THE DAILY EVENING TELEGRAPH.-PHILADELPHIA, FRIDAY, its action between toe voter and his choice o
offitera. The theory of these primary meet-
inge is ings is one thing; the practice is quite an
other. The theory is that nominatioas are mado hy the general viciee of the members
a party; the practice is that the primary
meetings are attended and controlled by meatigg are artended and controlled by a
very small number of persons, and they generally o a a character teast fit tor the important
fanotions they exercise. But when norinations aro onec made, then the whole foree on
party organization and discipline a 1 brougha to bear to secure their ratitcaction at the poliss
Nor is there any logzer a practical chocice lent to the voter. He must take either the nomi.
nee of his own purty or that of the opposite
party,
 supporting his opponent, must contribute to
the suceess of what he regards as dikss rou principles. It is thus that in every election,
and by both parties, unwortiny men are toisted
and
 members of the party at large that they
refuse to ratily it, but fur more frequenty pad man is allowed to pass unsathed rather
than hazard the supremacy of the organiza tion.
still more
of casese cut derance, over its opponent, then a n oouination becomes equivient to an election, and the
suppoed ctove exercied by the mass
or the voters becomes a mere faction. The real election is made in the primary muetings
the public and formal election is but a mer ratiifcation of a choice already made. It thus
oiten happens that a mere handul of active
political tricksters people.
The great machinery ys that these important primary sional politiciaus. The great masses of tiee
people do not attend them. The sober, the reflecting, the prudent men-the very ones
that ought to be present-are rarely there; an Collows who live off of the plander of ool'tical
campa, have it all the ir own way. They do not always nominate bad men. Indeed, it is wonderful that hey so often nominate good oues. and the party mill grinds out some good grists.
 style of men -men to whom no prudent mar-
chant, or shipper, or other business man would intrust his pecuniary interests. Anotber re
sult is that to too great an extent the best leass of men we have, those who would mosi al public offices, are crowded off or worthly cal arena. There are notable exceptions, it it The remedy tor all these things is to be lound with the people themselves. It doce
no good to rail at the political parties The doors are open at the primary meetings to
all citizens to attend. inis they should $d$, and exercise a direct and positive influence
upon the nominations. It is quite of a duty as voting upon election day.
The manner, too, of holding these primary meetings could be improved. Insteand o
doing the entire work during a few hours in an evening, it would be better to tollow
custom in vogue in many parts of the West costom in vogue in many parts of the West,
and devote an entire day to the prumary
meetings, conducung them with all the forway a much more general expression of the publle sentiment of parties would be ob-
tained, and a much higher style or nomina tioned, and a much higher style of nominared. But so long as the better class
tion of citizens abandon the entire machinery of
partios to the pro essional politicians, we shall be obliged to endure evils which all must a
and deplore. The Almshouse Leetared a Nuisance. Trre Sanitary Conmittee of the Board
Health visited the Almashouse yesterlay, an justufy their action in deelaring the Insa Department a nulsance, and ordering, as the guardians of the public health, that as a nuiaance it be aboolisbed. The report of the details of horrors which it seems almost
inaredible to belleve. According to thelr stat ment, the Black Hole of Calcutua has a rival the other aide of the Schuglaill, and our mu-

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and the disgrace of thrusting paupers in the pen described by the Board of Health wiped
out. However that may be, 1 is certain that, unless our City Fathers act promptly in the
matter, the Board will, and we earnestly hope
they may have nerve to compel the total rethey may have nerve to compel the total re-
moval of the nuisance. Ihe seeds of cholera
and disease generated there will spread over our fair city, and sell-interest, if not a sense
of Christian charity, demands that the vile
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be at once corrected.
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