

named railroads be realized, that point will soon be as easily accessible as any in the State.

We have not thought it within the provision of our instructions to estimate minutely the cost of fitting up this house and the premises for the immediate occupation of this Reform School, but from the little consideration we have been able to give it, we are of the opinion that fifteen thousand dollars will be all the appropriation necessary for putting it in successful operation within two months.

That it should be immediately opened, we have been the more convincingly impressed by our visit to the penitentiary, where we see boys ruined for life by their unavoidable associations, who could, if placed in the Reform School instead of the penitentiary, be saved and made ornaments to society, instead of pests, to subsequently prey upon it, leaving out of view what to many of us seems the most important, the result to them as immortal beings.

In conclusion, we can not too strongly recommend the acceptance of the proposition of the Trustees of White's Manual Labor School to lease their premises to the State for the temporary opening of the Reform School.

T. W. WOOLSON,

On the part of the Senate.

SAMUEL McNUTT,

J. H. BROWN,

On the part of the House.

LIST OF PARDONS AND REMISSIONS

FOR THE YEARS 1866-7.

STATE OF IOWA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Des Moines, January 15, 1868.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with the requirement of the Constitution, that the Governor "shall report to the General Assembly, at its next meeting, each case of reprieve, commutation, or pardon granted, and the reason therefor; and also all persons in whose favor remissions of fines and forfeitures shall have been made, and the several amounts remitted," I herewith submit the following list of pardons and remissions, there having been no cases of reprieve or commutation:

LIST.

AUSTIN RILEY. — Offense, larceny at a fire; sentence, five years; November term, 1857; Clinton county. Pardon issued January 18, 1866, on representations by the Mayor of Lyons, and prominent citizens of that county, that the value of the articles stolen was six dollars only, that his punishment had been sufficient, and that he had a family in need of his assistance.

CHARLES R. CARON. — Offense, seduction; Des Moines county; October term, 1864; sentence five years. Pardoned February 9, 1866, on petition of the Judge, District Attorney, Clerk, prosecuting witness and citizens, representing that Caron had become repentant.

GEORGE W. SHAFER. — Offense, larceny; Dallas county; sentence for one year. The facts disclosed left his guilt in great doubt, and he had already been imprisoned in jail fifteen months.

W. S. WILSON. — Offense, larceny; Des Moines county; October term, 1865; sentence, one year. Pardon issued March 26, 1866.

He was a mere boy, had been imprisoned four months before trial, and would have been injured by confinement in the penitentiary more than the public would have been benefited. Pardon asked for by District Attorney, county officers, prosecuting witness, and prominent citizens.

GEORGE W. DAVIS. — Offense, larceny; Dubuque county; October term, 1865; sentenced one year. Pardoned March 26th, 1866, on the recommendation of the District Judge, Attorney, and Attorney General, that he was a proper subject for executive clemency.

E. H. ROCKAFELLER. — Offense, murder; Lee county; December term, 1864; sentenced for seven years. Issued pardon March 2, 1866, on the petition of county officers, members of the bar, and a large number of citizens, and the statement of the Warden of the Penitentiary that further confinement would result in the loss of the convict's mind.

JAMES MCGLINCY. — Offense, manslaughter; Page county; March term, 1866; sentence three years. Pardoned April 2, 1866. The offense was committed during a dispute with the deceased, in whose charge McGlincy had left his property to enter the Union army, and as claimed, had been wasted. Petition signed by jurors, county officers, members of the General Assembly, and a very large number of citizens.

J. C. VANCE. — Offense, murder; Des Moines county; January term, 1864; sentenced seven years. The character and circumstances of the crime will be found in detail in Vol. 17, Iowa Reports, page 138. The petition was signed by the District Attorney, Hon. James W. Grimes, and the Clerk of the District Court.

MORRIS MARTIN. — Offense, manslaughter; Delaware county September term, 1865; sentence five years. Martin was represented to me by the District Judge, the jury, and a large number of reliable citizens, to be a man well along in years, of previously good character, penitent, and one to whom punishment had been amply sufficient.

