hundred dollars, as councilmen of said city.

26. The mayor and councilmen of the city of Cumberland shall appoint three judges of election, who shall have power to appoint clerks, and conduct the elections in all respects as elections for members of the General Assembly are required to be conducted: opening the polls at nine o'clock in the morning and closing them at six o'clock in the evening; and the said judges and clerks shall receive the same compensation as judges and clerks of election in Allegany county, to be paid by the said city.

27. In case of the death, refusal to act, resignation, or disqualification of the mayor or of any councilman, the councilmen, or the remaining councilmen, shall direct an election to be held to fill such vacancy; and the mayor and councilmen, or the councilmen in case of a vacancy in the office of mayor, shall give at least ten days' notice of all elections to be held for said city, by advertisement in one or more newspapers, printed in said city.

28. The mayor shall, *ex officio*, have all the powers of a justice of the peace in cases where the city is a party, and an appeal may be taken from his judgment to the Circuit Court for Allegany county, in the same manner as from a judgment of a justice of the peace for said county.

29. The mayor and councilmen shall meet at the council chamber on the first Monday in June next succeeding their election;