

its own creation has become firmly established as a part of the public policy of the whole country.

*Be it therefore resolved,* That this memorial be entered in the proceedings of the Senate and Assembly in recognition of his important service to the state, and as a public acknowledgment of the great benefits accruing to the people through his efforts both as Governor and legislator.

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[No. 58, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41.

Relating to the question of vagrancy.

WHEREAS, The question of the elimination of the vagrant from our population is one of such importance to the state and to the nation as to require a more substantial and efficient means to control that condition than is now provided by our present system of laws relating to vagrancy. The great loss of life, the spread of crime and disease, the loss by fires and railway wrecks brought about through the carelessness of our wandering population, are but a few of the many evils resulting from the great numbers of vagrants both vicious and unfortunate which infest the state and the nation and

WHEREAS, The present system of dealing with vagrancy tends to scatter the evil into the country beyond the restraint of police protection during the milder seasons of the year, and in the severer seasons the vagrant becomes a burden on the urban population of our people; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring,* That the state board of control be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the advisability of establishing labor colonies on unimproved lands within this state modelled after the system now in vogue in Holland, Belgium, and other countries of Europe, which system is now being considered by the Legislature of the State of New York, and report the result of their investigation to the Governor in their annual report for the year 1910. Provided, however, that no expense to the state shall be incurred in such investigation.