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Weather Forecast. Official forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at midnight February 24th--Northern California--Fair weather; stationary temperature; northerly winds.

WHY NOT TRY IT?

We are unable to divine the reasons for an adverse committee report upon Senate Bill No. 137, providing for the paroling of convicts. It is a simple, understandable bill, and remarkable for its terseness.

The bill provides for a Parole Board for each prison, made up of Prison Directors and local prison officials. After the minimum term has been served by any convict, he may apply to the board to be paroled. If it deems the case a worthy one, the board may order him to be set at liberty on conditions, and under regulations that it is to prescribe.

This is all well. It would be better if the indeterminate sentence system were adopted into our Penal Code along with parole. Perhaps objection was raised to the bill that it is extended to life-terms after ten years of confinement, but that might have been stricken out and have left the bill strong and good.

But while this is unstable ground of opposition, why not, as a penological experiment, give the system a trial? It has succeeded well elsewhere, and we believe it is just as well adapted to California conditions now as it would be fifty years hence.

Fully one-third of the convicts who are now charged upon the State Treasury might better be out of prison and supporting themselves, and still be under the watch and ward, and in the custody of the State. The reasons for this belief we have very fully and very frequently set forth. It should not be necessary to say much more upon the subject now.

The chief purpose of depriving a criminal of liberty is to reform him--at least to render him harmless to society; hence we employ bolts, bars and guards. After the man has been, by a reasonable term of confinement, taught that he can live without indulging his appetites and passions, that he must respect authority and submit to discipline, the parole system sets him free, but exercises over him the restraint of the State's right to retake him and confine him again.

Being deemed a fit subject for trust he is sent out as a ward of the State, to provide for himself and to become a useful man among men, and no longer a burden and cost to the commonwealth. The restraint proposed to be exercised is a powerful aid to decent living and right doing, and is helpful in the highest degree to the man, no matter what his plane of education. He is armed against the wiles and threats of old prison companions who lose their power to frighten him with exposure, and threaten while tempting him. For he knows that to yield means the probability of his return to the prison to serve out his term with cancelled credits. He bears a certificate that he is trusted by the State, and this becomes a letter of credit; he reports at frequent periods to peace and to prison officers, and can at any time invoke their aid and protection.

There is every incentive for such a man to walk in a straight path, to labor honestly, to avoid bad company, to win credits out of prison rather than in--in short to continue far more effectively his reformation than he could possibly do in prison. In other words, having in confinement profited by his discipline and proved that he received punishment in the proper spirit, he is sent out with moral aids and supports to test himself in freedom, and while exposed to all its temptations.

This is better far, in our opinion, than confinement a full term and then discharge without any helping and restraining influence about him. Moreover, it is better for the State, since it tends to lessen the number of the criminal class, and at the same time to reduce the cost of prison maintenance.

Ohio has successfully tried the plan, New York has it in a modified form, and in both the results have justified the experiments. It is an advance upon the ticket-of-leave system of England, because in the latter the convict must not leave the place assigned to him, and must report in person to police headquarters of the place at very frequent, even weekly

periods. He is thus kept constantly under the eye of a character that cripples his ability and disposition to help himself. We cannot conceive of any possible harm to come of a trial of the parole system in California. Suppose it to be tested here for four years, and that there is no greater loss under it than equals the number of second or third terms sent up in a like period under the present system, would not the gain be great in saving to the State solid coin, in the first place, and in probable permanent reclamation from vicious ways of a large percentage of convicts in the second place?

A NOTABLE OCCASION.

The decline of shipping under the American flag has been the subject of a national moan these many years. It has remained for President Harrison, in the last days of a prudent, patriotic Administration, to crown a work that under him attaining its greatest impetus, now promises to restore in the fullness of not a long time, the American merchant marine to a position of commanding importance.

In his message to Congress in December, 1889, the President repeated with urgency the recommendations of his previous message in relation to the development of American steamship lines. He pointed out the absolute National need that we should have first-class communication between our ports and the ports of such other nations as meet our advances for enlarged commercial exchanges, and that these ocean carriers should be American bottoms and encouraged by liberal offers to enter the lists.

We had been doing all we could for many years to discourage United States registry of ocean steam vessels; our payment for mail carrying service has not been one-fourth as great as England pays for similar service. Her experience has taught her that for every dollar thus expended she receives three, and at the same time adds to the expansiveness of her trade.

When President Harrison drew the American flag to the masthead on the ocean steamer City of New York on Washington's Birthday he gave distinction to an occasion that must have filled his soul with pride, as it certainly did the souls of all other true Americans. It was eminently appropriate that the Chief Magistrate should thus take part in the dedicatory ceremony of the initial hour of a new era of commercial growth. The placing of the American flag and the displacement of a foreign one on a great ocean carrier, made possible by the legislation the President advised, was indeed, as Mr. Cockran well said, a magnificent occasion, marking the beginning of a peaceful conquest.

The President's reference to the legislation that he was honored in approving, that brought about this inauguration, was very modest, and was no more than a word or two. But it was full of significance, and a sharp rebuke to the unwisdom that arrayed opposition to the movement to restore our merchant marine.

CAMPING GROUNDS.

