

residents of the ward from which they are elected .
Qualifications for ninety days prior to the election. The qualifications of the electors of said City Council shall be the same as those of the Mayor, and each elector shall be a resident of the ward in which he may offer to vote for not less than thirty days next preceding the election at which he may offer to vote. The members of said City Council from the several wards, elected on the third Monday of May, eighteen hundred and seventy-seven, shall hold office until the election and qualification of their successors above provided.

Property- 29. All members of the said City Council shall
holder. actually be possessed of and assessed for on the books of said city, property to the amount in value of five hundred dollars at the time of their election.

Time of meet- 30. The City Council shall meet at the council
ing chamber on the first Monday in June in each year to organize, and said Councilmen shall, before they enter upon their duties as such, make oath before the Mayor that they will diligently and faithfully, to the best of their judgment, perform the duties of Councilmen of said city, without fear, partiality or prejudice; and the Mayor shall take the oath prescribed by the constitution, as directed by section six of article sixty-eight of the Code.

Mayor pro 31. At the organization of said City Council on
tem. the first Monday in June in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, said City Council shall elect by ballot one of their own number as president of the Council, who shall preside at all meetings of the Council, and shall have the right of voting on all matters coming before said body, and in case of the absence of the Mayor, or in case of a vacancy in the office of Mayor from any cause, the president of the Council shall be Mayor *pro tem.* until the same is filled, with all the powers and duties of Mayor devolving upon him, and in case of the absence or inability to act of both the Mayor and the president of the Council, said Council shall forthwith meet and elect a Mayor *pro tem.*, upon notification by the clerk of such absence or inability.

32. The inhabitants of the city of Cumberland, residents thereof for one year previous to the muni.