

GOVERNOR BURNETT'S FAREWELL MESSAGE

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\$ mills per ton mile over railroads from Lake Erie to Pittsburgh.

If the proposed Lake Erie and Ohio river canal should be found desirable the investigation now ordered, it should receive support from Pennsylvania.

In the value of exports and imports of merchandise, Philadelphia, during the year 1913 ranked fifth among Atlantic and Gulf ports; but it ranked second in tonnage.

Hand in hand with the physical improvements at the water terminals in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh should go co-operation between railroads, shipping interests and municipalities.

The legislation recommended by me, and enacted in 1913, provided stringent laws for the protection of life and property against insecure dams, and for the prevention of encroachments along, or obstructions in, streams.

The State owns 1,001,225 acres of forest land, purchased at an average price of \$2.25 per acre, from which a revenue of \$89,406.44 was derived to December 1, 1914.

This department should be given sufficient appropriation to improve its forest fire warning service and for the purchase of additional forest lands, and should be permitted to furnish trees without cost to municipalities of all kinds of municipal plantings.

The Public Service Company Law, created by an act of Assembly, approved July 25, 1913, is one of the most important to the people of Pennsylvania and to those corporations serving the people which are defined as public utilities.

Realizing that there were but two States in the Union where capitalistic investment in insurance enterprises, and but one State wherein the volume of business transacted was greater than in Pennsylvania, the General Assembly of 1911 enacted comprehensive legislation reorganizing the Insurance Department and extending its jurisdiction until to-day the insurance laws of this State compare favorably with those of any other State.

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Since the work of the commission is rapidly enlarging both as to the number and importance of the matters brought before them for determination, and since the vast number of traffic cases which they have supervised are filed with them and require to be provided for and analyzed, addi-

tional space and facilities ought to be furnished by the Commonwealth.

Attorney General

The Attorney General's Department has rendered valuable services to the Commonwealth, not only in advising the various departments of the State upon questions of law concerning the powers, jurisdiction and administration of the several departments, but has carried to successful determination much important litigation in the interests of the Commonwealth.

The department argued with success in the Supreme Court of the United States the case raising the constitutionality of the statute prohibiting foreign-born alien from owning shotguns and rifles, involving important questions as to the police power of the State and the construction of international treaties; and, in the same court, the department sustained the validity under the State and Federal Constitutions of a very important provision of the anthracite mine code, requiring in the interest and protection of the miners the leasing of barrier pillars between adjoining mines; also the case involving the constitutionality of the Pure Food Law of 1909, which is the principal act under which the Dairy and Food Department operates.

In addition to this class of important cases, this department has been successful in obtaining judgments from the courts concerning corporate taxes, which resulted in increasing the State revenues by several millions. In one important case alone, after twelve years of litigation, nearly \$250,000 was collected from one company.

Codification of Laws

The Legislative Reference Bureau, at the session of 1913, was directed by the General Assembly to make extensive revision of the general statute laws of the State and to prepare a list of obsolete statutes and statutes whereon some doubt exists whether they have been repealed by the general law.

Banking

There were 429 banks, trust companies, and savings-fund institutions doing business in Pennsylvania at the close of the year 1913. This number has grown to 487; the resources have increased from \$1,069,486,356.25 to \$1,278,644,951.78; the deposits have grown from \$742,515,524.26 to \$924,436.82; and the number of depositors from 1,744,049 to 2,215,321.

Building associations in this State at the close of 1913 numbered 1,350, and now number 1,793. Their resources have increased from \$181,202,088.27 to \$233,564,455.60, in January, 1914; making the total resources of all incorporated financial institutions in the State, for 1914, about \$1,700,000,000.

Legislation should be enacted requiring all individuals engaged in private banking to take out a license, and the provision in the present law exempting certain private bankers should be repealed. They should not be permitted to receive deposits upon the credit of individuals, unless subject to the examination and scrutiny of the Banking Department, in order that such deposits may have the greatest possible measure of security.

Insurance

The liquidation of insolvent institutions, and the disposal of disaffection on account of the delay and excessive cost of administration. The act of 1911 authorizing the commissioner to come to the aid of companies has proved beneficial. Some twenty-five companies and associations have already been wound up, or are in process of liquidation, with a minimum delay of the annual delay.

