REPORT

BY THE

GOVERNOR OF IOWA

OF

PARDONS, SUSPENSIONS AND COMMUTATIONS OF SENTENCE

AND

REMISSIONS OF FINES

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To the General Assembly:

In accordance with the provision of the Constitution, I herewith transmit to you a report of each case of pardon, reprieve, commutation and suspension granted, and the reasons for the same, also all persons in whose favor remissions of fines and forfeitures have been made during the biennial period ending January 1, 1904.

Albert B. Commins

PARDONS

ADVISED BY THE TWENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

J. WESLEY ELKINS, Clayton county. Committed January 14, 1890, for the term of his natural life, for the crime of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 19, 1902. Notice of application having been published as required by law and papers submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly, and by it recommended.

WILLIAM YOUNG, Woodbury county. Committed to the penitentiary February 20, 1897, for life for the offense of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 24, 1902, notice of application having been duly published and papers submitted to the Twentyninth General Assembly and by that body recommended.

George Stanley, Story county. Committed to the penitentiary April 30, 1872, for life for the crime of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 26, 1902, notice of application having been duly published and papers submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly and by it recommended.

OTTO OTTEN, Pocahontas county. Committed to the penitentiary January 27, 1887, for life for the offense of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 29, 1902, notice having been published of application for pardon, as by law required, and papers submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly and by that body recommended.

THEODORE BUSHICK, Mills county. Committed October 10, 1879, for the term of his natural life for the crime of murder. Pardoned conditionally April 29, 1902, after notice of application had been published and the papers submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly and by it recommended.

JOHN BELLEW, Webster county. Committed to the penitentiary October 10, 1894, for the term of his natural life for the offense of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 29, 1902, notice of application having been duly published and papers submitted to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly and by that body recommended.

JOSEPH MCCRARY, Mills county. Committed to the penitentiary March 21, 1879, for the term of his natural life for the crime of murder. Conditionally pardoned April 29, 1902, after publication and submission of papers to the Twenty-ninth General Assembly and recommendation by it.

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HARRY TAYLOR, Lee county. Committed to the penitentiary March 16, 1901, for one year for the offense of larceny. Pardoned February 12, 1902,—three days prior to the expiration of his sentence. Pardon recommended by trial judge, county attorney and a large number of the best citizens of Lee county.

DAVID SODERSTROM, Lucas county. Convicted of robbery and committed to the penitentiary for term of five years, on February 19, 1901. Pardoned August 9, 1902, for the reason that a strong showing was made which indicated almost conclusively that he was innocent of the crime.

JULIA GENT, Scott county. Convicted of the offense of perjury, and sentenced October 6, 1902, to a term of sixty days in the penitentiery. She had, on July 5, 1902, hired a bicycle which she failed to return, and, when arrested for embezzling the same, claimed to have returned it by messenger, in which she was corroborated by Emma Kranz. This claim was shown to be false although Miss Kranz did not know it to be so. Former good conduct and the extreme youth of the defendant, being only sixteen years of age, was strongly urged. Judge Brannan and County Attorney Lischer recommended pardon in which they were joined by E. G. McArthur, sheriff. Pardoned October 13, 1902, before commitment.

EMMA KRANZ, Scott county. Age sixteen years. Same as Julia Gent.

ALVA HUNT, Polk county. Committed to the county jail October 15, 1902 for the term of three months for the offense of assault with intent to commit great bodily injury. Based on new facts which developed after sentence was pronounced, Judge Holmes, Assistant County Attorney Brennan and F. E. Duncan strongly urged that he be pardoned. Pardoned November 26, 1902.

JOSEPH MULICK, Howard county. Convicted at the December term, 1902, of the offense of manslaughter and sentenced to serve a term of one year in the county jail. The showing in support of the application for pardon was an unusually strong one, in which eleven of the jurors who sat in the trial of the case joined. Pardoned March 25, 1903.

SUSPENSIONS.

GEORGE WILLIAMS, Dubuque county. At the October term, 1901 was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of three years for the offense of breaking and entering. Sentence suspended February 1, 1902, on the recommendation of Hon. Fred O'Donnell and Hon. M. C. Matthews, Judges, and Hon. E. E. Bowen, County Attorney, and for the further reason that a statement was filed from Warden Hunter to the effect that Williams was suffering from valvular trouble of the heart and was in a precarious condition. He died March 19, 1902.

Julia O. Crosby, Clarke county. Sentenced December 16, 1899, to a term of six years in the penitentiary, for the offense of manslaughter. Sentence was suspended February 4, 1902, upon the recommendation of Hon. W. B. Tallman, State Senator, Hon. M. L. Temple, Representative, and nearly all of the attorneys of Osceola in said county. A strong petition was also filed in support of the application, and for the further reason that the evidence strongly indicated that the shooting was done in self-defense.

ED BAROFSKY, Scott county. Sentenced to the county jail for a term of one year for the offense of assault with intent to do great bodily injury. On the day sentence was pronounced in this case Judge Bollinger and County Attorney Lischer asked that sentence be suspended during good behavior, stating that "sentence was passed with this parole in view." Sentence was suspended February 6, 1902.

JAMES MORAN, Dubuque county. Convicted at the October term, 1901, of the offense of assault with intent to do great bodily injury, and sentenced to the county jail for a term of four months. Sentence suspended on the 17th day of February,

1902, upon the recommendation of Hon. M. C. Matthews, Judge, Hon. E. E. Bowen, County Attorney, and on the statement of Dr. Harry T. Walker that further imprisonment would impair his health.

George Twiggs, Scott county. Sentenced on the 22nd day of October, 1900, to a term of ten years in the penitentiary for the offense of rape. Sentence suspended February 20, 1902, on the recommendation of Judge Bollinger and County Attorney Lischer, and for the further reason that Dr. Druet, Prison Physician, on February 19, 1902, wrote as follows: "He had a severe pulmonary hemorrhage about two weeks ago and has since been confined to his bed. These hemorrhages are liable to occur at any time, and may prove fatal." Died March 14, 1902.

James O'Keefe, Polk county. Convicted of the offense of burglary and sentenced to the penitentiary December 21, 1899, for a term of fifteen years. The application for elemency was signed by John J. Halloran, Assistant County Attorney, two members of the Board of Supervisors, Deputy Clerk of the District Court, and Deputy Sheriff. The Warden reported that he had a good prison record. His father was lying at the point of death and was very anxious to see his son.

H. J. PAAP, Calhoun county. Sentenced to the penitentiary at the February term, 1900, of the District Court for a term of four and one-half years for the offense of breaking and entering. Suspended March 5, 1902, upon the recommendation of the Judge and County Attorney, and for the further reason that a statement by a reputable physician had been filed indicating that Mrs. Paap was in danger of losing her mind because of the incarceration of her husband. A very strong petition signed by the citizens of Pomeroy supporting the application was also filed.

C. P. Moore, Worth county. Sentenced January 17, 1902, to the penitentiary for a term of three months for the offense of perjury. Sentence suspended March 14, 1902, on the recommendation of the Judge and the County Attorney, and of Hon. James E. Blythe, and for the further reason that a petition containing fifty-six names had been filed in support of the application.

HUGH KELLEY, Polk county. Committed to the Industrial School for Boys September 12, 1899, to be therein detained until he attained his majority. The applicant was given permis-

sion to visit his home on account of the fatal illness of his father—his mother being left in practically destitute circumstances and greatly needed the aid of her son, who at the time was eighteen years of age. Sentence suspended March 17, 1902.

LEONARD WYCOFF, Shelby county. Convicted of the crime of seduction and sent to penitentiary on the third day of February, 1899, for a term of eighteen months. Suspension recommended by the county attorney, and a number of prominent citizens of Shelby county. Application also supported by a petition containing 240 names.

MARGARET PLUMMER, Woodbury county. Committed to the penitentiary October 7, 1901, for a term of two and one-half years for the offense of assisting a prisoner to escape. In this case Mrs. Plummer assisted her husband to escape from the jail of Woodbury county. The judge and county attorney recommended that she be paroled after having served six months.

CLYDE CUPP, Polk county. Committed to the penitentiary October 10, 1897, for a term of seven years for the offense of conspiracy. Judge Conrad, who pronounced sentence, James A. Howe, who prosecuted the case, recommended clemency, in which they were joined by a large number of citizens whose names appear on three petitions on file in this case.

NAT L. FELTON, Jones county. Sentenced March 10, 1902, to the State Industrial School for boys until he attained the age of 21 years, for the offense of assault with intent to rob. Suspension granted March 25, 1902, before commitment. A very strong petition was filed in support of the application for elemency signed by the leading citizens of Jones county. In this petition it was stated that the applicant had always deported himself properly, and that no previous charge had ever been preferred against him. A large number of letters are also on file signed by leading business and professional men, including the principal of the school which the applicant attended, the pastors of several of the churches, and one by Judge Remley, who pronounced sentence.

WM. J. BAUGHMAN, Cass county. Sentenced to the penitentiary February 8, 1899, for a term of five years, for the offense of incest. Sentence suspended March 26, 1902. An unusually strong showing is on file in support of the suspension of this sentence. A large number of the prominent business and pro-

fessional men of Cass county, including the present County Attorney, recommended clemency. A petition is on file signed by all of the voters, except four, in the township in which the crime was alleged to have been committed. The suspension was also recommended by Senator Emmert and Representative Pipher.

NICHOLAS ENGLE, Dubuque county. Convicted at the October term, 1901, of the District Court of Dubuque county, of the offense of uttering a forged instrument, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of eighteen months. Sentence suspended on the first day of April, 1902, on the recommendation of Judge Matthews and County Attorney Bowen of Dubuque county. Prior to the conviction he served five months in the county jail awaiting trial. Having previously borne a good character, and being at the time of his release sixty years of age, it seemed to the best interest of all concerned that he be paroled.

CLARENCE ROBINSON, Kossuth county. Sentenced March 5, 1902, to the penitentiary for a term of seven years, for the offense of assault with intent to commit murder. Clemency was recommended by Judge Quarton and County Attorney Cohenour. Judge Quarton urged an absolute pardon in this case, basing the same on previous good conduct both of the young man and his family, stating that he had known them for twenty years. A suspension was also recommended by Hon. Gardner Cowles, and by a petition signed by many of the best citizens of Algona.

Frank Morarie, Linn county. Convicted at the January term, 1902, of the district court of Linn county of the offense of selling intoxicating liquors contrary to law, and sentenced to the county jail for a term of four months and pay a fine of \$400. On the recommendation of Hon. M. H. Remley, Judge, W. O. Clemans the County Attorney, the members of the Board of Supervisors of Linn county, and a large number of other citizens of Linn county who signed a petition, that part of the judgment requiring his imprisonment in the county jail was suspended after he had served one and one-half months.

W. O. HEDRICK, Marshall county. Sentenced to the penitentiary May 1, 1901, for a term of three years for the offense of forgery. Sentence suspended April 17, 1902, on the recommendation of Judge Burnham, who pronounced sentence, and of Henry Stone, County Attorney at the time of the trial. Sus-

pension was also strongly recommended by Hon. C. J. Sparks, County Attorney of Boone county, and by a numerously signed petition.

Wesley Hampton, Dubuque county. Sentenced February 19, 1902, for a term of five months in the county jail for the offense of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury, the court making the order at the time of sentence that he should be released at the end of four months if his conduct during all that time had been good. Sentence suspended April 21, 1902. Suspension recommended by the Judge and County Attorney, also by Dr. Harry T. Walker, who stated that he had been treating him for chronic catarrh of the stomach, and that his health would be impaired if permitted to remain any considerable length of time in the county jail. A petition was also filed signed by thirty-two citizens of Dubuque.

MACE BELL, Jasper county. Committed to the penitentiary December 20, 1899, for a term of five years, for the offense of rape. The county attorney recommended that he be released after having served eighteen months. A petition was filed in support of the application for elemency signed by forty-three citizens of Jasper county. Also a statement from Dr. Philpott, prison physician, stating that he was in bad physical condition having symptoms of tuberculosis. Sentence suspended April 22, 1902, after he had served two years, three months and twenty-four days.

