A MENDMENT TO THE CONSTITU-TION PROPOSED TO THE CITI-ZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR HIBIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENN-SYLVANIA, PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COM-MONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITU-TION.

TION. NUMBER ONE. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing amendments to the Constitu-tion of the Conmonwealth of Pennsyl-vania so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Philadelphia and Alle-deney counties, and to give the General accur in Philadelphia county, with crim-nal and miscillaneous jurisdiction. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate M House of Representatives in General Assembly met. That the following amend-ments to the Constitution of Pennsylva-ical encordiance with the eighteenth uncle thereoit.-That section six of article five be amend-disserting in place thereof the following: Section 6. In the counties of Philadel-ing and Allegheny all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several he yade to counties, composed of all the judges in counties, composed of all

in each of said counties, composed of all the judges in commission in said courts. Such jurisdiction and powers shall ex-tend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts, and shall be subject to such changes as may be made by law, and subject to change of venue as provided by law. The president judge of each of the said courts shall be selected as provided by law. The number of judges in each of said courts may be, by law, increased from time to time. This amendment shall take effect on the first Monday of January succeeding its adop-tion. each of said counties, composed of all

Section 2. That article five, section eight, be amended by making an addition thereto so that the same shall read as follows:

Section 8. The said courts in the coun-ties of " delphia and Allegheny re-spectively shall, from time to time, in turn, detail one or more of their judges to hold the courts of oyer and terminer and the courts of quarter sessions of the peace of said counties, in such manner as may be directed by law: Provided, That in the courty of Philadelphia the General Assembly shall have power to establish a separate court, consisting of not more than four judges, which shall have ex-clusive jurisdiction in criminal cases and in such other matters as may be providother matters as may be provided by law

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1. ROBERT MCAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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NUMBER TWO. A JOINT RESOLUTION

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to the Consti-tution of the Commonwealth, allowing counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts, or other municipal or incorporated districts, to increase their meditedness.

indebtedness. Be it resolved by the Senate and House Representatives of the Commonwealth Pennsylvania in General Assembly net, That section eight, article nine, of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, read-

as follows:-Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated dis-trict, exceept as herein provided, shall nev-er exceed ten per centum upon the as-sessed 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 ex-ceeding two per centum upon such ascrease its indebtedness to an amount ex-ceeding two per centum upon such as-sessed valuation of property without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election, in such manner as shall be pro-yided by law. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2. ROBERT McAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

the Senate, before their final adjourn-ment, a proper person to fill said vacancy; but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective office, a person shall be chosen to said office at the next general election, unless the vacancy shall happen within three calendar months immediately pre-ceding such election, in which case the election for said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election. In three calendar months immediately pre-ceding such election, in which case the election for said office shall be held at the second succeeding general election. In acting on executive nominations the Sen-ate shall sit with open doors, and, in con-firming or rejecting the nominations of the Governor, the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and shall be entered on the journal," so as to read as follows:--He shall nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Attorney General during pleasure, a Su-perintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Commonwealth as he is or may be au-thorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint; he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen, in offices to which he may appoint, during the recess of the Senate, by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next session; he shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen, during the recess of the Senate, in the office of Add-tor General, State Trefsurer, Secretary of Internal Affairs or Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a judicial office, or in any other elective office which he is or may be authorized to fill; if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate, before their final adjourn-ment, a proper person to fill said va-cancy; but in any such case of vacancy, in an elective office, a person shall be chosen to said office on the next election day appropriate to such office, according to the provisions of this Constitution, un-less the vacancy shall happen within two calendar months immediately preceding such election day, in which case the elec-tion for said office shall be held on the secont succeeding election day appro-priate to such office. In acting on ex-ecutive nominations the Senate shall sit

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Amendment Two-To Article Four, Sec-

journal. Amendment Two-To Article Four, Sec-tion Twenty-one. Section 3. Amend section twenty-one of article four, which reads as follows:--"The term of the Secretary of Internal Affairs shall be four years; of the Audi-tor General three years; and of the State Treasurer two years. These officers shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treasurer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecu-tive terms," so as to read:--The terms of the Secretary of Internal Affairs, the Auditor General, and the State Treasurer shall each be four years; and they shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the State at general elections; but a State Treasurer, elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine, shall serve for three years, and his suc-cessors shall be elected at the general election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in every fourth year thereafter. No person elected to the office of Auditor General or State Treas-urer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms. Amendment Three-To Article Five, Sec-

office of Auditor General or State Treas-mer shall be capable of holding the same office for two consecutive terms. Amendment Three-To Article Five, Sec-tion Eleven. Section 4. Amend section eleven of ar-ticle five, which reads as follows:--"Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or aldermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs and townships at the time of the election of constables, by the qualified electors thereof, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of five years. No township, ward, district or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or alder-men without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next preceding his election. In cities con-taining over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one alderman shall be elected in each ward or district," so as to read:--Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or al-

