

by the police of Baltimore City; and in the counties by the sheriffs of the several counties, upon all such persons who can be found by them, and said notices shall also be sent by mail to said persons addressed to them at the place from which they were registered, which said notices shall be so delivered and mailed as aforesaid, not later than the Friday succeeding the September sitting. Should no cause, or in the judgment of said officers of registration, an insufficient cause to the contrary be shown, on said Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday of their October sitting in the counties, and on Monday and Tuesday of their October sitting in the city of Baltimore, it shall be the duty of said officers of registration, during the Friday of said October sitting in the counties, and during the Wednesday of their said October sitting in Baltimore City, to strike off the names of all persons on said list, but if said officers of registration shall be satisfied by competent sworn testimony produced before them, or from their own knowledge, or information, that any of said persons, notwithstanding their failure to appear in answer to said notices, are in reality entitled to have their names retained on said registration books, then the names of said persons shall be so retained. Moreover, whenever any suggestion shall be made to them in writing, signed by any person, that said registration books contain any specified name or names, which should be stricken off, it shall be their duty diligently to inquire into and investigate every such suggestion, and to strike off every name which upon such investigation, they shall ascertain to have improperly registered in the first instance, or to be no longer entitled to remain upon the registration books, for any lawful cause, and the fact that any person registered in any registration books, is not at the time of such demand, resident at the place from which he is registered, and that his whereabouts are unknown, shall be *prima facie* evidence that such person has lost his residence in that election precinct, or election district, and justifies and requires the striking off such name from said registration books. It shall in like manner be the duty of said officers of registration to send notices in the same modes as prescribed for their September sittings, to all persons whose names have been stricken off at such October sittings, other than the names of those known to be dead, notifying them that their names have been stricken off; which said notices shall be delivered and mailed as aforesaid, not later than the Friday of such October sitting. In all cases when a name is stricken off, the reason shall be recorded opposite such name in said duplicate registries, and when a name is stricken off upon the oath of any person, the name of such person shall be