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CITY POLITICS.

Getting Ready for the October Contest—The Aspirants for the Various Offices—The Republican Delegate Elections—The New Registry Law—First Meeting of the Board of Aldermen.

Tuesday, October 12, the day on which falls our next State and municipal election, is yet several months in the distance, but the preliminaries of the contest are already under way, and before the week is over the candidates of the Republican party will be in the field.

The Offices to be Filled

are the following:—

Coroner;
City Treasurer;
Recorder of Deeds;
City Commissioner;
Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions;
Prothonotary of the District Court;
State Senatorship from the First district;
The eighteen memberships of the State House of Representatives to which the city is entitled; and
The various ward offices, including all of the Common Councilmen and several members of the Select branch.

The Aspirants for the Nominations

for these respective positions at the hands of both parties are comprehended most readily by the use of the word legion. The most prominent and ambitious ones, however, have announced their aspirations by four-line cards in the daily and Sunday papers, and from these sources, the rumors on the streets, the talk on the State House pavement, and the gossip of the saloons—not the salons—we have compiled, condensed, and digested the following schedule:—

FOR CORONER.

The members of the Republican party who are either willing or anxious to serve in this capacity are the following:—

William Taylor, of the Tenth ward, who was the incumbent of the office during the term preceding that of the present holder of the position, Mr. Samuel Daniels, and who keeps a drug store at the corner of Ninth and Race streets.

Joseph Heritage, M. D., of the Third ward, a practising physician.

James M. Fletcher, of the Third ward, who has held the position of Assistant or Deputy Coroner during the terms of both Taylor and Daniels.

Jacob R. Sackett, of the Twenty-third ward, who keeps a hotel in the suburb of Frankford, and is likewise a dealer in trunks at No. 224 Callowhill street.

Nathaniel T. Baroux, of the Sixth ward, who does business as a tobacconist at No. 34 North Sixth street, was formerly Commissioner of Markets, and now holds a position in the Gas Office. He has been a standing candidate for this and other positions for many years past.

Robert C. Tittermary, of the Second ward, a brother of the Alderman, who was formerly an Internal Revenue detective, and is now connected with the office of the Guardians of the Poor.

E. B. Shapleigh, M. D., of the Thirteenth ward, who has been physician to the present and last Coroner.

Henry N. Uhler, M. D., of the Twenty-first ward, a young practising physician.

The following sterling Democratic citizens likewise aspire to the position:—

Frederick F. Burmeister, M. D., of the Nineteenth ward, who served during the war as Surgeon of the 69th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and held the position of Pension Agent under the last administration.

Theodore Roth, M. D., of the Sixth ward, who served in the army as an Assistant Surgeon during the late civil war.

James Stewart, of the Fifth ward, who keeps a restaurant, etc., in the basement at the southwest corner of Fifth and Walnut streets.

W. Frank Lecture, of the Twenty-seventh ward, who deals in liquors at No. 3038 Market street, West Philadelphia.

FOR CITY TREASURER

the prominent aspirants are not quite so numerous. Among them are the following:—

Joseph F. Marcer, of the Twentieth ward, a lawyer by profession, at present a member of Common Council from that ward, and President of that body. He has also been President of the School Board of the Twentieth section.

Alexander M. Fox, of the Thirteenth ward, a member of Select Council from that ward, and for several years past the chairman of the committee of that body to verify the cash accounts of the City Treasurer. He is a successful merchant.

Among the anxious Democrats are the following:—

Joseph N. Peirsol of the Twelfth ward, the present incumbent of the office.

S. Gross Fry, of the Fifteenth ward, President of the Spruce and Pine Streets Passenger Railway Company.

George Grant of the Tenth ward, a dealer in gentlemen's furnishing goods at No. 1013 Chesnut street.

FOR RECORDER OF DEEDS,

the following Republicans are pressing their claims to the nomination:—

John A. Houseman, of the First ward, one of the Trustees of the City Gas Works. He was formerly a member of Councils and a City Commissioner, and is a butcher doing business in the South Second Street Market.

General Charles H. T. Collis, of the Eighth ward, who is well known as an officer in the volunteer forces, and since the close of the war as a practitioner in our courts.

General Robert L. Bodine, of the Twenty-eighth ward, who holds the position of Flour Inspector for this port. He entered the army at the outbreak of the war as a private, and rose to the rank of a general officer.

Captain J. B. Allen, of the Tenth ward, who served as Quartermaster of the Fire Zouaves during the war, and is now Search Clerk in the office of which he desires to be the head.

George F. Keyser, of the Twentieth ward, who is at present Register of the Water Department.

Marshall Henszey, of the Twenty-seventh ward, the present Steward of the Blockley Almshouse and President of the Vigilant Engine Company.

