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together from each senatorial district. In this State, in August last, a respectable convention in favor of minority representation was held at Reading.

Without a convention, however, much can be done. The Legislature has complete power over municipal elections and can reform them at pleasure.

NOTE.—The fourth section of the Bloomsburg act, (approved 4th March, 1870), under or in conformity with which the several local elections in Pennsylvania referred to in the foregoing address, were held, is as follows:

Sec. 4. To the end that the electors of Bloomsburg may exercise their right of suffrage freely and without undue influence...

First, When two persons are to be chosen he may give one vote to each of two candidates, or two votes to one.

Second, When three persons are to be chosen he may give one vote to each of three candidates, two votes to one candidate and one to another, one vote and a half to each of two candidates or three votes to one.

Third, When four persons are to be chosen he may give one vote to each of four candidates, two votes to each of two, or four votes to one.

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