

202, Section 17, Laws of 1896, caused a census of the qualified voters of the respective election precincts of Baltimore to be taken by the police, and copies of the same were furnished the registration officers as required by the section named. Statements are herewith submitted, Nos. 38 and 39, giving enumerations of the police census work for the two years specified.

The result of the census of voters made in September, 1899, indicates the total population of the City of Baltimore at that time to have been in the neighborhood of 525,000.

WORK OF THE POLICE PHYSICIANS.

Your attention is directed to the report of the police physicians, included herein, which contains a comprehensive review of their work for the years 1898 and 1899, and shows alphabetically arranged the diseases from which the members suffered, the injuries received and the number of days or service lost on account of same, etc., etc.

ADDITIONAL POLICE DISTRICT.

It has been apparent to the Board for several years that some of the police districts embrace a greater area than can be properly looked after by the officers thereof; especially is this the case with the Northeastern, Central and Northwestern districts, which take in, principally, the vast territory annexed to the city in 1888 on the north. And that better police service would be provided the citizens of Baltimore by a re-arrangement of the district boundaries, a redivision of the men in some instances, and the formation of an additional police district to relieve the Northeastern, Central and Northwestern districts, by taking from them much of the territory lying north of the old northern city limits.

With this in view the Board in 1897 purchased a suitable piece of ground, and well located for the purposes of the department, on the corner of Cedar and Second avenues; the