Bellefonte, Pa., September 4, 1914.

Didn't Take Kindly to His Suit. "I has come," a trifle condescendingly began the saddle-hued young idler, "to ax yo' for de han' o' yo' daughtah, sah, and—" "Aw, yo' has, has you?" ominously interrupted Brother Cockett, the honest old whitewasher. "Well, sah, I'll dess compermise wid yo'. Stidder givin' yo' de hand o' muh daughtah, I'll give yo' muh foot-yo' triflin', yallah, no 'count, gee-tyah pickin' scoun'rel!"-Kansas City Star.

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Constitutional Amendments

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PUR-SUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section one,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met. That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the

one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject, however, to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assemblate in a mount sufficient to provide for and may include the amount of the interest and sinking-fund charges accruing and which may accrue thereon throughout the period of construction and until the expiration of electors as the General Assemblate.

First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.
"Second. He shall have resided in the State one year (or, having previously been a qualified elector or native-born citizen of the State, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

"Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to

vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.
"Fourth. If twenty-two years of age

and upwards, he shall have paid within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month be-fore the election," be amended so that the same shall read as follows: Section 1. Every citizen, male or fe-

male, of twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject, however, to such laws requiring and regu-lating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact: First. He or she shall have been a citisen of the United States at least one

Second. He or she shall have resided in the State one year (or, having previously been a qualified elector or native-born citizen of the State, he or she shall have removed therefrom, and returned, then six months) immediately preceding

the election district where he or she shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.

Fourth. If twenty-two years of age and upwards, he or she shall have paid within two years a State or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election.

Fifth. Wherever the words "he," "his,"

"him." and "himself" occur in any section of article VIII of this Constitution the same shall be construed as if written, respectively, "he or she," "his or her," "him or her," and "himself or herself." A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1. ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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Number Two. A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section eight of article nine of the Constitution of

Pennsylvania.
Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Contution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provins of the eighteenth article thereof:-Amend section eight, article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

"Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district. other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or in crease its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and development of subways for transit purposes, or for the con-struction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improvements, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenues in excess of the interest or said debt or debts, and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philauelphia to become otherwise indebted; Provided, That a sinkingfund for their cancellation shall be estab-lished and maintained." so that it shall

read as follows:-Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valua-tion of property, without the consent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, exceeded seven per centum of such assessed valuation, and has not since been reduced to less

than such per centum, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation. The city of Philadelphia, upon the conditions hereinafter set forth, may increase its indebtedness to the extent of three per centum in excess of seven per centum upon such assessed valuation for the specific purpose of providing for all or any of the following purposes.—to wit: For the construction and improve-ment of subways, tunnels, railways, elevated railways, and other transit facili-ties; for the construction and improvement of wharves and docks and for the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of wharves and docks, owned or to be owned by said city. Such increase, however, shall only be made with the assent of the electors thereof at a public election, to be held in such manner as shall be provided by law. In ascertain-ing the borrowing capacity of said city of Philadelphia, at any time, there shall be excluded from the calculation a credit, where the work resulting from any pre-vious expenditure, for any one or more of the specific purposes hereinabove enu-merated shall be yielding to said city an annual current net revenue; the amount CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO of which credit shall be ascertained by capitalizing the annual net revenue during the year immediately preceding the REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH ization shall be accomplished by ascertainment. ization shall be accomplished by ascer-taining the principal amount which would yield such annual, current net revenue, at the average rate of interest, and sink-

ing-fund charges payable upon the indebt-edness incurred by said city for such purposes, up to the time of such ascertain-ment. The method of determining such amount, so to be excluded or allowed as a credit, may be prescribed by the General article eight of the Constitution of Penn-Assembly. In incurring indebtedness, for any one, or more of said purposes of construction, improvement, or reclamation, the city of Philadelphia may issue its obligations ma-That the following ame.

Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

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shall have been incurred; and said city

the expiration of said period of one year after the completion of such work. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2. ROBERT McAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Three.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section twention of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Common-wealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:-

Amend section twenty-one, article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows: "No act of the General Assembly shall limit the amount to be recovered for in-juries resulting in death, or for injuries election in such manner as shall be proto persons or property, and in case of death from such injuries, the right of action shall survive, and the General Assembly shall prescribe for whose benefit ized by law to increase the same three per ized by law to increase the same three such actions shall be prosecuted. No act centum in the aggregate, at shall prescribe any limitations of time within which suits may be brought against corporations for injuries to persons or property, or for other causes different from those fixed by general laws regulating actions against natural persons, and such acts now existing are avoided," so that it shall read as follows: The General Assembly may enact laws requiring the payment by employers, or employers and employees jointly, of rea-sonable compensation for injuries to em-ployees arising in the course of their em-ployment, and for occupational diseases of employees, whether or not such injuries or diseases result in death, and regardless of fault of employer or employee, and fixing the basis of ascertainment of such compensation and the maximum and minimum limits thereof, and providing spe-cial or general remedies for the colleccial or general remedies for the collection thereof; but in no other cases shall the General Assembly limit the amount to be recovered for injuries resulting in death, or for injuries to persons or property, and in case of death from such injuries, the right of action shall survive, and the General Assembly shall prescribe for whose benefit such actions shall be prosecuted. No act shall prescribe any limitations of time within which suits may be brought against corporations for

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 8.
ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Four. A JOINT RESOLUTION

may be brought against corporations for injuries to persons or property, or for other causes, different from those fixed by general laws regulating actions against natural persons, and such acts now exist-

Proposing an amendment to the Constitu-tion of Pennsylvania abolishing the tion of Pennsylvania abolishing the office of Secretary of Internal Affairs. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That article four of the Constitution of Pennsylvania shall be amended by adding thereto section twenty-three, which

shall read as follows:—
The office of Secretary of Internal Affairs be, and the same is hereby, abolished; and the powers and duties now vested in, or appertaining or belonging to, that branch of the executive depart-ment, office, or officer, shall be transferred to such other departments, offices, or officers of the State, now or hereafter created, as may be directed by law.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4.
ROBERT McAFEE,

Number Five.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth in accordance with provisions of the eighteenth

(XVIII) article thereof.
Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Com-monwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth (XVIII) article thereof.

AMENDMENT.

Laws may be passed providing for a system of ragistering, transferring, insuring of and guaranteeing land titles by the State, or by the counties thereof, and for settling and determining adverse or other claims to and interests in lands the titles to which are so registered, trans-ferred, insured, and guaranteed; and for

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the creation and collection of indemnity funds; and for carrying the system and powers hereby provided for into effect by such existing courts as may be designated by the Legislature, and by the establish-ment of such new courts as may be deem-ed necessary. In matters arising in and under the operation of such system, judicial powers, with right of appeal, may be conferred by the Legislature upon county recorders and upon other officers by it designated. Such laws may provide for continuing the registering, transferring, insuring, and guaranteeing such titles after the first or original registration has been perfected by the court, and provision may be made for raising the necessary funds for expenses and salaries of officers, which shall be paid out of the treasury of the several counties.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 5. ROBERT MCAFEE, Secretary of the Com

Number Six.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to section eight, article nine of the Constitution of Penn-

sylvania. and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvahia, in accordance with the provisions the eighteenth article thereof. Amendment to Article Nine, Section

Section 2. Amend section eight, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania,

which reads as follows:—
"Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valua-tion of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exbut any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed faluation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and development of subways for transit purposes, or for the construction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improvements, owned or to be owned by shall not be required to key a tax to pay said interest and sinking-fund charges, as required by section ten of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, until improvements, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenue in ex-cess of the interest on said debt or debts, and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking-fund for their cancellation shall be established and maintained," so

as to read as follows:—
Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the upon such valuation; except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction and development of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of a system of wharves and docks, as public improvements, owned or to be owned by said city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenue in excess of the interest on said debt or debts and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That such indebtedness incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia shall not at any county or Frinageiphia shall not at any time, in the aggregate, exceed the sum of twenty-five million dollars for the purpose of improving and developing the port of the said city and county, by the condem-nation, purchase, or reclamation or lease of land on the banks of the Delaware and Schuylkill rivers, and land adjacent there-to; the building of bulkheads, and the purto; the building of bulkheads, and the purchase or construction or lease of wharves, docks, sheds, and warehouses, and other buildings and facilities, necessary for the establishment and maintenance of railroad and shipping terminals along the said rivers; and the dredging of the said rivers and docks: Provided, That the said city and county shall at or before said city and county shall, at or before the time of so doing, provide for the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest thereon, and also the princi-pal thereof within fifty years from the in-

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