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The Democratic State Committee has prepared, and is distributing among the active party workers throughout the State, a card containing, in brief space, a vast amount of useful information. It states that the last day for registering in county and borough districts is Wednesday, September 4th, and in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Allegheny and Scranton, cities of the first and second classes, "voters must personally, and can only register on September 3d and 17th and October 12th. Those without tax receipts cannot register after September 3d," unless they are voters "on age" in which event no tax receipt is necessary. In cities of the third class, Allentown, Altoona, Bradford, Carbondale, Chester, Corry, Easton, Erie, Franklin, Harrisburg, Hazleton, Johnstown, Lancaster, Lebanon, McKeesport, Meadville, Monongahela, New Castle, Oil City, Pittston, Reading, Titusville, Wilkes-Barre, Williamsport and York, "voters must personally, and can only, register on September 3d and 17th and October 19th," and as in cities of the first and second classes, "those without tax receipts cannot register after September 3d," with the exception noted.

The last day to pay taxes, the card reminds us, is Saturday, October 5th. These facts should be lodged in the mind of every voter. There is a splendid chance to win a most important victory this fall. The defeat of John G. Harman, the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer, will restore the Quay-Penrose machine to absolute power in the State as the election of Mayor Reyburn last February has restored the McNichol-Durham machine power in Philadelphia. The only danger of this result comes from the possibility that Democrats will neglect to register and vote. A fairly full Democratic vote will give Mr. Harman an overwhelming majority. This is not speculation or conjecture. It is an actually reasoned out fact. Tuesday, November 5th, is election day and every Democratic voter should be qualified to perform the highest duty of citizenship on that day. That is he should be prepared to vote against the candidate of the Quay-Penrose machine and to this end it is essential that he be registered and if over twenty-two years of age, that he shall have paid a State or County tax on or before Saturday, October 5th, upon an assessment made within two years.

## LOOK AFTER THE YOUNG VOTERS.

The greatest care should be taken to qualify young voters for the exercise of the franchise at the coming election. In all districts urban and suburban, a voter who has passed the age of twenty-two years must have paid a poll tax thirty days before the election. In the cities "voters on age," must be registered precisely as those who are older though it is not necessary for them to exhibit a tax receipt or prove the payment of tax in order to register. In the country districts and boroughs, "voters on age" are not required to register, though they may and it is better that they do, and it is not necessary that they shall have previously paid tax. They produce the proof of their right to vote at the polls on election day. But such voters in the cities must present the proof of their right to vote to the registrars on one of the days designated for registering and procure the entry of his name on the registry list just as other voters are required to do.

It is a well established fact that more votes are lost because of the failure of voters who have just passed the age of twenty-two years to register and pay poll tax than from any other reason. As "voters on age," the year before, they were not required to go through the formality and naturally imagine that because on voting they were set down on the list of voters that they will be assessed for taxes the year following. As a matter of fact, however, this doesn't always, or in the majority of cases, happen and the result is that when they come to register the next year, if they are city voters, they are disqualified and the time for assessment having passed, hopelessly so. If a country or borough voter he doesn't find out the delinquency until he comes to pay taxes and is informed that he hasn't been assessed. In either event he loses his vote for he has no redress. An older voter who is not registered, if he lives in the country may establish his right to vote anyway. But one who has

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## FATHERS OF VOTERS HAVE A DUTY.

It would be a good idea for every father of a son who voted on age last year to see to it that the young man is registered, assessed and provided with a tax receipt. The young fellow who is voting on age rarely needs to be reminded of election day. He is generally eager to cast his first vote, and, outside of the cities, he encounters little trouble in the matter. He is likely to forget the registration days, however, for the very reason that his mind is focussed on election day, and the older members of his family should urge it upon him. The man who has just passed the "age" class, however, needs the greatest attention. He should be urged until he has attended to the matter.

Of course it would be better if every citizen was alert with respect to the obligations of citizenship. Such a condition implies the highest standard of civic virtue. The right to vote is a sacred inheritance in this country, and the aspiration for it has cost millions in treasure and thousands of lives throughout the civilized world. But unhappily it is not entirely appreciated and some men have to urge others to do what still others would make any sacrifice for the privilege of doing. Therefore fathers shouldn't limit their solicitude on the subject to their own sons. There may be sons in their neighbors' families who have no fathers to teach them their civic duties.