Fred Schultz, Sioux county. Sentenced to the penitentiary on the 21st day of September, 1900, for a term of six years, for the offense of rape. Suspension of sentence recommended by Judge Hutchinson, who pronounced sentence, and P. D. Van Oosterhout, who prosecuted the case, and by Anthony Le Paske, County Attorney at the time the application was made. A very grave doubt of the guilt of the accused exists in this case.

JOHN LEE, Sioux county. Sentenced to the penitentiary on the 21st day of September, 1900, for a term of six years, for the offense of rape. Suspension of sentence recommended by Judge Hutchinson, who pronounced sentence, and P. D. Oosterhout, who prosecuted the case, and by Anthony LePaske, County Attorney at the time the application was made. A very grave doubt of the guilt of the accused exists in this case.

J. H. PHILIPS, Wapello county. Sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of two years for the offense of manslaughter. The defendant was acting in the capacity of special policeman, having been appointed and sworn in by the mayor of Eldon. A fair was in progress and the deceased, who lived in an adjoining county was under the influence of liquor and persisted in causing trouble. The defendant arrested him and started to take him to jail. He resisted and was struck on the head by the defendant with a policeman's billy. If a crime was committed it could not have been more than involuntary manslaughter. Judge Eichelberger wrote: "The circumstances of this case were such that I was a little surprised at the conviction and yet the evidence was such that I was not warranted in setting aside the verdict." County Attorney Enoch, after stating that evidence had been introduced "which was not true," says, "Other facts and circumstances in the matter leads me to believe that I would not be doing my duty if I did not endorse the granting of a pardon." A petition signed by several hundred citizens was filed. Sentence suspended May 6, 1902.

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PAUL E. J. BLAKE, Jones county. Sentenced June 11, 1900, to the penitentiary for a term of two years and six months, for the offense of uttering a forged instrument. Clemency was recommended by Judge Remley and County Attorney Herrick if the defendant could obtain steady employment. This condition being complied with through a letter placed on file signed by Clarence A. Moore of Chicago, offering employment, sentence was suspended May 12, 1902.

CHARLES SUNDELL, Marshall county. Convicted of the crime of larceny and sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of two years and six months. Committed April 3, 1901. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney and a large number of business and professional men and by the sheriff. Sentence suspended May 12, 1902.

REASON HOYT, Cass county. Convicted of the crime of manslaughter and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of six years. A young lady living near Cumberland becoming enceinte, the defendant permitted a friend, who was implicated, to take the young lady to his brother's house where he resided, where a Doctor Johnson attempted to produce an abortion and which resulted in the death of the girl a few minutes afterward. Judge Green wrote: "Further developments have caused me to doubt whether he was anything more than an accessory, led into the crime by persons much more blameworthy and whose motives were much more pernicious, and without any direct interest in the matter on his part. Under such circumstances I believe it would be well to give him the benefit of the doubt. I recommend that he be now paroled." A petition was filed containing the names of one hundred and eighty-five of the citizens of Cumberland and vicinity. Also a large number of personal letters. Sentence suspended May 15, 1902.

ALFRED LARSON, Mitchell county. Convicted of the offense of larceny and sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of three months. The record shows that he was addicted to the use of intoxicants. That he was in the habit of indulging in prolonged carousals, during which he often became stupid and irresponsible. That during one of these sprees he took a horse and sold it to obtain liquor with which to satisfy his appetite. He entered a plea of guilty. The judge and county attorney and six of the county officers wrote urging suspension of sentence before commitment. It was shown that he had been confined in the county jail awaiting trial for a period of nearly seven months. That in this time he had overcome the desire for liquor. Sentence suspended May 17, 1902.

VIRGIL SAWVELL, Cherokee county. Committed to the penitentiary September 12, 1901, for a term of four years for the offense of assault with intent to commit rape. A petition in support of the application for clemency was filed on which were names of seven hundred and five citizens of the county. Among which were eight county officers. Clemency was recommended also, by the presiding judge, and a large number of letters on file including one from Hon. G. F. Coburn, Representative. Sentence suspended June 5, 1902.

CHARLES DAVIS, Polk County. Sentenced February 10, 1898, to the penitentiary for a term of nine years for the offense of robbery and breaking and entering. Judge Conrad stated: "I gave the sentence I did with intent after two or three years to have his sentence suspended. I would recommend that he be paroled." The county attorney also recommended clemency. Sentence suspended June 11, 1902.

JAMES D. CURRIER, Linn county. Committed to the penitentiary October 21, 1901, for a term of one and one-half years

for the crime of adultery. Clemency was urged by his wife and recommended by the judge and county attorney. It was shown that his family was in destitute circumstances. Suspension granted June 20, 1902.

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HARRY PHILLIPS, Muscatine county. Convicted of the offense of larceny and sentenced to the penitentiary October 16, 1901, for the term of two and one-half years. Suspended June 19, 1902. Judge and county attorney state that it was understood when sentence was pronounced that at the end of six months they would recommend suspension of sentence. Several letters are on file urging elemency.

ALFRED L. BECKWITH, Cerro Gordo county. Committed to the Industrial School for Boys, February 9, 1897, for the offense of larceny. Sentence suspended June 16, 1902, on the recommendation of Superintendent Miles and of the Board of Control on condition that he accompany his father, who was removing to the territory of Oklahoma.

George Moyer, Dubuque county. Sentenced April 14, 1902, to the penitentiary, for a term of nine months, for the offense of larceny. The defendant was employed by the Union Electric Railway Company, of Dubuque. He in company with one Anton Weidlich, took wire of the value of forty-five dollars from the company. Clemency was asked before commitment to the penitentiary, being recommended by the judge and county attorney and the attorney for the company whose property was taken, and by the sheriff. Suspended June 19, 1902.

Anton Weidlich, Dubuque county. Same facts as Moyer.

George Robb, Scott county. Sentenced October 19, 1899, to serve a term of five years in the penitentiary for the crime of assault with intent to commit murder. On the 26th day of June, 1902, Warden Hunter gave notice that the prisoner was in such physical condition as to warrant the belief that he would not long survive and recommended that he be paroled and permitted to go to his people in the state of Illinois. He also filed the official statement of the prison physician as follows: "He has pulmonary tuberculosis and is subject to frequent hemorhages and has had one hemorhage of five days duration. He is gradually growing worse and will probably not live to serve out his term of sentence." Sentence suspended June 17, 1902.

E. D. Turner, Lee county. Committed to the penitentiary December 28, 1900, for seven years for the offense of breaking

and entering. It was shown that this was his first offense. That he had, prior to this conviction, been an honest and industrious boy. That the commission of this crime was due to evil associations. Numerous letters are on file showing that the above statements are true. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney and by Hon. J. C. Davis, who procured remunerative employment for him upon which he entered immediately after his release. Sentence suspended June 22, 1902.

GROVER BRINDLEY, Polk county. Convicted at the May term, 1902, of the crime of breaking and entering and sentenced to the county jail for the term of sixty days. Sentence suspended July 3, 1902, on the recommendation of the judge and county attorney and sheriff and numerous other citizens familiar with the facts.

ORA ALLEN, Polk county. Same facts as in Grover Brindley case.

SAMUEL WILLIAMS, sentenced January 16, 1902, in the district court of Washington county to the county jail for the term of one year and to pay a fine of one thousand dollars, for the offense of breaking jail. The prisoner was arrested on the fifteenth day of September, 1901, charged with rape. The county attorney subsequently dismissed this case. On September 18, 1901, he, with two other prisoners, escaped from the county jail. Three days later he was captured and returned to jail. The sheriff reports that he does not believe that the prisoner had anything to do with the jail breaking except to walk out after the way had been provided by the other prisoners. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney, sheriff and by a number of reputable citizens who signed a petition. Also by Hon. D. J. Palmer and Hon. C. J. Wilson. Sentence suspended July 31, 1902, he having, at that time, served continuously for a period of nine months and sixteen days, excepting the three days referred to above.

E. S. Jenks, Scott county. Committed to the penitentiary December, 7, 1901, for a term of five years for the offense of forgery. Judge Bollinger wrote: "His case is something like stealing bread because he was hungry. He has a devoted wife who lost her mind temporarily after the death of their only child. He nursed her back to her normal condition of mind, went into debt, and been struggling to get out of debt since.

Got into the claws of a money shark and committed five forgeries." The county attorney recommended clemency. A petition, containing the names of one hundred and forty-seven citizens, urging clemency, is on file. Suspended August 9, 1902.

E. S. Burke, Winnebago county. Convicted of the offense of adultery and sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of two years. The prisoner's wife urged that he be released stating that she thought he would live true to her in the future. On April 11, 1902, Judge Kelley wrote: "It might be possible that this man will behave himself in the future and it might do no harm to give him a trial on parole." The county attorney, in a letter dated August 9, 1902, said: "I think that in the Burke matter I would recommend a parole at this time. I was up to Buffalo Center yesterday, the place where he used to live, and there does not seem to be very much opposition out there, in fact most think that it would be a good thing for him." A petition urging elemency, signed by seventy-two respected citizens who are familiar with the circumstances. Sentence suspended August 4, 1902.

Isaac Fitz, Guthrie county. Committed to the penitentiary December 17, 1898, for the term of twelve and one-half years for the offense of murder in the second degree. Sentence suspended September 6, 1902. A petition signed by nearly all of the county officers recites that there were many extenuating circumstances. That "the provocation offered would have taxed to its utmost endurance the temper of a man of strong and most conservative mind." Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney and by six of the witnesses who testified for the state in the trial.

Marion Woods, Iowa county. Sentenced January 25, 1901, to the penitentiary for a term of three years for the crime of incest. The crime for which he was convicted was the unlawful marrying of his niece. The record shows that both were far below the average in intelligence, and were incapable of realizing the enormity of the crime. Judge Wade, who pronounced sentence, stated at the time, that he would recommend elemency after the defendant had served one year of his sentence. Clemency recommended by the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended September 13, 1902.

FRANK B. FERGUSON, Woodbury county. Sentenced at the January term, 1902, of the district court, to a term of one year

in the county jail for the crime of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury. Clemency was recomended by both the judge and county attorney, also by the sheriff. The certificates of two leading physicians were filed showing that his health was being permanently injured by his confinement in jail. Sentence suspended October 2, 1902.

Maggie Poulson, Audubon county. Convicted of the offense of conducting a house of prostitution and sentenced to the penitentiary for one year. Judge Green expressed his opinion as follows: "I think that the desire of the community was simply to put a stop to what had become a nuisance to any well ordered neighborhood. She has now sold her hotel and is about to move away, so that the object of the prosecution is accomplished, and I think it would be well to pardon her, or parole her." It was shown that she permitted persons of questionable repute to frequent her place of business and there was nothing to indicate that she received any of their ill-gotten gains. Sentence suspended October 2, 1902.

LEVI NORRIS, Jones county. Sentenced June 13, 1902, to a term of four months in the county jail for the offense of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury. The person on whom the assault was made was an officer who was trying to arrest him, while the defendant was under the influence of intoxicants. A suspension of sentence was recommended by the judge and county attorney, and by the sheriff. Sentence suspended October 2, 1902.

Drew Martin, Cerro Gordo county. Convicted at the December term, 1901, of the district court of the offense of maintaining a nuisance and sentenced to pay a fine of \$400, and in default of payment of said fine, to be imprisoned in the county jail for one hundred days. The defendant was committed under this sentence July 30, 1902. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney and by a petition signed by sixty-seven representative citizens who were familiar with all of the circumstances in the case. That part of the sentence requiring his imprisonment in the county jail was suspended October 13, 1902.

EARNEST HINDLEY, Wayne county. Committed to the penitentiary March 8, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of burglary. The extreme youth of the defendant, previous good character, and the influence of evil companions are pleas

in extenuation of the crime committed. A very strong petition, containing the names of nearly all of the county officers and of the prosecuting witness, was filed. Clemency was also urged by Hon. Claude R. Porter, Senator of the third district. Sentence suspended October 13. 1902.

John A. Larson, Harrison county. Sentenced at the August term, 1902, to a term of three months in the penitentiary for the offense of adultery. It was shown by letters on file from the county attorney and others that a propoposition was made to the defendant that if he would plead guilty to the indictment, that a short jail sentence would be imposed; that through a misunderstanding Judge Greene imposed sentence as indicated above. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended November 8, 1902, before commitment.

