Stand all apart with withered heart:
For ma's an incubator.

WILL IRVIN in Century

Chirp! Chirp! Chirp! trills the cricket. Was there ever a merrier sound? It seems to tell its hearers to cast dull care away.

"The Cricket on the Hearth' by Charles Dickens tells of the hope and joy that one cricket brought to the family on whose hearth, it trilled its cheerful note. Its chirp, too, suggests getting ready for cold weather storing coal, making pickles and the children getting ready for school. For summer is almost gone, and autumn is waiting to cross the thresh old.

I waked this morning just as the sun was making preparations to rise.

The eastern sky was tinged with pink and lavender which grew deeper as silver arrows seem to come from the rising sun, which came up in all its glory, and the mists faded slowly as the world was flooded with light. As I looked, I thought of the myriads of suns rising over other planets many larger than our own. What a wonderful thing the universe is! each sun and planet moving in its ordered path brining as it does 'seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night which shall not cease.'

How beautiful it is to be alive!
To wake each morn as if the Makers' grace
Did us refresh from nothingness derive
That we might sing, 'How happy is our case-
How beautiful to be alive.'

HENRY SUTTON.

The feeling always comes to me whe I visit an up to date chicken yard, 'What a lot of joy the busy laying hens are missing in not raising a family of chicks. The mother love comes not to them, and there is no need for their coleted cluck. My sympathy goes out too, to the little chicks that never know a mother's care. Though they are well watered and fed, though their chances of living to be grown are much better, yet it is a lonesome lot for both hens and chicks.

THE INCUBATED CHICKEN

I'm not a little orphan, sir
But I am just as sad,
A peakin' and a pinin' for
The love I never had—
One tcuch of human sympathy
Would melt my poultry natur'
But I refrain from hope so vain
For ma's an incubator.

Some time at rosy fingered dawn
I stand in pensive mood
As now and then some kind sweet hen
Walks proudly with her brood—
Dear influences of the home!
And I, a woman hater,

CONCEALED WEAPONS ON .. ELECTION DAY

The following Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at the January session of 1874 and approved April 6, 1874, is published for the information of the public:

AN ACT

To prevent carrying of guns, pistols, dirks, dirk-knives, razors, billies, or bludgeons by any person in Kent, Queen Annes or Montgomery counties on the day of election in said counties:

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the passage of this Act it shall not be lawful for any person in Kent, Queen Annes and Montgomery counties to carry on the day of election, secretly or otherwise, any gun, pistol, dirk, dirk-knife, razor, violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof before any justice of the Peace, in either of said counties, shall be fined not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and on refusal to pay said fine shall be committed by Justice of the Peace to the jail of the county until the same is paid.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the fines collected under this Act shall be paid by the officers collecting the same to the School Commissioners of the county where offense shall have been commited for school purposes.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That any constable of either of said counties or the sheriff thereof, who shall refuse to arrest any person violating any provision of this Act, upon information of said offense, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before the Circuit Court of the county shall be fined not less than twenty nor more than fifty dollars and forthwith be discharged from office.

CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT

CHAPTER 122, ACTS OF 1908

171. The following persons shall be guilty of corrupt practices and shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of this act: Every person, who shall, directly or indirectly, by himself or by another give or offer or promise to any person any money, gift, advantage, preferment, entertainment, aid, emolument, or any valuable thing whatever, for the purpose of inducing or procuring any person to vote, or refrain from voting, for or against any person, or for or against any measure or proposition at any election or primary election or political convention or session of the General Assembly of Maryland or either House thereof. Every person who shall, directly or indirectly receive, accept, request or solicit, or bludgeon, and any person licit from any person, candidate, committee, association, organization or for or against any person, or for or against any measure at any such election, caucus or primary election or political convention. Every person who shall, directly or indirectly, pay, give, contribute or promise any money or other valuable thing, to defray, or towards defraying the costs or expense of any campaign or election, to any person, committee, company, club, or ganization, or association other than to a treasurer or political agent; but this sub-section or paragraph shall not apply to dues regularly paid for membership in any incorporated political club if all money expended by such club for or in connection with the costs or expenses of any campaign or as provided in this Act, or to any expenses for postage, telephoning, telegrams, stationery, printing, expressage or traveling and board incurred by any candidate for office or for nomination thereto so far as they are permitted by this Act. Every person who shall, directly or indirectly, by himself or through another person, make a payment or promise of payment, to a treasurer or political agent in any other name than his own; and every treasurer or political agent, who shall knowingly receive a payment or promise of payment, and enter the same or cause the same to be entered in his accounts in any other name than that of the person by whom such payment or promise of payment is made. Every person who being an employer pays his employes the salary or wages due in "pay envelopes" upon which there is written or printed, or in which there is enclosed any political motto, device or argument containing threats, express or implied, intended or calculated to influence the political opinions or actions of such employes, or within ninety days of any election or primary puts, or otherwise exhibits, in the establishments or place where his employes are engaged in labor, any hand bill or placard containing any threat notice or information that if any particular ticket or candidate is elected or defeated, work in his place or establishment will cease in whole or in par or his establishment be closed up, or the wages of his employes be reduced other threats expressed or implied, intended or calculated to influence the political opinions or actions or his employes. Every person, who, before, during or after election or primary election, by himself or by any other person, either directly or indirectly, gives or provides or pays, wholly or in part, the expenses of giving or providing provisions to or for any person, for the purpose of influencing that person or any other person, to give or refrain from giving his vote at the election or primary election, or to influence his vote in any other way therein, or on account of his having voted or refrained from voting, or being about to vote or refrain from voting, and every elector who accepts the same, or any of the same, for any or the purposes aforesaid. Every person who shall be guilty of any corrupt practices as aforesaid shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars, or be imprisoned for one year, or both, and shall be ineligible to any public office or public employment for a period of four years from and after the time of the commission of such offense.

BETTING ON ELECTIONS

The attention of all persons is particularly called to the following sections of 36 Code of Public Laws of Maryland:

Section 45. No person shall make any bet or wager on the result of any election to take plac in this State.

Sec.48. Any person offending against the last preceding section shall be liable to indictment by the Circuit Court. If the offense be committed in any county, or in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars, to be paid to the State for School Fund.

Sec. 48. Any deposit of money in any part of the State as a wager or bet upon elections in this State or elsewhere shall be forfeited and paid over to the County Commissioners of the county where deposited for the use of the county, and if deposited in the city of Baltimore, to the Mayor and City Council.

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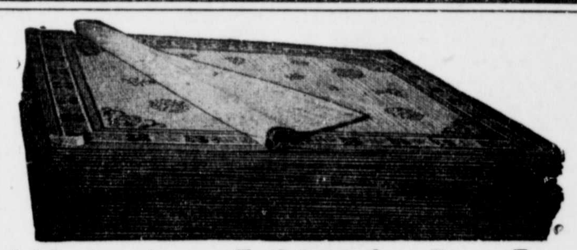
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