

Voter or the Proxy or the attesting witness fail to comply in any particular with the directions contained in Art. 20, or if any Voting Paper shall not have been delivered or collected at the Voter's address in the Parish or Ward by the persons appointed or employed for that purpose, every such Voting Paper shall be omitted in the calculation of votes, except in the cases specified in the provisoes to this Article.

Provided that every person qualified to vote who shall not on the seventh day of April have received a Voting Paper, shall, on application before twelve o'clock at noon on the ninth day of April to the Returning Officer at his office, be entitled to receive a Voting Paper, and to fill up the same in the presence of the Returning Officer, and then and there to deliver the same to him.

Provided also, that in case any Voting Paper duly delivered shall not have been collected through the default of the Returning Officer, or the persons appointed or employed for that purpose, the Voter in person may deliver the same to the Returning Officer before twelve o'clock at noon on the ninth day of April.

And in either of the cases specified in the provisoes to this Article, any Voting Paper so delivered to the Returning Officer shall, if free from objection in any other respect, be included in the calculation of votes.

Art. 22. The Returning Officer shall cause the Voting Papers to be collected on the eighth day of April by the persons appointed or employed for that purpose, in such manner as he shall direct, subject to the provisions contained in Arts. 17 and 18.

Art. 23. The Returning Officer shall, on the Ninth day of April, and on as many days immediately succeeding as may be necessary, attend at the Board Room of the Guardians, and ascertain the validity of the votes by an examination of the rate-books, and the registers of owners and proxies, and such other documents as he may think necessary, and by examining such persons as he may see fit; and he shall enter in a Poll Book in the Form (No. 7) in the Schedule to this Order, and cast up such of the votes as he shall find to be valid, and shall ascertain the total number of such votes given for each person.

Art. 24. The Returning Officer shall allow any person nominated, whose name is inserted in the Voting Papers under examination, or some person on his behalf, to be present at the casting up of the votes, and shall declare at the close of such casting up the number of votes allowed by him to every person whose name is inserted in the Voting Papers, and shall, if he reject any Voting Paper, mark thereon the act of its rejection, and declare the ground of such rejection.

Art. 25. So many of those persons nominated, whose names are inserted in the Voting Papers, to the number of Guardians to be elected for each Parish or Ward, as shall be ascertained in accordance with Art. 23 to have received respectively a greater number of votes than the remainder of those persons respectively, shall be deemed to be the elected Guardians for the Parish or Ward, and shall be certified as such by the Returning Officer, as provided in Art. 26.

Art. 26. The Returning Officer shall, on the Ninth day of April, or as soon after as may be practicable, make a list containing the names of the qualified persons duly nominated, and in case of a contest the number of votes given for each, and the names of the elected Guardians, in the Form (No. 8) in the Schedule to this Order, and shall sign and certify the same, and shall deliver such list, together with the Poll Book and all the Nomi-

nation and Voting Papers which he shall have received, to the Board of Guardians, at their next meeting, who shall preserve the same for a period of not less than two years.

Art. 27. The Returning Officer shall cause copies of such list to be printed, and shall deliver or send, or cause to be delivered or sent, one or more of such copies to the Overseers of every Parish in the Union or of the separate Parish.

Art. 28. The Overseers shall affix, or cause to be affixed, copies of such list, at the usual places for affixing in each Parish notices of parochial business.

Art. 29. The Returning Officer, when he shall have certified that any such person is duly elected as Guardian, shall notify the fact of his having been so elected by delivering or sending, or causing to be delivered or sent, to him a notice in the Form (No. 9) in the Schedule to this Order.

Art. 30. The Nomination and Voting Papers, when delivered by the Returning Officer to the Board of Guardians, as required by Art. 26, shall, during the six calendar months next following such delivery, be open between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and six o'clock in the afternoon on any day, except Sunday, to the inspection of any person who may have nominated or may have been nominated at the election, or any person appointed in writing on behalf of either of them.

Art. 31. In case of the decease, necessary absence, refusal, or disqualification to act, during the proceedings of the election, of the Returning Officer or any other person appointed or employed to act in respect of such election, the delivery of the Nominations, Voting Papers, or other documents to the successor of the Returning Officer, or person so dying, absenting himself, refusing, or disqualified to act, shall be as valid and effectual as if they had been delivered to such Returning Officer or person.

Expenses of the Election.

Art. 32. The Guardians shall pay, to the Returning Officer, for the performance of the duties hereby prescribed in regard to the election, such sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds as the Guardians shall determine, which shall include the remuneration of the persons who may have been appointed or employed so assist him in conducting and completing the election.

Art. 33. In the case of every election in any Parish or Ward in which Voting Papers have been delivered in conformity with Art. 16, the Guardians shall pay to the Returning Officer, in addition to any sum which he may receive under Art. 32, the sum of Twopence in respect of each separate assessment to the current Poor Rate in the Parish or Ward.

Art. 34. The Guardians shall defray the cost of providing the several Forms required for use by the Returning Officer in pursuance of this Order; and may, if they think fit, also defray the cost of a supply of Nomination Papers for the use of persons entitled to nominate Guardians.

Art. 35. In a Union, the cost of providing the several Forms, except the Voting Papers, together with any payment which may be made to the Returning Officer under Art. 32, shall be charged to the Common Fund; and the cost of providing Voting Papers, together with any payment which may be made to the Returning Officer under Art. 33, shall be charged to the Parish in respect of which, or of any Ward in which, the expenses shall have been incurred.