

officers before entering upon the discharge of their duties shall take and subscribe before the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore city and the clerks of the several circuit courts respectively, the oath ^{Their oath.} prescribed in the seventh section of the first article of the constitution, or the oath prescribed for office-holders in the first section of the act of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, chapter seventeen.

14. The said officers of registration shall receive ^{Ibid. s. 2.} from the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore ^{Books of registration.} city and the clerks of the several circuit courts, the books of registration now in the offices of said clerks, respectively, and shall adopt and use said books for the purpose of effecting the registration provided for in this article, and the said clerks shall immediately, upon the appointment and qualification of said officers, deliver said books to them, and also duly certified copies of the lists of qualified voters now on ^{Lists of qualified voters.} record in their respective offices.

15. It shall be the duty of said officers of registration upon receipt of said books and lists of qualified ^{Ibid. s. 3.} voters, to correct the same by striking therefrom the ^{Officers to correct books, &c.} names of persons who may have removed from the county or state, or who may have died or have become disqualified under the provisions of the third and fifth sections of the first article of the constitution, and all persons whose names appear on said books and lists as qualified voters after the same shall have been corrected as aforesaid, are hereby declared to be legal and qualified voters, and shall ^{Who legal and qualified voters.} be entitled to vote at every election hereafter held in this state; the said officers of registration shall then add to said lists of qualified voters, and register as such, every white male person who shall apply to them to be registered, and satisfy them that he possesses or before the day of the next ensuing election will possess the constitutional qualifications of age, citizenship and residence, and is not disqualified under the provisions of the third and fifth sections of the first article of the constitution; *provided*, how- ^{Proviso.}