ANTOINE NESTLEBUSH. — Offense, manslaughter; Muscatine county; January term, 1866; sentence eighteen months. The guilt of this boy not being perfectly clear, the deceased having requested

that the boy should not be harmed, and the petition having been signed by the Judge, District Attorney, jury, county officers, and Supreme Judges, I granted the pardon May 18, 1866.

JOHN WHEELER. — Offense, larceny; Blackhawk county; May term, 1866; sentenced for six months. Pardoned August 1st, 1866, on petition of the Judge, county officers, members of the bar, and a large number of citizens, stating that the accused was a man of previously good character, led into the crime by others, was repentant, and had a young family dependent upon him for support.

EDWARD NORTHCRAFT. — Offense, larceny; Wapello county; June term, 1865; sentence ten years. Pardon issued August 6, 1866. He would not on the trial, allow any defense to be made; and there was abundant evidence that he had been insane for ten years.

THOMAS SALTERS. — Offense, larceny; Van Buren county; September term, 1866; sentence thirty days. Pardoned Oct. 1, 1866, because the accused was a boy of only thirteen years of age, whom I was unwilling to consign to the hardening influence of the Penitentiary. Petition signed by Judge, jurors and citizens.

WESLEY BENNER. — Offense, burglary; Des Moines county; October term, 1863; sentence ten years. Pardoned November 23d, 1866, at the request of the Judge and citizens acquainted with the circumstances, and on the ground of previous good character; that he was led by a confederate into the commission of the crime; had been punished enough, and had a wife and four children needing his aid.

JOSEPH RAYMOND. — Offense, perjury; Jackson county; April term, 1865; sentenced for five years. Pardon issued December 11, 1866, on the ground that he was prostrated by disease and helpless, and had been sufficiently punished. Petitioned by the Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, county officers, and prosecuting witness.

SIMON K. MANN. — Offense, larceny; Monroe county; November, 1866; two years sentence. Pardoned December 21, 1866, on the representations of his attorney and the county officers of Wayne county, that Mann was a weak minded boy; was led into the offense by a relative, and only nominally guilty.

FRANCIS BURNEY. — Offense, assault with intent to kill; Clarke county; October term, 1866; sentenced for two years. Pardoned January 4, 1867. There were great doubts of Burney's guilt, which led me, on the petition of the county officers, and many reliable citizens, to release him.

JAMES HAGEN. — Offense, larceny; Bremer county; September term, 1866; sentenced to six months' imprisonment. Pardoned January 21, 1867, on the petition of the Judge, District Attorney, and many citizens, in the belief that he had been sufficiently punished.

THOMAS SMITH. — Offense, larceny; Dubuque county; December 1865; sentence of three years. Pardoned February 7, 1867, on the ground that his punishment had been ample, and on the petition of the Judge, District Attorney, Attorney General and citizens.

WILLIAM MOORE. — Offense, larceny; Lee county; sentenced December 8, 1866, for one year. Pardon granted April 19, 1867, on the ground that the public good did not require a further punishment.

ENOCH W. MARSH. — Offense, assault with intent to commit a rape; Cass county, April term, 1867; sentence of one year. Pardoned April 20, 1867, for the reason that Marsh was a boy, and the public good would not be promoted by consigning him to the Penitentiary.

ANDREW HARR — Offense, larceny; Polk county; March 4, 1867; sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment. Pardon granted May 1, 1867. Harr was fifteen years of age, and his pardon was asked for by leading citizens of Polk county, and two Justices of the Supreme Court.

JOHN KELSO. — Offense, larceny; Wapello county; sentenced December 18, 1866, to six months. Pardon granted May 29, 1867, because his term of sentence had nearly expired, and he was needed as a witness in an important criminal case.

ELI HANDLEY. — Offense, forgery and altering forged notes; Marshall county; April term, 1866; sentence two and one-half years. Pardoned June 25, 1867, at the request of county officers, members of General Assembly, and prominent citizens, showing mitigating circumstances, repentance and sufficient punishment.