Charles Dixey, of the Twelfth ward, who at different times has held positions in the offices of the Highway and Water Departments and Receiver of Taxes, was once Commissioner of City Property, and during the war a Deputy Provost Marshal of the Third Congressional district. He is now a dealer in terra cotta articles at No. 122 N. Sixth street.

Bertles Shee, of the Twentieth ward.

Lewis R. Broomall, who was regarded as a candidate for a time, has withdrawn from the canvass, as he desires to resume his old position of Chief Coiner in the United States Mint.

General Charles M. Prevost, who was also considered a candidate for some time, has recently authorized the withdrawal of his name from the canvass.

Among the Democrats who would not refuse the nomination are the following:—

Samuel Nathans, of the Fifth ward, who recently transacted the business of a pawnbroker at No. 23 South Eighth street, at the corner of Sansom street, but has announced that he has given it up.

Charles M. Hurley, of the Twenty-third ward, who held the position of appraiser in the Custom House for several years past.

Colonel A. A. Lechler, of the Twentieth ward, who served in the Pennsylvania Reserves, and is now a gentleman of leisure.

George W. Wunder, of the Thirteenth ward, a prominent butcher doing business in the Twelfth Street Market.

Major J. R. Coxe, of the Seventh ward, who served during the war as a quartermaster, and was for some time on General Meade's staff. He is a gentleman of means and leisure.

Isaac M. Post, of the Twentieth ward, a real estate agent, doing business at No. 1105 Girard avenue.

FOR CITY COMMISSIONER

the following Republicans are seeking the nomination:—

Captain Henry Connor, the incumbent whose successor is to be elected, who served during the war in the 118th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and lost a leg in the service. He also keeps a hotel in West Philadelphia.

Thomas Dickson, of the Twenty-fifth ward, who keeps a hotel at No. 10 Bridge street, Bridesburg, and formerly held the position to which he now aspires.

Thomas M. Locke, of the Twelfth ward, who holds the position, under the Board of Guardians, of "Visitor of the Poor."

John Kurtz, of the Sixteenth ward, who held the position of Messenger to the Receiver of Taxes for several years, and is a street car conductor.

Sergeant Stephen Miller, of the Seventh ward, who served in the 95th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and for some time held the position of a letter-carrier under Postmaster Bingham.

Among the Democrats who would accept the nomination are the following:—

Colonel A. H. Reynolds, of the Twenty-sixth ward, who served during the war in the Scott Legion. He has never, we believe, held any political position.

Captain Charles B. Duncan, of the Ninth ward, a carpenter by trade, who was the competitor of David Beitler last year for the position of Alderman in this ward.

FOR CLERK OF QUARTER SESSIONS

the following Republicans announce their readiness to go before the people:—

Samuel P. Jones, Jr., an Alderman of the Ninth ward, who served during the war in the 121st Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, and lost a leg by so doing.

Isaac McBride, of the Twenty-sixth ward, the chief clerk of Mr. John G. Butler, the present incumbent, who also held the position of chief clerk to Mr. Butler when the latter was Chief Coiner of the Mint, and was formerly a clerk in the office of Receiver of Taxes.

John Given, of the Seventh ward, who a few years ago gained considerable notoriety by the manner in which he secured a certificate of his election as City Commissioner, and who at present acts as "mine host" of Shinn's Hotel, on Broad street, above Chesnut.

Thomas Ashton, of the Twentieth ward, who has been a tipstaff in the Court of Quarter Sessions for many years.

Among the Democratic aspirants are the following:—

John F. Sharkey, of the Fourth ward, who served as a deputy under Colonel Peter C. Ellmaker, the United States Marshal during the time of the last administration.

Philip H. Lutts, of the Sixteenth ward, doing business as a printer at Fourth and Chesnut streets, and a standing candidate for several years past for any position for which he might have the chance of being nominated.

William D. Kendrick, of the Tenth ward, doing business as a pawnbroker at No. 224 South Third street. We understand that, like Mr. Samuel Nathans, he has closed out his business to enter upon the canvass for this nomination.

John P. Ahern, of the Third ward, well known as a manufacturer of the ardent, and who was a Deputy Sheriff under ex-Sheriff Magee.

Robert D. Sherrard, of the Ninth ward, a dealer in liquors at No. 823 Filbert street.

Thomas McQuillin, of the Sixteenth ward, a dealer in liquors at No. 1035 North Second street.

FOR PROTHONOTARY OF THE DISTRICT COURT

the following Republicans deem themselves fully qualified:—

Captain William K. Hopkins, of the Fourteenth ward, who served in the 7th Regiment of the Pennsylvania Reserves, and now keeps a drinking saloon at No. 416 Library street. He was a candidate for the same position three years ago.

William B. R. Selby, of the Second ward, who has been a member of Select Council, and is at present the out-door agent of the Guardians of the Poor.