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State Police

The Department of State Police, created in 1905, consisting of four troops of two officers and fifty-five men each, with barracks and stables at Wyoming, Pottsville, Greensburg, and Butler, has rendered valuable service to the Commonwealth. In the eight years ending December 31, 1913, the members of the force arrested 2,718 males and made over 45,000 arrests. During this time the department received thousands of re-

quests for assistance from all parts of the State.

Four thousand one hundred forty-six requests were received last year from district attorneys, sheriffs, judges, chiefs of police, etc. Less than 25 per cent. of these requests were complied with, owing to the limited number of the force.

Among the arrests made from January, 1906, to January, 1914, were 369 for murder, 1,023 for highway robbery, 441 for gambling, 373 for burglary, 1,477 for horse stealing, 774 for violations of fish and game laws, 121 for keeping bawdy-houses, 145 for rape, 227 for robbery, 479 for violation of the liquor laws, 125 for receiving stolen goods.

Substitutions, of three men each, are established each year in thirty or forty different counties, giving protection to localities that have no local police, but, owing to the limited amount of money appropriated for this purpose, these substations can only be maintained for three months, whereas they should be permanent so that these isolated localities could have the much needed protection all the year.

The necessity for an increase in the number of men and an adequate appropriation to distribute them to the best advantage throughout the State, is proved by the fact that all requests for assistance that are received yearly from State and county officials, with the majority of which the department is unable to comply.

Fiftieth Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg

The act of May 13, 1869, provided for the appointment of a commission of nine persons to arrange for the proper observance at Gettysburg of the fiftieth anniversary of the battle at that place, and to invite the cooperation of other States and of the United States, and made an appropriation of \$5,000. The act of June 14, 1914, increased this appropriation to \$50,000.

The event proved to be a great success and in every way worthy of the Commonwealth. For the first time since the close of the Civil War there was a general reunion of the veterans of the Union and Confederate armies, both of which were represented by large numbers, and the celebration did much to create good feeling all over the country.

Transfer of Flags

The commission created under the provisions of a joint resolution of the General Assembly approved June 19, 1913, authorized to arrange and supervise the transfer, from the Library and Museum Building to the Capitol, of the flags of Pennsylvania commands of the War for the Suppression of the Rebellion and the Spanish-American War, and other flags of historical value, on July 15, 1914, transferred these flags with patriotic and most impressive ceremonies, participated in by a portion of the National Guard, and other members of the public, and patriotic societies.

Public Printing and Binding

Under legislation enacted at the last session of the General Assembly the distribution of public documents is now performed in a businesslike way. The creation of the Division for the Distribution of Public Documents will result in a more economical and wasteful method that existed prior to its establishment. The editions of certain reports can be greatly reduced, and it is suggested that legislation be enacted with effect in view, in order that it may be in force when the next contract for printing is awarded in 1917.

Capitol Park

The Capitol Park Commission, created by the act of June 16, 1911, has conducted its affairs in a thorough businesslike way, and its members are entitled to the highest praise. The number of properties in the proposed park area aggregating 67, which have already been purchased by the commission, and negotiations are now under way for the purchase of the remaining 22. The transaction of the rapidly increasing number of various departments of the State Government makes necessary the acquisition of this area.

Pan-American Exposition

The Panama-Pacific Exposition Commission, appointed under the provisions of a joint resolution of the General Assembly approved June 14, 1911, has completed the erection of a building for the participation of the State of Pennsylvania in the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to be held in San Francisco, Cal., in 1915, to celebrate the completion and opening of the Panama Canal and the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Ocean.

Secretary of Internal Affairs

Attention was called at the last session of the General Assembly to the fact that the maintenance of the office of Secretary of Internal Affairs, because of the creation of the Public Service Commission and the Department of Labor and Industry, would serve only to produce conflict of authority, duplication of work, and unnecessary expenditure of public moneys. The result was the passage of a resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth for the abolishment of this office, and transferring the powers exercised by it to the Public Service Commission, the Department of Labor and Industry, and the Forestry Department. I recommend that this proposed constitutional amendment, which comes before you for action at this session, should have your early

attention, in order that the subject may be submitted to the people for ratification.

