collected shall be paid to the informer and the other half to the Board of County School Commissioners for the public school fund of said county.

Effective.

SEC 2. And be it enacted. That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 22, 1898.

CHAPTER 105.

AN ACT to enable the qualified voters of the town of Laurel. Prince George's County, to determine by ballot whether spirituous or fermented liquors or alcoholic bitters shall be sold in said town, and to regulate the terms and conditions on which the sale thereof may be made in case the majority of the voters of said town shall determine said question in the affirmative.

Submitted to

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the question whether or not any person or persons, the qualined house, corporation, company or association may be licensed in voters. the town of Laurel, by whom or in which spirituous or fermented liquors or alcoholic bitters shall be sold, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said town, at the next election, to be held on the first Monday in the month of April, in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and the Mayor of said town shall give notice of the time and purpose of this Act by advertisement inserted in all the newspapers published in said town, and by handbills posted in at least ten public places in said town at least five days before said election, in which said notice a copy of this Act shall be inserted; but a failure to give such notice shall not invalidate the election.

> SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That all the tickets or ballots prepared for said general election in said town shall have printed or written on them these words, in the following order: "For License," "Against License," and every legally qualified voter, as provided in section 193 of Article seventeen of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as repealed and re-enacted by the Act of 1890, offering to vote at said election, and desiring to vote either for granting liquor license or against granting liquor license in said town, shall eruse from his ticket or ballot, as he may elect, either the words "For License" or the words "Against License," and the ballots so cast shall be carefully counted by the judges of said election, and the said

> judges shall make a return of said votes to the Mayor and City

Ballots.