Aaron K. Dunkel, of the Ninth Ward, one of the proprietors of the *Sunday Republic* newspaper, who entered the army as a private soldier in the 18th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, was promoted to a lieutenancy in 1862, and was subsequently made a captain in the 118th Regiment. For nine months he was an inmate of Libby Prison.

A prominent candidate for the Democratic nomination is

William F. Scheible, of the Twentieth ward, a dealer in awnings and stencils at No. 49 South Third street.

Dr. Henry R. Linderman, of the Twelfth ward, who was Director of the United States Mint during the Johnson *regime*, and previously to that was engaged in business as a broker.

FOR SENATOR FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT,

which comprises the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Seventh, Eighth, and Twenty-sixth wards, the Republican aspirants are the following:—

Joseph R. Lyndall, who retired from the office of City Controller a few months ago. Mr. Lyndall is a prominent member of the Fire Department, being President of the Weccacoe Fire Company.

Colonel William McMichael, a son of ex-Mayor Morton McMichael, a lawyer by profession, and quite prominent in our recent political campaigns as President of the Republican Invincibles. Colonel McMichael has been collector of outstanding mercantile taxes and an assistant assessor of internal revenue.

William H. Taggart, who has held for some years the position of general baggage agent and detective of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore Railroad Company.

William W. Watt, who years ago filled the position of Tax Collector in the old Cedar ward, was subsequently a member of the House of Representatives, and since his retirement from that position has been extensively engaged in manufacturing.

William M. Moran, who is well known in journalistic and especially in political circles, and has recently been appointed Superintendent of Warehouses by Collector Moore, of the Custom House.

On the Democratic side it appears to be generally understood that the nomination will be received by

Samuel Josephs, of the Fourth ward, a member of the last House of Representatives and principal participant in the great "lemon act" which contributed so largely towards impressing the public with the belief that the lower branch of our State Legislature has become one of the gravest and most dignified bodies of the kind in the country.

FOR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Republicans who aspire to become members of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg are classified as follows, according to their districts:—

First District, comprising the First ward and all of the Twenty-sixth ward excepting the Seventh and Eighth divisions.

David Foy, the member from this district to the last Legislature.

George Walker, formerly a clerk in the arsenal, and at present an inspector of gas meters.

L. B. Thomas, a teacher of music, who was employed in the Tax Receiver's Office for some time.

William S. Irwin, who was at one time employed in the Custom House, at another time in the office of the Clerk of the House of Representatives at Washington, has frequently attempted to secure a nomination, and in 1866 ran as an independent candidate, receiving a grand total of 407 votes.

R. C. Hicks, who served in the army as Captain in the 71st Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, resigning his position in the office of the Water Department. His business is that of a plumber and gas-fitter, this at present being made subordinate to that of a highway contractor.

J. W. N. Newlin, a young lawyer, who resigned the position of Assistant to Attorney-General Brewster some months ago, in consequence of the popular clamor created by his very fantastical opinion on the case of the negro Alexander, who had been condemned to death for murder.

George W. Clark, who closes the list in this district, follows the calling of a farmer "down in the Neck."

Fourth District, comprising the Seventh ward, and the Seventh and Eighth divisions of the Twenty-sixth ward.

George W. Myers, the member in the last Legislature, which is all that the people need to know about him, is a candidate for renomination. Among his opponents are the following:—

William Elliott, one of the Trustees of the City Gas Works.

Clarence Burden, a young lawyer.

Joseph Brady, the keeper of a hotel at the corner of Seventeenth and South streets.

Sixth District, comprising the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth divisions of the Sixth ward, and the divisions of the Ninth ward from the First to the Seventh.

Colonel Charles Kleckner, the member in the last Legislature, who was recently appointed a storekeeper under the Federal Government, and who formerly kept the St. Charles Hotel, at No. 62 North Third street.

Charles H. Elliott, who transacts the business of a coal shipper.

Hector Tyndale Fenton, a young lawyer.

Albert H. Mershon, who has been a member of Common Council and a school director, and is engaged extensively in the manufacture of furnaces at Twelfth and Filbert streets.

Robert Graham, a grocer, doing business at No. 1126 Market street.

J. West Brown.

Seventh District, comprising the Thirteenth ward, and the Fifth and Sixth divisions of the Fourteenth ward.

James Subers, the late member, *declines* a renomination, leaving the contest open to the following aspirants:—

R. J. C. Walker, a lawyer, who is a school director in the Thirteenth section.

William H. Vodges, a drover, residing in the Thirteenth ward.

Robert Johnson, a conveyancer.

Lucien T. Snyder, the publisher of a small advertising sheet.

Eighth District, comprising the Tenth ward, the Eighth division of the Ninth ward, and the First, Second, and Fourth divisions of the Fourteenth ward.