SAMUEL T. McMANS. — Offense, robbery; Polk county; March 4, 1867; sentenced to the county jail one year. Pardon issued July 5th, 1867, on account of the trifling character of the offense, his imprisonment of ten months; and on the petition of the Judge, county officers, and leading citizens of the county.

JAMES ST. CLAIR. — Offense, aiding in receiving and concealing stolen goods; Des Moines county; sentence October 22, 1863, for five years. Pardon issued August 1867, on the petition of the District Attorney and citizens on the ground of the declining health of the prisoner.

JOHN W. DODGE. — Offense, larceny; Page county; sentenced, September 12th, 1865, for three years. Pardon granted August 16, 1867, for the reason that his family very much needed his assistance; that evidence of reformation was presented. The petition was signed by the county officers of Lucas and Page counties, and citizens.

ALVIN BYERLY. — Offense, larceny; Polk county; sentenced for three months; rendered August 14, 1867. Pardoned August 21, 1867. Byerly was a boy eighteen years of age, of previously good character, led into the offense by companions. Petition signed by District Attorney, county officers, and leading citizens. Pardoned to save him from the corrupting associations of the Penitentiary.

FRANK GUY. — Offense, larceny; Mills county; sentenced August 20, 1867, for one year. Pardoned October 3, 1867. Circumstances of the offense and reasons for pardon same as last preceding case.

MARY WILSON. — Offense, adultery; Mitchell county; sentenced September 19, 1866, for six months to the Penitentiary. Pardon issued October 30, 1867, on the petition of leading citizens because of her long imprisonment in the jail previous to sentence.

JAMES BAILEY. — Offense, larceny; Johnson county; sentence, six years, rendered October 27, 1863. Pardon granted November 11, 1867. Petition signed by county officers and leading citizens, and the facts showing doubts as to his criminal intent, and a sufficient punishment.

JAMES FOSTER. — Offense, larceny; Scott county; November term, 1865; sentenced for four years. Pardon issued November 20,

1867. His character previously was good, had a dependent family, and his release was asked for by the Judge, District Attorney, jurors and reliable citizens.

ENOCH SLAGER. — Offense, larceny; Dubuque county; sentence, five years; rendered March 8, 1866. Pardoned December 5, 1867. His punishment was regarded as sufficient, and he had aided materially in bringing criminals to punishment. Petition signed by Judge, District Attorney, ex - District Attorney, Sheriff and foreman of the jury.

R. B. HARRIS. — Assault with intent to commit a rape; Lee county; sentence, seven years, rendered December 8, 1866. September 27, 1867, a leave of absence from the Penitentiary was given Harris, conditioned that he permanently depart from the State. He was sixty years of age, and his pardon requested by the District Attorney, county officers, and many citizens.

REMISSIONS.

ALFRED MOLESWORTH. — Amount remitted \$50.00.

CASPER MISSNER, and J. C. VANCE. — Amount remitted \$300.00.

BRAYSON SCOTT. — Amount remitted \$300.00.

J. G. GUBHART. — Amount remitted \$150.00.

JESSE BERRY. — Amount remitted \$210.00.

F. LYNHORST. — Amount remitted \$50.00.

HENRY WEYLAND \$75.00.

A. A. Welcher, Star Welcher, Chancy Smith, William Thomas, Enoch Rogers, Edmund Rollins, \$10.00 in each case remitted.

Alanson Jones, Conrad Limbury, John Meyer, C. Fuller, G. Huntziker, Theodore Limbury, P. Richardson, George Schneider, Felix Gremminger, John Farrell, Henry C. Landis, Fred Schuller, John M. Blue, Charles J. Jones, Henry Swartz, V. Vorturier, D. Reddington, Thomas Rawson, Patrick Kinsler \$100.00 in each case remitted.

More full and specific information can be had, if the members of the General Assembly desire it, by reference to the records and papers on file in the Executive office.

W. M. STONE.