RULES FOR GOVERNMENT OF CONVICTS.

RULE 1.—The first duty of the convict is strict obedience, and it will be for his interest to obey all rules and regulations.

RULE 2.—Strict silence must be observed. No conversation allowed except by permission of the officer under whose charge they may be.

RULE 3.—The convict must not speak to any visitor; give to, or receive from them, anything without permission of the Warden or Deputy.

RULE 4.—Convicts must not leave the line, or their place of employment, without permission. If sick or unable to work, must make it known to the officer in charge, and act as he may direct.

RULE 5.—Convicts must approach an officer in a respectful manner—always touching his cap or forehead before speaking. He must be prompt in taking his place in line, march lock-step with his right hand upon the shoulder of the man in advance, incline his face towards the officer, and attend to and promptly obey his orders. Convicts passing through the yard must walk in file (never abreast).

RULE 6.—On entering the cell-house, convicts will stand at cell with their right hand on the door. At a given signal, will open the same, step in, close within six inches, keep hold until the second signal is given, when they will close altogether, remaining with their hand upon the door until the bar is closed and the count is made. In case of miscount, he will resume his position at the door until the count is correct.

RULE 7.—He must keep his cell and furniture clean and in good order. No marking or scratching the walls, nor spitting upon the floor, will be allowed. At the ringing of the 9 o'clock bell, P. M., all convicts must put out their lights, undress and retire.

RULE 8.—At the ringing of the morning bell, he must turn out, dress, make up his bed neatly, and be ready for marching out. At the signal, he must open the door, step out, close the same—holding on until the bar is closed—and stand erect until ordered to march.

RULE 9.—No convict will be allowed to gaze at visitors or strangers passing through the prison; neither will they be allowed to make any alteration in their clothing or the furniture of their cells.

RULE 10.—All convicts not employed in the Warden's office, or about the Warden House, on entering, must uncover.

RULE 11.—All convicts are required to attend religious services on Sunday, unless sick or excused by the Warden or Deputy. In chapel, silence must be observed. No reading will be allowed, and strict attention must be given to the service. Spitting upon the floor, shuffling of the feet, or any unnecessary noise is strictly forbidden.

RULE 12.—Insolence in any form will not be tolerated. No smoking by convicts allowed on the prison premises.

RULE 13.—Convicts will be required to bathe once a week in summer, and once in two weeks in winter, unless excused by the Physician, Warden or Deputy.

Rule 14.—Every convict shall have permission to write once in five weeks. In case of special letters, written permission must be obtained from the Warden or Deputy. All letters written or received must first be examined at the office, under the direction of the Warden, before sent or delivered. Visits from friends allowed once in eight weeks. The permission to write or receive letters and visits from friends is dependent upon general correct deportment and obedience to rules.

RULE 15.—The use of library books, and all reading matter, may be suspended by the Warden for violation of library rules.

R. W. McCLAUGHRY,

January 1st, 1874.

Warden.

GOOD TIME LAW.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That every convict who is now or who may hereafter be confined in the Illinois Penitentiary, and who shall have no infraction of the rules or regulations of the Penitentiary or laws of the State recorded against him, and who performs in a faithful manner the duties assigned to him, in an orderly and peaceable manner, shall be entitled to the diminution of time from his sentence as appears in the following table, for the respective years of his sentence, and prorata for any part of a year where the sentence is for more or less than a year:

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