James V. Stokes, the late member, who is working for what he ought not to get—a renomination—was one of ex-Sheriff Howell's deputies, at one time an assessor in the Tenth ward, at another an assistant assessor of internal revenue, and all the time a house carpenter.

F. M. Phouts, who is Mr. Stokes' principal competitor, is a tailor by trade, but is at present connected with the City Water Department.

Tenth District, comprising the Fifteenth ward, excepting the Eighth and Thirteenth divisions.

Colonel Elisha W. Davis, the late member, in defiance of the "guerilla sheets" and all other advocates of reform, is striving to return to Harrisburg from this district. He has been in the Legislature for some years, and twice served as Speaker of the House. Among his opponents are the following:—

J. Edward Reyburn, a young lawyer, residing in the Fifteenth ward.

Patrick Henry Delaney, who was superintendent of the sub-post office at the corner of Broad and Green streets during the administration of C. A. Walborn as Postmaster.

Samuel C. Collins, of the well-know firm of Collins & McLeester, is urged to become a candidate, but is said to be reluctant. Samuel Daniels, the present Coroner, was for a time an aspirant for the nomination, but has withdrawn from this year's canvass.

Eleventh District, comprising the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth divisions of the Sixteenth ward; the Third, Fourth, and Seventh divisions of the Twelfth ward; and the First and Second divisions of the Twentieth ward.

William N. Bunn, who was awarded the seat in the last Legislature held for a time by Daniel Witham, Democrat, aspires to a renomination, and appears to encounter no organized opposition thus far. He is a wood engraver by trade.

Twelfth District, comprising the Eighteenth ward; the First division of the Seventeenth ward; the Third division of the Nineteenth ward; and the Fourth division of the Twenty-fifth ward.

Alexander Adaire, the late member, who has represented this district for four successive years, is not anxious to return to the walks of private life. But he encounters a formidable rival in

Lieutenant-Colonel Jacob M. Davis, who bases his claims to the nomination on his war record. He entered the service in 1861 as lieutenant in the 19th Regiment. He subsequently became a captain in the 90th Regiment and then major; was for a long time a prisoner in Libby; subsequently became lieutenant-colonel of the 213th Regiment, and was mustered out in December, 1865, having made a very creditable record. Colonel Davis was an aspirant for the nomination last year, but yielded to the desires of Mr. Adaire for a renomination on receiving from the latter, as is alleged, a pledge that he would find the way clear for him this year. In support of this pledge the following card is published by Colonel Davis' friends:—

"PHILADELPHIA, May 18, 1869.—*To whom it may concern:*—In vindication of my personal integrity, I fell constrained to say that the Hon. Alexander Adaire requested me, last fall, to use my influence with Colonel Jacob M. Davis to get him to withdraw as a candidate for the Republican nomination for the Legislature; and he authorized me to say that he would not be a candidate again, *provided* that he was nominated at that time, and would lend his assistance to procure Colonel Davis' nomination this year.

"JOSHUA T. OWEN."

As a counterblast to this, Mr. Adaire has published a card in which, after expressing his belief that he is "*justified by his past political record*," and citing the alleged promises and pledges on his part above referred to, he declares:—

"This is a base invention and a misrepresentation. Such assertions, in my estimation, are not evidence of qualification and fitness for the Legislature; but it is so in keeping with other sayings and doings that appear to originate from the same quarter that I am not at all surprised, but am resolved for the future to treat all such efforts at self-aggrandizement with that silent contempt that my own self-respect demands."

The contest to-morrow between the two competitors is therefore likely to prove remarkably exciting and bitter.

Fourteenth District, comprising the Seventh and Eighth divisions of the Fourteenth ward; from the Fourth to the Tenth, and Fifteenth and Sixteenth divisions of the Twentieth ward; and the Eighth and Thirteenth divisions of the Fifteenth ward.

John Cloud, the late member, is a candidate for renomination, and appears to encounter no systematic opposition.

Fifteenth District, comprising the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth divisions of the Nineteenth ward; the Third, and from the Eleventh to the Fourteenth divisions of the Twentieth ward; the Fifth and Sixth divisions of the Twenty-fifth ward; and from the First to the Fourth divisions of the Twenty-eighth ward.

James Holgate, the late member from this district, *declines* to seek a renomination, and the prize is being earnestly struggled for by the following:—

William C. Haines, a lawyer, who acted as clerk to the Mayor during Morton McMichael's term of office, and has served as director of Girard College and a member of the Board of School Control.

Frederick Van Cleve, also a lawyer, who accepted a position as Assistant City Solicitor some time since, with the holding a seat in the Select Branch of Councils.

Adam Albright, a manufacturer, residing in the Nineteenth ward.

