

book, and also to perform such other duties as are prescribed by this act to be by them performed.

SEC. 14. *And be it enacted*, That no person shall be permitted to be in the room selected as the polling-place of the ward, during the time any such election is being held, except the Judges, Clerks and such Police Officers who may be designated to attend thereat by the Police Board, upon request made to said Board in writing by the executive committee of the city convention of the party holding the election; after the election is closed, any candidate, or a person designated by him, and such other persons whom, in the judgment of the Judges of Election it may be proper to admit, to guarantee the fairness of the count, shall be entitled to be present during the counting of the ballots.

Room—Who
admitted.

SEC. 15. *And be it enacted*, That when the poll shall be closed the box wherein the ballots are deposited shall immediately thereafter be opened by the Judge or Judges of Election, and the said Judge or Judges shall publicly, in the presence of the persons designated in the preceding section, carefully take out the said ballots and read distinctly and aloud the name or names written or printed thereon respectively, and the Clerks of said election shall carefully enter and keep an account of the same on the poll-book so that the number of votes for each candidate tallied thereon may be readily cast up and known.

Count ballots.

SEC. 16. *And be it enacted*, That if upon opening any of said ballots there be found any more names written or printed thereon than there ought to be, or if any two or more of such ballots be deceitfully folded together, or if the purpose for which the vote is given is not plainly designated thereon, such ballot shall be rejected and not counted.

Illegal ballots.