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Riding on an electric car is much more profitable than riding in a carriage or even in an automobile.

THE CENTER OF POPULATION. The center of population in the United States shifted to the west a shorter distance during the decade from 1890 to 1900 than in any decade since 1790.

JACKSONVILLE'S CATASTROPHE. Nearly all the business and hotel district of Jacksonville was destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon.

A Cardinal's Expenses. The promotion of Cardinal Martini makes it necessary for him to buy an entirely new wardrobe at a cost of about \$1,000.

Good Advice to Negroes. Bishop Armet, in a recent speech at Baltimore, said that negroes should not spend so much time in complaining.

THAT K. OF P. GOAT. Makes a Triumphant Entry into New York State. Calantha, the famous traveling goat, which is making a tour of the United States from Maine to California.

WISE LEGISLATION. One of the best pieces of legislation framed by the present General Assembly is the indeterminate sentence law which has been favorably reported by the judiciary committee.

DINNER SETS GIVEN AWAY. With \$40 worth of dining room furniture for the next ten days. Absolutely free. Benson & Keith.

Ladies' ... Skirts.

YOU may find larger stocks of Ladies' ready-made Skirts than ours but you won't find one selected with greater care, nor will you find better values for your money anywhere.

For Instance, Some new styles in gray mixtures and black chevrons that just came in. They are correct in style, nicely tailored, hang well and look well.

SHIRT WAISTS. Have never seen a handsomer line of patterns than this season's offerings. All prices from 50c. to \$1.98.

WASH DRESS GOODS. The new patterns include some very handsome color effects. Prices are low enough. 10c. to 15c. yard.

H. C. Martin, Cheney Block.

discharge. So much for the reformatory features of the bill. If, on the other hand, the prisoner during his confinement, shows that he would be a menace to society if released, the warden and directors may keep him confined for the longest time prescribed by law for the offense of which he was convicted.

It will be seen that the law offers inducements to the prisoner to conduct himself properly during the term of his confinement so that he may be released on parole, and, furthermore, to behave himself while on parole that he may earn a permanent discharge.

The promotion of Cardinal Martini makes it necessary for him to buy an entirely new wardrobe at a cost of about \$1,000. Each set of vestments requires silk stockings, slippers and gloves, which are of red and embroidered in bullion, with a cross and other symbols.

Bishop Armet, in a recent speech at Baltimore, said that negroes should not spend so much time in complaining. "What is the need of your complaining about race discrimination?" he asked.

Calantha, the famous traveling goat, which is making a tour of the United States from Maine to California, and visiting all of the Knights of Pythias lodges, has made his advent in New York state.

Henry F. Standish, representative from Andover, died Sunday afternoon, aged 57, from a complication of troubles. He attended the legislature Friday, April 26th, and was taken sick after his return that night, but did not call a doctor until the following Monday.

"Down Talk" headache powders, quick relief guaranteed 10 and 25c. Steamship tickets on all lines sold by W. E. Cheney.

TO REFORM CRIMINALS. Important Measure Now Before the General Assembly.

Following is the text of the bill reported favorably by the judiciary committee and now before the General Assembly:

Section 1.—When any person shall for an offense hereafter committed be sentenced to the state prison, otherwise than for life, or in connection with a sentence of execution for a capital offense, the court imposing the sentence shall not fix a definite term of imprisonment, but shall establish a maximum and a minimum term for which said convict may be held in said prison.

Section 2.—The request of an offender to the state prison, after having been in confinement within said prison for a period not less than said minimum term, may be allowed to go at large on parole in the discretion of the board of directors of the state prison, if in their judgment said prisoner will lead an orderly life in liberty.

Section 3.—Authority is hereby conferred upon said board of parole to establish such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary, upon the request of an offender to be paroled, and to enforce such rules and regulations, and to retake and reimprison any convict upon parole, for any reason that shall seem sufficient to said board of parole; provided, however, that such retaking shall be at a time prior to the expiration of the maximum term for which said convict was sentenced.

Section 4.—The request of an offender to be paroled, if approved by the board of directors of the state prison, shall be sufficient warrant to authorize any officer of said prison or any other authorized by law to serve criminal process within this state, to return any convict on parole into actual custody; and it shall be the duty of police officers, constables and sheriffs to arrest and hold such offender until when so requested, without any writ or warrant and for the performance of said duty, the officer performing the same (except officers of the prison) shall be paid by the board of directors of said prison out of the prison funds, such reasonable compensation as is provided by law for similar services in other cases.

Section 5.—Any paroled convict, who shall be returned to said prison for violation of his parole, may be retained in said prison for a period equal to the unexpired term of his sentence at the date of the request or order for his return, or may be again paroled by said board of parole.

