without just cause shall be held to have refused the office, and shall be liable to the fine hereinafter provided for in like cases, unless they be persons who are exempted from serving;

- 4. The Mayor and Councillors elected at the elections subsequent to 5 the first, shall enter office on the day of their nomination, and a meeting of the Council shall take place within eight days after, in the same manner as after the first election, and the Mayor and Councillors elected shall take the same oath, and those absent without just cause shall be held to have refused the office, and shall be liable to the penalty herein-
- 10 after provided in such cases, unless they be persons who are exempted from serving;

5. Four members of the Council shall constitute a quorum ;

6. The expenses of every election shall be defrayed out of the funds of the Corporation.

- 15 10. 1. In any case in which one of the persons elected shall refuse to act as Mayor or Councillor, or in case his election being contested shall' be declared null, the electors of the town shall proceed to a new election, and elect a person to replace the said Councillor within one month after the said refusal shall have been made known, or that the said elec-
- 20 tion shall have been declared null; and if it be the Mayor who shall refuse to accept, or whose election shall have been declared null, the electors of the town shall proceed to a new election for such Mayor, within the same delay, and in that case the poll shall be held at the town hall, or office of the town only, and the said election shall be con-
- 25 ducted in the same manner as annual elections; 2. In case of the death of the Mayor or a Councillor, or in case of his absence from the town, or incapacity of acting as such, either from infirmity, sickness, or any other cause, during three calendar months, the other Councillors, at the first meeting of the Council which shall
- 30 take place after such decease, or at the expiration of the said period of three months, shall appoint from amongst the inhabitants of the town another Mayor or Councillor to replace the Mayor or Councillor so deceased, absent, or rendered incapable, as above mentioned; and in case the votes of the said Councillors are equally divided in the appointment
- 35 of a person to replace the Mayor, the election shall proceed in the manner mentioned in the preceding paragraph; Provided, however, that notwithstanding the decease, absence, or inability to act, of the said Mayor, or the said Councillor, the remaining Councillors shall continue to exercise the same powers and fulfil the same duties
- 40 to which they have had to exercise or fulfil, had not such decease, absence or inability to act on the part of the said Mayor or Councillor, taken place;

3. Every Mayor or Councillor so elected or appointed to replace another, shall remain in office for the remainder of the time for which 45 his predecessor had been elected or appointed, and no longer.

11. Before any person shall proceed to hold an election in conformity with this Act, he shall take the following oath, which any Justice of the Peace residing in the said town is hereby authorized to administer, that is to say:

50 "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and impartially, to the best "of my judgment and ability, discharge the duties of Presiding Officer "at the election which I am about to hold for persons to serve as mem-"bers of the Town Council of Terrebonne: So help me God."

12. The officer presiding at any election under this Act shall have B 199E