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THE CAUSES OF INDIAN UNREST

But beyond these common grievances of India I am most struck in Madras by the uneasy suspicion that justice is not pure. One had always supposed that, whatever our other faults, our government could be depended upon for a justice that took no thought of persons or gain. It is disconcerting to find that it is exactly the suspicion of injustice that is here rousing the widest feeling of disquiet and irritation. Men of the highest official position in the law courts tell me that the common people are ceasing to believe in British justice at all. There is, too, the standing sense of wrong because an Englishman has the right to a different form of trial from an Indian; because in most cases throughout the country the official who brings an accusation is also the official who decides the case; and because the native police are promoted on the number of convictions they obtain.

Unhappily all these three grievances are familiar to any person who has taken any notice of Indian affairs at all. Lord Ripon's attempt gradually to remove the first, though it failed, is one of the well-remembered events of his famous viceroyalty. The second is a scandal so obvious and so universally recognized that one can only suppose its removal is now a matter of money. The third, which I think is more bitterly resented here than anywhere else, will require a complete reorganization of the police, especially of the system which leaves the prisoner on remand in their hands and makes it worth their while to extort "confessions" by means which, rightly or wrongly, are spoken of with horror among the people.

Peaceful and backward as Madras is supposed to be in comparison with places like Poona I have seen more signs of active unrest here than in other places. The Swadeshi movement is very strong. In the native papers you see advertisements of Swadeshi goods of every kind, and exhortations to "try our Brands Mataram Cigarettes." One wealthy Hindu has determined to do without imported machinery, and collecting members of the old weaver caste has set up a bamboo factory of hand looms, where they turn out beautiful Indian cottons, very little more expensive than the English stuffs and lasting four times as long. He can not keep pace with the demand of the Hindu women. There is a small party here also which says: "Let the English go their way. We will ask no share in their government and take none. We will neither appeal to their law courts nor accept salaries as their officials. We must pay the

taxes, but otherwise we will forget that the foreigners are among us at all."

Last night I was introduced by a Brahmin into the house of one of this party. It was the festival of Siva. The rooms and courtyards sparkled with little lamps, and at the door a band of pipers drove care, I hope, very far away. The gods were collected on the table, and, dressed in all their best, little girls tended them with lights and flowers. But, for the first time, the master of the house did not give me a Hindu welcome, and when I went out into the great temple of Vishnu the excited crowd, waiting for the procession of the god, swarmed round me with wild shouts of "Bande Mataram Bande Mataram! Hail to the Motherland!" My Brahmin told me afterward that it was in compliment to by liberal opinions. But I think it was not in compliment to my English clothes, which were more conspicuous than my opinions.—Henry W. Nevins in London Chronicle.

THE PROSECUTION'S BLUNDER

It Charged Schmitz With the Wrong Brand of Crime.

(San Francisco Chronicle.)

The comment of the eastern press on the decision of the court of appeals which quashed the indictment on which Schmitz was convicted is largely on the assumption that our highest courts are corrupt and in sympathy with the convicted hoodlums. We must confess that the ravings of the irresponsible press of this city might lead our eastern friends to suppose that such was the belief here. That is not the case among any whose opinion is worthy of consideration, although foolish newspapers and foolish clergymen may have implanted that idea in the minds of the unthinking.

To begin with no judge and no jurymen has any "sympathy" whatever with any of the parties concerned in these extortion cases. Ruef, Schmitz and the keepers of immoral resorts are all in one class and separated by a great gulf from the "higher ups" with financial and social connections. They are all alike in the underworld. Nor can the decision in the Schmitz extortion case have any bearing whatever upon the bribery cases in which influential men are accused. There can, therefore, be no conceivable "motive" on the part of the higher courts to deal with Ruef and Schmitz with any more "sympathy" than they would have for any other ordinary criminals.

There is a growing conviction among lawyers who have studied the opinion that the decision was sound law and would be affirmed by the supreme court. That a crime was committed nobody doubts, but it was probably "bribery" and not "extortion." What happened was that the French restaurants paid Ruef for the delivery of a license which would enable them to conduct unlawful resorts, provided there was no police interference, which there would not have been. But it was not a statutory crime to pay Ruef for the license and except by the testimony of Ruef it could not be proved that the mayor got any part of the money. And Ruef's testimony could not convict.

The prosecution, therefore, "ran a bluff" on the community and the courts. The community was abashed with righteous indignation over the villainous proceedings which had certainly occurred. Everybody recognized—and it was true—that both Ruef and Schmitz ought to go to state's prison, and everybody was in a mood to put them there if by any color of law they could thus get their deserts. The people cannot be blamed; for it is proved that Ruef took the money and nobody doubts that he divided it with Schmitz, and one must imagine, with others. Consequently the prosecution took up the theory of extortion and connected Schmitz with it by certain circumstantial evidence. Ruef was not put on the stand. The testimony was that the restaurant men sought Ruef and that rascal had apparently been smart enough to avoid any expression whatever that had the appearance of a threat. He was bribed, but he did not extort. The conspiracy of Ruef, Schmitz and the police commissioners, if sufficiently proved, would make out an extortion case, and in the opinion of the jury that was made out. But here comes the difficulty—it is not unlawful, but meritorious, to withhold a liquor license from an immoral resort, and it is not a crime to threaten to do a lawful act. And upon that Schmitz was discharged. It is a fine spun question of law, and judges might disagree, but legal opinion generally seems to hold the point good. It was that, apparently, which was in Ruef's mind when he pleaded guilty to extortion while insisting that he was not guilty. The whole dealing of the prosecution with Ruef has been a contest of wits with the result, thus far, plainly in favor of Ruef. He ought to go to state's prison, but it is very doubtful whether he ever does go—or anybody else who has been connected with these rascally proceedings. Ruef is the king pin in all the cases, and is probably too smart to be caught.

The trouble is with the law. It must be made a felony for any person, attorney or not, to offer to deliver official action of any kind, and the acceptance of money for such promotion, except by a legally registered lobbyist, should also be a felony and even in that case if more than a reasonable payment for actual work done with no allowance whatever for "influence."

Reames' Idea of an Editor.

District Attorney Reames in prosecuting the libel case, wherein George Putman was accused of printing scandalous and defamatory matter of and concerning his brother and others, delivered the following diatribe upon editors in general. "A man with a pail of lampblack, a hatful of old type, a shoe brush and a thimbleful of brains," which was intended and probably does represent the Reames idea of an editor. This eloquent and expressive bit of diatribe did not originate in the fertile brain of the distinguished prosecutor. Mr. Reames made use of the above quotation before a jury, while acting in the high office of district attorney and at a time when the defendant was on trial because of the publication of alleged scandalous matter.

Mr. Reames' objection to the alleged libelous publication was that it held certain persons up to ridicule and public hatred, and while occupying this high moral plane he himself, it appears, was not above holding the defendant up to the scorn and ridicule of all his hearers. The rules of procedure, denied the defendant the right of answering or defending the vituperative abuse of the district attorney.

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Eggs—30c.
Butter—Country, 35c; creamery, 40c.
Flour—Valley, \$1.20 per sack; hard wheat, \$1.40 @ \$1.50.
Bran—80c per sack; \$26 per ton; shorts, \$1.10 per sack.
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Sheep—3 1/2c @ 4 1/2c.
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