any judge of any of the circuit courts of this State, be fined a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each and every offence; one-half of the fine shall be paid to the informer, the other half to the county commissioners for the use of public roads.

Cearfoss v. State, 42 Md. 403.

## Special Elections.

- P. G. L., (1860,) art. 35, sec. 49. 1828, ch. 213, sec. 1. 1860, ch. 10, sec. 3. 1878, ch. 427.
- 90. Warrants for all special elections shall be issued to the sheriff of the county or city where the election is to be held, who shall appoint a day for the holding of the same, and shall give at least ten days' notice thereof, exclusive of the day of publication and day of election, by advertisements set up at the most public places within each district of the county, and by advertisements in two newspapers of general circulation in such county. In the city of Baltimore ten days' previous notice shall be given, in the manner herein prescribed, of all special elections, whether for federal, State or municipal officers.

Tbid. sec. 50. 1823, ch. 213, sec. 2 1860, ch. 10, sec. 3.

91. The sheriff shall also serve a copy of the said warrant, together with a notice of the day appointed for holding said election, on each of the judges in each district or precinct, at least three days before the day appointed for holding such election, under the penalty of ten dollars for each neglect.

Ibid sec. 51 1823, ch. 213, sec. 2 1860, ch. 10, sec. 3. 1878, ch. 427.

92. Such elections shall be held within fifteen days after the warrant shall be received by the sheriff.

## Contested Elections.

- P. G. L., (1860,) art. 35, sec. 52. 1853, ch. 244, sec. 1. 1865, ch. 143, sec. 52.
- 93. All contested elections for comptroller of the treasury, 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 same manner as is herein prescribed in contested seats of the senate or house of delegates.

Constitution, art. 4, sec. 12. Blake v. State, 2 Md. 376. State v. Jarrett, 17 Md. 309. Brooke v. Widdicombe, 39 Md. 386.