

of the soldiers' vote have been received, shall, under the penalty of five hundred dollars, meet at the usual place of holding the Circuit Court of each county, or at the usual place of holding the Superior Court of Baltimore city, in the city of Baltimore, with the books of the polls and the certificates aforesaid.

2. The said judges so assembled shall cast up the whole vote of all the districts or precincts, and shall make out two plain, fair, and distinct statements and certificates of the number of votes which shall have been given for each candidate, for each of the officers voted for at said election, including Lieutenant Governor, one of which certificates shall be delivered to the clerk of the court to which they are directed to make their returns, and the other except in elections for Governor and State's Attorneys, shall be transmitted by mail to the Governor, and in case of elections for Governor and State's Attorneys, the said statements and certificates instead of being transmitted to the Governor, shall, in case of Governor, be transmitted to the Secretary of State, and in the case of State's Attorneys, shall be transmitted to the judge of the court having criminal jurisdiction in the circuit in which State's Attorneys are respectfully elected; and from the returns so made, the Governor shall issue commissions to the different persons elected, including the Lieutenant Governor, as provided in the fourteenth section of the fourth article of the Constitution of this State.

3. The said certificates for all officers provided for by the Constitution, except in the case of the Governor and State's Attorneys, shall be directed to the Governor; for the Governor, they shall be addressed to the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and enclosed to the Secretary of State; for State's Attorneys, they shall be addressed to the judge of the court having criminal jurisdiction in the county or city.

4. All contested elections for Comptroller of the Treasury, Commissioner of the Land Office, Judges, Clerks of the Courts of Law and Register of Wills, shall be decided by the House of Delegates, and the testimony shall be taken in such cases in the