

tion, provided the election shall not have taken place by acclamation; and at the said election each elector shall vote in the ward in which he resides at the time of such election; and at the closing of the poll, the deputy in each ward shall declare the two, or three persons, according to the ward in which he shall act as deputy, who shall have obtained the greatest number of votes to be duly elected Councillors of the said town, and in case the candidates have an equal number of votes, the deputy acting at the poll shall give his casting vote;

2. If the votes of all the electors present have not been polled by the hour of four in the afternoon of the first day of said meeting, the deputy in each ward shall adjourn the proceedings thereof to the hour of nine in the forenoon of the following day, when he shall continue to take down the votes, and he shall close the election at the hour of four in the afternoon of the second day, and shall then declare duly elected Councillors, such of the candidates as shall be entitled to be so declared elected;

3. Provided always, that if at any time after the votes have commenced to be polled, either on the first or on the second day of the said election, one hour elapse without any vote being polled, it shall be the duty of the deputy in each ward to close the said election and declare duly elected as Councillors, such candidates as shall be entitled to be so declared elected; Provided also, that no person shall have been, within the last hour, prevented from approaching the poll by violence, of which notice shall have been given to the person presiding;

4. The Councillors elected at any of the municipal elections shall remain in office during two years;

5. The subsequent annual elections of Councillors for the said town shall take place in the same manner and within the same delays as the first;

6. Before proceeding to the holding of any election in virtue of this Act, each deputy or poll-clerk shall take the following oath which the Councillor presiding, or any other Councillor, or any Justice of the Peace, residing in the said town, is hereby empowered to administer, viz.:

"I do solemnly swear that I will, to the best of my judgment and ability, faithfully and impartially perform the duties of deputy-re-turning officer (or of poll-clerk) at the election, which I am about to hold, of a person or persons to serve as Councillor for the Ward (as the case may be) of the said Town of St. Ours. So help me God."

7. The Councillors presiding and each deputy at any Municipal election in the said town, shall, during such election, be conservators of the peace, and shall be invested with the same powers for the preservation of the peace, and the apprehension, imprisonment, holding to bail, trying and convicting violators of the law and disturbers of the peace, as are vested in the Justice of the Peace, and this, whether the said person presiding do or do not possess the property qualification of a Justice of the Peace, as required by law, and it shall be lawful for the person presiding at an election to appoint special constables in sufficient numbers to preserve peace at the said election, if he shall think it necessary, or be required so to do by five electors.

9. The person presiding at any election shall, within two days