

tions from the deadly taint which now rest upon them is the proposed improvement of the law relating to registration.

No man will deny that the administration of the affairs of the State should be determined by the free intelligent and honest votes of our people, and that non-residents who seldom appear within our borders except on election day ought not, by their votes, to be permitted to overcome and thwart the will of our resident citizens.

Yet it is a well-assured fact that in some portions of the State our registry books contain the names of large numbers of persons who do not really and truly reside in the State and who ought not to be allowed to vote and control our elections. To meet and put an end to this evil and to purge our registry books of these fraudulent names, it is proposed to re-enact the provisions of the Act of 1890, chapter 573, section 14, upon this subject, which, while it stood on the statute books, proved such an effective barrier against this palpable wrong.

These provisions have been upheld by the Court of Appeals to be Constitutional, and no good reason can be given why they should not be promptly re-enacted for the relief of the people.

The proposed amendments to which I have at some length referred, touch very vitally the interest of the State and their adoption is now imperatively demanded if we would secure and preserve a free, honest and intelligent suffrage.

#### A SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR BALTIMORE CITY.

3d. Upon this important subject but little need be said.

The municipal authorities and the great body of the citizens of Baltimore are deeply concerned in the passage of the needed enabling act giving to the Mayor and City Council the desired authority to deal with this urgent measure so vital to the proper sanitary condition of the city.

Without undertaking to go into the details which will be fully explained to you by the city's representatives, I