The School of Politics

Salem Young Men to Debate the Registry Law.

A Chapter on the California and Oregon Election Law.

The Salem literary society of the Y. M. C. A. has adopted as the subthey may extend their field of investi- titled to vote. gation into other departments of unlicaffairs, and make their gatherings a school of citizenship.

primaries, a better ballot law, the decisions of other states on the laws regulation of freight rates, the free pass question, the silver question, sirable to have a registration law in Cuba and a thousand other matters Oregon. In view of the coming city may be discussed with profit. But election it would be very interesting the immediate duty of citizenship is to know just how many actual legal to be intelligent and practical and at the same time have well grounded principles of government as a background of all their speculations and party, who will examine the same and conclusions. Located at the seat of award the prize when it will be pubgovernment, a school of politics would lished in this department. A free have a wholesome effect upon legislation and upon public sentiment.

A REGISTRATION LAW.

The Australian ballot law contemplates a registration law, and in the cotonies whence the law sprung the law provides a registry officer in each precinct, who at a certain time before an election makes up a list of voters in the precinct. There are three days set for purging the roll before a magistrate. During that time anyone who has not been put on the roll can appear and show his evidence of citizenship. Persons put on who are not voters can be struck off before the magistrate on a similar showing made. After these corrections are made the roll is closed, published and publicly posted, and no persons but those on the roll can vote at the elec tion that follows. This law is open to objections tof expense and abuse of authority by the enrolling officer and magistrate, who if they wanted to use their power for partisan purposes, could cause a great deal of trouble and pack the rolls with names of replaters and non-residents. In favor of the law it can be said the citizen is enrolled without his taking the trouble to go and hunt up the registry officer: publicity would be a protection; and repeating would be made difficult. But any law only rises to the level of the intelligence of the people for whom it is made in its immediate effect: but law is the greatest educator and schoolmaster of the people.

SITUATION IN OREGON. The constitution of this state provides that "all qualified electors shall vote in the election precinct in the county where they may reside for county officers, and in any county of the state for state officers, or any county of a congressional district in which such electors may reside for

members of congress." It is the opinion of some of the ablest men of the state that the constitution is not a bar to a registration list in each precinct and published a law, but it is plain that the constitution allows a voter a great liberty of choice as to where he may vote for any but county officers. Still, as he would have to vote for county officers in the precinct where he resides, it is not likely that a registration law that would allow him his constitutional privilege of voting for state and congressional officers outside the precinct would be much taken advantage of. The fact is that at the June election in Oregon nearly everybody votes in the precinct where he resides, although this law was openly violated in parts of this state, where whole steamer tified in duplicate and safeguarded as loads of voters got off and voted the whole county ticket.

CASTORIA.

About twelve years ago a law passed ject for discussion at its Friday even- requiring registration of voters but ing meeting: "Resolved that the was declared unconstitutional by the I gislature at its next session should supreme court in the case of White vs. pass a registration law." This is an Commissioners. The opinion was by important subject and it is a hopeful Judge Waldo and Judge Lord, Judge sign that the young men of the Y. M. Thayer dissenting and holding that C. A. have taken up so practical a registration was only a reasonable question for debate. It is to be hoped method for ascertaining who were en-

Registration leagues should formed in each community to study this question, read the old law and The question of a proper law for the decisions thereon, as well as the they have and ascertain if it is devoters there are in the city.

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POLITICAL PRIMARIES.

Chapter From "the School of Politics. We print below a chapter from 'The School of Politics," which is advertised elsewhere in this paper:

THE CALIFORNIAN STATUTE.

The California act of 1895, providing for "a general primary election, to promote the purity thereof, by regulating the conduct thereof, and to support the privileges of free suffrage thereat. prohibiting certain acts and practices in relation thereto, and providing for the punishment thereof," is the most perfect pieces of legislation yet devised on this subject. The title of the act tells the whole story of this most needed reform.

It requires all political parties to hold primaries on the second Tuesday in July preceding the election, at the same place and hour, and at public ex- primary law where 'he voter must re-

Any political party that polled three per cent of the entire vote can hold a primary election under this act.

The county election commissioners in January select, in the same manner as a jury is drawn, the names of judges of the primaries from a list of not less than thirty electors of each precinct and publish the same, the names to be divided equally among the several political parties. Twenty days before the primary there is drawn from the name for inspector, two judges and two

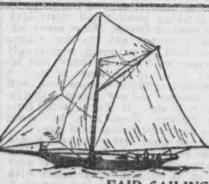
clerks, representing the several parties. The primary officers are sworn, their duties prescribed, their services paid by the county, and the primary election for delegates or candidates of all parties is held at the same time and place in each voting precinct, each party voting in a different box, but all voting on one ballot on the Australian plan, printed and furnished at public expense. The polls are open all day, the ballets are carefully counted and preserved in the presence of bystanders, and the whole result is cer-

perfectly as the regular election. The general primary for presidential electors shall be held on the last Tuesday in March in the same manner. It requires that political primaries of all parties be held, and at the

same time and place after due advertisement. This is the first essential, as it prevents repeating and stimula es a show of the full strength of each party, and brings out the fullest competition for nominations. It requires that the election commissioners of each county select names from the asessment roll of each precinct, divided equally between the different parties, and from these are chosen by lot the judges who act at the common primaries. This takes out of the power of the boss the selection of the officers who conduct the primary and certify the result more often to their liking than according to the actual result.