elected in each ward or district," so as to read:--Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, justices of the peace or al-dermen shall be elected in the several wards, districts, boroughs or townships, by the qualified electors thereof, at the municipal election, in such manner as shall be directed by law, and shall be commissioned by the Governor for a term of six years. No township, ward, dis-triet or borough shall elect more than two justices of the peace or aldermen without the consent of a majority of the qualified electors within such township, ward or borough; no person shall be elected to such office unless he shall have resided within the township, borough, ward or district for one year next pre-ceding his election. In cities containing over fifty thousand inhabitants, not more than one aldermañ shall be elected in each ward or district. Amendment Four-To Article Five, Sec-tion Twelve. Section 5. Amend section twelve of ar-ticle five of the Constitution, which reads as follows:--

as follows:--"In Philadelphia there shall be estab-lished, for each thirty thousand inhabit-ants, one court, not of record, of pollee and civil causes, with jurisdiction not ex-

numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting thereto: Provided, That such election shall always be held in an even-numbered year. numbered year

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Amendment Six—To Article Eight, Sec-tion Three.
Section 7. Amend section three of arti-ele eight, which reads as follows:—
"All elections for city, ward, borough and township officers, for regular terms of service, shall be held on the third Tuesday of February." so as to read:— All judges elected by the electors of the State at large may be elected at either a general or municipal election, as circum-stances may require. All elections for judges of the courts for the several judi-cial districts, and for county, city, ward, borough, and township officers, for regu-lar terms of service, shall be held on the municipal election day; namely, the Tuess-fay next following the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year, but the General Assembly may by law fix a different day, two-thirds of all the members of each House consenting there-to: Provided, That such election shall al-ways be held in an odd-numbered year.
Amendment Seven—To Article Eight, Sec-tion Fourteen.

Amendment Seven-To Article Eight, Sec-tion Fourteen. Section 8. Amend section fourteen of ar-ticle eight, which reads as follows:-

Bernard Beven-To Article Eight, Section S. Amend section fourteen of article eight, which reads as follows: "District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen annually by the citizens. Each elector shall have the right to vote for the judge and one inspector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk. The first election board for any new district shall be selected, and vacancies in election boards filled, as shall be provided by law. Election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns, except upon warrant of a court of record or judge thereof, for an election fraud, for felony, or for wanton breach of the peace. In cities they may claim exemption from jury duty during their terms of service," so as to read:--District election boards shall consist of a judge and two inspectors, who shall be chosen biennially, by the citizens at the municipal electior, but the General Assembly may require said boards to be appointed in such manner as it may by law provide. Laws regulating the appoint one clerk. The first election board for any he watcrict shall be selector, and each inspector shall appoint one clerk. The first election officers shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and watcrict shall be selector, and wacancies in election boards filled, as shall be privileged from arrest upon days of election, and while engaged in making up and transmitting returns, except upon warrant of a court of record, or judge: thereof, for an election from jury duty during their terms of service.
 Mendment Eight - To Article Twelve, Section 9. Amend section rea, except upon warrant of a court of record, erited by law; is o as to read: All officers, whose selection is not provided for in this Constitution, shall be elected or appointed as may be directed by law; is o as to read: All officers, whose selection is not provided for in this Consti

tions may be required to fill unexpired terms.
Amendment Nine—To Article Fourteen, Section Two.
Section 10. Amend section two of article fourteen, which reads as follows:—
"County officers shall be elected at the general elections and shall hold their offices for the term of three years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified; all vacancies not otherwise provided for, shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law," so as to read;—
County officers shall be elected at the municipal elections and shall hold their offices for the term of four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after their election, and until their successors shall be duly qualified; all vacancies not otherwise provided for, shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law.
Amendment Ten—To Article Fourteen, Section Seven.

shall be filled in such manner as may be provided by law. Amendment Ten-To Article Fourteen, Section Seven. Section II. Amend section seven, arti-cle fourteen, which reads as follows:-"Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five and every third year thereafter; and in the election of said officers each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected; any casual va-cancy in the office of county commis-sioner or county auditor shall be filled, by the court of common pleas of the county in which such vacancy shall oc-cur, by the appointment of an elector of the proper county who shall have voted for the commissioners or auditor whose place is to be filled." so as to read:--Three county commissioners and three county auditors shall be elected in each county where such officers are chosen, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven and every fourth year threafter: and in the election of said officers each

year nineteen hundred and ten, and until the Legislature shall otherwise provide

year fincteen hundred and ten, and until the Legislature shall otherwise provide, all terms of city, ward, borough, town-ship, and election division officers shall begin on the first Monday of December in an odd-numbered year. All city, ward, borough, and township officers holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments, whose terms of office may end in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven, shall continue to hold their offices until the first Monday of December of that year. All judges of the courts for the several judicial districts, and also all county offi-

judicial districts, and also all county offi-cers, holding office at the date of the ap -cers, holding office at the date of the approval of these amendments, whose terms of office may end in the year one thou-sand nine hundred and eleven, shall com-tinue to hold their offices until the first Monday of January, one thousand nine hundred and twelve. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3. ROBERT MCAFEE, Secretary of the Commonwealth,

How Could She Do It?

The homely forms of speech used by the country people with whom little Edith and her mother boarded last summer were frequently very puzzling to the child. One evening the farmer's wife, in

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talking for a few minutes with Edith's mother, remarked that, as she was very tired that night, she would "go to roost with the chickens."

