

Evening Telegraph

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1871.

LIGHT AT LAST—REFORM IN ELECTIONS.

The evils arising from the present system of nominating candidates, and from the frequency of fraudulent returns of the results of elections, are so palpable that every good citizen will hail with pleasure the prospect that effective preventive measures will be adopted.

But it is unnecessary to dwell at length upon the evils of the delegate system as now practised. The great question is, Can a remedy be found? Fortunately an affirmative answer to this query can now be confidently given.

"COLLEGE, APRIL 18, 1871.—MORNING. Honorable, LITTLE and NEWELL, Committee—Gentles:—We are glad that the Ohio primary law is attracting attention in your State.

The author of the law, Llewellyn Baber, who represents a strong Democratic district, and who describes himself as a strict Democrat, also says that "it has worked admirably against bummerism and the corrupt use of money to control elections, the great danger now to our republican institutions."

Here, then, is a remedy, favored and adopted in another State by many good men of both parties, against which there can be no valid objection urged by any class save those who wish to prolong in this community the domination of bummerism, raceality, and corruption; and if the Legislature of Pennsylvania wishes to do a good and creditable thing, it cannot be too prompt in passing a similar law for Pennsylvania.

Another measure now pending in the Legislature aims at the other notorious evil referred to. The Democrats and some of the Republicans of the State Legislature favor a law providing that the returns of the elections of this city shall be counted in the presence of the judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions.

Let the Legislature pass two laws—one throwing legal restraints around delegate elections, and the other requiring that the

election returns of Philadelphia shall be counted in the presence of her courts; and it will rejoice the hearts of all good citizens. Politicians who oppose either of these measures will by such opposition only sign their own death-warrants, and they will deserve to perish with the system of bummerism, corruption, and crime that has already been too long-lived.

THE MILITIA TAX.

The militia tax as it now exists is a relic of the days when every able-bodied white male citizen between certain ages was expected to turn out twice a year to learn the rudiments of the art of war; and under our present militia system it is unjust, annoying, and entirely inadequate for the purposes intended in its creation.

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AMNESTY IN WEST VIRGINIA.

The people of West Virginia to-day vote at a special election to determine whether or not a radical change shall be made in the fundamental law regulating the elective franchise.

"1. The white male citizens of the State shall be entitled to vote at all elections held within the election districts in which they respectively reside, but no person who is a minor, or of unsound mind, or a pauper, or who is under conviction of treason, felony, or bribery in an election, or who has not been a resident of the State for one year, and of the county in which he offers to vote for thirty days, shall be permitted to vote while such disability continues.

For two years past the subject of removing the political disabilities of ex-Rebels created by this provision has been earnestly agitated, and the Republicans have eventually lost control of the State for a time by general opposition to the change proposed.

THE DEMOCRACY AND JUSTICE DAVIS.

An amendment must be made to a famous old formula. From hearing it so often the world has grown to believe that some men really are born great, that others achieve greatness, and that others yet have greatness thrust upon them.

Some men narrowly escape greatness. In witness whereof consider the case of Justice Davis, of the United States Supreme Court, and the Democratic President-mongers, as recently reported in THE TELEGRAPH.

"FOR THIS TIME ONLY," as the theatrical handbills say, when announcing a rare and novel entertainment, Hon. W. F. Smith yesterday appeared before his colleagues at Harrisburg in the role of an "honest man."

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