LIFE IS NOT IDEAL IN THE PROVINCIAL JAIL, BUT THE PRISONERS ARE TREATED LIKE THE BROTHERS WHO HAVE ERRED

In July of 1911 the provincial jail at Lethbridge was opened for service, with 99 sunlit steel and concrete cells ready and waiting for prisoner whose term of sentence was between thirty days and wenty-three months. Hon. A. J. McLean, provincial secretary of Alberta, is the controlling spirit of the institution, and Dr. J. H. Rivers, warden of the jail, is the man who carries out Mr. McLean's ideas. And Mr. McLean's ideas are strange insoiar as they embrace so much of the spirit of brotherly love and the golden rule that hardened jailkeepers laugh in scorn and predict utter failure. In fact Mr. McLean and Dr. Rivers have instituted a process of treatment for convicted men which is so new that it is in the nature of a wild experiment. It is to treat them like white men and erring brothers, not like wild animals. They are well fed; they are given a remark able scope of liberty; they are treated with kindness and fairness.

I went to look at it and I saw many interesting things. The buildings, red brick and iron-barred are situated four miles outside of Lethbridge on a government plot of 240 acres of well-tilled farm lands. We went into the bursar's office and I saw a man doing clerical work, a man dressed in blue jeans.

"What's he in for?" I asked. "He's a real estate man from Edmonton," explained the warden

We went through wide, airy, sunlit corridors and iron gates into the jail store-room where a prisoner was in charge of the grocery department. We went through other corridors into the kitchen where prisoners sweated in the heat of the great range. It was clean and fresh, and the equipment was that of a great hotel. We went to the powerhouse, a separate building with a huge red finger of a smokestack pointing heavenward. Here, too, everything was bright and clean and spick and span, convicts oiled and wiped, and watched the dynamos, a paid superintendent overseeing the work. Then saw the laundry plant, a complete steam laundry, with mangles and rollers, tubs and vats, ironing machines and all. Here the prisoners' clothing is washed every week and each inmate is given an entire clean outfit every seven days. We went back into the dormitories where the cell-tiers reach up to the roof and the sun streams in through wide windows. Ninety-nine cells are there and the institution has 135 prisoners. Consequently there is much lack of room and the government is going to add another wing with more cells in the interim it is necessary to fill the women's quarters with cots for the overflow. Three rooms, each containing twelve cots are in there, and even the guards' room is utilized. There are no women prisoners and will not be until the new wing is built. The cells are steel and concrete, each is fitted up with a cot and blankets, a washstand with hot and coll running water, a lavatory, a towel cabinet with brush and comb and mirror, a bible-and a man. The Bibles are the gift of the young ladies of the Methodist Church and they have marked in the front references to three extracts, including the chapter about the Prodigal Son. Uniformed guards were stationed here and there in the corridors; sometimes I saw men in the blue prison uniform lying on the cots in their open cells, reading late

'What are they staying in for?" I asked. "They were not feeling well this morning," replied the warden, 'so we let them stay in their cells.'

I saw a nice-looking young man lying on a cot, head bolstered with a pillow, knees in the air and a magazine spread across them.

"Who is he?" I asked. "That is a qualified M. D. who is doing time for being a dope fiend," explained the warden. Next we came to a wooden partition extending clean across one end of the corridor.

"In here," said Dr. Rivers, "we have a self-confessed murderen named Carlson. He is waiting trial and we have a special guard over him all the time." So we went in and looked at the man who had confessed to slaying a sleeping friend with an axe in a lonely shack on a homestead in the flat country. Carlson was short and frail, with sagging shoulders, his face was as handsome as a Greek god's, he had crisp curling beard and great, misery-dazed brown eyes. Seeing Dr. Rivers, he approached, mumbling something. He was complaining that he thought he was being poisoned, and he asked if he could have pork chops instead of beef. Dr. Rivers asked few questions, looked at his tongue, felt his pulse and went to the dispensary where he frepared a prescription for the man. There was no careless passing overgor no indifference to the needs of the

Over at the end of the other corridor was the barber shop where many prisoners were scraping the growth from their chins, preparing for Sunday. Two or three were attired in stripes, the others in blue

"Why the stripes?" I queried. "They tried to escape, and that is their punishment," was the information given. From the dormitories we went upstairs to the guards' room where a convict cobbler was tap-tap-tapping beside a cot where the night guard was sleeping. The jail was certainly

