

NEW LAWS.

KNOW THE HOODOO. Why the Motorman Would Not Cut Through a Funeral Procession.

A hearse crossed the track and the motorist put on the brakes so suddenly that the car nearly stood on its nose.

"Why don't you cut across? I've got to catch a train. I can't wait here all day!"

"Can't help it, boss. You'll have to wait and catch another train."

"Well, I'll report you to the company. That procession will take five minutes in passing us."

"Report away, can't help it if the procession takes twenty minutes. You couldn't hire me to run this car across that funeral procession for the best job on the line. That's the worst hoodoo a man could run up against."

"All right, boss. I know what I'm talking about. One of the best men on this line crossed a funeral procession soon after the trolley system was put in. A live wire dropped on the back of his neck and electrocuted him before he'd gone back a block.

But the fat man only shifted uneasily about on the hard car seat, and waited silently until the last carriage had passed.—Chicago News.

On Monopolists and Capitalists. "My dear," says Harry, deprecatingly, "this question of monopoly, as you call it, is a great question—one that few men the always pronounce the word as if it were spelled with capitals can understand. It is much more complicated for you."

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In addition to the acts of the late Legislature which the Governor approved, and which have already been analyzed, there are new ones of special interest, as bearing upon and changing existing statutes on the ballot. Related to these are several "Quay Reform" laws, so-called.

BALLOT LAW CHANGES. The penalty, which has been from \$50 to \$500 fine, in addition to imprisonment of only from three to twelve months, is increased so as to make the imprisonment "for any term not exceeding five years," for "any person who shall vote at more than one election district or otherwise fraudulently vote more than once on the same day, or shall fraudulently fold and deliver to the inspector two tickets together, with the intent to illegally vote, or shall vote, the same, or for any person who shall advise and procure another to do so.

The penalty of fine in any sum not exceeding \$200 and imprisonment for not more than three months, is increased to a fine, "in any sum not exceeding \$500 and imprisonment for any term not exceeding five years" for "any person, not by law qualified, who shall fraudulently vote at any election within this Commonwealth, or, being otherwise qualified, shall vote out of his proper district, or for any person knowing the want of such qualification who shall aid or procure such person to vote."

Under Baker Ballot law amendments if five voters belonging to a political body making a nomination by nomination papers shall file with the Prothonotary an affidavit that they have adopted a certain political appellation, that body shall have the exclusive right to such title for the election for which the nomination was made.

To limit the size of the ballot the name of the candidate shall not appear thereon more than once by certificates of nomination, or more than once by nomination papers. Political bodies not recognized as regular parties are further put on an equality with them in the legalizing of a circle at the top of their columns in the ballot.

If any political party has by its rules provided for a registration of candidates for nomination, and at the time limited for such registration, or at any subsequent time, by reason of withdrawal or other cause, there shall be no more candidates for any office registered or remaining than are to be elected to such office, the person or persons so registered or remaining shall be deemed the nominee or nominees.

Interest at the rate of 2 per cent. a year is to be paid on all the State's money deposited in banks other than the "active banks" on and after the first Monday of May, 1898. Selection of the banks by the State Treasurer is subject to the approval of the Board of Revenue Commissioners, and the Treasurer shall not be held personally liable, as heretofore, for losses through bank failure or insolvency.

One of the two "Quay Reform" laws makes it unlawful for any officer of the Commonwealth, or of any county, or for any Mayor or head of department or other officer of any city to make or cause, or knowingly permit to be made, any assessment upon the pay, wages or salary of any officer or employee appointed by or holding office or employment under him, for any political or party purpose whatsoever, or to make or cause or knowingly permit to be made any demand for the payment or gift of any money or other valuable thing to any committee, organization or person for use in any manner for any political or party purpose. Provided, however, That nothing in this act contained shall prevent any officer, or other employee appointed as aforesaid, from making a voluntary contribution to any committee or organization for legitimate political and campaign purposes. The maximum penalty is a year in prison or \$1000 fine, or both.

Uncle Eben's Philosophy. "Some men," said Uncle Eben, "is so modest, dat dey won't assume no 'sponsibilities whutsoever, an' dat's why dah wives takes in washin'."—Washington Star.

for any person or persons to pay or cause to be paid any occupation or poll tax assessed against any elector, except on the written and signed order of such elector, presented at least thirty days prior to the election; or for any officer, clerk or other person authorized to collect taxes and receipt therefor, to receive payment of or receipt for any occupation or poll tax assessed for State or county purposes from any person other than the elector against whom such tax shall have been assessed, except upon his written and signed order; or for any person to vote or attempt to vote upon a tax receipt obtained in violation of this act. The penalty is from 20 days' to six months' imprisonment, or not more than \$200 fine.

LIQUOR LICENSE REVENUES. The new license fees for brewers are: On a year's product of 1000 barrels, \$250; less than 2000, \$300; less than 3000, \$400; less than 5000, \$500; less than 10,000, \$750; less than 20,000, \$1000; less than 30,000, \$1250; less than 40,000, \$1500; less than 50,000, \$1750; less than 60,000, \$2000; less than 70,000, \$2250; less than 80,000, \$2500; less than 90,000, \$2750; less than 100,000, \$3000; less than 150,000, \$4000; less than 200,000, \$4500; less than 300,000, \$5000; and over 300,000, \$6000.

Distillers whose annual product is less than 50 barrels shall pay \$100; less than 100, \$200; less than 200, \$250; less than 300, \$300; less than 400, \$400; less than 500, \$500; less than 1000, \$1000; less than 2000, \$2000. Each new distillery or brewery shall pay \$1000 for the first year.

Any brewer, upon paying into the State Treasury \$1000 for each brewery, shall be licensed by the State Treasurer to sell only to licensed dealers in packages of not less than twelve pint bottles or less than one-eighth of a barrel, provided that the \$1000 shall not be less than the amount required under the brewers' classification. To sell in less than the quantities named an additional license must be obtained from the Court. A brewer to whom the Court has refused a license cannot get one from the State Treasurer until the expiration of two years.

Bottlers shall pay in cities of the first and second classes, \$500. all other cities, \$350; boroughs, \$250, and townships, \$125. Wholesale dealers in cities of the first and second classes, \$1000; all other cities, \$500; boroughs, \$200; townships, \$100.

Retail dealers' license fees are increased by the following amounts going to the State: In townships, \$25; boroughs, \$50; cities of the first and second classes, \$100; all other cities, \$50.

ADDITIONAL LIQUOR LAWS. In prosecutions of dealers for furnishing liquor to minors the defendants shall be permitted to offer, by way of defense evidence of the circumstances, and if it appears that the liquor was furnished knowingly the defendant shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$500 and imprisonment not exceeding 90 days.

EXTRA TAX ON INHERITANCES. The direct inheritance revenue law puts a tax of 2 per cent. on all personal property left by will or under the intestate laws, except estates of \$5000 or less. Estates or parts thereof not actually distributed or paid to the persons entitled to them prior to approval of this act by the Governor on May 12 are liable to its provisions. Two of the Philadelphia Orphans' Court Judges, Hanna and Penrose, have decided this law unconstitutional.

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PHILADELPHIA & READING RY. In effect May 29, 1897. TRAINS LEAVE BLOOMSBURG.

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