

POKING AMONG THE JUTE BAGS

Governor Budd and the Prison Board Make Investigations.

Impending Shake-Up in the San Quentin Convict Mill.

PROBABLE LOPPING OF HEADS.

The Directors Are Not Satisfied With the Way the Factory Has Been Running.

Governor Budd and the full board of Prison Directors spent the entire day at San Quentin prison yesterday, ostensibly investigating the case of the Cummings boys, whom the Governor recently reprieved until October 30, and some other cases of parole and pardon. In reality, however, his visit was to make an inspection and investigation of the affairs of the jail, and as a result of this visit yesterday there will be a lopping off of heads at the next regular meeting of the board that will bring consternation into the ranks of the higher officials of that prison industry as well as into the working forces who are under salary.

The Governor also took a ride over the five miles of the completed portion of the fourteen miles of the proposed boulevard between San Rafael and Tiburon. Then he acted as a sort of host to a party of visitors from Los Angeles who accompanied the Governor from San Francisco, and who made a tour of the prison. Altogether it was a busy day for the Governor, but despite the onerousness of the duties which he imposed upon himself yesterday, he was modest withal about it and did not permit his left hand to know what his right was doing. In other words, the proceedings of the special session of the board was not intended to be made public. In fact it was intended to be of an executive character, its business being not to act on any proposition, but simply to lay the groundwork for some very important future action.

Last December with a view to improving the system of operation in the jute-mill and increasing its product thereby, the Governor appointed John Rutherford as superintendent in place of the former official who acted in that capacity, and also replaced the old spinners with a new corps. No improvement was perceived despite the sweeping changes that had been made but the Governor and the members of the board decided to abide in patience for a while and give the new force every opportunity to make a showing. But the passing of time only intensified the worse condition. Results only were looked after and these were far from satisfactory. In fact the output of the jute-mill today is even less than it was under the former regime.

Patience at last ceased to be a virtue, and so yesterday the Governor took a day on to go through the mill and make a personal inspection of it. What he and the directors saw creepied them to the purpose, and when the board next meets in regular session, which will be on the second Saturday in November, there will be a complete turning out and over of the salaried force in the jute-mill with perhaps a few exceptions.

Four cases of commutations and pardons were also discussed by the board. The most important of these was the case of the Cummings boys, who were convicted of the murder of John Henley in Narramore, near Riverside, and sentenced to be hanged on September 25. On September 24, however, the doomed men were reprieved until the 30th inst.

Another case that was considered at length was that of John Henley, convicted of murder in the second degree in Humboldt County. He was sentenced to life imprisonment twenty-one years ago. His conduct since has been of the most exemplary character, and he is pronounced to be one of the best prisoners ever confined within the walls of the San Quentin prison. His sentence will probably be reduced to thirty-three years and some months, which with the credits deducted will make him a free man when the board holds its next session.

The case of Thomas Sullivan, sentenced to a long term on conviction of robbery in Kern County, was heard, but the prisoner's delinquent manner did not favorably impress the board.

The fourth case that was considered was that of Rajinski, convicted of arson in San Francisco. He has become a hopeless cripple in jail. Great interest has been shown in his case by the Jewish people of San Francisco, where the convicted man left a wife and two children. A letter has been received by the board from the brother of the prisoner, who is a wealthy manufacturer in Pennsylvania, in which the brother agrees to take care of his relative and his family, pay their expenses to Pennsylvania, and see that the convicted man does not return to California. His case will in all probability receive favorable consideration, and his pardon be made out at the board's next meeting.

NEW TO-DAY.

COVERED WITH HUMOR

When I was thirteen years old I began to have sore eyes and ears. I had a humor spread. I doctored with five different doctors, but they did me no good. My disease was Eczema. By this time it had gone all over my head, face, and body. Nobody thought I would live, and would not have but for CUTICURA. I used four boxes of CUTICURA, and three bottles of CUTICURA SOAP, and three bottles of CUTICURA RESOLVENT. My hair all came out at that time, but now it is so thick I can hardly comb it. I am sixteen years old, weigh 120 pounds, and am perfectly well.

FATHER MATHEW'S DAY CELEBRATED

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The Labor Council's Representatives at the Big Meeting To-Morrow. At its regular meeting last night, the San Francisco Labor Council received an invitation from the district council of the Carpenters' Union to send delegates to participate in a labor convention to be held at 915 1/2 Market street to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. John Hill, W. MacArthur and C. E. Hawkes were appointed as delegates to the big meeting.

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