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When State Treasurer William H. Berry declared in his address at the Democratic State Convention that the first essential to the completion of the reforms inaugurated by himself in the State government is that his successor shall be a Democrat, he didn't speak in a partisan sense. If the State government had been administered, during recent years, under the auspices of the Democratic party; if the abuses that have culminated in the colossal iniquities of the Capitol construction had been organized and sheltered by the Democratic party, any movement for improvement would necessarily have to come from the Republicans. It is one of the accepted truths that no political party will purify itself. It may embrace men of the highest character for probity and honor. But when its acknowledged leaders abandon themselves to corruption, there is no possible chance of the rank and file of the party controlling it in the interest of virtue.

Mr. Berry who is a profound student of affairs had these facts in mind when he made the significant declaration quoted. He knew that the political history of this and all other countries proves this proposition and that his own recent experience had vindicated the accuracy of history. When he came into the administration of the State of Pennsylvania a trifle more than a year ago, all his colleagues in the work were professing reform. They had been rebuked by his election and they professed to understand and approve the action of the people. But they didn't join in his plans of reform or aid in his efforts at improvement. On the contrary they tried to deceive him into acquiescence in their iniquities. If he had been of their political faith, honest and earnest as he was, they would have succeeded. Party loyalty, fidelity to party leadership and that subtle force which appeals to all men, ambition, would have combined to make him yield and he would have "gone along."

No man who has not had the personal experience can realize the potency of the power of party organization when it is brought to bear on a man who has been favored by it. The career of former Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker exemplifies this. Before entering upon that office he had served twelve years on the bench and was known as a man of the most uncompromising probity. He abhorred all forms of iniquity and hated all kinds of venality. But when he was brought face to face with the monster he detested what did he do? Did he spurn and denounce it as an intolerable evil? Not by a large majority. He dallied with it, tried to conceal the truth concerning it and finally became accessory after the fact of every crime committed by Architect Huston and Contractor Sanderson. He has fallen from his high estate and it may be doubted if any intelligent man in commonwealth, conversant with the circumstances, would believe him under oath today.

MINORITY REPRESENTATION THE POINT

What Mr. Berry really meant, therefore, was that in order to complete the reforms which have been begun the minority party in the State must be represented in the administration of the government. Like the Federal government, the government of Pennsylvania is divided into three coordinate branches, executive, legislative and judicial. There is a mistaken notion in the popular mind that the Governor is the Executive Department, that is far from the fact. The Executive Department consists of the Governor, Auditor General, State Treasurer, Secretary of Internal Affairs and what are commonly called the Cabinet officials. The Governor is responsible for the actions of those he appoints to office, but not for those who are elected

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by the people. Moreover, the Executive Department is administered mainly by boards. For example the Auditor General and State Treasurer are members of the four most important boards and have equal voice with the Governor on each of them. These are the Boards of Revenue Commissioners, Sinking Fund Commissioners, Public Grounds and Buildings and Public Accounts. While the majority of these boards determine their actions, the minority, if there is a minority, serves as a check against excesses of all kinds. The majority will not indulge in profligacy or other iniquity if the minority is ready to expose such acts to public execration. If Mr. Berry had not denounced the Capitol graft it would still be in progress and the people ignorant of crimes against them. Because of this he believes the election of a Democrat to succeed him essential to complete reform.

The Democratic State convention literally fulfilled the condition which Mr. Berry regards as essential. Hon. John G. Harman whom it nominated for State Treasurer is a Democrat who represents the best traditions of the party. More than that he is an able, aggressive and active reformer. A lawyer of the highest standard, a citizen of the best type, he will take into the office not only an abhorrence of venality, but the courage and ability to assail it. During the session of the Legislature of 1905 he denounced the iniquities of the Republican machine in most scathing terms. He was almost prophetic, moreover, in his arraignment. After summarizing the vicious legislation for which that organization was responsible, he predicted an awakening of the public conscience and the scourging of the machine. Within two months the prediction was fulfilled. The activities of the conspirators were transferred from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and the attempt there to steal the gas works and bestow that rich inheritance of the people upon the favorites of the machine was resented with an earnestness and emphasis which shook the State from center to circumference. More than any other influence Mr. Harman's speech aroused the public. More than any other man he was responsible for the peaceful revolution which rescued the State from the pirates who were looting the public. It is eminently fit that he should have been chosen to complete the triumph of civil righteousness so well begun by Mr. Berry.

BERRY RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATION.

No sane man imagines that in the event of the election of Mr. Sheutz there would be even a pretense of pursuing the looters to punishment. It is true that since the inauguration of Governor Stuart, something like an earnest investigation has been in progress. But that fact is not attributed to any improvement in the political morals of the machine managers. It is due absolutely to the presence of William H. Berry in the important boards above referred to. Take him out and the State administration will drop back into the old methods and evil practices as certainly and speedily as the municipal administration in Philadelphia went back after the election of Mayor Reyburn. It can't be said that Sheutz is a better man morally or a stronger man mentally than Reyburn. Why as far back as the Centennial year Mr. Reyburn, while serving as a Representative in the Legislature, refused to accept passes on the railroads, though all of his colleagues were glad to get them. Even since he has followed the same strict lines in his personal and political affairs. Yet in obedience to the exigencies of machine politics he has betrayed every moral and material interest of the people and restored the gang to all its power.

