

persons who shall offer to vote, who are bona fide residents and real estate owners within the corporate limits of said town and entitled to vote under the Constitution and laws of this State, and that he will not permit any person to vote at said election who shall not be entitled to vote under this act of incorporation, as hereinbefore provided, and in all things execute the office of judge of said election according to the best of his knowledge, without favor or partiality.

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 20, sec. 198. 1868, ch. 318. 1894, ch. 543, sec. 198.
1904, ch. 138, sec. 198. 1910, ch. 184 (p. 1112).

301. Every male citizen of the United States above twenty-one years of age who has been a resident of this State for two years and of the town of Princess Anne for one year next preceding the election shall be entitled to vote at the elections hereafter to be held in said town; provided he be first, a person who on the 1st day of January, 1869, or prior thereto, was entitled to vote under the laws of this State, or of any other State of the United States wherein he then resided; second, a male descendant of such last-named person; or third, a foreign-born citizen of the United States, naturalized between the 1st day of January in the year 1869 and the date of the passage of this act; or fourth, a male descendant of such last-named person, and the affidavit of any applicant duly made to the officers of election of said town that he, the applicant, is a person who was entitled to vote on or before the 1st day of January, 1869, as aforesaid, or that he has become a naturalized citizen between the said date and the date of the passage of this Act, as aforesaid, or that, upon information or belief, he is a descendant of either of such persons, shall be prima facie evidence of any of said facts so sworn to, any wilfully false statement upon the part of any applicant in relation to any of the matters aforesaid, shall be perjury and shall be punishable as perjury is punishable by the laws of this State; and every person, male, above twenty-one years of age, not otherwise having any of the above prescribed qualifications shall be entitled to become a qualified voter if he at the time of the election is a bona fide owner of real or personal property in an amount of not less than \$300, is assessed on the tax books of the said town, has been such owner and so assessed for two years next preceding the election, shall have paid and shall produce receipts for the taxes on said property for said two years. No person not qualified under some one of the above clauses shall be entitled to vote; and the legal voters qualified as above prescribed shall elect by ballot on the 1st Monday in June, 1910, at such place within said town as shall be designated by the aforesaid commissioners of said town, by a notice to be put in at least five of the most public places in said town at least one week before the date of the election, three judicious and discreet persons, each a qualified male voter of the said town, as commissioners of said town, and the persons thus elected as commissioners shall each of them within one month after his election qualify by taking the oath prescribed by the Sixth Section of the First Article of the Constitution of Maryland before the clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County, shall serve severally for a term of two,