

_____ of _____, at _____, the place appointed by law for holding the elections within said district, and did then and there appoint _____ and _____ clerks of the election, who severally qualified as directed by law. We further certify that we did then and there, before a justice of the peace of said county (or before each other), qualify as judge or judges of the election, as by law directed, and did then and there, at the hour of 9 o'clock in the morning, open the polls for an election for _____; that we continued the polls open until 6 o'clock in the evening of the same day, when they were closed, the ballot-box opened and the ballots publicly counted, when it appeared that _____ had _____ votes as _____. Given under our hands at the place of said election, this _____ day of _____, _____, clerk" And the certificate or return of the judges of election in the city of Baltimore shall be in like form or to the like effect, with such variation therein as may be required by the local laws of the city of Baltimore.

29. The presiding judges of elections, or in case of inability to attend, either of the other judges shall, within ten days after each election, under the penalty of five hundred dollars, meet at the usual place of holding the Circuit Court of each county, or at the usual place of holding the Superior Court of Baltimore City, in the city of Baltimore, with the books of the polls and the certificates aforesaid.

1865, c 143
Meeting of
judges after
election
43 Md 572.

30. The said judges so assembled shall cast up the whole vote of all the districts or precincts, and shall make out two plain, fair and distinct statements and certificates of the number of votes which shall have been given for each candidate, for each of the officers voted for at said election, one of which certificates shall be delivered to the clerk of the court to which they are directed to make their returns, and the other, except in elections for governor and state's attorneys, shall be transmitted by mail to the governor, and in case of elections for governor and state's attorneys, the said statements and certificates, instead of being transmitted to the governor, shall, in case of governor, be transmitted to the secretary of state, and in the case of state's attorneys, shall be transmitted to the judge of the court having criminal jurisdiction in the circuit in which state's attorneys are respectively elected; and from the returns so made, the governor shall issue commissions to the different persons elected, as provided in the eleventh section of the fourth article of the Constitution of this State.

1865, c 143
Certificates of
votes cast, to
whom trans-
mitted.

Governor to
issue commis-
sions.

31. The said certificates for all officers elected by the voters of a single county or city, except sheriff, shall be in the following form, or to the like effect, to wit: "To _____. Whereas, an election for _____ was held on the first Wednesday of November in the year _____ in the district (or precinct) in the said county or city, distinguished by number one, etc, conformably to the Constitution and laws of this State; and whereas, we, the subscribers, attending judges at the close of the election in said districts (or precincts), having this day assembled at the usual place of the sitting of the

Art 35, s 31
1805, c 97, s 15,
1860, c 10, s 3
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