Stephen Shaw, Polk county. Sentenced to a term of thirty days in the county jail for the offense of assault, being committed under said sentence October 24, 1902. A petition, numerously signed, and letter from the sheriff, and the certificate from Dr. C. J. Loizeaux, are on file. The doctor's certificate stated that Mr. Shaw was suffering from heart trouble; that he should be kept free from any excitement and should have plenty of fresh air. Sentence suspended November 8, 1902.

Harrison Crawford, Washington county. Sentenced January 13, 1902, to pay a fine of \$1,000 for the offense of maintaining a liquor nuisance, in default of payment of same to be committed to the county jail. A petition signed by a large number of citizens familiar with the facts in the case was filed; also one signed by three of the members of the board of supervisors. Clemency was also recommended by the county attorney. Sentence suspended November 8, 1902.

Fred A. Lawrence, Cerro Gordo county. Committed to the penitentiary November 13, 1900, for a term of twenty years for the offense of rape. The showing made in support of the application for elemency in this case raises a very grave doubt as to whether the crime was committed. In response to inquiry the county attorney wrote as follows: "If Mr. Lawrence has really repented of the offense that he committed and he can be furnished a proper place to work at once, and he will discontinue the use of intoxicating liquors and cigarettes and lead a proper life, I should not oppose granting a parole." Judge Clyde, who

pronounced sentence, wrote as follows: "Mr. Telford is on the ground and can make investigation as to facts. If he learns of enough facts to warrant him in recommending parole in this case, I will feel much disposed to second his action." It being shown that the defendant could at once secure a lucrative position, sentence was suspended November 15, 1902.

EDWIN CRUM, Van Buren county. Convicted of the offense of breaking and entering a depot in the nighttime and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of six months. Prior to commitment the judge and county attorney joined in a recommendation to the Governor to suspend the sentence. After a careful investigation, and being thoroughly convinced that such action would be for the best interest of all concerned, sentence was suspended November 15, 1902.

HOWARD ELERTON, Van Buren county. Same facts as in case of Edwin Crum.

Zarl Claar, Washington county. Convicted of the offense of maintaining a nuisance and sentenced to pay a fine of \$300, in default of payment of which to be incarcerated in the county jail. On his failure to pay said fine he was committed to the county jail September 29, 1902. It was plead in extenuation that he was technically guilty only; that he had deported himself properly prior to this indictment; that he had a family dependent upon his daily labor for support. A strong petition, signed by a large number of representative citizens, was filed; also one signed by seven county officials, including the county attorney. Sentence suspended November 26, 1902.

EMMA JAMISON, Linn county. Sentenced to a term of one year in the county jail for the offense of larceny from a building in the daytime. Prior to commitment under sentence the judge and county attorney joined in the recommendation to the Governor to suspend the sentence. Sentence suspended December 2, 1902.

WILLIAM G. YEARICK, Johnson county. Committed to the penitentiary September 28, 1901, for a term of five years for the crime of larceny from the person. The judge who pronounced sentence wrote that at the time judgment was pronounced it was his intention to recommend a parole in a year and a half or two years. The county attorney states that he makes it a rule not to make recommendation in such cases. Clemency was recommended by Hon. Milton Remley, ex-Attorney General of Iowa,

by a petition signed by thirty-six citizens familiar with the circumstances of the case, and by Hon. George W. Ball, State Senator. Sentence suspended December 2, 1902.

Revoked August 4, 1903.

STEPHEN HAWK, Keokuk county. Committed to the penitentiary October 24, 1901, for a term of two and one-half years for the offense of uttering a forged instrument, The offense for which the defendant was convicted was that of forging the names of two sureties to a note in the sum of \$250.00 and one of \$50.00. The defendant was indicted on two counts and convicted on each. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney, and by a petition signed by sixty-five representative citizens. In addition to the usual conditions imposed, the defendant was required to pay ten dollars a month during the period of one year from the date of his release to Mrs. Ida Ashcroft, and for the first three months of the second year to pay to C. M. Brown the sum of \$10.00 per month. During each of the succeeding nine months of the second year he is to pay Mrs. Ashcroft the sum of ten dollars. Each month of the third year he is to pay said C. M. Brown the sum of ten dollars until the note forged is paid, and thereafter pay to the said Mrs. Ashcroft the sum of ten dollars per month until her note is paid. Sentence suspended December 2, 1902.

EDWARD BELL, Johnson county. Sentenced June 4, 1901, to serve a term of five years in the penitentiary for the offense of assault with intent to commit robbery. The judge who pronounced sentence in a number of letters on file, recommended the extension of clemency. A petition containing the names of twenty-eight citizens, including those of Hon. C. S. Ranck, Hon. J. J. Ney, Hon. Milton Remley was filed, in which the youth of the defendant and the dependent condition of his family is urged as a reason for asking clemency. Sentence suspended December 16, 1902.

Dennis Maher, Johnson county. Committed to the penitentiary June 5, 1901, for a term of five years for the offense of larceny from the person. Sentence suspended on the recommendation of the trial judge and a large number of influential citizens who signed the petition. Sentence suspended December 16, 1902.

CHARLES PHILLIPSON, Audubon county. Sentenced October 21, 1902, to pay a fine of \$500.00, or in default of payment to be

incarcerated in the county jail for a period of one hundred and fifty days, for the offense of obtaining a marriage license by false affidavit. The defendant was committed to the county jail under this judgment October 20, 1902. Clemency was recommended by twenty-eight citizens who signed a petition; also by the county attorney, Fred H. Blume, who, in behalf of Audubon county, entered into an agreement with the defendant by which he executed three notes for the payment of the balance of the fine imposed by the said judgment; one in the sum of \$75.00, due five months after date; one in the sum of \$50.00, due ten months after date; and one in the sum of \$75.00, due fifteen months after date, \$100.00 being paid in cash; the payment of said notes being made one of the conditions of the suspension of sentence. Sentence suspended December 24, 1902.

ALVA CASKEY, Webster county. Sentenced March 29, 1899, to the penitentiary for a term of ten years for the offense of rape. The investigation of this case revealed such a condition as to create a grave doubt as to whether or not the crime charged had in fact been committed. Both parties were shown to be below the average intelligence. The county attorney who tried the case strongly urged a suspension of sentence, in which he was joined by the judge. A renumerative position was obtained for the defendant upon the discharge of the duties of which he entered immediately on his release. Sentence suspended January 6, 1903.

John S. Jackson, Crawford county. Committed to the county jail May 27, 1902, for a term of one year for the offense of assisting a prisoner to escape. Clemency extended on the recommendation of Judge Church and County Attorney O'Hare. A petition was filed signed by four of the county officers. Sentence suspended January 7, 1903.

CHARLES H. NEWHOUSE, Monroe county. Committed to the penitentiary January 25, 1901, for a term of three years for the offense of larceny. Clemency was urged by the prosecuting witness and by one hundred and twenty-five citizens of Monroe county who signed a petition; also by the judge who pronounced sentence. Sentence suspended January 7, 1903.

Susan Sparkham, Jasper county. Sentenced August 20, 1901, to pay a fine of \$400.00, for the offense of contempt of court and in default of payment of said fine to be committed to the county jail. Failing to pay the fine she was incarcerated in said jail January 22, 1903. It was shown that the presiding

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judge at the time said fine was imposed gave verbal direction to the county attorney "to suspend her sentence provided she did not further violate the terms of the injunction against selling intoxicating liquors." It was also urged that this condition had been faithfully complied with. Clemency was urged by P. H. Gragan, county attorney, and by Hon. E. J. Salmon. Sentence suspended temporarily January 7, 1903.

C. H. Macy, Lee county. Committed to the penitentiary December 28, 1900, for a term of seven years for the offense of breaking and entering. Clemency was recommended by Judge Banks, and by John E. Craig, county attorney. Statement of the prison physician was filed certifying that the defendant was suffering from consumption and that further confinement would be dangerous to his life. Sentence suspended January 10, 1903.

JOHN WILLIAMS, Polk county. Sentenced April 19, 1902, for a term of five years in the penitentiary for the offense of breaking and entering. The judge who pronounced sentence and the police department who worked up the evidence in the case became convinced that the defendant was innocent of the crime charged. Sentence suspended January 17, 1903.

ROBERT COTTERELL, Lucas county. Sentenced to serve a term of seven months in the county jail for the offense of assault with intent to commit great bodily injury. The uniform good character of the defendant was urged; also the dire need of the family of his support. Clemency was urged by all of the county officers and by a petition containing the names of one hundred and eleven citizens familiar with the circumstances attending the commission of the crime. Sentence suspended January 24, 1903.

GEORGE W. SNYDER, Jefferson county. Sentenced April 9, 1901, for a term of two and one-half years in the penitentiary for the offense of assult with intent to commit rape. The uniform good conduct of the defendant, the doubt of his guilt, and the helpless condition in which his family would be left was

urged in support of the application for elemency. A petition signed by all of the jurors who sat in the trial of the case, urging elemency was filed. Sentence suspended January 24, 1903.

HERMAN MOHR, Plymouth county. Committed to the penitentiary June 21, 1900, for a term of nine years and eleven months for the offense of rape. This application was voluntarily made by the county attorney who prosecuted the case, and who raised the question as to whether or not the crime had actually been committed. On his recommendation, in view of his doubt, and the statement of the judge who pronounced sentence that he had no objection to offer, sentence was suspended January 24, 1903.

DAVID HOUSER, Pottawattamie county. Sentenced to the penitentiary December 16, 1902, for a term of ten months for the offense of larceny. A petition in support of the application for elemency was filed, signed by a number of leading citizens, also by the county attorney, in which the extreme youth of the defendant, former good character, and intoxication of the defendant at the time the crime was committed, was urged. Clemency was also recommended by the trial judge. Sentence suspended January 24, 1903.

ALBERT GATHMAN, Pottawattamie county. Sentenced to the penitentiary June 6, 1901, for a term of fifteen months for the offense of seduction. An appeal was taken to the supreme court where the sentence was reduced to three months. A petition signed by eighty-five of the leading citizens of the vicinity in which the crime was committed was filed in support of the application for clemency. Clemency was recommended by Hon. A. S. Hazelton, State Senator, and by Judge Greene, who said: "It seems to me that if he ought to receive no more than three months, he ought not to receive any penalty whatever." The county attorney wrote as follows: "This was rather an unusual seduction case in that some of the seductive arts generally used were not present. The defendant is a reputable young man in all other respects, and so far as I can learn has never at any other time been guilty of a violation of the criminal laws." Sentence suspended January 31, 1903.

JOSEPH WILDER, Harrison county. Committed to the county jail January 29, 1903, for a term of thirty days for the offense of assault and battery. A petition signed by twenty-five of the leading citizens of Missouri Valley was filed, in which, among

other things, the following reasons were urged in support of the application for clemency: "Wilder is a widower and has four small children dependent upon him for support. He is a laboring man and has nothing except his personal earnings with which to support his family. It would be an act of justice to his family to release said Wilder on parole." Clemency was also urged by Judge Wheeler who pronounced sentence. Sentence suspended February 3, 1903.

WILLIAM RILEY, Fayette county. Convicted September 16, 1902, of the offense of maintaining a nuisance, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500.00 and the costs of the case, in default of payment of which he was committed to the county jail. A very strong petition, signed by a large number of the leading professional men of West Union, also by ten of the county officers and deputies, was filed in support of the application for clemency. Clemency was also recommended by the county attorney. Sentence suspended February 4, 1903.

FRANK PRANGE, Calhoun county. Committed to the penitentiary February 24, 1900, for a term of four and one-half years for the offense of breaking and entering. Clemency extended on the recommendation of Hon. L. S. Coffin, who had procured employment for the defendant upon which he could enter immediately on being released. Sentence suspended February 4, 1903.

Frank L. Perkins, Adair county. Sentenced September 8, 1902, to pay a fine of \$50.00 and serve a term of sixty days in the county jail for the offense of adultery. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney in the following language: "As to the sentence of imprisonment I feel that it is a case for executive clemency. The boy had kept company with the woman in former years, were engaged to be married, and her folks objected, and under their influence she married another person with some wealth. She was dissatisfied with her new home and induced Perkins to elope with her. Perkins at the time being young and inexperienced, and probably not balanced the best, did what any ordinary young man thrown in the same environment would undoubtedly have done." Sentence suspended February 7, 1903.