Out in the sunshine Head Jailer Rogers was overseeing the work of the men, a gang under a guard was at work rip-rapping the shores of a lake near the road, a gang under a hired carpenter was building a drive-shed, Felix Bruno and the Paul boys, Calgary citizens of note among the halfbreed population, were digging. No one was on goard and they were working hard. Three tri mbrick houses where the prison officials live stood in a row behind the power plant; they had been built by prison labor, as also Dr. Rivers' residence, which is in course of construction. A man, driving a splendid team, came up with a load of material which he had houled some for the work done and the manner of directing it is due to Head WOODROW WILSON ASKS miles. No guard was with him, but he wore the prison uniform. 'Is he a prisoner?" I asked. I was told he was, and he cheer-

fully stopped to be photographed. He intends putting gangs of convicts out to do road work under ate and convict waiters served in both rooms. guard, and pay them fifty cents a day for the time they work. This money will be given them when they are turned out, and will enable them to live until they secure honest employment.

Then also, he believes that many young first-termers are ruined irrevocably by being forced to serve with hardened criminals. To overcome this he intends securing a farm a few miles from the present jail where only first term prisoners will be kept. In this way he will be able to have stricter watch kept over the real bad men and a more lenient care of the erring ones. As at present the Says Masters May Tell Comincorrigable ones benefit because they are imprisoned in company with first term men, and the latter suffer because they have to be herded with the real criminals. Separation of the two classes will help this state of affairs very much.

Already Mr. McLean's plan of treating convicts as men has born fruit. One nasty-spirited convict pleaded sick and remained in his cell; a guard brought him his meal, and when the guard stepped into the cell he was met with a punch on the eye. Several prisoners who saw the occurence asked the prison authorities that the guilty man

be turned over to them for punishment. "We'd like to teach him a lesson," they said. "For when a man acts as he did he is hurting every other prisoner and endangering

And here is another instance: A man was sentenced last fall, just before the cold spell. He had a homestead and a family some niles away and the shack in which they lived was not fixed up right for winter weather. So he asked for permission to go and do some work before starting serving time. He was given a set period and left, with orders to return by a certain day. When that day came the thermometer was something like fifty degrees below zero; and yet that man walked back to jail through thirty miles of bitter

weather. That's what one sometimes gets for treating a man white. Twelve guards keep watch over the 135 prisoners and up to April 1st there were no guns, no handcuffs, and no leg-irons in the establishment. From last July to April of this year those men had watched over hundreds of criminals with no means of self protection if there should be trouble. But on April 1st there arrived a shipment of cuffs, of irons and of Colt revolvers. Also in the future the men who try to run away will be granted the privilege of wearing an Oregon boot. This is an improvement on the old style ball and chain, being an iron frame that fits over the foot and supports around the calf of the leg a heavy steel circlet which is locked there and which makes haste or speed an unknown or unattainable state

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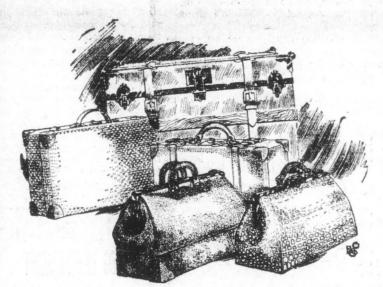
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Keeper Rogers. Reverting back to the cells and the interior. When we were

leaving we heard a splashing and a hissing of water; we looked into Hon. A. J. McLean is only just getting started in his work. the bathroom and saw five men, a negro, a Chinaman, an Indian and When it is running right, as he hopes, it will be a model institution, two white indulging in the luxuries of the shower bath. In the He believes much crime is due to the fact that in most cases when dining-room we saw two long tables, crowded with men eating beef, a prisoner is turned or after serving his sentence he has no money carrots, bread and pudding, drinking tea or coffee, and making a and no place to get any: This leads him naturally back to his old noise like several-lusty threshing gangs in the farmhouse dining pursuits. Mr. McLean has a plan which he expects will rectify this. room after a hard day on the stacks. In another room the guards Democratic Nominee Outlines

mission to Go to Place Paved With Good Intentions

Vessel Speeding Through Montreal Harbor Did Damage, But There is No Recourse

ver-speeding while entering the haror, prefered against the White Star ner Megantic, which is alleged to ve done damage to the Monarch through the suction caused by its excessive speed, had to be dismissed today when it came up before the arbor commissioners, sitting in their judicial capacity, as it was shown that they had no jurisdiction within I lost appetite, became nervous and

the turn of events and at one time the blues.' I read of Dr. Hamilton's broke out, "If everyone is to get be-hind a technicality they can tell the "Within a month my appet they damned well please in the chan-, and felt like a new womna. New life

tures on the Tarte pier.

