

upon property or income as aforesaid, and any person being a male British subject of the age of twenty one years, whose name is on such list, shall be allowed to vote, unless, on being required to do so by an elector, he shall decline to make oath that the amount for which he was so assessed has been paid.

46. The Sheriff of each of such Counties shall, in cases of the want of proper officers, have power to appoint all proper officers to carry on and hold such elections; and all reasonable official expenses attendant upon the holding of the elections, including the expenses of furnishing the lists by the Clerk of the Peace, shall be paid out of the County Contingencies.

47. In any election to be held in such County prior to the last Tuesday in October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, to fill a casual vacancy in the Councillorship, the right to vote shall be determined by and according to the provisions of the forty fifth Section, with the substitution of the words "Secretary Treasurer" for "Clerk of the Peace"; and in case of an election to be held in such County on or after the last Tuesday in October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven, to fill a casual vacancy, the right to vote shall be determined by and be in accordance with the provisions of the thirty third Section of this Act.

FIRST ELECTION IN NEW OR DIVIDED PARISHES.

48. At the first election of Councillors in a newly erected Parish, for which there is not a separate assessment roll, the Secretary-Treasurer shall make out from the assessment rolls last on file in his office, a list of ratepayers on property or income as aforesaid, either resident in such newly erected Parish, or owning real property therein at the time of such assessment; and any male British subject of the age of twenty one years, whose name is on such list, shall be allowed to vote, on making oath, if required, that he has paid the amount for which he was assessed in the roll last on file; and where such first election as aforesaid shall also be the first election in any County not heretofore incorporated, the Clerk of the Peace shall discharge the duties in this Section imposed upon the Secretary-Treasurer; and the Secretary-Treasurer, or, in the case of Counties not heretofore incorporated, the Sheriff shall have power to appoint all proper officers to carry on and hold such elections in case of the want of proper officers.

49. In case of the division of a Parish, and an election held in the old Parish before the filing of a new assessment roll therefor, any person otherwise entitled to vote shall also, if required, make oath that he is either a resident of the old Parish as constituted at time of the election, or owns real real property therein.

WARDENS AND COUNCILLORS. INCIDENTS OF OFFICE.

50. The Council elect and sworn shall at the first meeting next after their return, choose from among themselves a Warden, who shall hold office until the next election of Councillors: Should a vacancy occur in the office of Warden, the Council at its first meeting shall elect a Warden; but during his temporary absence they may choose a Chairman from its members present.

51. Every duly elected or qualified Councillor, not being an *ex officio* Councillor, shall continue in office for one year, or until another is elected in his stead. The Councillors to be

first elected in any County not heretofore incorporated, including any Councillors elected to fill a casual vacancy therein, shall continue in office until the last Tuesday in October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight, at which time the first annual election shall take place in such County.

52. A Councillor may resign with the consent of the Council, to be entered on the Minutes or by a declaration in writing, and paying a fine of forty dollars: The Warden of a County may resign by verbal intimation to the Council if in Session, or by letter to the Secretary-Treasurer if not in Session.

53. No Warden or Councillor shall receive any salary or emolument for his services as such; provided that nothing in this Section shall apply to the County of Carleton.

54. At the time of the holding of any election of Councillors in any Parish in the Municipality of Carleton, a vote may be taken on the question whether Councillors shall be paid for their services or not, and if it be decided by a majority of the ratepayers voting at such meeting in the affirmative, then the Chairman shall certify the same to the Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be authorized to pay the Councillors of such Parish one dollar and fifty cents each per day (not exceeding five days at each meeting of the County Council) during actual attendance, out of the County funds, and charge the amount thereof to the Parish, which may be included in the Warrant of Assessment then next issued on such Parish; the Councillors of no other Parish shall receive any remuneration for their services as such.

MEETINGS OF COUNTY COUNCIL.

The meetings of the County Council shall be held at the County Court House.

55. The first meeting for the purpose of organizing the Municipality shall be held at the time specified by the Sheriff in the notice for election of Councillors, which shall not be later than the seventh day of June next; and upon the election of a Warden the Municipality shall be deemed to be organized, and the County Council shall then proceed to the appointment of County officers, and may make and ordain bye laws, rules and regulations for the good government of the Municipality.

56. The Council shall meet each year on the third Tuesday in January and the first Tuesday in July, not being a public holiday, in which latter case it shall meet on the succeeding day; provided that in the Counties of Carleton and Sunbury no meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in July, but instead thereof, such meeting shall be held in the County of Carleton the last Tuesday in June, and in the County of Sunbury on the second Tuesday in July; and provided also, that any Council may by bye law ordain that the first semi-annual meeting in each year shall be held on any day in the month of January, and that the second semi-annual meeting in each year shall be held on any day between the twentieth day of June and the first day of August, in lieu of the days above mentioned; and provided further, that in addition to such general semi-annual meetings, the County Council of the City and County of Saint John may by bye law provide for two additional general meetings, at which any business may be transacted that might be transacted at a semi-annual meeting.

57. Meetings may be adjourned from day to day for five days in the whole, and no longer.