When Edith's bedtime arrived a little later the youngster was nowhere to be found. After considerable search she was discovered sitting on a large stone near the chicken house, quietly watching the fowl as they came in one by one. "Edith," called her mother, "what

are you doing there? I've been looking for you everywhere; it's time to go to bed." "I know, mother," was the reply,

"but they're nearly all in now, so she'll be here soon, I guess."

"Who are in and who will be there? What on earth are you talking about, child?" asked the mystified mother. "Why," explained Edith, rather im-

patiently, "you know Mrs. — said she was going to roost with the chickens tonight, and I'm waiting to see how she does it."

Eating Test For Cooks.

In a certain employment agency ten cooks out of a job waited one after-noon last week for a situation to turn up. Presently a well gowned woman who was short of servants applied at the desk for the desired help. The manager referred her to the ten cooks The woman interviewed each of them in turn with unsatisfactory results "Not one of them," she explained to

the manager of the agency, "likes to eat the things that we like. "But what difference does that make?" asked the manager. "They are

no doubt good girls for all that." "Yet they wouldn't suit me," the woman replied decisively. "My family have very pronounced tastes in cookery, and my experience has taught me that only a cook who likes the same

dishes that we like can prepare them satisfactorily. That is a matter of simple common sense. It stands to reason that any dish a cook likes will turn out better than one she doesn't like; consequently I will do the work myself till I find a girl whose tastes agree with ours."-Philadelphia Ledger.

Nature and the Barnacle.

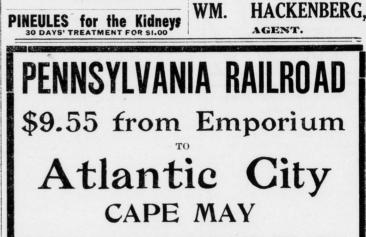
In the barnacle we have a unique and wonderful case of a creature that can afford as age comes on to dispens with the eyesight that was so useful in youth. For the young and old barnacle are as different one from the other as fishes from seaweed. In the heyday of life the barnacle about the sea, seeking its food with the aid of its eyes and generally leading a roaming existence. Later in life, howit grows tired of this aimless ever, wandering and settles down to worry ships' captains by attaching itself to the keel of their craft and defying the much advertised powers of various pre-ventive paints. Once, then, the barnacle has become a fixture, whether on ships or sharks, its eyesight is of no more use. It cannot seek its food, and it cannot shun its foes, for it never more will move. Therefore its eyes become superfluous and, according to nature's invariable rule in such cases, disappear.



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TION. NUMBER THREE. A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing amendments to sections eight and twenty-one of article four, sections eleven and twelve of article four, sections eleven and twelve of article five, sec-tions two, three, and fourteen of article eight, section one of article twelve, and sections two and seven of article four-teen, of the Constitution of Pennsylva-ing the amendments into effect. Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Gen-eral Assembly met, That the following re proposed as amendments to the Con-stitution of the Commonwealth of Penn-

eral Assembly met, That the following are proposed as amendments to the Con-silution of the Commonwealth of Penn-sylvania, in accordance with the provi-sions of the eighteenth article thereof:--Amendment One-To Article Four, Sec-tion Eight. Section 2. Amend section eight of arti-cle four of the Constitution of Pennsyl-vania, which reads as follows:--"He shall nominate and, by and with the dokice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Senate, appoint a Secretary of the Commonwealth and an Atorney General during pleasure, a Su-perintendent of Public Instruction for four years, and such other officers of the Com-monwealth as he is or may be authorized by the Constitution or by law to appoint; he shall have power to fill all vacancies that may happen, in offices to which he smale, by granting commissions which shall expire at the end of their next ses-sion; he shall have power to fill any va-cancy that may happen, during the recess of the Senate, in the office of Anditor General, State Treasurer, Scretary of In-ternal Affairs or Superintendent of Pub-lic Instruction, in a judicial office, or in two year cleate of the office, or in two ther cleative office which he is or may be authorized to fill; if the vacancy shall happen during the session of the Senate, the Covernor shall nominate to Senate, the Covernor shall nominate

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Lived to Fight Another Day. Frederick the Great simply lost his head at Molwitz, his first battle. Had he not been a king it is safe to say that he would have been shot at the next sunrise. In the heat of the carnage he got an idea that the army under his command was being overwhelmed, so he put the spurs to his horse and dashed headlong among his soldiers. He rode many miles before he stopped in his wild flight. Late at night he was discovered hiding in an old mill, awaiting, as he thought, capture by the enemy. Then he discovered that the army he deserted had won the battle. As Frederick was a prince, everybody tried to forget the incident just as quickly as possible, and after that, when the king went to war, he was just as brave as any other soldiet.

On the Verge of Prostration. That else have you got?" asked "What else have you got?" asked Cholly, looking languidly over the bill of fare for something to tempt his jaded appetite:

"Well," replied the waitress, "we have hot biscuits too."

"That'll do," said Cholly, resting his intellect by tossing the bill of fare aside. "Bring me a hot biscuit stew." -Chicago Tribune.

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