Woman Suffrage

The last session of the General Assembly passed a resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, determining whether or not women shall have the right of suffrage in Pennsylvania. I recommend that this resolution, which comes before you for action at this session, shall receive such attention, as will enable the subject to be submitted to the voters for their determination.

Senatorial and Representative Apportionment

Attention is called to Article II, Section 18, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which provides that the State shall be apportioned into senatorial and representative districts immediately after each United States decennial census.

The New Penitentiary

The very best thought has been given to the erection and organization of Pennsylvania's new western penitentiary, near Bellefonte, which when completed will house a great portion of the State's convict population. An opportunity will be afforded its prisoners to work in the open, and to live and sleep in sanitary surroundings, to the end that they may be reformed and their shattered physical constitutions repaired. This institution is attracting nation-wide attention.

Department Reports

The details of the work of the several departments and commissions of the State Government to which no special reference is made, will be found in the respective reports. I recommend that the suggestions found therein have your careful consideration.

Reports of Commissions

The Building Code Commission, created under the provisions of joint resolution of June 14, 1911; the Industrial Accidents Commission, created under the provisions of the act of June 27, 1913; the Commission to Investigate Laws Relating to Recording of Deeds and Mortgages, created by Concurrent Resolution of June 13, 1913; the Commission to Investigate the Economy and Efficiency Commission, created under the provisions of joint resolution of July 25, 1913; the Suburban Metropolitan Planning Commission, created under the provisions of the act of May 23, 1913; the Lake Erie and Ohio River Canal Board of Pennsylvania, created under the provisions of the act of June 27, 1913; the Engineers' Commission, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Provide for Co-operation with the United States, Bureau of Mines in the establishment in this State of a Mining Experiment Station, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Joint Committee to Investigate Workings of Civil Service Laws in Cities of the First Class, created under the provisions of concurrent Resolution of June 13, 1913; the Commission to Investigate all Matters Pertaining to Cold Storage, created under the provisions of concurrent resolution of June 19, 1913; the Commission to Investigate the Administration of the State, created under the provisions of joint resolution of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Consider Revision and Amendment of the Penal Laws of the State, created under the provisions of all inmates of all Penal Institutions, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Investigate the Causes and Practices of the various Companies of Fire Insurance Companies, created under the provisions of joint resolution of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Investigate Objects, Methods and Practices of the various Companies of Fire Insurance Companies, created under the provisions of joint resolution of July 25, 1913; the Commission for a State Industrial Home for Women, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Provide for Selection of a Site and the Erection of a State Institution for Inebriates, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Board of Managers to Provide for Establishment of State Village for Feeble-minded Women, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Examine and to Provide for Transfer, under Certain Conditions, to the Commonwealth, of the Pennsylvania Oral School for the Deaf, at Scranton, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Provide for Joint Acquisition and Maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of Certain Toll Bridges over the Delaware river, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Austin Dam Commission, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission to Examine into Condition of Susquehanna Canal, created under the provisions of joint resolution of July 25, 1913; the Chestnut Tree Blight Commission, created under the provisions of the act of June 14, 1911; the Commission to Investigate European Systems of Rural Credits, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Pennsylvania Historical Commission, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commission for the Compilation and Revision of the Statutes of the large of Pennsylvania, created under the provisions of the act of July 25, 1913; the Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States, created under the provisions of the act of May 23, 1913; the Commission to Supervise the transfer from the Library and Museum Building to the Capitol, of certain of the flags of Pennsylvania Commands, created under the provisions of the act of June 14, 1911; and the Capitol Park Extension Commission, created under the provisions of the act of June 16, 1911, will submit reports to the General Assembly relative to the performance of their respective duties and make recommendations based upon investigations authorized by legislative enactment. These reports and the recommendations made by the several commissions are of a nature of great interest and of great value to the people of this Commonwealth.

USED MODEL IN COURT CASE

Special to The Telegraph. Sunbury, Pa., Jan. 5.—A model of the treaty work upon which a crane was operated at the Milton Manufacturing Company's plant at Milton, was used by lawyers in a \$25,000 suit for personal injuries brought by Daniel W. Hendricks, of Milton, against that corporation, in the Northumberland county court here today.

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