J. T. Johnson, Jasper county. Committed to the county jail on or about January 5, 1903, in default of the payment of a fine of \$300.00, which had been imposed upon him for a violation of

the mulct law. It was urged in support of the application for clemency that the defendant had a wife and three children, the oldest of whom was seven years of age; that his wife was sick and sorely needed his attention and support. The certificate of two reputable physicians in support of this statement was filed. Clemency was also recommended by the county attorney. That part of the sentence regarding the imprisonment was suspended February 13, 1903.

NATHAN BETHERS, Pottawattamic county. Committed to the penitentiary April 10, 1902, for a term of one year for the offense of larceny. An unusually strong petition was filed in support of the application for elemency, in which, among other things, it was alleged that defendant was only eighteen years of age, and that this was his first and only offense. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney. It was also shown that his sister was very ill and that she was anxious to see him. Sentence suspended February 13, 1903.

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ALBERT FREEMAN, Linn county. Sentenced October 19, 1901, to serve a term of two years in the penitentiary for the offense of breaking and entering a building in the night time. Clemency was recommended by Judge Thompson, who wrote: "I at the time had serious doubts as to the sufficiency of the evidence and would have sent him to the reform school if I could have done so. If guilty he has been sufficiently punished, and I recommend his pardon and restoration to his anxious and distressed parents." The county attorney also recommended elemency. Sentence suspended February 14, 1903.

Jesse Hunt, Decatur county. Committed to the penitentiary January 3, 1901, to serve a term of four years for the offense of burglary. Three young men were charged with entering the residence of a farmer living three miles from the town of Lamoni; all were indicted; one (Krucker) testified in behalf of the state and was never tried, and another was tried and acquitted, and the defendant was convicted as above stated. He was the only one of the three who bore a previously good reputation, and a very grave doubt existed in the minds of many as to his guilt. A petition signed by practically all of the residents, men, women and children in the township in which the crime was committed, was filed. A number of affidavits were also filed, made by persons to whom the defendant Krucker talked subsequent to the

trial, in which he voluntarily stated that he had sworn falsely in the trial. Clemency was also recommended by the county attorney. Sentance suspended February 14, 1903.

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ED SHAFFER, Hardin county. Sentenced October 31, 1902, for a term of one year in the penitentiary for the offense of larceny. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney, in which he was joined by the sheriff, clerk of the district court and his deputy, county recorder and his deputy, and city marshal. The defendant took \$50,00 from an old friend, a part of which he used to defray his wedding expenses, paying back a large portion of this amount, his mother restoring the balance. Sentence suspended February 14, 1903.

WILLIE INMAN, Dickinson county. Committed to the penitentiary October 8, 1902, for the term of one year for the offense of breaking and entering a building with intent to commit a public offense. It was urged in support of the application for clemency that the defendant "was not overly bright." It was also shown that he was influenced by an older man who seemed to exercise an undue influence over him. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended February 14, 1903.

Elmer J. Donohue, Dallas county. Committed to the industrial school January 20, 1900, for the offense of breaking and entering. A petition signed by many of the leading citizens of the town of Perry was filed in support of the application for clemency. It was urged in support of the application that his mother had no income and was in great need of his assistance. Clemency was recommended by the superintendent of the industrial school. Sentence suspended February 14, 1903.

FRED BENSON, Polk county. Committed to the penitentiary November 17, 1899, for a term of seven and one-half years for the offense of larceny. The judge who pronounced sentence, after reciting that Judge Conrad had tried the case and had asked him to pronounce judgment, wrote as follows: "I did not go into the merits of the matter but fixed the judgment as indicated. I have since gone over the case and feel convinced that had I tried the case and been familiar with the facts I should not have given him more than three and one-half years. After the expiration of that length of time of service therefore I recommend that a parole be granted," Sentence suspended March

Frank Peterson, Clinton county. Sentenced to the penitentiary May 23, 1899, for a term of twenty-five years for the offense of rape. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court and the sentence was reduced to eight years. The showing made in support of the application for clemency in this case was a very strong one. In addition to this a personal investigation was made in the vicinity where the crime was committed. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney and by L. A. Ellis, who assisted in the prosecution; also by a number of the jurors who sat in the trial of the case. Sentence suspended March 16, 1903.

J. M. WALRATH, Polk county. Sentenced November 5, 1902, for a term of six months in the county jail for the offense of breaking and entering a building. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney who prosecuted the case; also by his successor in office. Sentence suspended March 19, 1903.

WILFRED LABRANT, Clay county. Sentenced to serve a term of six months in the county jail and pay a fine of \$100.00 for the offense of breaking and entering. A petition signed by thirtyfour citizens of the town of Dickens, also by the judge who pronounced sentence and the county attorney who prosecuted the case was filed in which the extreme youth of the defendant, repentance for the wrong he had done, and the dependent condition of his father were urged as reasons for an extension of clemency. Sentence suspended March 30, 1903.

FRED DAVENPORT, Poweshiek county. Sentenced September 19, 1902, to serve a term of eight months in the county jail for the offense of breaking and entering a building. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney, and by a petition containing the names of a large number of representative citizens of the vicinity in which the crime was committed. Sentence suspended April 14, 1903.

HARRY GOODY, Johnson county. Committed to the penitentiary September 26, 1896, for a term of ten years for the offense of rape. A very strong showing was made in support of the application for elemency, including a petition numerously signed by citizens familiar with all the circumstances, and also a large number of letters written by business and professional men, including O. A. Byington, C. S. Ranck, Judge S. E. Farrall, Dr. J. C. Schrader and Hon. Milton Remley. Sentence suspended April 20, 1903.

A. E. DuBose, Wapello county. Committed to the penitentiary September 11, 1902, for a term of two years for the offense of embezzlement. Clemency was recommended by Judge Sloan who pronounced sentence, and by a petition signed by Calvin Manning, J. H. Pickler, mayor of Ottumwa, J. H. Kremer, sheriff, and nine other leading citizens of Ottumwa. Sentence suspended April 23, 1903.

Georgia Mason, Marshall county. Committed to the penitentiary April 29, 1902, for a term of two years for the offense of adultery. Clemency was recommended by Judge Burnham. The county attorney states that she was addicted to the excessive use of morphine and thinks if she has been cured of this habit that it would be wise to extend clemency. A letter received from the matron of the female department of the prison stated that in her opinion the defendant was cured. Sentence suspended April 23, 1903.

Revoked September 19, 1903.

EMERY SALYARDS, Dickinson county. Committed to the penitentiary March 20, 1900, for a term of eight years for the offense of burglary and larceny. A petition signed by the two men against whom the crime was committed and by practically all of the business men and citizens of Lake Park, where the defendant had lived during the greater part of his life, was filed in which clemency was strongly urged; the same was also recommended by the county attorney who prosecuted the case, and by Hon. A, B. Funk. Sentence suspended April 18, 1903.

Revoked December 26, 1903.

Henry Mungoven, Wapello county. Committed to the penitentiary June 16, 1902, for a term of three and one-half years for the offense of assault with intent to commit murder. A petition in support of the application for elemency containing the names of several hundred citizens of Ottumwa was filed. Clemency was also recommended by the judge who pronounced sentence. Sentence suspended May 7, 1903.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, Woodbury county. Sentenced June 10, 1901, to serve a term of five years in the penitentiary for the offense of larceny. Clemency recommended by the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended May 9, 1903.

H. O. SOPER, Washington county. Sentenced to the penitentiary October 20, 1900, for a term of two years for the offense of conspiracy. The crime for which the defendant was convicted

grew out of the sale of certain agency rights in a patent which he sold at \$1,000 each. Seven different parties claimed to be injured by reason of said sale. After his conviction and before the appeal to the Supreme Court was determined, he made restitution to the injured parties in amounts aggregating \$3,250.00, and paid the costs in both courts to the amount of \$1,400.00. From the showing made in this case it is very uncertain as to whether or not Mr. Soper had any criminal intention in the transaction out of which this conviction grew. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney at the time of the trial, by the county attorney at the time of the trial, by the county attorney at the time the application was was made, and by Hon. J. A. Young, state senator, and Hon. C. J. Wilson, representative. Sentence suspended May 9, 1903.

James Sanford, Marshall county. Committed to the penitentiary November 27, 1901, for a term of three years for the offense of larceny. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended May 9, 1903.

J. DEFORD, Polk county. Sentenced to serve a term of four months in the county jail for the offense of larceny. F. E. Duncan, Esq., who pronounced sentence, recommended suspension of sentence before commitment under the above judgment, in which recommendation he was joined by thirty-five citizens who were familiar with the circumstances attending the commission of the crime, who signed the petition. Sentence suspended May 18, 1903.

H. RHINER, Polk county. Same facts as in case of J. Deford.

ERNESTINE BERTOCH, Clinton county. Committed to the penitentiary February 18, 1898, for a term of her natural life for the offense of murder in the second degree. The defendant, together with one Charles Bertoch, was convicted of murdering her former husband, their trials being separate and conviction had on substantially the same evidence. Said Charles Bertoch appealed to the supreme court and the decision of the lower court was reversed, the opinion in which case concluded as follows: "Our conclusion is, after the most careful consideration of all the evidence, that it fails to sustain the verdict, and therefore the judgment of the district court is reversed." The latter part of the month of April, 1903, notice wes received from the warden of the serious condition of the health of the defendant. He was instructed to furnish the professional opinion of the

prison physician touching this point, and on May 1st he reported as follows: "Since reporting the physical condition of Ernestine Bertoch, No. 3950, on April 3d, her condition has very much changed for the worse. She is to-day suffering from deficient circulation caused by feeble heart action. The deficient action of the heart is caused by nervous condition incident to the change of life. Her chances of recovery are very much less than at the time of the last report. I consider her now in a very critical condition." Sentence suspended May 18, 1903, on condition that she go to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and reside with her people.

JOSEPH MILTON, Marshall county. Convicted of the offense of obtaining money by false pretenses and sentenced to serve a term of four months in the county jail. Both the judge and the county attorney recommended suspension of sentence. A petition was also filed in support of the application which contained the names of a large number of respected citizens of the county, including that of the sheriff. Sentence suspended May 18, 1903.

Carl Sides, Pocahontas county. Sentenced January 31, 1902, to serve a term of two years in the penitentiary for the offense of larceny from a store in the night time. It was urged in support of the application for clemency that the defendant was intoxicated at the time the crime was committed; that the crime for which he was convicted was his first and only offense. A large number of citizens joined in recommending the extension of clemency, and the same was recommended by both the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended May 19, 1903.

EDGAR O. DEMEULLES, Dubuque county. Sentenced to the penitentiary April 20, 1903, for a term of six months for the offense of larcery. It was urged in extenuation of the offense that the defendant was twenty-two years of age; that since childhood he had not the watchful care and guidance of a father and mother; that he entered the employ of the corporation from which the larceny was committed at the age of fifteen; that he remained with the corporation for a period of five years, when he resigned his position and entered the law school at Ann Arbor, Michigan, returning during vacations to work in the office of said corporation; that the amount of the larceny was \$50; that full restitution had been made, and that the corpora-

tion joined in the application for executive elemency. The president of the educational division of the Womens Club of Dubuque also joined in recommending elemency. Executive interference was also recommended by the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended May 23, 1903, before commitment.

BEN ALSTAD, Winneshiek county. Sentenced May 22, 1903, to serve a term of six months in the county jail for the offense of burglary. In a letter signed by both the judge and county attorney, the following statement is made: "The defendant is a boy seventeen years old, and so far as we have been able to learn his previous record is unimpeachable. He is well connected and is highly thought of by many of the prominent citizens of Decorah. We believe that the issuance of a parole pardon will be a wise exercise of power which will work to the good of the young man and of the community. We heartily join in the application for the issuance of a parole pardon recommending the same, and hope that it may be granted him as per his application." Sentence suspended May 26, 1903.

