

on the twelfth day of October, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty four and in the several counties of this State on the twelfth and thirteenth days of October, in the same year, at the usual places of holding elections in said city and counties, for the adoption or rejection of this Constitution, which election shall be held in the said city of Baltimore on the twelfth day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and five o'clock P. M., and in the said several counties of this State on the said twelfth and thirteenth days of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-four between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and five o'clock P. M., and the Judges of Election of said city, and of the several counties of the State, shall receive at said election the votes only of such electors as are qualified according to the provisions of this Constitution, who may offer to vote at such election, and the said Sheriffs shall also give notice on or after the twelfth day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, for all elections provided for by this Constitution, to be held during that year.

To be held in
October, 1864.

SEC. 9. At the said election the vote shall be by ballot, and each ballot shall describe thereon the words "For the Constitution" or "Against the Constitution," as the voter may elect, and it shall be conducted in all respects as the general elections of this State are now conducted. The Judges of Election shall administer to every person offering to vote the oath or affirmation prescribed by this Constitution, and should any person offering to vote refuse or decline to take said oath, he shall not be permitted to vote at such election, but the taking of such oath or affirmation shall not be deemed conclusive evidence of the right of such person to vote, and it shall be the duty of the Return Judges of said city, and of the several counties of the State, having counted the votes given for or against the adoption of this Constitution, to certify the result thereof in the manner now prescribed by law, accompanied with a special statement, that every person, who has voted has taken the oath or affirmation prescribed by this Constitution; and the Governor upon receiving such result, and ascertaining the aggregate vote throughout the State, including the soldiers' vote, hereinafter provided for, shall, by his proclamation make known the same, and if a majority of the votes cast shall be for the adoption of this Consti-

Mode of Voting.

Oath of Voters.

Returns to be made.

Governor to proclaim the vote.