W. H. Shollenberger, who is engaged in the hide and tallow business in Clinton street, above Oxford, and a few years ago nearly succeeded in being elected to the House from the Thirteenth district.

Henry Buckley, an employe of the Custom House.

Lemuel C. Zimmerman, of the Twentieth ward, a carpenter by trade.

Sixteenth District, comprising the Twenty-first and Twenty-second wards.

Marshall C. Hong, the late member, is anxious for a renomination. He is opposed, however, by

J. A. Storey, of Manayunk, who is at present a clerk in the Post Office.

Seventeenth District, comprising the Twenty-third; the First, Second, and Third divisions of the Twenty-fifth ward; and the Eighth and Thirteenth divisions of the Nineteenth ward.

Colonel John Clark, the late member, a speaker of the last House of Representatives, is not a candidate for re-election.

Watson Comly, a farmer, who has been an alderman and a member of City Councils, and came near receiving the nomination last year, is again a candidate.

Jacob H. Dewees, who served in the army as Lieutenant-Colonel of the 13th Pennsylvania Cavalry, also seeks the nomination.

So does William F. Knott, the editor and proprietor of the Holmesburg *Gazette*, and Mr. Amos Knight.

Eighteenth District, comprising the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-seventh wards, and from the Fifth to the Eighth divisions of the Twenty-eighth ward.

Captain Robert E. Hervey, the late member, who lost a leg in the service, and last winter frequently found the rest of the city delegation opposed to the measures presented by him, is seeking a renomination. Among his contestants are the following:—

Joseph Maull, an Alderman in the Twenty-fourth ward, and a tailor by trade.

George C. Kooken, who was formerly an Alderman, and also held a position in the Arsenal.

James Miller, who has been for many years Surveyor of the Twelfth district, and was a member of the House in 1864-65.

Joshua S. Fletcher, an Alderman of the Twenty-first ward, who has been a clerk in the office of the Board of Revision, and years ago published a daily paper called the *Sun*.

James Sellers, a claim agent, residing in West Philadelphia.

Job Pugh, a manufacturer of augers.

William Breckinridge, a prominent carpenter, residing in West Philadelphia.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS.

To-morrow afternoon, between the hours of 4 and 8 o'clock, the Republican voters of the various election divisions of the city will participate in the regular elections for delegates to the various nominating conventions, which will be held on the following day. There will be a separate convention for each of the city and county offices, for the First Senatorial District, for each of the Eighteen Representative Districts, and a Ward Convention in each of the Twenty-eight wards, for the nomination of Councilmen and other ward officers—making altogether fifty-three conventions. In the Ward Conventions, each Election Division, whether large or small, and whether containing a host or a mere handful of Republican voters, is entitled to two delegates, while each of the other conventions is made up of one delegate from each election division included in the city or the district which it rules. Altogether the fifty-three different conventions will be made up of about 2500 delegates—a very respectable force, in point of numbers.

The ward conventions will meet at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, and all the others at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning. The places of meeting of the different city and county conventions will be as follows:—

Coroner's Convention at Assembly Buildings, Tenth and Chesnut streets.

City Treasurer's Convention at Washington Hall, southwest corner Eighth and Spring Garden streets.

Recorder of Deeds' Convention, at Spring Garden Hall, Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets.

City Commissioner's Convention at Broadway Hall, southeast corner Broad and Spring Garden streets.

Clerk of Quarter Sessions' Convention at American Mechanics' Hall, Fourth and George streets.

Prothonotary of District Court Convention at Concert Hall, Chesnut street, above Twelfth.

The First Senatorial District Convention will meet at Odd Fellows' Hall, Tenth and South streets.

The New Registery Law.

The last Legislature passed an act regulating the registration of voters, previous to each and every election held in the State. It comprises forty-three sections, twenty-one of which are devoted to Philadelphia exclusively. As the Board of Registration under this law is required to hold its first meeting to-day, we present the following synopsis of its provisions:—

It is made the duty of the Board of Registration, which consists of all the aldermen in commission in the city, to meet on the first Monday in June of every year for organization. They are to elect three canvassers of every division of a ward in the city; and also, before the third Monday in September in every year, to appoint election officers for every division in the city. The canvassers are to be chosen in such a manner that the political party which has a majority in the Board of Aldermen shall secure two out of the three of them. It is provided that the judge, one inspector, and one return inspector, shall belong to the party which had the majority in the division at the preceding general election. One inspector and one return inspector shall belong to the party of the minority. The inspectors and the return inspectors each appoint their own clerks. Provision is also made for a revision of the acts of the Board of Aldermen in the appointment of canvassers and election officers, on petition to the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas by five reputable householders and qualified electors of any division, setting forth the reason why such revision is demanded; and in case the petition is sustained by the facts, as they appear, the Court is empowered to appoint new officers.