As the card referred to in the beginning states, the last day for registering in the country districts is Wednesday, September 4th, in cities of the first and second classes, October 12th, and in cities of the third class October 19th. But it isn't necessary to wait until the last moment. In cities of all classes the registrars sit on September 3d and 17th and as many voters should avail themselves of the earlier opportunities as possible. In the country districts the registration assessors sit at the polling places, as heretofore, this year on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 3d and 4th, where voters not previously registered may apply. Voters who have just passed the age of twenty-two years should designate that they want to be assessed as well as registered.

## PUBLIC SENTIMENT CRYSTALIZING.

While the campaign has not been formally opened, that event having been fixed for September 11, at Bloomsburg, public sentiment is perceptibly crystalizing in favor of the continuance of minority representation in the governing boards here. The recent complete surrender of the municipal government of Philadelphia to the McNichol-Durham machine and the more recent declaration of antipathy to President Roosevelt and his cherished policies by Mayor Reyburn, have shocked the rank and file of the party throughout the State. While campaigning for his election Reyburn professed the most intense admiration for Roosevelt and fidelity to his policies. The hostility he expresses now is, therefore, disgusting.

There are other evidences in abundance, moreover, that the machine is still unregenerate and that the professions of reform are false and fraudulent. For example in reorganizing the Board of Public

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Ground and Buildings, the other day, the spirit of machine policies was most clearly revealed. The recent act of the Legislature largely increased the force under the direction of the Superintendent of that department, many of the new offices requiring technical skill along mechanical lines. State Treasurer Berry recommended men eminently qualified for half a dozen of these places, and though there were 300 places to fill, none of his recommendations were adopted and machine party heeled destitute of qualifications got the jobs.

Governor Stuart and Auditor General Young are the members of the Board responsible for this travesty on official duty. They both profess to be strongly in favor of improvement in administration and in some things immediately under the limelight of publicity act as if they were sincere. But in these essentials, where there is a chance to mask iniquity, they are quite as bad as their predecessors in office. The fact is that here, as in Philadelphia, the machine has always held itself in readiness to resume its plundering operations if the opportunity presented itself and the election of its candidate for State Treasurer this year will afford the opportunity.

G. D. H.

## Reduced Rates to Saratoga Springs Account G. A. R. Encampment.

For the National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., September 9 to 14, the Pennsylvania Railroad will sell excursion tickets to Saratoga Springs from all stations on its lines September 7 to 9, inclusive, good returning to leave Saratoga Springs September 9 to 17, at reduced rates. Stop overs at New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington will be granted on tickets reading via those cities.

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## FATTENING UP OYSTERS.

## Government Experiments in Virginia Promise Good Results.

The oyster eating public is already familiar with the process of fattening adopted by some unscrupulous dealers in oysters, says Country Life in America. This consists merely in throwing the oysters into fresh water, which they absorb in large quantities and become plump. The flavor is thereby injured and there is danger of infecting the oysters with typhoid.

At Lynnhaven, Va., the United States Bureau of Fisheries has been working for several years on a plan to establish an artificial fattening bed for oysters. The oyster lives chiefly on diatoms and other microscopic marine plants. These plants require for their growth a large supply of inorganic salts in the water. The necessary plant food is supplied by putting commercial fertilizers into the water.

The fattening bed must be in shallow water so as to have a relatively high temperature. A wall is maintained around the fattening ground so as to retain the fertilizer and diatoms. Even after the diatoms have multiplied enormously the oysters receive no benefit from them unless a current is maintained in the water to carry the food to the oysters.

Salt water is pumped in to prevent the fattening beds from becoming too fresh, and a little lime is added to the water to prevent the growth of algae and other plants which would give a disagreeable flavor to the oysters. Too much lime, on the other hand, will destroy the food plants of the oyster.

The process seems somewhat complicated, but it has been demonstrated to be feasible and to yield results in the number and quality of oysters.

## A Few Irish Proverbs.

The proverbs of a nation are the distilled wit of generations of its people; and the true wit of the race is oftentimes in proportion to the truth and beauty of its proverbs. Few nations and few languages possess more beautiful sayings than the Irish. "The silent mouth is melodious," is an Irish aphorism pregnant with beauty and poetry. And another saying, inculcating a charity which is spiritually needed in this modern world of ours, is that which tells us "Our eyes should be blind in the abode of another." The beautiful faith and the magnificent optimism of the Irish race is well pictured in their proverb, "God never shuts one door but He opens two." "Autumn days come softly, quickly, like the running of a hound upon a moor," is poetic, vivid truth. And here is a sharp, satirical one that cuts several ways at the same time: "A poem ought to be well made at first, for there is many a one to spoil it afterwards."

