

Returning
Officer to have
copies of the
Poll Books
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posit the same

To be open to
the public

Originals to be
returned with
the Writ of
Election

Their effect as
evidence

Returning
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puty, not to
grant any
scrutiny

Any party
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XXVII. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of each Returning Officer to 2 make or cause to be made exact copies of all the Poll Books which shall have been 4 returned to him by his several deputies, and within ten days after the closing of the 6 Election, to deposit such copies duly certified by him in the office of the Registrar 8 of Deeds and Titles for that County or part of a County within which the place where 10 the nomination of the Candidates at such Election shall have been made, is situate; 12 and the said Registrar shall be bound to allow inspection thereof to any person who 14 may demand the same on payment of a fee of currency, and to allow 16 such person to take copy of the same at his own expense; and it shall also be the duty 18 of the Returning Officer then to transmit the originals of the said Poll Books with 20 the Writ of Election and his return thereupon, to the Clerk of the Crown in Chan- 22 cery, within fifteen days after the closing of the Election; and the said original Poll 24 Books, with the affidavits and certificates herein above required, shall in all cases be 26 *prima facie* evidence of the truth of the allegations therein contained. 28

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That hereafter no Returning Officer or Deputy Re- 30 turning Officer shall have power to grant, make or enter into any scrutiny of the votes 32 given at any such Election, excepting only such as may be granted and made with re- 34 ference to each vote before it is recorded in the Poll Book. 36

XXIX. And be it enacted, That at any Election as aforesaid, whether at the Hust- 38 ings on the day of the opening or of the closing of the Election, or at the Polling 40 places opened and kept for such Election in conformity to this Act, any person in the 42 interest of any absent Candidate, whether such person be or be not an Elector, may at 44 any time during the Election, declare himself to be and may act as the Agent of any 46