WILLIAM BURGESS, Mahaska county. Sentenced to serve a term of three months in the county jail for the offense of maintaining a nuisance. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney, clerk of the district court, auditor, and the chairman of the board of supervisors. Sentence suspendeded May 26, 1903.

M. H. BADGETT, Mahaska county. Same facts as in case of William Burgess.

H. D. ROSENSTEEL, Benton county. Committed April 22, 1903, to serve a term of three months in the county jail for the offense of maintaining a nuisance. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney, and by Judge Caswell. A petition signed by a large number of citizens was also filed. Sentence suspended June 2, 1903.

Lewis Jones, Wapello county. Committed to the penitentiary May 20, 1901, for a term of five years for the offense of assault with intent to commit murder. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney, by Hon. J. G. Hutchinson, Hon. S. W. Harper, and several other leading citizens of Ottumwa. Sentence suspended June 12, 1903.

HOYT S. WILKINS, Polk county. Sentenced June 18, 1903, to serve a term of thirty days in the county jail for the offense of larceny. The sentence in this case was imposed by William

Christie, justice of the peace, with the understanding that after the defendant had served a week the sentence would be suspended. Subsequently the justice of the peace discovered that he had not the authority under the law to carry out the above arrangement. Suspension was recommended by J. C. Simpson, secretary of the state agricultural society, William Christie, justice of the peace, T. L. Sullivan, Esq. Sentence suspended June 30, 1903.

ALICE MILLER, Polk county, Committed to the penitentiary November 2, 1901, for a term of four years for the offense of keeping a house of ill fame. A very strong petition in support of the application for elemency signed by several hundred citizens was filed. Clemency was also recommended by both the judge and county attorney, the latter stating that at the time of the trial he offered to dismiss the case of the co-defendant and recommend the imposition of a term of six months for the defendant. Sentence suspended July 6, 1903.

CHARLES PETERSON, Emmet county. Sentenced April 25, 1902, to serve a term of three years in the penitentiary for the offense of burglary. In response to an inquiry the judge wrote as follows:

"In relation to the case of Charles Peterson, now confined in the penitentiary at Anamosa under my sentence and from Emmet county, I desire to say that I heartily join in the recommendation of N. J. Lee, county attorney of Emmet county." The county attorney wrote as follows: "Mr. Peterson has been confined now something like fourteen months. I am convinced that he will endeavor to live faithfully up to the conditions of any parole that may be granted him. He is well connected here by marriage and I think it would be for the best that he be paroled." A petition containing the names of over two hundred respected citizens of the county was filed in support of the application. Sentence suspended July 7, 1903.

EDWIN A. WALTHALL, Mahaska county. Committed to the penitentiary January 22, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of breaking and entering. A petition signed by a large number of citizens, including a number of the county officers, Senator Blanchard and Judge McCoy was filed in support of the application for clemency. The county attorney neither recommended nor opposed clemency. The judge, among other things said: "Owing to circumstances now existing I am rather

inclined to think some leniency in way of reducing penalty would be commendable." Sentence suspended July 21. 1903.

Thomas J. Clay, Johnson county. Convicted of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury and sentenced to serve a term of six months in the county jail, under which sentence he was committed April 10, 1903. Clemency was recommended by the sheriff and by Hon. George W. Koontz; also by the county attorney. A certificate signed by the county physician was also filed certifying that the defendant was suffering from a disorder of the stomach, and recommending that he be pardoned or paroled. Sentence suspended July 22, 1903.

W. H. JOYNER, Warren county. Committed to the penitentiary January 16, 1903, for the term of two years for the offense of obtaining money by false pretenses. It was shown in the application for elemency that the defendant had borrowed money on two occasions, \$200 in each instance, giving a mortgage on certain cattle which he did not own but which he intended to purchase with the money thus obtained. It was also shown that he was influenced in these transactions by one J. M. Hall who was represented as being a shrewd and unscrupulous man; that after the commitment of the defendant said Hall eloped with defendant's wife. Clemency was recommended by the prosecuting witness and was strongly urged by the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended July 27, 1903.

LAURA D. BERKHOLTZ, Lyon county. Sentenced to the penitentiary February 17, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of keeping a house of prostitution. Clemency was recommended by the warden and by the prison physician, who stated that she was in very poor health, being "subject to attacks of nervous prostration and has functional heart trouble. Since received at this institution she has not been able to do any work and in my judgment she will not be." Sentence suspended July 27, 1903.

FRED STIER, Jasper county. Convicted at the February term, 1900, of the district court of the crime of breaking and entering and assault with intent to commit murder and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of five and one-half years. In a petition filed in this case, signed by fifty-one representative citizens, it was alleged that the defendent was under the influence of intoxicants at the time the crime was committed; that his condition was such as to make him irresponsible at the time. A

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petition signed by all the jurors who sat in the trial of the case was also filed in which the opinion was given that he had been punished sufficiently for the crime committed. A number of letters were filed signed by citizens residing in the vicinity where the crime was committed, certifying to the former good character of the defendant. The judge who pronounced sentence wrote under date November 26, 1902, as follows: "The case as presented was somewhat aggravated but would feel no objections to some modification, though to return him as early as this would be a little premature perhaps, and divide of one-half of the whole would be reasonable." Sentence suspended July 30, 1903.

HARRY A. JOHNSON, Linn county. Committed to the penitentiary July 1, 1901, for a term of three years for the offense of robbery. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and the county attorney. Sentence suspended August 3, 1903.

JOHN PLUMB, Pottawattamie county. Convicted of the offense of larceny from the person and committed to the penitentiary June 21, 1902, for a term of three years. The showing filed in support of the application for clemency in this case recited that the defendant left his father's home in Indianapolis, Indiana, in the month of May, 1902, going to Chicago to visit his grandparents; that while in Chicago he fell in company with two men of questionable repute who induced him to accompany them to Omaha; that he was only eighteen years old, unfamiliar with the ways of the world and therefore easily influenced by older men; that the three took passage in box cars, in which were several other men traveling in the same direction and in the same way; that during the trip and before reaching Council Bluffs one of the men claimed to have been severely beaten and robbed. That complaint was made to the authorities in Council Bluffs and all those in the box car were taken into custody and incarcerated in jail. That afterwards the two men whose acquaintance he had formed in Chicago succeeded in effecting their escape. In the trial of the defendant his conviction was procured through the identification of one Goths, the man who had been robbed. This man subsequently made an affidavit to the effect that the defendant did not participate in and had nothing whatever to do with the robbery and beating of himself. Clemency was urged by reason of the extreme youth of the defendant and the conflicting statements

of the prosecuting witness. Sentence suspended August 18, 1903.

WILLIS McVick, Mills county. Committed to the penitentiary October 11, 1900, for a term of seven years for the offense of robbery. The defendant was committed to the Ft. Madison penitentiary where he became insane. He was afterwards transferred to the insane hospital at Anamosa where he remained several months, when the prison physician recommended that he be released, for the reason that no permanent improvement could be effected while incarcerated in the penitentiary. His sister came from Shreveport, Louisiana, to take him to his former home. Sentence suspended August 21, 1903.

CLARK BATTIN, Davis county. Sentenced August 29, 1903, to serve a term of four months in the county jail for the offense of breaking and entering. The offense of which the defendant was convicted was that of entering the Wabash depot from which he removed sundry articles. Clemency was recommended by Judge Sloan, County Attorney Dabney, S. S. Carruthers, attorney for the Wabash Railway, and by E. Rominger. Sentence suspended September 5, 1903.

CHARLES SAYLES, Davis county. Same facts as in case of Clark Battin.

ROBERT S. ELDER, Polk county. Convicted of the offense of larceny and committed to the penitentiary February 11, 1903, to serve a term of one year for the offense of larceny. Clemency was recommended by Judge Given, Judge Silvari and by County Attorney Miller. Sentence suspended September 17, 1903.

John W. Sanders, Cass county. Committed to the penitentiary December 12, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of conspiracy. The investigation of this case developed the fact that the defendant had left his home in the state of Louisiana about three years prior to his conviction. That his people knew nothing of his whereabouts until the month of August, 1903; that they had distributed several thousand circulars throughout the country describing his personal appearance and asking for information; that subsequently the case was placed in the hands of the Pinkerton Detective Agency in Chicago, through the efforts of which he was finally located, under an assumed name, in the penitentiary at Ft. Madison. The crime of which he was convicted was that of conspiring with two others to commit larceny. The basis for the application for clemency was predi-

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cated largely on the previous good character of the defendant, the high standing of his people for several generations back in the community in which they resided. After having been fully apprised of all the circumstances in the case the judge and county attorney joined in the recommendation for elemency. A number of prominent men of Cass county also interested themselves in his behalf. Clemency was also advised by Hon. S. B. Packard of Marshalltown, who, prior to his removal to this state, had been intimately acquainted with the defendant's family. Sentence suspended September 19, 1903.

GEORGE STEWART, Mills county. Convicted of the offense of larceny and committed to the penitentiary April 24, 1903, for a term of six years. The investigation of this case was taken up on receipt of a letter from Warden Jones of the Ft. Madison penitentiary who, among other things, said: "This seems to be a case worthy of sympathy. The prisoner is a mere youth, not sixteen years of age until next November. He was undoubtedly drawn into the crime by an old and hardened criminal whose record I have sent to the pardon secretary." It developed that the crime of which he was convicted was that of horse stealing; that he was forced to participate in the same by a negro named Smith; that this negro was also convicted and is now serving his sixth term in the penitentiary. In response to an inquiry the county attorney wrote under date of August 12, 1903, as follows: "It is my opinion that the boy was not only led but forced to do as he did by his companion, not only in committing the offense, but in lying to the court and myself when brought before us for inquiry. This being my conviction and realizing that it is the purpose of the law only to administer retributive justice with the hope of bettering the individual, I can cheerfully recommend your clemency in behalf of this boy." Judge Thornell, under date September 8, 1903, wrote as follows: "I think the sentence under the circumstances is too severe. It should either be reduced to one year, or he should be transferred to the state industrial school at Eldora, or if he turns state's evidence and states the real fact about the matter in the case against the colored man, perhaps his sentence ought to end with that trial. The colored man is an old offender." Under date September 30, 1903, in response to an inquiry, the county attorney wrote as follows: "Replying to your favor of 21st inst., relative to George Stuart, otherwise Abe Buckman, will say that he was brought back by the sheriff to testify against Charles Smith, the negro whom we desired to give a long sentence. The negro plead guilty and was given eight years in addition to the six years given him last April. Buckman, however, gave me a clear statement of the facts and would have testified strongly for the state had it been necessary. I can cheeffully renew my recommendations to the Governor in behalf of Buckman." In addition to the recommendations of the officials quoted above a large number of letters were filed signed by reputable persons who had known the defendant prior to his conviction, all certifying to his uniform good character up to that time. Sentence suspended October 12, 1903.

ROBERT BROWN, Cass county. Sentenced October 22, 1900, to serve a term of eight years in the penitentiary for the offense of manslaughter. The crime of which the defendant was convicted was that of taking a young girl to the house of a neighbor for the purpose of enabling a traveling doctor named Johnson to perform a criminal operation upon her, from which she died a few minutes after the attempt was made. A careful investigation of this case by the pardon secretary who visited the neighborhood indicated very strongly that the defendant had been the victim of a conspiracy and been made to suffer for the wrongful act of another; that he was led into his connection with the affair through more ignorance of the laws of nature than through any criminal intent on his part. A remarkably strong showing was made in support of the application for elemency in this case. A petition was filed signed by practically all of the residents in the vicinity of the town of Cumberland, within a mile of which the crime was committed; also a very large number of personal letters written by parties resident in the above named neighborhood. Sentence suspended October 19, 1903.

James Maxwell, Keokuk county. Sentenced January 16, 1901, to serve a term of one year in the county jail for the offense of seduction. It was recited in the application for elemency that subsequent to the conviction of the defendant and prior to the determination of the appeal to the supreme court, the prosecuting witness had married; that the defendant within this time had also married and had a wife and child dependent upon him for support; that he was committed to the county jail under the above judgment November 13, 1902; that he had borne a good reputation prior to his conviction in this case. Clemency was recommended by the judge who pronounced sentence. The county

attorney having left the state, and his whereabouts being unknown, it was impossible to procure his opinion. Sentence suspended October 19, 1903.