Section 6.—If it shall appear said board of parole that an offender on parole will continue to lead an orderly life, then said board by a unanimous vote of all the members present at any regular meeting thereof, may declare said offender discharged from said prison and shall deliver to him a written certificate to that effect under the seal of the board of prison directors and signed by its secretary and by the warden.

Section 7.—It shall be the duty of the Connecticut Prison Association and of said board of parole to make all reasonable arrangements for the employment for any convict paroled or discharged.

Section 8.—The power of the board of pardons to grant parole is hereby limited to cases of convicts now in the state prison, or who shall be confined therein for offenses committed prior to the time this act shall take effect.

Section 9.—Section 1,644 of the General Statutes is hereby repealed. Section 10.—Nothing in this act shall be deemed to repeal Sections 1,634 and 1,632 of the General Statutes.

REMOVAL OF TIME LIMIT. Its Effect on the Length of Methodist Pastorates in New England.

The effect of the removal of the time limit in Methodist pastorates is thus discussed by Zion's Herald: The theory that the removal of the time limit would shorten rather than lengthen the pastorate and increase the number of changes, has not received confirmation from the recent session of the New England conference, and we have seen no figures quoted to show that it has produced that effect anywhere.

"Please, I want a penorth of—er—er—I want—er—er." "Have you forgotten what you came for?" "Yes, that's what I want—er—er." "What?" "Camphor."—Moonshire.

FURNITURE At Dry Goods Store Prices.



THAT'S THE WAY WE SELL FURNITURE ordinarily, but just now we are holding a special sale whereby you can save 20 per cent or more on every purchase. Although our furniture stock is the largest in Connecticut, so great is the demand upon it by the purchaser that it never has a chance to get out of date.

DINING ROOM FURNITURE. \$1.15 Dining Room Chairs at 84c.—Solid oak, high backs, cane seated and brace arms. Worth \$1.15. For this sale 84c. each.

BEDROOM FURNISHINGS. \$21.75 Chamber Suits at \$14.85.—Solid oak, full size, heavy beds, large dresser, commode to match, worth \$21.75. At this sale \$14.85.

LACE CURTAINS AND DRAPERIES. You'll be surprised at the lowness of our prices. The assortment is much more generous than at other stores and you offer a large window shade made to order at less price than you pay for ready made elsewhere.

3 Piece Parlor Suites at \$14.75.—Dainty design, polished frames, silk damask upholstered, value \$22.50, at this sale \$14.75.

CARPET RUGS. Axminster Carpet Rugs in unmatchable colorings and designs. They are easily the handsomest rugs made and are suited to the best rooms in the house. Values \$22.50. Now \$17.50.

CRAYON PORTRAITS. FREE TO ALL PURCHASERS of One dollar's worth or over. Bring Your Photo.

WISE, SMITH & CO., Hartford.

TALCOTTVILLE. Frank Williams, who has worked for Talcott Brothers as store clerk for nearly 15 years, has got through and expects to go into business with his brother-in-law in Bellows Falls, Vt.

WOULD DIE FOR HIM. Winsted Girl Grows Maudlin Over John Hayes, the Slayer of Winifred Cooke. John T. Hayes, the Winsted man now confined at the Litchfield jail awaiting trial for the murder of his sweetheart, Miss Winifred Cooke, is in no wise cast down by his position and prospects.

Luck Will be With You! IF YOU GET IT HERE. And you want to get ready for it right away. We understand Fishing Tackle and sell more of it than anybody else locally.

ANOTHER LOAD. Of those flowering plants from Morgan's Greenhouse, Glastonbury, to-day.

A NEW INVOICE. Of Crosse & Blackwell's and Cairn's Scotch and English Jams and L. A. Price's French Salad and Olive Oils, Olives, Prunes and Macaronis.

GARDEN SEEDS. Finest line and the seeds new and fresh. The place to buy is CLAPP & TREAT, 68 State Street, Courant Building.

FRANCO-AMERICAN SOUPS. A new shipment, all varieties just arrived.

Letter to T. P. Atkin, Manchester, Conn. Dear Sir: H. M. Hooker & Co., Cooperstown, N. Y., have sold Devore paint for 23 years.

BETTER BUY A BASTOW RAY STATE RANGE. You can't do better. There is no better. It is a uniform baker. It is a great coal saver. It is built very substantially. It is attractive but not gaudy.

AARON JOHNSON. Dealer in Best Things to Eat. Chestnut St. Just below Monument Park.

CARPETS MADE, LINED AND LAID FREE. All carpets purchased at Wise, Smith & Co.'s Hartford, made, lined and laid free until May 14th.

House Cleaning Time. Means wall papering time and both are here.—This is the season of the year when the house can be renovated cleaned and brightened to advantage and with the best results.

THE BONNER-PRESTON CO. 843 Main Street, Hartford, Conn.