A bill is pending in the Legislature to authorize a Military Board of the National Guard to select and accept a permanent camp ground, for the use of the National Guard, from any such sites as may be offered free to the State. While the State is to pay no charge for such grounds, \$2,500 is authorized to be spent on them when accepted to put them in condition, and erect such structures or repair any on the land, as are necessary.

New York State has a fine instruction camp ground at Peekskill. Very often the troops of the guard march to these grounds, the march being a part of the instruction. Not all the troops go into camp at once, but from time to time as convenience dictates.

Such a camp ground with necessary barrack structures, kitchens and other conveniences, would be of great assistance to the National Guard of California, the usefulness of which should be diligently conserved by the State. Of course, at this time it is understood that no large expense in properly preparing grounds can be gone into, but in the course of a few years a very superior plat can be arranged by a little annual expenditure.

If proper grounds can be secured free, and the barrack system introduced, the yearly cost for guard encampments will be very considerably reduced. The grounds ought to be central that the question of transportation may be reduced to the minimum, and if possible a site should be selected considerably removed from any large town, that the troops while in camp, may not be hindered in improvement by the instruction, because of the social attractions of a large population.

There ought to be unanimous approval of the suggestion that if a State building is erected in San Francisco, provision should be made in the law for the accommodation in that building of the State Board of Trade exhibition rooms, registry office, etc. That private, public-spirited organization would be most appropriately housed in a State building. It has done splendid work for the State, and can do infinitely more, if it can have room for its museum of products in the State building, that its income may not be absorbed by rentals. It now costs the State nothing, but the State as a whole reaps the full benefit of its disinterested labors. It has lived long enough and accomplished enough to prove its right to consideration. The board, we understand, asks nothing from the State. It is not the originator of or privy to the idea of housing it at the proposed State building, which all the more strengthens the suggestion. The Legislature ought to provide that ample room in the building shall be reserved for this public-spirited institution, where all visitors to the metropolis can go to view a permanent exhibition of California products, and obtain reliable and impartial information about every section of the State.

The "Princess" Kaulani, who is no longer a Princess, protests that annexation will deprive her of her royal right to rule in time. Which raises the question whether a republic can consistently, with its substructural principles, even consider this so-called "royal right." A republican system recognizes only the right of the governed to choose. The heredity of royal right is denied utterly whenever a people by manifest strength substitute a self-governing system. Princess Kaulani talks of her rights, as if they are so deep-rooted in the fabric of the Hawaiian system that no other rights can displace them. The Senate may not approve the annexation scheme, but if it does it will be because of a policy relating immediately to our own Government, and not because of Kaulani's claims of royal right.

If there is any likelihood of the bill passing for the construction of a Yosemite wagon road, a measure the unwisdom and dangerous character of which we have laid bare, those legislators who are arrayed against it ought to make a supreme effort to check its progress in the cause of legislation. It means, if it becomes a law, a constant drain for some years upon the public purse, and the vivifying of the old effort to have the State buy supposed rights on some existing routes and roads.

The San Francisco Examiner exhibits to public view the sore that eats into its heart because Mr. Cleveland has seen fit to name Judge Grosman as the first member in his Cabinet. It is denounced as an affront and an injustice to the Democracy. Has it never occurred to the Examiner that probably Mr. Cleveland may consider himself broader than his party, and his duty to be to conserve the highest interests of all rather than to advance partisan ambitions?

The Assembly has done itself much credit by defeating the proposed constitutional amendment embodying a bastard edition of the Swiss constitutional referendum, which has been on trial there not yet two years. Orators who claimed a thousand years of trial for it in the Swiss Republic confuse the constitutional and the legislative referendum schemes.

In the examination of propositions for a new water supply for Sacramento the Advisory Committee should waste no time on a ditch-carried water supply. The people of Sacramento simply will not have it--and they are right.

Special Notices.

FAST TIME TO THE EAST.--The Atlantic and Pacific Railroad (Santa Fe route) is now twelve hours shorter for city and out, and twenty-four hours shorter to Chicago than formerly. Pullman Tourist Sleepers run to Chicago every day without change. Personally conducted excursions every Tuesday, with tourist car to Boston. GEORGE W. RAILLON, Agent, 1004 Fourth Street, Sacramento.

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Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any one in this county transporting or carrying any live calf, sheep, goat, hog, or other animal used for human food, to bind or tie the feet of such animal, or to transport or carry it in a cruel or inhuman manner. But whoever has the duty of transporting or carrying such animal shall provide such ways and means for such transportation or carriage as will most effectively protect said animals from injury and suffering.

Section 3. The dimensions of the coops or cages to be used in the transportation or confinement of poultry or fowls, for peddling, sale or delivery or otherwise handled as aforesaid, are hereby declared to be as follows: For turkeys and geese, not less than twenty-eight (28) inches in height in the clear. For chickens and ducks not less than sixteen (16) inches in height in the clear.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any one in this county transporting or carrying any live calf, sheep, goat, hog, or other animal used for human food, to bind or tie the feet of such animal, or to transport or carry it in a cruel or inhuman manner. But whoever has the duty of transporting or carrying such animal shall provide such ways and means for such transportation or carriage as will most effectively protect said animals from injury and suffering.

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