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WALTER GLAZIER, Howard county. Committed to the penitentiary December 25, 1897, for a term of ten years for the offense of arson. The crime of which the defendant was convicted was that of assisting in the burning of a barn. At the time the crime was committed he was working for another man. It is alleged in the application that both were under the influence of liquor at the time the crime was committed. The county attorney wrote as follows: "From the evidence offered and the information gathered outside the trial I became fully convinced that Dunn was the moving spirit in the commission of the crime and that Glazier, who at the time of the act was in the employ of Dunn as a farm laborer, that Glazier was more of an accessory thereto, or more properly speaking was a tool of Dunn." Clemency was also recommended by the judge who pronounced sentence; by Senator Lyons, and by a petition signed by a large number of reputable citizens. Sentence suspended October 19, 1903.

GEORGE RILEY, Polk county. Committed to the penitentiary January 29, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of forgery. Clemency was recommended by a petition numerously signed and by the county attorney who wrote as follows: "Riley is a bright fellow and if there is some way to keep him sober, he would be a good citizen. His fault is, as I remember, after prolonged drunks he is given to wholesale forgeries of small amounts. His mind was at one time somewhat deranged by strong drink, but he may be cured now; if (so), I would say pardon him at once." In response to an inquiry as to the physical condition of the defendant the prison physician reported as follows: "I have made an examination of George Riley, No. 8037, and find that he is mentally and physically sound. He has only visited the hospital once since his incarceration and that was for the extraction of a tooth. His condition has steadily improved since entering the prison." Sentence suspended October 26, 1903.

CHARLES JONES, Audubon county. Committed to the penitentiary November 1, 1900, for a term of seven years for the offense of larceny from the person. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney; by a petition signed by all of the jurors who sat in the trial of the case, and by a petition signed by forty-one of the respected citizens of the town of

Audubon, including several of the county officers. Clemency was also recommended by Hon. Asmus Boysen. Sentence suspended October 26, 1903.

Sylvia Conner, Polk county. Sentenced to the penitentiary October 31, 1901, to serve a term of four years for the offense of keeping a house of ill fame. The defendant was jointly indicted with Alice Miller, whose application is referred to above. It was stated in support of the application that the defendant was employed by the said Alice Miller in the capacity of house-keeper; that she had nothing whatever to do with conducting the house and did not participate in the revenue of the same. The county attorney stated that he offered to dismiss the case as to the defendant and recommend six months for said Alice Miller in the event both plead guilty to the indictment. There is no doubt but that the sentence imposed in this case was excessive. Sentence suspended November 7, 1903.

D. T. MILES, Madison county. Convicted October 17, 1901, of the crime of assault with intent to commit manslaughter and sentenced to pay a fine of \$350, and serve ten days in the county jail. The defendant paid the fine and asked to be relieved of the jail sentence. The same was recommended by a number of leading citizens, including the sheriff, county attorney, and Hon. J. A. Guiher. Sentence suspended November 9, 1903.

ANNA CRAWFORD, Clinton county. Committed to the penitentiary December 9, 1901, for a term of four years for the offense of manslaughter. An investigation of this application developed the fact that the defendant in early childhood had been bereft of both her father and mother; that she had grown to womenhood with no supervising hand to direct her, many times being in the most destitute circumstances, and under such condition and environment naturally drifted into places of questionable repute. After leading a more or less checkered career for a few years she became enamored of one Thursdon, who induced her to leave the associations of former years and become his mistress. A house was rented and they began housekeeping together. Shortly after entering upon this relation one Dillon, a frequenter of saloons and like places, who was a pugilist as well, visited her residence and insisted on certain privileges which were refused by the defendant, who at the time notified him that she had forsaken her former life. He insisted and a fight ensued during which practically all of the clothing

was torn from the body of the defendant. Still insisting, the defendant finally shot him, resulting in almost instantaneous death. The circumstances attending the commission of the crime, if indeed a crime was committed, would seem to have justified, in a measure at least, the act of the defendant. A number of jurors filed letters in the case in which they stated that had it not been for her previous immoral character she would not have been convicted of this offense. Sentence suspended November 10, 1903.

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ERNEST B. WILLEY, Polk county. Sentenced June 24, 1902, to serve a term of two years in the penitentiary for the offense of larceny. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney and by a large number of letters and by petition signed by a large number of citizens familiar with the circumstances of the case. Sentence suspended November 10, 1903.

MICHAEL SHEA, Polk county. Convicted of the offense of intoxication and committed to the county jail November 11, 1903, for a term of thirty days. The defendent agreed to sign a pledge to obstain from the use of intoxicants; that he would support his family who greatly needed his assistance. A certificate of the family and county physician was filed showing that he was suffering from neuralgia in his face. Sentence suspended November 17, 1903.

EDWARD WILSON, Mahaska county. Convicted at the April term 1903 of the offense of larceny and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of eighteen months. An investigation of this case revealed the fact that the defendant had been a traveling salesman for a number of years; that he had prior to this mishap borne an excellent reputation and no one was able to give any rational reason for the commission of the crime. Clemency was recommended by the judge and county attorney, by the grandjurors who returned the indictment, and by a number of other reputable citizens familiar with the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime. The prosecuting witnesses whose property was taken wrote that they would recommend clemency if it was shown that this was the only offense of which the defendant had been guilty. A large number of letters were received in response to inquiries from men prominent in business and professional life, all of which certified to the previous good character and high standing of the applicant. Sentence suspended November 17, 1903.

F. B. RICHARDS, Cass county. Committed to the penitentiary December 21, 1902, for a term of three years for the offense of conspiracy. After the defendant was committed to the penitentiary it developed that he was suffering from tuberculosis, and inquiry of the prison physician brought the following response: "I write you that the physical and mental condition of F. B. Richards, the convict No. 8246, is not good; he is in the last stages of tuberculosis. He is weak-minded and is in fact a wreck." In view of his physical condition the county attorney recommended that clemency be extended to him. His brother came from the state of Arkansas and on his release took him back to his former home. Sentence suspended November 20, 1903.

G. T. Tweed, Winnebago county. Convicted October 20, 1903, of the offense of intoxication and sentenced to serve a term of twenty days in the county jail. The application recited that the defendant was convicted in justice court April 23, 1903, and appeal was taken to the district court. That subsequent to his conviction in the justice court he had refrained from the use of intoxicants in any form and it was believed that he would continue to do so. A petition signed by twenty-six citizens of Forest City, including the mayor, county superintendent, postmaster, city marshal, representative in the legislature, county auditor, sheriff, clerk of the district court and state veterinary surgeon was filed, in which clemency was strongly recommended, and in which recommendation the county attorney joined. Sentence suspended November 24, 1903.

EDWARD BURNS, O'Brien county. Convicted at the December term 1901 of the crime of seduction and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of one and one-fourth year. The investigation of this case forced the conclusion that the crime was not an aggravated one, to say the least—in fact a very grave doubt is created as to there being an act of seduction. Subsequent developements revealed a condition that forced the conclusion that the wrong was very easily appeased. The evidence of the prosecuting witness describes a condition which would have been absolutely impossible of accomplishment. The defendant was several years younger than the prosecuting witness. The files in support of the application show that he paid the prosecuting witness the sum of \$1,665.00. That this amount, together with the expense incident to the trial cost the defendant

and his father more than \$3,000.00. Clemency was recommended by the county attorney who conducted the prosecution and by the present incumbent of that office; also by Hon. Timothy Donohue, representative, and Hon. Ed. C. Brown, member of the Iowa Railway Commission. Sentence suspended November 24, 1903.

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Henry J. Prins, Sioux county. Committed to the penitentiary November 3, 1902, for a term of two years for the offense of forgery. A petition in support of the application for elemency containing the names of one hundred and fifty-three citizens residing in the vicinity of where the crime was committed was filed, in which the former good character and industrious and temperate habits of the defendant was plead in extenuation. A letter was also filed signed by the complaining witness strongly urging elemency; also a large number of personal letters were filed in all of which interference was urged. Sentence suspended December 1, 1903.

M. J. Higgins, Pottawattamie county. Convicted of the crime of adultery and sentenced at the March term, 1901, of the district court to serve a term of two years in the penitentiary. From this judgment an appeal was taken to the supreme court, in which the decision of the lower court was affirmed. It is probably true that no application for elemency was ever before made in which as strong a showing by as many prominent men was made as in the case of the defendant. On or about 1887 the defendant removed from the city of Baltimore to the city of Chicago with his wife, Margaret Higgins. In 1894 trouble arose between these parties in the last named city, resulting in a separation. Mrs. Higgins returned to Baltimore, where she remained for perhaps ten months, returning to Chicago. It is alleged that she informed the defendant that she had obtained a divorce from defendant while absent, on which statement he relied. On August 1, 1896, he married another woman, subsequent to which date they continued to live together as husband and wife. They afterward removed to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where they resided for a period of four or five months. In the meantime it developed that Mrs. Higgins had not obtained a divorce, as the defendant had been informed. She appeared before the grand jury in Pottawattamie county. procured an indictment against the defendant for the crime above referred to, resulting in his conviction aforesaid. On learning that his wife had not obtained a divorce the defendant brought an action in the courts of Omaha, Nebraska, and obtained a divorce and remarried the woman to whom he had been married, or supposed he had been married, on August 1, 1896. The matter was very carefully investigated. Personal investigation was made in Chicago for the purpose of arriving at the real facts in the case. All efforts to locate the former Mrs. Higgins proved futile, and the evidence indicating that the defendant had acted in good faith in believing that his former wife had obtained a divorce, it did not seem equitable to require defendant to pay the penalty imposed by the judgment referred to above. All the jurors who sat in the trial of the case joined in the recommendation for clemency. Clemency was also recommended by nearly all of the members of the bar of Council Bluffs, most of the officers of Pattawattamie county, by the sheriff, the prosecuting attorney of Kansas City, Missouri, by the probate judge, by the judge of the United States District Court, the Mayor of Kansas City, members of congress, chief of police, secretary of the board of park commissioners, the county collector, the recorder of deeds, all of Kansas City, Missouri. By Hon. George S. Wright, who began the prosecution at Council Bluffs under which the conviction was obtained; by Hon. Ernest E. Hart, Judge G. H. Scott, and a large number of other prominent officials in both Kansas City and Council Bluffs. Sentence suspended December 7, 1903.

Charles Fleming, Dubuque county. Committed to the county jail November 12, 1903, to serve a term of five months for the offense of breaking and entering. The statement filed in support of the application in this case recited that the defendant's mother resided in St. Louis; that he was only seventeen years old, and of previous good character. The application was made by the president of the educational division of the Dubuque Women's Club, and was recommended by both the judge and county attorney. Sentence suspended December 7, 1903.

Earl Garman, Mills county. Committed to the penitentiary June 6, 1902, for a term of five years for assault with intent to commit murder. It appears from the showing made in this case that the defendant's father, being intoxicated, was quarreling with defendant's mother and threatened to drive her out of her home; that the defendant interfered, and in the en-

counter which ensued, shot his father. Clemency was recommended by both the judge and county attorney: by a petition containing, among others, the names of Judge W. S. Lewis, County Attorney Cook, L. H. Robinson, Dr. F. M. Powell, C. E. Dean, Hon. John Y. Stone, and Hon. Shirley, Gillilland, state senator. The father of the defendant also recommended clemency. Sentence suspended December 18, 1903.

John Scanlon, Wapello county. Sentenced October 4, 190I, to serve a sentence of seven years in the penitentiary for the offense of robbery. The recommendations in support of the application for clemency were unusually strong. The innocence of the defendant of the crime charged was persistently urged. The uniform good character of the defendant was also plead in extenuation. This was supported by a strong array of personal letters written by acquaintances in both Iowa and Illinois. Clemency was also recommended by the judge who pronounced sentence. Sentence suspended December 17, 1903.

