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which such person shall have been nominated and appointed Returning Officer.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That every Returning Officer shall be paid at the rate of Ten Shillings, for every day he shall have kept open Poll, and shall, moreover, be reimbursed his travelling and other unavoidable expenses, which he shall be put to in the execution of his Office; and for such payment and reimbursement, he shall make application to the Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, who is hereby authorized, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, to grant a Warrant, directed to the Treasurer, for payment of the same.

XIX. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That any Elector, present at any Election, may declare himself the Representative of any Candidate who is an actual Settler and Inhabitant of this Island; but who at the time of such Election may happen to be absent from the same, without any special power to that effect.

XX. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That the Returning Officer, at the close of the Election, shall immediately execute an Act, or Instrument of Indenture thereof, under his Hand and Seal, agreeable to the Form Number Five, in the Schedule annexed, one part of which Act, or Indenture, shall be immediately delivered to each of the persons elected, or his Representative, and another part with the Writ of Election. —The Oath of the Returning Officer, and that of his Clerks, required by this Act, shall be transmitted by the said Returning Officer to the Secretary's Office of this Island.

XXI. And beit further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That no Returning Officer shall take any part either before or during any Election by him held, by voting, favoring, or influencing, or causing to be favoured or influenced, the interest of any particular Candidate, under pain of incurring a penalty of the sum of Fifty Pounds.

Absent Candidates may be represented.

Returning Officer to execute an Indenture at the close of the Election,

one part whereof together with Oaths, &c., to be transmitted to Secretary's Office.

Penalty on Returning Officer influencing Election.