

Duty of the  
Sheriffs, &c.

have respectively in both Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, and it shall be the duty of the Sheriffs of the several counties and of the city of Baltimore to give notice of said election in the same manner and for the same length of time as is now required in the election of Delegates to the General Assembly of this State, and that the several judges of election of this State shall receive, accurately count and duly return the number of ballots so cast to the several Clerks of the Circuit Courts of this State, and to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, respectively, who shall, within ten days after said election, make a due return to the Governor of the number of ballots cast for and against the call of a Convention, and of the number of blank ballots cast, and also of the number of ballots cast for the several persons voted for as Delegates to said Convention, and

Military not  
to interfere.

in case any organized military or armed force of the United States shall appear at the places where the polls shall be held, and shall interfere with said election, unless such military or armed force shall be called out by the judges of election or other civil authority charged with the preservation of the peace, the said judges of election shall, under oath, certify to the Governor such unwarranted military interference with said election in such election district or precinct, and the Governor shall immediately thereupon order a new election

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to be ordered.

for Delegates to said Convention, after ten days notice to be given by the Sheriff as aforesaid in such election district or precinct, and such new election shall be held and conducted in the manner and form hereinbefore provided, and the Governor shall order a new election for Delegates from time to time as often as such illegal military or armed interference with the election shall be certified to him as aforesaid, but such order or orders for such new election or elections shall not interfere with, hinder or delay the assembling of said Convention as herein provided, if it shall appear from the count that a majority of all the votes cast in the election districts and precincts where no such illegal military or armed interference shall be certified to have taken place, are in favor of the call of such Convention under this act, the said judges in the said return shall certify that no organized military or other armed force had appeared at the