

An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Election of Members to Parliament, and to prevent fraud and violence in voting at the said Elections.

WHEREAS it is necessary to amend certain parts of the Acts which regulate election of members to represent the People of this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof, and to adopt provisions better calculated to restrain the frauds and violence which frequently occur at such elections: Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows :

Preamble.

I. No person shall be admitted to vote at any such election for a County or Riding, unless such person be of the male sex, of the full age of 21 years, and a subject of Her Majesty by birth or naturalization, nor unless he shall at the time he tenders his vote have been entered six months previously, on the valuation roll of the local Municipality in which he resides, as assessable on real estate to the value of at least £25, or as engaged in a profession, calling, or occupation, assessed on the said roll at the sum of at least £10 per annum.

Qualifications of voters in counties or ridings.

II. No person shall be admitted to vote at any election of a member to represent a City or Town in this Province, unless having the qualifications with respect to sex and age, and as being a subject of Her Majesty, required by the foregoing section, he be rated on the assessment roll for the said City or Town upon the sum of at least £ ; And no elector shall be entitled to vote elsewhere than at the poll for the local Municipality, or for the Ward of the City or Town in which he shall reside.

Qualifications of voters in cities and towns

III. Between the fifteenth day of the month of June, and the fifteenth day of the month of July in each year, the Secretary-Treasurer of each local Municipality of every County shall be bound to furnish to the Registrar of such County an extract from the valuation roll of the said Municipality, containing the names of the ratepayers residing in the said Municipalities, their professions, callings, or occupations, the range or cote in or upon which they reside, and the amount of the valuation of their real properties, professions, callings, or occupations respectively, duly certified by the Mayor and the said Secretary-Treasurer, under pain of a fine of £100 each, to enforce which proceedings may be taken by any elector of the County.

Secretary or Treasurer of each local municipality to make an annual return of rate-payers, &c., to Registrar.

IV. Between the fifteenth day of the month of July, and the fifteenth day of August in each year, the Clerk of every City or Town shall be bound to furnish to the Sheriff thereof an extract from the assessment

Each city or town clerk to make a similar return to the Sheriff.