ALBERT KUBA, Linn county. Committed to the penitentiary October 17, 1901, for a term of fifteen years for the offense of placing dynamite with the intent to destroy an inhabited building. The defendant was a saloon keeper, and being exasperated by the vigilance of an attorney in prosecuting the violaters of the mulct law, consulted with one Charles Meeter who was jointly indicted with him and who was familiar with the use of dynamite, and who placed the dynamite on the door step of the attorney referred to above. It was urged in extenuation that the defendant had no knowledge whatever of the probable effect of such an act; that it was not his intention to destroy or endanger life; that at the time of his trial, which occured shortly after the commission of the crime, public sentiment ran very high and the long sentence imposed was given him for the deterent effect it would have on others who had been guilty of petty offenses. A very strong petition was presented in support of the application. Clemency was also recommended by both the judge and county attorney. The defendant Meeter referred to above was convicted and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. The sentence was commuted to one year and nine months. Sentence suspended December 30, 1903.

Pardons and restorations to citizenship were granted in the following cases, for the reason that in each case the person to whom the same was granted has been previously paroled from

the penitentiary, and in most cases the full term of commitment had expired. Before issuing the Order of Restoration a showing was required signed by five or six reputable citizens who knew the applicant personally, and who stated that in their opinion his deportment subsequent to his release gave promise that he would not again violate the law.

RESTORATIONS.

Name.	County.	Term.	Suspended.	Restored.	
C. E. McCloskey	Polk	4	T 00 1000		
J. E. Alpaugh	Dallas	4 years	Jan. 30, 1900	Jan. 25, 190	
Lawrence Carr	Winnebabo		Jan. 29, 1901	Feb. 3, 190;	
W. M. LaSelle	Polls	2 00000 00000	Dec. 24, 1900	Feb. 26, 1909	
Ralph Bloomfield	Polk	2 years	July 9, 1901	March 4, 190	
Charles Gantz	Winneshiek	1 years	Feb. 25, 1901	March 10, 1905	
	Des Moines	5 years	Dec. 2, 1897	March 21, 1905	
James Smith	Polk	2 years	Dec. 20, 1900	March 25, 1909	
J. M. Crandall	Dallas	3½ years	Jan. 8, 1898	March 28, 1902	
S. S. Crandall	Dallas	3½ years	Jan. 8, 1898	March 28, 1902	
A. L. Herrington	Webster	5 years	June 8, 1900	April 8, 190	
James Hazlett	Monroe	1 years	Aug. 24, 1900	April 24, 1909	
Gustav Hamann	Lyon	1 years	June 18, 1901	May 2. 1909	
E. J. Jacobs	Chickasaw	3 years	May 11, 1901	May 2, 190	
Guy Biggs	Mitchell	2 years	Dec. 29, 1900	May 24, 1902	
William Franklin	Monroe	5 years	Aug. 24, 1900	May 25, 190	
E. W. Godfrey	Taylor	2 years	Sept. 6, 1901	June 4, 1909	
R. Tripp	Dallas	1 year	Jan. 1 1902	June 4, 1909 June 17, 1909	
Will Hurd	Winneshiek	1 year	May 7, 1901	July 3, 1902	
Clarence Kiehle	Polk	5 years	Jan. 20, 1900	Aug. 4, 1902	
Sherman Wilcox	Polk Tama	12 years	Dec. 10. 1901		
A. L. Wood	Madison	2½ years	Jan. 14, 1901	Aug. 9, 1909	
James Sandy	Warren	13 years		Aug. 29, 1902	
William Nash.	Warren	The state of the s	Nov. 9, 1901	Aug. 30. 1902	
Arthur Barber	Cass		Dec. 28, 1901	Aug. 30, 1902	
D. S. Rodocker	Allamakee		Mar. 19, 1902	Oct. 1, 1902	
John Kosman	Dalamakee		Dec. 10. 1901	Oct. 3, 1902	
S. R. Dawson	Dubuque	2 years .	Nov. 19, 1894	Oct. 3, 1902	
Edwin S. Jenks	Polk	10 years	June 28, 1901	Oct. 4, 1902	
Ira H. Stubbs.	Scott	5 years	Aug. 9, 1902	Oct. 25, 1902	
Frederick Ctable	Warren	2½ years	July 28, 1900	Nov. 17, 1902	
Frederick Stahley	Louisa	3 years	July 22, 1900	Nov. 3, 1902	
Clay Owens	Davis	1½ years	Dec. 21, 1900	Nov. 18, 1902	
Leonard Wycoff	Shelby	11/2 years	Mar. 19, 1902	Nov. 18, 1902	
Simon Klipper	Allamakee.	2 years	Dec. 23, 1899	Nov. 18, 1902	
Fred Klocke	Allamakee	2 years	Dec. 23, 1899	Nov. 18, 1902	
E. W. King	Louisa		Nov. 18, 1899	Nov. 18, 1902	
C. P. Moore	Worth	3 months	Mar 17, 1902	Nov. 18, 1902	
Hans Meyer	Scott	1 year	Nov. 8, 1901	Dec. 1, 1902	
Otto Plembike	Scott	1 year	Nov. 8, 1901	Dec. 1, 190:	
Albert Swigart	Clinton	11/2 years	Dec. 28, 1901	Dec. 2, 1902	
G. W. Bailey	Hardin	1½ years	July 12, 1901	Dec. 2, 1902 Dec. 2, 1902 Dec. 8, 1902	
G. W. Bailey Wm Harris T. P. Edgerton	Polk	35 years	May 15, 1901	Dec. 8, 1902	
T. P. Edgerton	Warren	12 years	Dec. 20, 1900	Dec. 8, 1902	
James Tibbitts	Polk	2 years	May 15, 1900	Dec. 15, 1909	
A. E. Nolan	Union	4 years	Dec. 21, 1900	Dec. 22, 1902	
W. A. Cummings	Poik	30 years	Dec. 20, 1900	Jan. 2, 1902 Jan. 2, 1908	
John A. Larson	Harrison	3 months	Nov. 8, 908	Jan. 2, 1908	
Joe Co day	Polk	3 years	Nov. 9, 1901	Jan. 6, 1903	
Samuel McCulloh	Cedar	2 years	Dec. 10, 1901	Jan. 6, 1900	
George Sutton	Shelby	5 years	Dec. 28, 1901	March 11, 1908	
Ed. Whittey	Scott	5 years	June 28, 1901	March 16, 190	
Ed. Whittey Archibald L. Wood	Harrison	6 years	Jan. 1, 1902	March 16, 1909	
Otto Breeden	Jackson	4 years	Aug. 13, 1900	March 19, 1908	
James D. Currier		1½ years	June 20, 1902	March 25, 1908	
Wm. J. Baughman	Linn		Mar. 26, 1902	April 2, 1908	
H I Droston	Cass		Sept. 4, 1900	April 14, 1908	
H. J. Preston	Lucas		Oct. 15, 1901	April 14, 190a	

RESTORATIONS-CONTINUED.

Name.	County.	Term.	Suspended	Restored.	
Jos. Jacoby Nicholas Engle John Webster Virgil Sawvell	Jones		Mar. 26, 1901 April 1, 1902 June 15, 1901 June 15, 1902	June 6, 1908 July 11, 1908 Aug. 1, 1908 Aug, 1, 1908	
Joseph Wilder John Moon William Voshall Edwin Crum Anton Weidlich Jesse Hunt Albert Freeman	Harrison Iowa Van Buren, Dubuque Decatur	3 years 6 months 9 months 4 years	Feb. 28, 1903 Nov. 19, 1900 July 3, 1901 Nov 15, 1902 June 19, 1902 Feb. 14, 1903 Feb. 14, 1903	Aug. 24, 1906 Oct. 5, 1906 Oct. 5, 1906 Oct. 14, 1906 Oct. 20, 1906 Oct. 29, 1906 Nov. 7, 1906	

REMISSIONS.

The remissions here presented were conditioned upon the payment of all costs when the same had not been paid.

JOSEPH SOUKEP, Linn county. Remitted fine of \$50.00 imposed at November term, 1901, for assault and battery, February 10, 1902.

WILLIAM H. SNYDER, Linn county. Remitted fine of \$50.00 imposed at November term, 1901, for assault and battery, February 10, 1902.

JOSEPH DOHERTY, Wapello county. Remitted three fines aggregating \$150.00 imposed August 26, 1882; September 24, 1886; and September 5, 1887, respectively, for maintaining a liquor nuisance, Febreary 28, 1902.

LEE M. Dowis, Appanoose county. Remitted \$200.00 of a fine of \$300.00 imposed at September term, 1900, for maintaining a liquor nuisance, March 3, 1902.

W. E. FLAHERTY, Pocahontas county. Remitted fine of \$75.00 imposed at January term, 1902. for nuisance. March 3, 1902.

J. M. Borders, Pocahontas county. Remitted fine of \$75.00 imposed at January term, 1902, for nuisance March 3, 1902.

GEO. W. SHREVER, Madison county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1900, for nuisance, March 8, 1902.

W. S. Roffe, Cass county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at November term, 1900, for nuisance, April 3, 1902.

WARD BADGER, Guthrie county. Remitted \$50.00 of a fine of \$100.00 imposed at February term, 1902, for gambling, April 7, 1902.

H. F. Dunlavy, Taylor county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at April term, 1901, for nuisance, April 11, 1902.

THERAN DUNLAVY, Taylor county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at April term, 1902, for nuisance, April 11, 1902.

Geo. D. Walker, Taylor county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at April term, 1902, for nuisance, April 11, 1902.

Anton Forin, Monroe county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at January term, 1902, for nuisance, April 17, 1902.

H. Chapman, Appanoose county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at February term, 1902, for nuisance, April 18, 1902.

John Menz, Linn county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at October term, 1893, for nuisance, April 21, 1902.

Bert Penwell, Montgomery county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at February term, 1901, for nuisance, May 8, 1902.

George Deck, Henry county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at January term, 1891, for nuisance, May 19, 1902.

LINCOLN MARRING, Appanoose county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at October term, 1885, for assault, May 19, 1902.

MATTIE GINNES, Henry county. Remitted \$200.00 of a fine of \$300.00 imposed at August term, 1893, for keeping place with intent to sell intoxicating liquors, June 4, 1902.

C. D. Horton, Winneshiek county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at November term, 1901, for violating injunction, June 7, 1902.

F. D. McConkie, Cedar county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at September term, 1901, for contempt, June 18, 1902.

JOHN LOWES, Cedar county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at September term, 1901, for contempt, June 18, 1902.

L. S. McCoskie, Cedar county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at September term, 1901, for contempt, June 18, 1902.

PATRICK DOYLE, Palo Alto county. Remitted three several fines aggregating \$80.00, imposed Jan 20, 1900, as follows: \$30.00; \$30.00 and \$20.00 respectively, for intoxication, June 27, 1902.

JOHN MALLERS, Winneshiek county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at May term, 1902, for contempt, July 16, 1902.

Theo. Hinkes, Winneshiek county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at May term, 1902, for contempt, July 16, 1902.

JOHN MULLEN, Lucas county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed July 18, 1802, for contempt, August 6, 1902.

George Still, Fayette county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1894, for nuisance, August 8, 1902.

ED CURTIS, Winnebago county. Remitted three several fines aggregating \$500.00 imposed as follows: \$300.00 March 6, 1891; \$100.00 January 18, 1896, and \$100.00 April 13, 1897, for nuisance and assault, September 2, 1902.

CHARLES SHOEMAKER, Buchanan county. Remitted fines aggregating \$450.00 as follows: November 20, 1901, \$120.00; November 22, 1901, \$230.00, and \$100.00 in justice court for intoxication, September 9, 1902.

FRANK BECKWITH, Marshall county. Remitted fine of \$50.00 imposed at January term, 1884, for nuisance, November 8, 1902.

James Fugate, Jackson county. Remitted fine of \$100.00 imposed at September term, 1902, for obscenity, November 15, 1902.

ROLLA BATY, Van Buren county. Remitted fine of \$100.00 imposed at September term, 1902, for obscenity, November 15, 1902.

AUGUST EWALD, Floyd county. Remitted fine of \$75.00 imposed at September term, 1898, for assault, November 15, 1902.

CLAUS EHMKE, Pottawattamie county. Remitted \$200.00 of a fine of \$300.00 imposed at September term, 1902, for nuisance, December 16, 1902.

WILLIAM FITZGERALD, Fayette county. Remitted \$500.00 of a fine of \$600.00 imposed at September term, 1902, for nuisance, December 23, 1902.

