

by each candidate, each of the judges of election, in turn, shall then proclaim in a loud voice the total number of votes received by each person voted for in such precinct and the office for which he is designated, and the number of votes for and the number of votes against any proposition which shall have been submitted to the vote of the people; such proclamation shall be prima facie evidence of the result of the canvass of such ballots. Immediately after the vote has been proclaimed, a statement containing the total number of votes cast and the number of votes for each and every candidate and for each question or issue shall be posted on the door of the polling place.

(b) *Report.* The judges of the several precincts shall, immediately upon completion of the canvass, report the unofficial result to the Supervisors of Elections of their respective county and also the time when the canvass was completed.

(c) *Baltimore City.* In the City of Baltimore the judges, immediately after such proclamation, shall deliver to a policeman on duty at the polling place a statement subscribed with their names, which shall be sealed up and forthwith conveyed by the said policeman to the office of the Police Commissioner, whose duty it shall be to file and preserve the same. Such statements shall contain the total number of votes cast and the number of votes for each and every candidate, and for each question or issue, and any person applying may inspect the same.

**115. Returns of the Canvass.** (a) *Information Required.* The judges shall make duplicate statements or returns of the result of the canvass. If possible, each shall be made upon a single sheet of paper. Each shall contain a caption stating the day on which the election was held, the number of the election precinct, the county or ward of the city in relation to which said statement shall be made, the time of opening and closing the polls of such precinct, the whole number of votes in the ballot-box, and the whole number of votes given for each person, designating the office for which they were given. Such statement shall be written or partly printed in words at length; and in case a proposition of any kind has been submitted to a vote at such election, such statement shall also show in like manner the whole number of votes cast for or against such proposition.

(b) *Certification.* At the end of such statement shall be written a certificate that the same is correct in all respects. The certificate and each sheet of paper forming a part of the statement shall be subscribed by the judges and clerks in those precincts in which paper ballots shall be used. If any judge or clerk shall decline to sign such return he shall state his reason therefor in writing and a copy thereof, signed by himself, shall be enclosed with each return.

(c) *Envelopes.* Each of the statements shall be enclosed in an envelope which shall then be securely sealed with sealing wax or other adhesive material, and each of the judges and clerks shall write his name across the fold of the envelope. In those precincts in which no clerks shall have been appointed the above required endorsement shall be made by the judges. One of the envelopes shall be directed to the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county,