

A Municipal Election

Atmosphere of excitement two candidates contesting a seat — both sides confident hand-bills distributed posters pasted on walls — election manifestoes by the candidates — canvassing for votes — even the humblest voter had his importance — appeals, persuasions, allurements — all sorts of things employed by both the parties to capture votes — election day itself — opening of the poll — loud-speakers rend the air — feverish activity motor-cars and other vehicles hurrying to and fro—bringing crowds of voters and unloading them at the polling booth — sometimes hot words exchanged between the rival parties — voters cheered — slogans shouted race for last votes — a regular tug-of-war — waiting for the result — scene at the public declaration of the poll the crowds cheer wildly — the elected candidate carried in procession — your reflections — voters hardly realise value of the vote personal regard counting for much merit hardly taken into consideration an election, if rightly conducted, provides a great political education for the people.