

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

election board at the same time as other paraphernalia hereinbefore provided for.

Primary election to be conducted by County Committee.

110. The first primary election held hereunder shall be conducted by the county committee of the respective election districts, as hereinbefore set out, and from and after said first primary they shall be conducted by a committee to be selected as follows: The voters in each precinct or district in said county, in addition to voting for candidates for nomination, shall also vote for and elect one person for member of the county committee for the ensuing two years, or until his successor is elected, who shall be the return judge for the primary election during that time, and candidates for county committeemen shall make application to have their names placed upon the ballot the same as applicants for nomination for office. The newly elected committeemen, when assembled as return judges in convention to compute the vote cast at said election, shall also elect the chairman and vice-chairman for the following two years, but the chairman and vice-chairman need not be taken from among the return judges. The duty of the chairman shall be to preside at meetings of the committee and at meetings or conventions of the return judges, and with the consent of the executive committee of five, appoint members of said party to fill vacancies, remove committeemen for inefficiency or disloyalty to the party, and when no application is made by persons to have their names placed upon the ballot for election as committeemen, to appoint a member of said party to fill said office in said district or precinct, secure the printing and distribution of tickets and election blanks, make assessments on candidates for nomination to defray the expenses for announcing candidates for office and pay expenses of said convention of return judges. The said chairman shall have power to convene the committee in convention at any time to transact such business, not inconsistent with this Act. The duty of the vice-chairman shall be to take the place of the chairman in his absence from any cause, and to perform the duties herein prescribed for the chairman. The executive committee shall be elected at the same meeting at which the chairman is elected, and shall be composed of five persons, members of said committee, and shall hold office for the period of two years, and whose duties shall be to advise with the chairman and vice-chairman, as hereinbefore provided, and upon matters of party government. The duty of the committeemen shall be to attend at any time and any place of voting, appoint the election boards in their respective pre-

Duty of the chairman.

Power to call committee in convention.

Duties of committeemen.