

ively, and the clerks of said election shall carefully enter and keep an account of the same on the books of the polls, so that the number of votes for each candidate tallied thereon may be readily cast up and known; when all the ballots have been canvassed the poll clerks shall compare their tallies together and ascertain the total number of votes received by each candidate, and when they agree upon the numbers one of them shall announce in a loud voice to the judges and those present the number of votes received by each candidate. In the several counties the sheriff, or such person as the judges shall name in the absence of the sheriff, or one of his deputies, and in Baltimore city the board of police commissioners shall have power, and it shall be their duty to preserve order during the counting of the votes, and see that the duly accredited representative of each party shall be admitted into the polling-rooms to witness the count.

Compare tallies.

40. A copy of the count as entered and endorsed on the books of the polls as hereinbefore provided shall be, at the close of said election, delivered to each one of the representatives of the candidates voted for at said election entitled to be present at the count, and another copy thereof with all the ballots cast at any election shall also, as soon as the count is closed and result ascertained, be placed in the ballot-box by the judges of election, and the ballot-box shall be locked and the key removed therefrom, and the ballot-box delivered to the chief judge of the election or his associate of the same political party, and the key thereof to the minority judge of election for safe keeping until as hereinafter provided; thereupon the judges of election shall all write their names on a strip of paper of sufficient length for the following purpose: said strip shall be pasted over the keyhole of the ballot-box in such a manner that the signatures shall extend across the opening of the lid, and so that when the key is inserted it will tear the paper so pasted over the keyhole; such paper shall be securely fastened to the box with sealing-wax or other adhesive material. Within three days after an election, and sooner, if practicable,

Copy of count — who delivered to.

Write names on strip of paper.