

introduced. I do not think the Goodnow Commission made any recommendation with reference to this matter.

Senate Bill No. 395, known as the "Vagrancy Bill," was made necessary by the Prison Control Bill.

As to the Bill creating a State Board of Agriculture, and the State College of Agriculture, as well as the consolidation of the State Tobacco Inspector and other departments under the Agricultural Board, the Goodnow Commission stated they had not time to consider the matter. They recommended that the State Board of Forestry and the Immigration Bureau be not included under the Board of Agriculture. I agreed with the Commission in their recommendation as to the State Board of Forestry and the Immigration Bureau, and have had a Bill prepared and introduced abolishing the Bureau of Immigration, which will show a considerable saving to the State.

The Educational Survey Bill was not considered by the Goodnow Commission, but is receiving our hearty support.

The Bill abolishing the envelope system of voting was prepared by the Attorney-General, at our request, and introduced early in the session. This measure was promised by the Democratic Party's platform. Likewise another Bill providing for a day for registration before the Primaries was promised in the platform and has been introduced. A Bill regulating the expenses of Primary and General Elections was pledged in the platform of the Democratic Party, and has been prepared and introduced in the Legislature.

The Goodnow Commission recommended that a Bill should be passed giving the Comptroller the authority to instruct the State Auditor to make examinations of the vouchers and accounts of any office and report in full to him. A Bill carrying out this recommendation had already been introduced in the Legislature and is now pending.

The Goodnow Commission did not recommend any plan of consolidation of the State Law Departments, stating that they did not have time to give the matter proper consideration, but the Attorney-General, at our request, drew a Bill which shows a saving to the State and city of some \$8,000 per annum. This Bill consolidates all law departments of the State, and in addition thereto the Supervisors of Elections and the Police Department of Baltimore city, with the exception of the Public Service Commission. The Bill has been before the Legislature for sometime and ought to be passed.

I differ with the Goodnow Commission only on practically two points. The Goodnow Commission recommend the plac-