

# THE CIVIC FEDERATION OF CHICAGO.

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January 23, 08.

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I have the minutes prepared by Brown. They are ready to  
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*Henry Wolfer, Warden.*

*Wolfer*

*Stillwater, Minn., Oct. 15, 1907.*

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**ANSWERED**

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Dear Sir:-

At the meeting last Friday of the special committee organized by the Civic Federation to study the indeterminate sentence and parole system a sub-committee was appointed to gather data and make investigations. This sub-committee consists of Prof. Charles R. Henderson, Chairman, Bishop Samuel Fallows, Captain Michael P. Evans, Mr. Howard O. Sprogle and Mr. John B. W. Wayman.

This committee desires suggestions or information bearing on the subject, and hopes the members of the general committee will aid in this way to such extent as they can. It is expected to follow the matter to a conclusion to the extent of pushing a bill or bills in the Legislature for improvements in the system if such are found desirable and can be agreed upon.

Communications may be addressed to Prof. Henderson at the University of Chicago or to the undersigned, who was appointed secretary of the committee. Your active co-operation is earnestly desired. The general committee will again be called together as soon as the sub-committee is able to report.

Yours very truly,

*W. H. Brown*  
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*This is circular letter sent to all members.*







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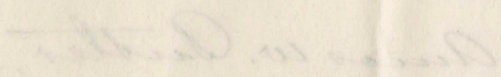
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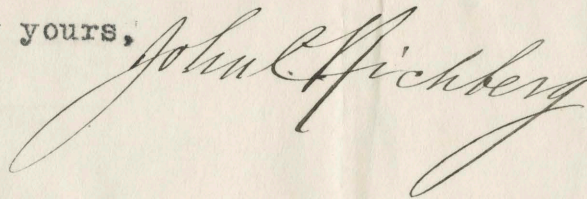


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