

break the seals of any package or abstract any ballot therefrom or have any such ballot except for the lawful purposes in this Act provided, in his possession before or during an election shall be punished by a fine of not less than five or more than three hundred dollars or shall be imprisoned in jail for not less than thirty days nor more than one year or by both such fine or imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

“Sec. 16. And at every general registration held in Montgomery county subsequent to the passage of this Act there shall be provided in the registration books an additional column headed affiliation, and the Board of Registry shall enter into this column the name of the political party, if any, to which the voter is inclined and with which the voter desired to have himself recorded as affiliated. It shall be the duty of the Board of Registry to explain to the voter that the statement of the said party affiliation does not bind him to vote for the candidates of said party at any given election; also that he has the right to decline to state any party affiliation, but that no one who is not recorded upon the registration book as affiliated with a particular political party will be qualified to vote at subsequent primary elections of said political party. Whenever the voter declines to state his party affiliation the word ‘declined,’ shall be written opposite the name under said column, so that there shall be written in each column opposite the name of each registered voter either his party affiliation or the word ‘declined’ and in all primary elections held in the year 1907 and biennially thereafter any person so registered as affiliated with the given political party shall have the right to receive and vote the ballot of that party and of no other, and at any intermediate registration subsequent to the general registration in 1907 such voter may appear before the board of registry and upon his identity being established to a majority of the board of registry he shall have the right to require the said board of registry to make, alter or strike out any entry in the column headed “Affiliation” opposite his name on the registration book. It shall be the duty of the board of registers, to enter in