The law provides that the regular assessment shall be made before the 1st day of June in each year. The qualified electors are to be divided into three classes. First, "Private householders." Second, "Private residents," who are defined to be qualified electors "residing actually at the time with private householders." Third, "Hotels, taverns, and restaurants," under which head are to be classed the names of all qualified electors keeping hotels, taverns, sailor boarding-houses, and restaurants, in each division; also all persons who are qualified electors boarding thereat. Two copies of these lists, which are called "Assessors' Division Transcripts," duly verified, are to be deposited with the City Commissioners on or before the 30th of June in each year, and one copy given to the Receiver of Taxes. Ten printed copies of the transcripts are to be pasted up in each division on or before the 20th of August in each year, with notice of the time of making extra assessments. Extra assessments are to be made at the times and places fixed by the Board of Aldermen. The assessors are to sit for five days, from seven o'clock in the morning to five o'clock P. M. The extra assessments must be made before the 20th day of September in every year. The person claiming the extra assessment must prove his right by his affidavit, setting forth his name, birthplace, occupation, residence, citizenship of the State, and his residence in the division. He may be called upon, also, at the option of the assessors, to prove his right, by the affidavit of two qualified electors of the division who are assessed as private householders, declaring that he is personally known to them, that he is a bona fide resident of the division, and that they verily believe he will be a qualified voter, and entitled to vote at the next general election.

In the case of an alien by birth, who claims to be naturalized, he shall prove his right by the proper documentary evidence, and his residence by two qualified electors, as in the case of a native citizen. The assessors are to compel a person making application for extra assessment to make affidavit in regard to his claims, and they shall assess him forthwith fifty cents for a county tax. These papers he must take to the Receiver of Taxes, pay the tax and get a receipt; and without such receipt he cannot vote.

The division canvassers are to meet on the tenth day before the general election, and remain in session from 10 o'clock A. M. until 7 o'clock P. M. They have power to administer oaths, to issue subpœnas to witnesses and to persons whose names are on the assessment lists, and to examine witnesses in regard to the qualifications of persons claiming the right to vote; and they can add the names of persons entitled to vote which are not upon their original canvassing list, nor upon the extra assessments. These latter names are to be placed upon what is to be called the "Extra Canvassers' List." No person can be placed on this extra list unless he produces a receipt for the payment of a State or county tax within two years of the day appointed for the election, and also gives satisfactory evidence by his own oath or affirmation, or by the oath or affirmation of a qualified elector, that he has paid such tax. No person who claims to be registered in any division on age can receive that favor unless he makes oath or affirmation that he does not intend to remove from the division before election.

Foreigners claiming to be naturalized citizens are objected to the following ordeal:—

Section 35. Every person of foreign birth claiming a right to be assessed, or to have his name registered on the canvassers' list, shall, in addition to the proof of residence, prove that he has been naturalized conformably to the laws of the United States, and, as evidence thereof, he shall produce a certificate of naturalization, under the seal of the Court in which said naturalization took place, duly attested by the signature of the Prothonotary or Clerk of the said Court, in his own proper handwriting; and shall prove, by the oath of a qualified elector of the division, that he is the person named in the said certificate, and the person to whom it was issued; and shall further answer upon oath to the satisfaction of the assessors or canvassers before whom the said certificate may be produced, when and where he was born, and when and where he obtained the said certificate, and from whom; and the said certificate shall not be evidence that the person presenting it is a naturalized citizen unless his answers be consistent with the facts certified, and the proof of his identity be satisfactory to the canvassers; and upon such proof being made to the satisfaction of the canvassers, but not otherwise, they shall register the name of the claimant on the canvasser's list, and shall stamp on the said certificate of naturalization the word "Registered," with the number and division of the ward and the date of the registry.

The next section gives the division canvassers full power to nullify the work of the assessors, and of themselves to strike from the list the names which have been placed thereon. Eight days before the election the division canvassers may meet and examine the assessors' transcripts, and they can strike therefrom the name of every person whom they shall decide is not entitled to vote in such division. It is generously provided, however, that his name shall not be thus erased in his absence except on the testimony of at least two "reputable citizens," private householders of the division, who shall testify that such person is not a resident of the division, or shall swear that he is otherwise disqualified by law from voting at the said election.

The law further provides that the registry thus made shall be the only evidence that the person whose name is found thereon has resided in the division for ten days preceding the election; but he must, besides producing his receipt for taxes, prove his identity. Persons of foreign birth are to produce their naturaltzation papers, and are not to be allowed to vote without them, unless in case of a naturalized citizen who has resided in the division ten years. Tax receipts and certificates of naturalization are to be stampted at election with the word "Voted," the date, and the ward and division.

