

day of election, when they shall be closed, and the ballots publicly counted, and the said judges shall, within two days after the election, make a true and correct return of the same under their hands, to be addressed and transmitted to the Mayor, who shall convene the Common Council on the second Monday of May after each election to receive said returns.

SEC. 7. At such meetings of the Mayor and Common Council the returns shall be opened by the presiding officer, and certificates of election shall be forthwith issued by the clerk to the Mayor and Councilmen, the qualified persons appearing to be elected as such officers, by having received the highest number of votes, and to the qualified candidate for treasurer, who has likewise received the highest number of votes, and the said certificates shall be recorded among the proceedings.

SEC. 8. If at any election it shall appear from the returns of the judges of election that any two or more persons voted for as Mayor, Councilman or Treasurer, have received the same number of votes in such manner that there is no choice for the office, a new election shall be immediately proclaimed by the Mayor and Common Council, under the hand of the Mayor, to fill the vacancy, which election shall be held on ten days' notice, and in all respects except as to the day of election and of convening of the Mayor and Common Council, as provided in section 6.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted,* That on the same day on which the Mayor and Common Council is to be elected under this Act, and on each and every first Monday in May in each and every second year thereafter, one person, a legal voter in said town, and owner of real estate of the value of at least one thousand dollars, shall be chosen by the voters of said town as its treasurer, to serve for two years and until his successor shall qualify, but before said treasurer shall enter upon his duties, he shall give bond payable to the Mayor and Common Council of Hyattsville, in such penalty as the Mayor and Common Council may fix, with securities to be approved by them, conditioned they may direct, and the said treasurer shall qualify and enter upon the duties of his office or before the first Monday in June succeeding his election, and a failure to qualify within the time herein specified shall be deemed a refusal to accept the office, whereupon the Mayor and Common Council shall order a new election to fill the vacancy, such election to be held in the manner prescribed by section 6 hereof. In the event of the death, resignation, inability to act or removal for cause of the treasurer by the Mayor and Common Council, it shall be its duty to appoint another treasurer under like conditions as to bond, to serve until the next succeeding town election, at which his successor