Will any man who knows Mr. Sheutz gravely assert that anything different is to be expected from him? Does any intelligent observer of his actions in the Legislature imagine that if he had been in Mr. Berry's place a year ago there would have been any exposure of the vast frauds which have been perpetrated. Absolutely and assuredly no. He would have done precisely as Pennypacker and Dr. Snyder did. That is he would have concealed the facts before the election in the interest of party success and afterward in behalf of party honor. In no event, however, would he have either denounced the corruption of the past or tried to prevent it for the future. In his rec'd testimony Governor Pennypacker said that on learning of the frauds he tried to stop them by countermanding the orders for all work not already begun. But that was a false statement for the records show that he was informed of the frauds in Decem-

ber, 1905. Just after the election of Berry, and between that time and the following May when Berry was installed in the office the Board of Public Building and Grounds approved palpably fraudulent bills amounting to nearly four millions of dollars.

There is a proverb that "you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear." It is equally certain that a corrupt party machine will not purify itself. Therefore Mr. Berry is correct in his belief that the election of a Democrat to succeed him in the office of State Treasurer is essential to complete reform.

G. H. D.

Meat Tenderer and Cleaver.

With the aid of an implement devised by a New Jersey man it now becomes possible for the butcher to chop the meat and at the same time add to its tenderness by pounding with a combined cleaver and meat-tenderer. The cleaver, as shown in the illustration below, is similar to those commonly used. On one corner, opposite to the blade, a series of teeth are arranged at an angle. These teeth are used in tenderizing



MEAT TENDERER AND CLEAVER

the meat. The advantage of placing the teeth at an angle will be obvious. If they were placed parallel with the upper edge of the cleaver it would be impossible to manipulate the tendered without knocking the hand on the table. By placing the teeth at an angle the handle is removed from the table when either the blade or teeth are being used, preventing injury to the hand.

Rivals in Telegraphy.

We have scarcely recovered from the surprise of one invention for transmitting portraits and writing by telegraph before there is a rival in the field. The inventor is a Belgian of Antwerp, named De Groot, who claims for his instruments that it works much more rapidly than that invented by Professor Kuenen. The characteristic feature of the new apparatus is that it produces at the receiver an ordinary metallic "block" which can be sent direct to the Press. A drawing eight inches square can be "telegraphed" on to this block in one minute.

The Origin of Livery.

The wearing of livery by male servants is a survival of the times when great lords kept huge bands of men servants, called retainers, who were bound to fight in all the quarrels of their masters as well as perform service of one sort or another, and on special occasions of show, dressed in livery of their lord, became in reality a miniature army.

Green Pepper Salad.

Four tomatoes, two green peppers, one large onion, plain French dressing. Slice the tomatoes, onion and green peppers thin. Arrange on a dish, placing alternate layers of tomatoes, green peppers and onion. Dress with French dressing.

HELP TO RIGHT BREATHING

Nostril Expander Insures Supply of Air to the Lungs.

It is known that with many people the tendency while breathing is for the nostrils to collapse more or less, or, at least, become somewhat restricted so as to interfere with breathing. This is particularly true with persons engaged in athletic sport—such as running, racing or any effort which requires a large supply of air to the lungs. In such exercises the tendency is to open the mouth, thus admitting impurities



and also causing the mouth to dry quickly. The habit of snoring is caused largely by this constriction of the nostrils, or at least if the nostrils are kept expanded the snoring ceases. To obviate these difficulties is the purpose of the nostril expander shown in the illustration, the invention of a New York man. It can be easily applied to the nose and can be worn without discomfort. It enters the nostrils and prevents them from closing, thus permitting a free air current. It is a great help in breathing.

Quality of Horsehair.

The raw horsehair used in the manufacture of haircloth for upholstering purposes is just now high priced in this country because of the situation which during and since the Russo-Japanese war has prevailed in Russia, whence most of the hair comes. The best of such cloth must have a certain width of weave, which depends upon the length of the hairs, and in this respect the Russian horses are superior, having tails which sweep the ground. Much of the weaving is done in this country. For the narrower weaves of the cloth, used by tailors in lining coats, the hair from American horses on the Western plains is used.

The Bride's Dowry Chest.

Every bride of the present day has a dowry chest. It is better that this oak chest, firmly bound, should have come down to her from other generations, but if there is no such chest in the family she must start one herself. The chest has in it the linen and other things her family have given the bride and at the top is placed her mother's gift—a piece of family jewelry or other precious thing.

To freshen stale cake dip it for a second in milk and then rebake it in a rather cool oven. Cake that has been treated in this way will taste as if it had been newly baked, and may be eaten by any one. Stale bread may be treated in the same way.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

Bulletin.

PHILADELPHIA'S GREAT WEEK.

July 15 to 20, when the Elks hold their Annual Reunion in Philadelphia, will be a glorious week in the Quaker City. Not for years have such elaborate preparations been made to honor the City's guests as those which are now being made to welcome members of the Order, and to entertain the thousands who are expected to visit the city during the week.

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On Wednesday, July 17, a massed band parade of over 2000 musicians will take place.

On Thursday, July 18, the Grand Parade of all visiting Elks will occur. Over 15,000 men from all sections of the country will participate. Each lodge will have its own band and will wear a distinct uniform. Each uniform will typify the state or city represented by the lodge. Many of the uniforms will be historical and picturesque.

On Saturday, July 20, there will be a grand excursion to the seashore. Atlantic City, Cape May, Wildwood, Ocean City, Asbury Park, and other popular resorts are within easy reach of Philadelphia by the fast express trains of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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