It is also provided in the act that at all general elections hereafter the names of all the candidates to be voted for shall be printed upon one ticket, which shall have upon the outer side the number of the ward and the division. The return judges are to meet two days after the election.

The validity and meaning of the sections concerning the registration of boarders at hotels, restaurants, and taverns were recently brought before the Court of Common Pleas, by which tribunal it was fully sustained and explained in a decision rendered on the 27th of May.

The Board of Aldermen and Registry

is made up of the following members, seventy-three in number:—

Ward.	*Ward.*
1—Samuel Lutz, Jesse S. Bonsall.	19—Charles Sinex, William R. Haines, William Neill.
2—Joseph C. Tittermary, Hugh Collins.	20—Francis Hood, Chalkley Kemble, James I. Alison.
3—Richard McCloskey, Francis A. Devitt.	21—Olverson Ramsdell, John B. Gibson, Joshua S. Fletcher, John P. Thompson, Peter Dehm.
4—George Moore, William McMullin.	22—Jacob Good, Robert Thomas, Joseph King.
5—John P. Delany, John White, Wm. W. Dougherty.	23—Watson Comly, John P. Brooks, Jeremiah M. Thatcher.
6—Edward Williams, John A. Hurley.	24—Joseph F. Maule, George E. Johnson. Thomas H. Clark.
7—George Patchel, Andrew Morrow, William Belshaw.	25—William Duffy, Owen McDonald, Joseph Allen.
8—Williams Ogle,	26—Charles Mink, Thomas Drilas.
9—David Beitler, Samuel P. Jones, Jr.	27—Thomas Randall, Charles H. Lungren. Slater C. Tayler.
10—William P. Hibberd, Lewis Godbou.	28—Josiah Willoughby, C. Myers.
11—Wilson Kerr, John H. Cahill, William P. Becker.	
12—Peter Hay.	
13—Joseph Plankinton, Charles M. Carpenter.	
14—A. J. Boswell, Jacob R. Massey.	
15—Charles E. Pancoast, Josiah Danfield.	
16—Adam H. Shoemaker, Andrew Riddel.	
17—John Devlin, John J. Devlin.	
18—John Clouds, Albert T. Eggleton.	

THEIR MEETING AND ORGANIZATION UNDER THE NEW REGISTRY LAW.

This morning at 10 o'clock the Aldermen met in Common Council Chamber, for the purpose of organizing under the provisions of the new Registry law. The attendance was very full, scarcely a single member of the Board being absent.

On motion of Alderman Carpenter, Alderman Clouds was called to the chair, and Alderman Tittermary elected Secretary.

Upon motion of Alderman Jones, all persons not holding the official position of Alderman were requested to retire from the Chamber.

The roll of aldermen was then called.

The name of Alderman Toland being called by the Secretary, Alderman Kerr made the point of order that, as the name of Alderman Toland was not upon the official list furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, it was improperly called.

Upon this point the Chair ruled that all persons legally acting as aldermen were qualified members of the Board.

Alderman Carpenter then moved that the meeting proceed to the election of a permanent President.

Alderman Williams moved that, prior to the election, the official commissions of all present should be produced.

Alderman Carpenter moved that Alderman Williams' motion be laid upon the table. Some confusion ensuing, Alderman McMullin, of the Fourth ward, wanted to know whether the Chair did not intend to notice the motion of Alderman Williams. If the minority were to be gagged, he wanted it to be made known.

Alderman Williams modified his resolution so as to apply merely to those whose names were not upon the printed list furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Alderman Jones said that the motion was uncalled for, since the persons referred to in it were acting under an act of Assembly while contesting the seats of their opponents.

Alderman Kerr said that it made no difference whatever whether Alderman Toland had a seat in the body or not. He could produce no commission, and he knew it. All that the minority desired was the right.

The motion was then put and lost—yeas, 25; nays, 32.

The motion to go into an election then prevailed.

Alderman Carpenter nominated Alderman Beitler.

Alderman Kerr nominated Alderman Dougherty.

The nominations were then closed.

The Chair appointed Aldermen Jones and Becker as tellers.

The result was announced as follows:—

Beitler.....44
Dougherty.....23

Alderman Dougherty conducted Alderman Beitler to the chair. He took his seat, returned his thanks to the Board for the honor conferred upon him, hoped that all the deliberations would be conducted in fairness, and that officers would be selected satisfactory to the public of Philadelphia.

Alderman Carpenter moved that the Board go into the election of a clerk, and then allowed his motion to be amended so as to include the assistant clerk.

Alderman Carpenter nominated for clerk James W. Powell and for assistant clerk J. R. T. Whitman.

Alderman Kerr nominated for clerk Isaiah H. Butler and for assistant clerk Francis McCann.

The result for clerk was announced as follows:—

Powell.....41
Butler.....25

At this point Alderman Kerr, seeing that the contest of the minority was hopeless, stated that if there was no objection he would withdraw the name of Mr. McCann for assistant clerk.