F. E. NEWMAN, Polk county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at May term, 1902, for nuisance, January 5, 1903.

CHARLES BETSWORTH, Plymouth county. Remitted fine of \$500.00 imposed at October term, 1886, for nuisance, January 5, 1903.

ADAM KERN, Bremer county. Remitted fine of \$250.00 imposed April 11, 1884, for assault, January 9, 1903.

D. M. Parks, Boone county. Remitted fine of \$445.65 imposed at March term, 1894, for nuisance, January 10, 1903.

ISAAC HARPER, Madison county. Remitted fine of \$50.00 imposed at October term, 1899, for keeping gambling house, January 16, 1903.

EDWARD BOSEN, Chickasaw county. Remitted fine of \$500.00 imposed at December term, 1902, for nuisance, January 24, 1903.

Benton Edgington, Hardin county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at May term, 1890, for nuisance, February 7, 1903.

CHRIST SCHULTZ, Woodbury county. Remitted fine of \$1,000.00 imposed at August term, 1889, for nuisance, March 9, 1903.

Hans Jurgenson, Jones county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1902, for nuisance, March 11, 1903.

GEORGE FIVECOAT, Clarke county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1900, for nuisance, April 17, 1903.

George Phipps, Boone county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at February term, 1903, for nuisance, April 27, 1903.

CHARLES ANDERSON, Cherokee county. Remitted fines aggregating \$600.00, imposed as follows: January 11, 1897, \$150.00; Augusi 31, 1897, \$150.00, and August 31, 1897, \$300.00 for nuisance, May 6, 1903.

R. C. Wills, Sioux county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at November term, 1897, for contempt, May 16, 1903.

FRANK CERANEK, Audubon county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1899, for nuisance, June 9, 1903.

CLAY MARTIN, Appanoose county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at April term, 1903, for nuisance, June 9, 1903.

George Nicoson, Madison county. Remitted \$25.00 of a fine of \$50.00 imposed at April term, 1903, for gambling, June 12, 1903.

J. S. Baker, Madison county. Remitted fine of \$50.00 imposed at the November term, 1898, for keeping a gambling house, June 15, 1903.

GEORGE B. BENDER, Clay county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at the November term, 1902, for nuisance, July 20, 1903.

GEORGE E. CARR, Wapello county. Remitted \$200.00 of a fine of \$300.00 imposed at March term, 1901, for nuisance, July 23, 1903.

THOMAS C. GREENWOOD, Warren county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at March term, 1903, for nuisance, September 1, 1903.

James P. Madeson, Benton county. Remitted \$206.94 of a fine of \$300.00 imposed at October term, 1902, for nuisance, September 1, 1903.

JEFF PERSONS, Jones county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at December term, 1902, for nuisance, October 19, 1903.

C. J. Noggle, Boone county. Remitted fine of \$200.00 imposed at February term, 1897, for burglary, October 26, 1903.

JOSEPH KOURT, Benton county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at January term, 1898, for nuisance, November 9, 1903.

A. G. Spohr, Jasper county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed December term, 1902, for nuisance, November 11, 1903.

WILLIAM SMITH, Marion county. Remitted fine of \$300.00 imposed at September term, 1903, for nuisance, November 28, 1903.

REMISSIONS OF FORFEITURES AND JUDGMENTS.

RALPH BURNSIDE, Mahaska county. Canceled and set aside the forfeiture of a certain appearance bond in the sum of \$400.00 made by Ralph Burnside as surety for one Joseph H. Haughey to abide the judgment of the district court of Mahaska county. Forfeiture declared at February term, 1902. Granted April 26, 1902.

CONRAD HOFFMAN, Polk county. Remitted certain judgment and forfeiture in the sum of \$300.00 as surety on bail bond of Jacob Linch. Judgment and forfeiture declared at September term, 1892. Remitted May 16, 1902.

COMMUTATIONS.

EDWARD HALE, Lee county. Committed to the penitentiary March 27, 1899, for a term of twenty-two years for robbery. Commuted March 18, 1902, to twelve years. Commutation was

recommended by the judge and county attorney, who based their recommendation on the former good conduct of the defendant, information they were not in possession of at time of trial.

CHARLES MILLER, Lee county. Committed to the penitentiary March 27, 1899, for a term of thirty years. Commuted to six years on same recommendation as in case of Edward Hale, above.

HENRY WILCOX, Calhoun county. February term, 1901. Sentenced to eighteen months for manslaughter. The defendant's term would have expired July 6th. Commutation of six days granted to enable him to reach home to attend a family reunion.

Gus Warrs, Washington county. September term, 1898. Sentenced to five years for larceny. Commuted to three years and nine months, on recommendation of the warden, the object being to restore to him thirty days of "good time" forfeited the first years of his imprisonment.

E. L. TROTH, Van Buren county. September term, 1900. Sentenced to a term of two years for receiving stolen property. Commuted June 17, 1902, to one year eleven months, and twentyone days on the recommendation of L. S. Coffin, who had procured a remunerative position for him, and which could not be held open until his term would have expired.

WILLIAM BURTON, Jones county. Committeed to the penitentiary for a term of two years for prison breach. Commuted November 8, 1902, to one year on the recommendation of the warden, who stated that one year was the usual length of term imposed for like offenses.

FRED BRADAEY, Linn county, November term, 1900. Sentenced to two years for forgery. Commuted November 11, 1902, to the extent of restoring to him the "good time" which he had forfeited.

Levi Loar, Van Buren county. December term, 1900. Sentenced to six months in the penitentiary for attempting to produce a miscarriage. Commuted November 15, 1902, on recommendation of the warden, who stated that the defendant was in the hospital unable to leave his bed, being at the time sixty-nine years of age. Commuted to five months twenty-four days.

ROBERT GOFF, Cherokee county. September term, 1901. Sentenced to the penitentiary for two years for assault with intent to commit manslaughter. Commuted December 8, 1902, to one year seven months on showing that the defendant had

served five months in the county jail prior to his commitment to the penitentiary.

A. J. Morrison, Warren county. Committed April 25, 1902, for ten months for larceny by embezzlement. Commuted December 16, 1902, on recommendation of county attorney to nine months in said penitentiary.

W. R. Hall, Boone county. February term, 1899. Sentenced to eight years for manslaughter. Commuted January 6, 1902 to six years six months on showing made indicating that the sentence was excessive.

FRANK DEGEORGE, Hardin county. October term, 1902. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$300.00, failing to pay the same was committed to the county jail. Commuted January 23, 1903, on recommendation of the county attorney, to eighty-six days in said county jail.

E. C. Rushlow, Marshall county. September term, 1898. Sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary for assault with intent to commit murder. Commuted January 24, 1903, to six years nine months on the recommendation of the warden, who stated that the defendant had filled many positions of trust in the penitentiary the duties of which required him to work on Sunday and at night during the greater part of his term.

C. F. Howard, Fremont county. Sentenced September 20, 1902, to a term of two years in the penitentiary for adultery. Commuted February 14, 1903, to one year in said penitentiary, the county attorney strongly urged interference in this case, in which he was joined by a large number of prominent citizens familiar with all the circumstances.

Frank Hickman, Jasper county. Committed to the penitentiary March 3, 1897, for nine years for burglary. Commuted March 30, 1903, by restoring him, on the recommendation of the warden, sixty-five days of "good time" forfeited by reason of an infraction of the prison rules.

WILLIAM SMITH, Polk county. Committed to the penitentiary February 8, 1900, for a term of three years for breaking and entering. This sentence was subsequently suspended and he was released from said penitentiary. On December 26, 1901, he was arrested for the murder of one Johnson, was indicted, tried and acquitted. At the time of his arrest, the Order of Suspension was revoked. He remained in the county jail from December 26, 1901, to May 8, 1902, when he was re-committed

to the penitentiary by reason of said revocation. Sentence commuted to two years, seven months and eighteen days for the purpose of giving him credit for time served in the county jail, on April 2, 1902.

D. S. CLAYMAN, Adair county. Sentenced May 28, 1894 to a term of sixteen years in the penitentiary for murder in the second degree. Commuted August 27, 1903, to fifteen years, ten months and fourteen days for the purpose of restoring to him forty-six days of "good time" which he had forfeited, which restoration was recommended by the warden.

John Adams, Wapello county. Committed to the penitentiary September 14, 1899, for five years for assault with intent to commit murder. Commuted October 24, 1903, on recommendation of the warden to four years, one month and eleven days.

EDWARD STEIN, Cass county. Committed to the penitentiary June 12, 1901, for a term of three years for larceny and embezzlement. Commuted December 2, 1903, for two years, eleven months and twenty-four days to enable him to procure passage on the steamship Rhein, which sailed from New York for the Port of Bremen December 10, 1903.

ADA HAZLEWOOD, Polk county. September term, 1902. Sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for keeping a house of ill fame. Commuted December 18, 1903, to eight months on the recommendation of the county attorney, who stated that she had been detained in the county jail of Polk county after sentence from December 15, 1902, to April 29, 1903, for the purpose of receiving her testimony in a criminal case then pending.

THOMAS CATHER, Marshall county. Sentenced December 4, 1903, to serve a term of two years for assault with intent to commit manslaughter. Commuted December 21, 1903, to one year in the county jail of said county, on the recommendation of the trial judge and a very large number of the most reputable citizens of said county.

REVOCATIONS.

CHARLES E. HOLDREN, Lucas county. Suspension of October 12, 1901, revoked January 31, 1902.

Fred Bradley, Linn county. Suspension of December 25, 1901, revoked March 1, 1902.

Tom Dennelly, Scott county. Suspension of January 28, 1901, revoked May 29, 1902.

HARRY WEAVER, Polk county. Suspension of December 21, 1901, revoked July 9, 1902.

Bert Carter, Chickasaw county. Suspension of November 11, 1901, revoked August 4, 1902.

James O'Brien, Bremer county. Suspension of July 3, 1901, revoked August 26, 1902.

ROBERT DAVENPORT, Mahaska county. Suspension of December 14, 1900, revoked September 9, 1902.

JOHN LAMER, Marshall county. Suspension of December 21, 1901, revoked December 29, 1902.

Frank Davis, Clinton county. Suspension of August 24, 1900, revoked February 12, 1903.

NATHAN BETHERS, Pottawattamie county. Suspension of February 13, 1903, revoked March 12, 1903.

WM. G. Yearick, Johnson county. Suspension of December 2, 1902, revoked August 24, 1903.

GEORGIA MASON, Marshall county. Suspension of April 25, 1902, revoked August 24, 1903.

HARRY A. JOHNSON, Linn county. Suspension of August 3, 1903, revoked October 19, 1903.

EMERY SALYARDS, Dickinson county. Suspension of April 13, 1903, revoked December 26, 1903.

J. P. Shaw, Dubuque county. Suspension of March 28, 1901, revoked December 28, 1903.

HARRY LANGDON, Pottawattamic county. Suspension of November 25, 1901, revoked July 25, 1902.

WILLIAM SHERRILL, Clay county. Suspension of November 29, 1901, revoked February 4, 1903.

EARL LAKE, Carroll county. Suspension of October 1, 1900, revoked March 21, 1903.

WILLIAM URIE, Adams county. Suspension of January 23, 1900 revoked July 18, 1902.

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APPLICATIONS FOR PARDON SUBMITTED TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

W. P. Glyndon, Frank Hall, Leonard W. Haley, Sarah Kuhn, Clarence Mills, Ormand McPherson, Frank M. Rainsbarger, Nathan Rainsbarger, Hugh Robbard, John G. Steel, Betsy Smith, William Tool, L. R. VanTassel, Frank P. Watkins (died), Thomas W. Watson, George Weems, and G. A. Williams, convicted of the crime of murder in the first degree and sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for the term of their natural lives, have made application for pardon. The statute provides that for this crime no pardon shall be granted by the gevernor until he shall have presented the matter to the general assembly for its advice. It likewise requires publication of the notice of application for pardon containing the grounds upon which it is asked, which notices have been published as required by statute. The original applications with accompanying papers are on file in the executive office for the inspection of the members of the general assembly. In the case of Ormand Mc-Pherson a mistake was made in computing the time for the publtcation of notice. It is urged that this oversight shall not be permitted to militate against his application.

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