

American continent. There is ample call and room for municipal reform organizations on many lines. Good government clubs can do much towards exposing administrative unfaithfulness, arousing public sentiment, securing better legislation and inducing worthy men to present themselves for municipal offices; but unless such efforts can be supplemented by other organizations recognizing the necessity of the inviolableness of the ballot box and prepared to spend and be spent in active hand to hand conflict with the "machine," on its own battle ground, the triumph of righteousness and good

government, which we all so desire to see, will be long delayed. Few are the cities on the American continent, in which there does not exist a sufficient number of patriotic citizens to amply endow any working organization that can be trusted: in which there are not enough sincere, enthusiastic, determined young men, from whom to recruit an electoral league to full fighting strength: in which a lawful registry list, an honestly polled ballot and a gathering in of the indifferent vote will not bring about the triumph at the polls of any just cause.

A GREEK REVERIE.

OFF NEWPORT.

This is the purple sea of ancient song.
 These are the groves to which Bacchantes lured.
 And in these rocks bad spirits are immured,
 Pent in by Heaven in token of a wrong.

Sure that is Pan, who marches through the pine,
 Followed by boys with passionate eyes, and men
 Bedecked with roses! Fainter down the glen
 Tramps the mad rabble, caught with song divine.

Now once again the Lord of Life and Day
 Smites with his splendor all the dull, waste waves.
 Straight Ulysses, his face, sleep-swoln, laves,
 Rouses his Heroes, and with scant delay
 Prows are turned homeward. Hark the rhythmic beat!
 Another weary day, and vacant sky, and heat.

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