

notice by hand bills posted in conspicuous places in said town of La Plata or by publication in some newspaper or newspapers published in said town or by both hand bills posted as aforesaid and by publication as aforesaid of the election to be held for Town Commissioners of La Plata in that year, naming the house or place to be selected by them at which said election shall be held, and the hours the polls shall be open and closed respectively, and they shall, at least ten days before such election, appoint three persons as judges, who shall conduct the election; the polls shall be opened at 2 o'clock P. M., and closed at 6 o'clock P. M., if any of such judges of election shall refuse or decline or be unable to act as such the Town Commissioners shall fill the vacancy. Should any of such judges fail to appear at the time and place for opening the polls and holding the election the remaining judge or judges shall fill the vacancy; the said judges shall serve without pay and shall promptly make their returns and without unreasonable delay to the Town Commissioners certifying and declaring what person shall have been elected Town Commissioners of La Plata at said election, and the Town Commissioners to whom such returns are made shall determine all questions arising upon said returns, and shall cause the said certificate and declarations of the said judges of election to be recorded among the records of the corporation. The voting at all elections held under the provisions of this Act shall be by ballot, on which shall be written the names of three persons and no more, possessing the qualifications for Town Commissioners of La Plata, as prescribed in this Act, and no other words, letters, figures, signs or symbols shall be printed or written upon said ballots; no other ballot than those herein prescribed shall be received or counted by the judges of election. The ballots shall be received by the judges, one of whom shall place the ballot in a box provided for that purpose, and another of whom shall write upon paper provided for the purpose the name of each voter whose ballot is received; immediately after the close of the poll the ballots shall be taken from the box, one by one, counted and tallied by the judges of election; the papers containing the names of the voters and tallies as aforesaid, shall constitute a part of the returns of the judges of any election. The three candidates or persons voted for at any election, receiving the highest number of legal votes cast shall be declared Town Commissioners of La Plata elected at that election. Should there be a tie vote between any candidates at any election held under the provisions of this Act, the judges of said election shall determine and declare, if it should be necessary, which of such candidates shall be returned elected Town Com-