

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to repeal sections six, seven, twelve, seventeen and eighteen, chapter one hundred and thirty-five, Act of eighteen hundred and seventy, entitled "An Act to incorporate the town of Manchester in Carroll county," and re-enact the same, so as to read as follows :

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That sections six, seven, twelve, seventeen and eighteen, chapter one hundred and thirty-five, of the Acts of eighteen hundred and seventy, be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows :

Repealed.
Re-enacted.

6. All officers of said corporation, except the Mayor, shall, before they enter upon the duties of their respective offices, make oath before the Mayor or a Justice of the Peace for Carroll county, that they will act faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, in all things appertaining to their respective offices ; the Mayor shall qualify by section six of article sixty-eight of the Code of Public General Laws, and a failure to qualify within two weeks after their election, shall be deemed a refusal, on the part of the party failing, to accept the office to which he has been elected, in which case it shall be the duty of any Justice of the Peace residing within said corporation, at the request of five taxable citizens therein, to appoint the Judges, who shall give legal notice of the time and place for holding another election for Mayor and Common Council, and so, from time to time, whenever such vacancy may occur.

Officers to make oath.
Failure to qualify.
New election

7. All property within said limits, except occupied as churches and schools, and the property owned by Daniel and Jacob Lodge, *Improved Order of I.O.O.F.*, shall be subject to such taxes and charges as may be deemed necessary by said Mayor and Common Council, or a majority of them, to support and maintain the expenses which may at any time be incurred in the improvements of said town, and for other cor-

Property not subject to taxes.