held as provided for in this Act may, within ten (10) days after the canvass of the returns of such election and upon filing a bond for costs in a penalty to be fixed by the presiding Judge, and with a surety or sureties to be approved by him, contest the validity of such election by filing a verified petition in the Circuit Court of Carroll County setting forth the grounds for the contest. Upon the filing of such petition a summons shall forthwith issue from such court, addressed to the Supervisors of Elections with whom a petition for such election was filed, notifying such Supervisors of Elections of the filing of such petition and directing them to appear in such court on behalf of said County at the time named in the summons, which time shall be not less than five (5) nor more than fifteen (15) days after the filing of such petition. The procedure in such cases shall be the same as that provided by law for contesting an election to a public office, so far as the same is applicable. The said court shall have final jurisdiction to hear and determine the merits of such cases. Any legal voter in Carroll County may be permitted by the court at its discretion to appear in person or by attorney in any such contested election case in defense of the validity of such election.

Approved April 10th, 1914.

CHAPTER 493.

AN ACT to empower and direct the Police Commissioners of Baltimore City to pay a pension to Louis V. Paff.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Police Commissioners of Baltimore City be empowered and directed, and they are hereby empowered and directed, to pay to Louis V. Paff for the rest of his natural life, the sum of ten (10) dollars per week as a pension out of the Special Fund commencing with June 1st, 1914.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 21st, 1914.

CHAPTER 494.

AN ACT to add a new Section to Article 4 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Char-