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## WIVES OF ILLUSTRIOUS MEN.

## How Their Influence For Good or Evil Has Shown Itself.

George Washington was fortunate in his marriage. Martha Custis was a rich young widow with considerable personal attractions. She always took the side of her husband, and usually said: "George is right; he always is."

When Washington and his wife were closing their happy married life, Horatio Nelson and his wife were making exhibitions of themselves as an ill-assorted couple. At that memorable breakfast table in the Arlington Street lodging Lady Nelson said decisively: "Choose between us," when the great Admiral replied: "Fanny, I sincerely love you; but I cannot forget all I owe to Lady Hamilton."

The married life of John Wesley, the eminent founder of Methodism, was not fortunate. He married a widow with four children, possessed of ample means. Mrs. Wesley at first travelled with her itinerant husband, but she soon tired of the life. During her husband's prolonged absences her wifely curiosity led her to search his pockets. The letters which she found were not satisfactory. It is even alleged that Mrs. Wesley would sometimes lay violent hands upon her husband and tear his hair. They eventually separated.

The married life of Alexander Hamilton was a happy one. The young statesman waited two long years for Betsey Schuyler and the light-hearted Betsey became in time one of the most prominent leaders of official society. On that fatal July morning in 1804 when Hamilton lost his life and all America mourned the loss, it is said that when he saw his wife weeping at his bedside he gently rebuked her and said, "Remember, Betsey, you are a Christian." Mrs. Hamilton died at the advanced age of 97, and in her pocketbook was found an old, timeworn letter which Hamilton had written to her as a farewell salutation on the morning of the duel.

Perhaps the most ill-assorted marriage on record is that of Edward Bulwer Lytton and Rosina Doyle Wheeler. Miss Wheeler was cultured, educated, vivacious and beautiful when she married the novelist. But, the honeymoon over, her husband took her to a lonely country house and shut her completely out of society. He insisted upon her hunting up references and copying his manuscripts. Lady Lytton's life was a long and terrible tragedy. In course of time she became embittered against both her husband and son, the "Owen Meredith" of literature. She survived her husband ten years, and died friendless and unmourned.

Dante was married to a notorious eel, and when he was in exile he had no desire to see his wife, although she was the mother of his six children.

William Shakespeare lost the sympathies of the world when, as a youth of 18, he married Anne Hathaway, who was eight years his senior. She was a coarse and ignorant woman who had no sympathy with the romantic conditions of her husband's life.

John Milton was not great in the character of either husband or father. His first wife was disgusted with his gloomy home and soon ran away from him. His daughters were left to grow up utterly neglected, and the poet characterized them as "undutiful daughters" in his last will and testament.

Dr. Samuel Johnson's wife was old enough to be his mother, but he continued to be under the illusion of the wedding day, when he thought he had married one of the most beautiful women in the world. When she died at the age of 64, he being only 43, he mourned her loss as irreplaceable.

Sir Walter Raleigh married a beautiful girl eighteen years his junior, and she adored him with increasing ardor to the very last moment of his life.

Lord Bacon enjoyed but little domestic bliss, and "loved not to be with partner." Dryden "married discord in a noble wife." Addison sold himself to a cross-grained old countess. Shelley's first marriage was unfortunate, but his second was a model of domestic happiness. Moore was married to a wife who made him most miserable. Rousseau lived a most wretched life with his partner. Steele, Sterne, Churchill, Coleridge, Byron and Charles Dickens have been recorded in history as "indifferent husbands."

## A Queer Brazilian Fable.

The people of Brazil have some very quaint folk-lore stories. One of the oddest is the fable about the dog's hatred for the cat and the cat's consequent fear of the dog. Long ago the animal kingdom of Brazil was mightily stirred. The dog declared his intention of taking out naturalization papers! This he did, and he gave them to the cat to keep while he went to make arrangements to enjoy his independence.

Now, after his leaving, the cat got jealous of the dog's importance and clawed the dog and chewed the paper until mere scraps were all that was left. Then back came the dog with his tail hung high. When he realized his misfortune he went for the cat. He has been going for her ever since. In his eager chase he forgot that he might get new papers, so instead of becoming a peaceful citizen of Brazil he chased the cat all over the world, and that is the reason there are dogs and cats everywhere.

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