

Ibid.) They shall open the polls at 6 o'clock in the morning in the city of Baltimore, and close at 5 P. M., and in the counties the polls shall be opened at 8 o'clock in the morning and kept open at 6 P. M. Vacancies in judges filled by other judge or judges on the morning of election. (Sec. 56, *Ibid.*) Challengers and watchers allowed. (Sec. 57, *Ibid.*) Poll book must be kept by the clerk. (Sec. 58, *Ibid.*) Voting booths must be constructed; ballot boxes to be inspected as soon as the polls are opened; each qualified voter shall be entitled to receive one official ballot; assistance allowed to voters unable to read; spoiled ballots to be returned and replaced; challenge of voters allowed. (Secs. 59 to 63, *Ibid.*)

Count of Ballots.—Shall immediately proceed at the place of polling at the close of the polls, and result announced at the end of the count. (Secs. 64 to 67, *Ibid.*)

Election Returns.—The judges shall make duplicate statements or returns of the result of the count, and send to the officers provided for in sec. 68, Act of 1896, ch. 202. Shall preserve spoiled, rejected and defective ballots; seal the ballot boxes; one judge shall take charge of the ballot box and one of the key, which shall be delivered to the Supervisors of Election, who shall note the condition of the box, and keep boxes and ballots for six months.

Legislative Uniformity Commissioners.—Three commissioners authorized by the name and style of "Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States." \$1,500 appropriated for expenses. (Ch. 264, Acts of 1896.)

Maryland Militia.—The militia of this State shall consist of all able bodied male citizens between the ages of eighteen and fifty-five years of age, and not exempt by the laws of the United States, except persons holding any civil office created by the Constitution and laws of the State, practicing physicians, ministers of any church or religious denomination, conductors and engineers of railways, captains and chief engineers of steam vessels and licensed pilots; all such exempted persons shall be liable to military duty in case of war, insurrection, invasion or imminent danger thereof. (Sec. 1, ch. 89, Act of 1896.)

The General Staff.—Adjutant General, with rank of