The new law then goes further and rescribes that the canvass must be public, and in the presence of bystanders, the voters of each party voting directly for their choice of candidates or delegates in separate ballot-boxes for each party, and baving their name and residence recorded on separate tally sheets. The tickets are repaired to be strung, numbered, sealed and preserved until after all the state conventions are held, and all frauds are as carefully safeguarded against, and as severely punished, as in the Australian ballot law. The law has been declared invalid on some technicality, but the text of the Court's decision is not yet made public. Press reports say this just and wise measure was thrown out by the Court because it was made to apply only to counties of the first and second class, a defect that was probably well known to be fatal by some of the lawyers in the legislature that passed it. So the people are thrown back on the old Porter primary law of 1865-6 and its amendments, about as crude, defective and easily manipulated by those against whom it is supposed to protect society, as any law can be constructed. There is one officer who opeas, canvasses and certifies the return of the primary. The party central committee calls the primary and conducts, it the ballots are not preserved, and aside from its general re putation as a heavenly country, Cal ifornia is entitled to be called the paradise of the boss so far as the laws making it easy for him to operate at slate-making and convention packing are concerned. It is doubtful if a people so long accustomed to loosely conducted primaries would have taken much advantage of the new law.

While the new law California act is suspended in the courts, it must be remembered that most states have no law to regulate the primary. In the few states having such laws it will be found they are fatally defective, or designedly drawn to throw power into the hands of the bosses. A primary law that leaves the selection of the officers in each precinct to the party central committee, or that leaves the primary open only to previously enrolled members of a party, or that requires no preservation of the ballots cast, is of this class. In one state the bosses have gone so far as to secure a



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cials, and shall vote no other. As a result of unprotected and easily corrupted primaries, statistics show that while the debt of all the states and territories has decreased 826,195,462 from 1890 to 1895, the debt of our fifty largest cities has increased from \$465,610,739 to \$565,665,-539in the same period. While state and national debt has decreased, the debt of cities where corrupt politics are the worst, has increased over \$100,-000,000. The increased debt in all municipalities of the ten years preceding was only \$40,000,000. (See figures by J. K. Upton, Harper's Weekly Jan. 11.) What is the remedy? A comparsion of the present methods of conducting the primaries in New York or any of our larger cities, with the new California law, should point out the way to reform

The primary must be placed beyond the control of the selfishly interested office-holding and office-seeking class. he power to make nominations must be placed in the hands of the masses of each party where it belongs. Thus alone can government become responsible to the governed, and without this there can be no just or good government. The principle that obtains in the old Crawford system, still in vogue in many of the older states, and practiced in some of the largest countles and cities of Ohio, Illinois add Iowa, cannot be much improved upon. It can be perfected and the result safe guarded and made as sure and certain to do its work as the Australian ballot. Under the old Crawford system there was no delegate county convention. In each precinct the party voters cast a ballot direct for their choice of candidates for office within the party. The primaries are held all over the county on the same day and are conducted like a general election. If there are six candidates for nomination for representative, sheriff, or any county office, the voter marks his man for each office, and the candidate for nomination receiving the largest vote throughout the county is the party candidate for election. This is a simple and direct plan of nominating. It is said that it is cumbersome, expensive and old-fashioned. But it cannot be tampered with and corrupt combinations are impossible.

Under the Crawford system, candidates for congress and delegates to state conventions are chosen in the

The people of the United States w)ll never have a representative or a responsible Democratic form of government until they destroy the present system of political corruption, which, with its roots in the congested populations of our large cities, extends its branches into every hamlet

of our country. Billion-dollar congresses, irresponsible legislatures, boodle aldermen, corporation corruption, boss-ridden administration, or clean, decent, in telligent government-which?

Which shall our country become, Christian or Cossek? Government of, by and for the disinterested masses, or a highly organized plutocratic paternalism?

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cases, 3.75. Potatoes. Oregon, 5caloo per sack Hay. Good, 11@11.50 ; er ton, Wool. Valley, 8@10e; Pastern Oregon

Millstuffs , Bran, \$14.00 (she r's, \$15 50. Poultry- Chickens, m ixed, \$2,00a2.50 broil rs, \$1.00@1.75; ducke, \$283; geese, \$5@6 turkeys, live, 10. Hides, green, salted 60 lbs 6a7c; under 60 lbs 4@4 %c; sheep pelts, 1 0@70c.

Pears-50@6c Plums-pitless, 3c@4c. Prunes 41/40@5c. l'allow-21/40@3c. Wheat Bags-Calcutta 4.25@4.37%, Beans-small white, 11/2c@1%;c lima,

Hogs—Heavy, 3.25 to 2.50. Veal—small 5 to 5%; large 4c per tb. Mutton—Weathers 1.75; ewes 1.50; dressed Beef.—Steers 2.25; cows 1.75— 2.00; dressed

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ge; shoulders, 5c.

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Prunes-5c-7c. Beans,-2c. Lard-7c.

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