

CHAPTER 124.

AN ACT to enable qualified voters of this State, ^{Passed March 23, 1865.}
 in the military service of the United States or
 this State to exercise the right of suffrage, and
 to add the following sections providing therefor
 to the thirty-fifth Article of the Code of Public
 General Laws, title Elections:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly* ^{Sections add-}
of Maryland, That that the following sections be
 added to the thirty-fifth Article of the Code of
 Public General Laws:

2. That whenever any of the qualified voters of ^{Right of suf-}
 this State shall be in the military service of the ^{frage.}
 United States or this State, and as such be absent
 from the city of Baltimore or the county of their
 residence on the days appointed by law for holding
 State, County, Congressional or Presidential elec-
 tions within this State, or on the days appointed
 by the proper authority for holding special elec-
 tions to fill vacancies, such qualified voters shall
 be entitled at such time to exercise the right of
 suffrage as fully as if they were present at their
 usual places of voting.

3. That a poll shall be opened in each regiment ^{Polls to be}
 or company at the quarters of the commanding ^{opened.}
 officer of said regiment or company, and all duly
 qualified electors of this State, belonging to such
 regiment or company, who shall be on duty or in
 hospital at or near such quarters on the day of
 election may vote at such poll.

4. That such polls shall be opened at nine ^{Polls to open}
 o'clock in the morning and closed at five o'clock ^{at 9 o'clock.}
 in the afternoon; *provided, nevertheless,* that such ^{Proviso.}
 election may be held or polls opened for the recep-
 tion of the votes of the duly qualified electors at
 any time within five days thereafter, if from the
 emergencies or duties of the service, such electors
 cannot exercise their right of suffrage on the day
 appointed by law for any general election in this
 State.

5. That the County Commissioners of the res- ^{Judges to be}
 pective counties and the Mayor and City Council ^{appointed.}