

Lowe, Rufus Stephenson, and John Smith, the other members of the council, until the first election to be had under the provisions of this Act; and the council hereby appointed shall, until the said election, have all the powers assigned to the council by this Act. ^{Powers.}

5 **6.** The members of the said corporation shall hold a general meeting every three months, that is to say, on the second Monday in January, April, July, and October, at some place within the Town of Chatham, of which notice naming the time and place, shall be given by the Secretary of the Council for the time being, ^{General meetings and election of president and members of the Council.}
 10 at least three days previous to such meeting, through one newspaper or otherwise as may be thought necessary by the said council; and at the general meeting on the second Monday in the month of January, the members of the said corporation present or a majority of them, shall then and there elect in such way as shall
 15 be fixed by the By-laws of the corporation, from among the members of the corporation, one President, one Vice-President, and the Secretary, and twelve other members of the council, who, with the President, Vice-President, and Secretary, shall form the council of the said corporation, and shall hold their offices until
 20 others shall be elected in their stead, at the next general meeting in the month of January, as aforesaid, or until they shall be removed from office, or shall vacate the same under the provisions of any By-laws of the corporation; Provided always, that if the said election shall not take place on the second Monday in the
 25 month of January, as aforesaid, the said corporation shall not thereby be dissolved, but such election may be had at any general meeting of the said corporation, to be called in the manner hereinafter provided, and the members of the council in office shall remain members until the election shall be had. ^{Proviso: in case of failure of election.}

30 **7.** If any member of the said council shall die or resign his office, or be absent for four months continuously, from the meetings of the said council, it shall be lawful for the said council, at any meeting thereof, to elect a member of the said corporation, to be a member of the said council in the place of the member so
 35 dying or resigning or being absent, and such new member shall be so elected by a majority of the members of the said council present at any meeting of the same, in case there is a quorum present at such meeting, and the member so elected shall hold office until the next annual election and no longer, unless re-
 40 elected. ^{Filling vacancies.}

8. At any annual or general meeting of the said corporation, whether for the purpose of electing members of the council or for any other purpose, a majority of members present at such meeting shall be competent to do and perform all acts which, either by this
 45 Act, or by any By-law of the said corporation, are or shall be directed to be done at any such general meeting. ^{Majority to have full powers.}

9. Any member of the said corporation intending to retire therefrom or resign his membership, may at any time do so, upon giving to the Secretary, in writing, ten days' notice of such intention, and discharging any lawful liability which may be standing
 50 upon the books of the said corporation against him at the time of such notice. ^{Retirement of members.}

10. It shall be lawful for the said corporation or the majority of them present at any general meeting, to make and enact such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the
 55 ^{Making By-laws, for what purpose.}