PRESIDENT

Weak, Tired Folks Given New Vigor

suggested that a friendly inquiry be

Elder Dempster Company, owners of

of this and decided to seek out the

Strength Returns, Health Renewed, Vitality of Youth

Re-created Montreal, Aug. 5 .- The Charge of Exhaustion and Bodily Tiredness Every Day Being Turned Into Vigor

From Cheboque Pt., N S., comes the following from Mrs. W. A. Reynolds: "A year ago my health began to fail, the limits of the harbor over the main sleepless. My weight ran down, I beship canal, up which the Megantic came thin, hollow cheeked, and had black rings under my eyes. I really President Stephens of the harbor felt as if the charm of life had left me, mmission was not at all pleased at and when springtime arrived I was in

and Ambition by Dr. Hamil-

ton's Pills

"Within a month my appetite and sion to go to hell and do what color were good. I gained strength and vigor returned, and my friends is alleged that the suction from scarcely knew me A medicine that ne Megantic caused great damage to will do this should be in every home."
Good health means much to you. Good health means much to you Tarte pier, breaking ropes, bits and Success and happiness depend upon it, nding stages for cargo and an 18- The maintenance and source of health inch ventilating shaft, as well as is found in Dr. Hamilton's Pills, 25c damaging niggerheads and other fix-

BUT ONE TEAM FOR

His Campaign Platform in Recent Speech

Tariff for Revenue Only and No Mercy for Guilty Heads of Corporations

Seagirt, N. J., Aug. 5 .- Tariff for revenue only; no third and no second term for a president, and personal guilt for corporation officials who violate the anti-trust law in the United States were three matters discussed by Gov ernor Wilson in his speech of ac-

Mr. Wilson takes advanced ground on every progressive question, and plainly declares that he believes in the rule of the people and in permiting such rule by simplification of ex-

isting. laws. Naturally, the tariff section of the speech will attract the most attention. The governor expressed himself in unequivocal terms in discussing this subject with the very few men he took into his confidence in considering it. He said he considered the Democratic platform absolutely binding on him. and in his speech he followed that line, departing only to assure the country at large that the tariff reduction must be scientific and so adjusted that the

try itself will be protected. Tax Luxuries to the Limit He will make it very plain that luxuries should be taxed to the limit Re-

declaration against a second term the motion was withdrawn. governor will state that this meets ent conduct of the presidential office.

The governor will then carry the with the new party, was preparing to ires on the Tarte pier.

| druggists and store keepers, or by mail | answering some of his recent argu. have been ordered to New Orleans to When it was shown that the com- from The Catarrhozone Co. Buffalo, ments. Regarding the trusts, the gov- make certain investigations in the cusernor will warn all business than its toms house

t under suspicion, and he will decla not only for direct primaries, but also for a corrupt practices law, national in scope, which will provide for the ade quate punishment of all who resort to election frauds or bribery of the elector or of the official Justice for the Trusts

The governor will state that he naintains his position, already announced, that legitimate, honestly conducted enterprise should receive every protection under the law, and that the government should carefully investigate the entire business situation so that the laws to be enacted to strengthen the present anti-trust laws should be so comprehensive in their

scope that there could be no doubt

anywhere regarding their application

and of just what is and what is not

New Orleans, Aug. 5 .- With a few

former Democrats present, and negroes isiana Progressive party met here to day and elected thirty delegates to the Chicago convention, it is declared, in structed to vote as a unit for the non ination of Colonel Roosevelt for presi Each delegate will have one

The convention adopted a resolution favoring the maintenance of the pro ective tariff system, "with only such changes as will give protection American industries without fostering motion was made to present

the Chicago convention as a vica-pres idential candidate the name of John M. Parker, of New Orleans, for years leader in the reform ranks of the Democratic party in this state. At th erring to the Democratic platform request of Mr. Parker's friends, the Louis P. Bryant, surveyor of the nor

with his approval. He will point out of New Orleans, created a mild senthat such a rule assures an independ- sation when he intimated that the adfighting directly to Roosevelt, taking have him removed. Mr. Bryant said his aspirations for re-election and he had been advised that special agents

London, Aug. 5 .- Dr. Quive, speak ing at the Sanitary Institute Congress today said that-outside of highly spebeen made in the past 300 years in advancing the general efficiency of vessels for washing the human body There said, which contained no other appli-There was no evidence to be discov-

ing accommodations of hotels were un bashful than English, not being afraid o pass along the hotel corridors to the bath rooms.

athing occurred as follows among the ationalities named: Scotchmen, Eng-English women, Frenchmen and Ger-

A MOCK BALLAD In his Philadelphia cottage, Eating scrapple with his pottage. Sat a leader by the name of Conni Mack .-

While this tall, thin man was eat He was planning on repeating

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