

election under this act, who shall give at least five days' notice by posting not less than three written or printed notices, in three or more conspicuous public places in said town, of the time and place at which said election shall be held; and the said judges of election, before opening the polls, shall take an oath before some justice of the peace of said county to permit every qualified voter as aforesaid to vote, and none other; and a majority of said three judges shall have power to do all things named under this section in case one of them dies or refuses to act; and the said judges shall keep the polls open at least three consecutive hours, and shall record the names of the voters, and after the closing of the polls shall at once count the ballots and announce the result, and make and sign a certificate thereof, to be filed among the records of the said corporation; and the commissioners so elected shall, as soon thereafter as convenient, qualify and serve until the first Monday in May, eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified; and a failure to qualify within fifteen days after their election shall be deemed a refusal on the part of the party so failing to accept the office to which he has been elected.

Take oath.

Make certificates.

Failure deemed refusal.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That if any person so elected as commissioners shall refuse to serve as such, or his place shall become vacant by death, resignation, disqualification or otherwise, the remaining commissioners shall fill the vacancy as early thereafter as possible from among the qualified voters of said town; and the person appointed to fill said vacancy shall hold the office till the next election.

Vacancy—how filled.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That all future elections shall be held and conducted as shall be from time to time directed by the laws of the corporation, the same not being inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Elections—how conducted.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That each commissioner before he acts as such, shall make oath before a justice of the peace in and for Garrett county, that he will perform the duties of a commissioner of said town without favor, partiality or prejudice, and a certificate of such qualification shall be made by the said justice of the peace, and shall be filed and recorded among the records of proceedings of said commissioners.

Commissioners take oath.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners shall meet once in every two months, and more

Meetings.