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Vote to be
canvassed in
public and
result
announced.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted*, That the governing bodies of the respective parties holding the primary election held under the provisions of this Act shall respectively assemble in the court house of said county at 11 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday next succeeding the day of such primary election of their respective parties, receive the ballot boxes from the return judges, sealed as provided in Section 15 of this Act, and shall proceed, in public, to canvass the vote cast at such primary election and publicly to announce the result thereof; if any protest against the result is announced by the judges of any election district or districts is submitted to said governing body before the canvass of the votes of the entire county is completed, said governing body shall consider and determine any controversy that may arise in respect thereto, and the decision of said governing body thereon shall be final.

Vacancies
to be filled.

SEC. 18. *And be it enacted*, That any vacancy which may exist in respect to any office or position, after the returns shall have been canvassed and the result announced, as in the next preceding section is provided, shall be filled as the rules and regulations of the governing bodies of the several parties may now or shall hereafter provide.

Oath to be
taken.

SEC. 19. *Be it enacted*, That before entering upon the discharge of their several duties under this Act, each judge and clerk shall take an oath in substance as follows: I _____ (judge or clerk), in the presence of Almighty God, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will well and truly discharge the duties of (judge or clerk) at the primary election to be held on the _____ day of _____ by the _____ party, in district No. _____ of Montgomery county; that I will faithfully observe the laws, rules and regulations relative to holding said primary election, and in all respects perform the duties of said office impartially and according to law; that I will not attempt to ascertain for what candidate or candidates any person shall vote or has voted in said primary, and if such knowledge shall be acquired by me I will not, directly or indirectly, by word or act, divulge or reveal the same or aid in doing so save when I may be required to do so by law in some legal proceedings; said oath may be taken before any officer in Montgomery county authorized to administer oaths; and after the return judge shall have taken his oath as a registration officer in said county and shall have taken