

And whenever an elector shall be so sworn the presiding officer shall note the same in his Poll Book.

16. If any person shall knowingly swear or affirm falsely in taking any or either of the oaths, or in making the affirmations prescribed by this Act, he shall be deemed guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury.

17. At any election for Councillors or Assessors, every elector shall vote in the Ward in which he resides, or in which he shall have been assessed next preceding such election for real estate to the value of fifty pounds, and any person voting more than once at any election shall be liable to a penalty of five pounds.

18. All voting shall be by ballot, and separate boxes shall be provided for the reception of the separate tickets for each office to be filled ; if in sorting the votes it shall be found that the name of the same person be more than once entered in the same ballot, or if any ballot shall contain a greater number of names of persons, as designated to any office, than there are persons to be elected to such office, all such ballots shall be rejected and destroyed.

19. The Court for nomination of candidates or persons proposed at any election, shall be opened at nine o'clock in the forenoon by the officer appointed to hold such election, and the poll shall open at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and shall continue open until four o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, unless sooner closed as hereinafter provided ; the name of each elector voting shall be written in poll lists to be kept by the presiding officer, and after finally closing the poll the said officer shall forthwith, in the presence of the candidates, proceed to ascertain, and immediately after publicly declare, the number of votes given for each of the candidates or persons for whom votes have been given, and he shall also then publicly declare the person or persons having the majority of votes to be duly elected : The presiding officer, whether otherwise qualified or not, shall give a casting vote in cases when it may be necessary to determine the election.

20. The presiding officer shall not be bound to keep the poll open until four o'clock in the afternoon in any case when no more candidates have been proposed than may be necessary to be then elected, but in such case he may immediately after