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1. Originally every white man settling in Transvaal was entitled to vote at once.

2. In 1855 it was enacted that persons not born in South Africa should pay £25 before receiving full franchise.

3. In 1874 it was enacted that strangers not possessed of real estate should reside one year to obtain franchise, but if owning real estate received full rights at once.

4. In 1882 the conditions were increased to five years' residence, registry on Field-Cornet's books for that period, and payment of £25.

5. In 1890 the second Raad was established, with qualification for vote of two years' residence, which did not begin to count until, in terms of an obscure law, the candidate had been registered on the Field-Cornet's books, a payment of £5, and the taking of the oath of allegiance. Having had this vote for two years, the naturalised voter became eligible for membership; but it was

The £25 was for revenue purposes only.

The first attempt to restrict the franchise.

The second Raad was instituted as a great concession, but, being limited as to the subjects it might discuss, and having no money powers, and no control over the first Raad, and being liable to have all its decisions vetoed either by the first Raad or the President, it was of no value.

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