Alderman McMullin then moved that Mr. Whitman be elected assistant clerk by acclamation.

This motion being objected to, Alderman Kerr, who had withdrawn the name of Mr. McCann for the purpose of facilitating the business of the Board, renewed the nomination. The election then proceeded by the calling of the roll.

It resulted as follows:—

Whitman.....44
McCann.....22

Nominations for Messengers were then declared in order.

Alderman Carpenter nominated Peter S. Dildine and Joseph Ribbolet.

Alderman Kerr nominated John Daly and John Quinn.

The nominations were closed.

The election resulted as follows:—

Dildine.....44
Ribbolet.....44
Daly.....23
Quinn.....23

The newly elected officers:—Mr. Powell, Clerk; Mr. Whitman, Assistant Clerk; Messrs. Dildine and Ribbolet, Messengers, all assumed their places, the temporary officers retiring.

The organization being now completed, Alderman Kerr moved that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on the 16th inst., at 3 o'clock.

Carried.

Alderman John Devlin announced the death of his colleague, Alderman John J. Devlin, of the Seventeenth ward.

On motion, the Chair appointed the following committee to draft resolutions on Alderman Devlin's decease:—Devlin, Shoemaker, Riddell, Heins, and Kerr.

Upon motion it was agreed that the Board attend the funeral in a body.

Alderman Carpenter offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be and he is hereby directed to draw on the City Commissioners for the necessary books, stationery, and blanks for the use of this Board. Carried.

Alderman Hood offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the clerk be and he is hereby authorized to procure a suitable seal for the Board, with which he shall authenticate all the acts of the Board; said seal shall have engraved on it the coat-of-arms of the city of Philadelphia, and shall have for legend, "Board of Aldermen of the city of Philadelphia."

Carried.

Alderman Kerr moved that the rules of the House of Representatives of this Commonwealth be adopted as the rules in the government of this board. Carried.

Alderman Jones offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the clerk be and he is hereby authorized to establish the office of the clerk of this board at No. 322 N. Sixth street. Carried.

On motion, adjourned.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

OFFICE OF THE EVENING TELEGRAPH, Monday, June 7, 1869.

During the past week the local Money market ruled easy, and the same feature prevails in money circles to-day. Currency is apparently increasing from day to day, but we notice no corresponding increase in the demand for loans, nor will any improvement take place in this respect until the wheels of trade shall revolve more rapidly than for some time past. At present there is no symptom of change in this direction, and the banks and individual lenders are unusually plausible in their treatment of "patients" suffering under the painful disease of "impecuniosity." Money on call is abundant at 4@5 per cent. on Governments, and 5@6 per cent. on other securities. Discounts range between 6@7 per cent. for business paper, the lower figure for what is known as gilt-edged.

Government loans are quiet and a shade lower. Gold is firm, though the fluctuations are frequent within a very narrow range. The price at the opening was 138⅞, and at 11·45 A. M. was quoted at 138¼.

The stock market was moderately active, and prices were rather unsettled. State loans, first series, sold at 104½; second do. at 107, and war loan at 102½. City sixes are steady at 93½ for the old, and 100⅛ for the new issues. Lehigh gold loan sold at 98⅛.

Reading Railroad was in fair request and sold at 49½@49⅝; Pennsylvania Railroad was dull at 57½; Philadelphia and Erie Railroad at 32¾; Lehigh Valley Railroad at 56½; N. Central Railroad at 49, and North Pennsylvania Railroad at 36.

Nothing was done in Canal stocks. 29 was bid for Schuylkill Navigation preferred, and 36½ for Lehigh Navigation.

Coal shares were neglected.

In Bank shares there were sales of Farmers' and Mechanics' at 120, and Commercial at 58¾.

Passenger Railways were more active. Second and Third was taken at 48¾; Spruce and Pine at 27, and Chesnut and Walnut at 48¼.

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FIRST BOARD.

$7100 Pa 6s 2 ser.	104½	100 sh Read R..	b30. 49·56
$300 do ..2 ser.	107	200 do.....	b30. 49⅜
$200 Pa 6s W L Cp.	102¼	1 do.....	49⅜
$500 City 6s, O.c&p.	93½	100 do.....	49·56
$1000 do ....c&p.	94	25 do.....	49⅜
$2400 do ..N.c&p.	100¼	4 do..sswn.	49⅜
$1000 Leh V new bs. Cp..	93⅛	100 do.....	b5. 49·56
$3000 do....reg..	94¼	200 do.....	49⅜
$300 C & A mt 6s'89	93¾	100 do.....	9d. 49⅜
$800 Leh 6s, '84.....	84	100 do.....	b30. 49⅜
$800