

twenty-one years and upwards, who shall have resided within the limits of said town, as hereinbefore described, for the period of six months, and within the State for the period of one year next preceeding any election hereinafter provided for, and who shall be citizens of the United States, and not disqualified from voting under the provisions of the constitution of this State, shall be qualified to vote at any election hereinafter provided for, and for such number of commissioners as it is hereinafter prescribed shall be elected at any such election.

Qualification for voters.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That on the first Thursday in May next, (A. D., eighteen hundred and seventy-eight,) there shall be an election, by ballot, held at the office of Dr. J. W. Downey, in said town of New Market, for five Commissioners to have the control of the municipal affairs of said town as hereinafter directed, at which election Dr. J. W. Downey, John T. Lowe and Thomas W. Lease, of said town, shall act as judges, and the five persons receiving a plurality of votes shall be elected Commissioners for said town; provided however, that the said persons herein named as judges of said election shall give notice of the time and place of holding said election, by publication in some newspaper printed in said county, for at least two weeks prior to the said first Thursday in May next, and shall, before acting as judges of said election, severally qualify by making and subscribing before some justice of the peace, of the State of Maryland, in and for said county, an oath or affidavit, that he will fairly, justly and without fear, favor or affection conduct said election in accordance with the provisions of this act, and make a true report in writing under his hand and seal, of the results thereof to the Clerk of the "Circuit Court" for said county; and the said persons herein named as judges of said election, or any two of them, after having qualified as aforesaid, shall on the day and at the place aforesaid, keep open the polls for the purpose aforesaid, from the hour of one P. M. until the hour of five P. M., and no longer, and during said time they shall receive the ballots of all persons offering to vote who shall be qualified as prescribed in three of this act, and no others; and the said judges of said election shall deposit the ballots so by

Shall be an election.

Judges.

Shall give notice.

Shall qualify.

Make true report.

Hours of voting.

Shall deposit.