

Daily British Whig.

WE DIDN'T KNOW.

The Kingston News candidly admits that it didn't know that steps had been taken to punish Mr. Roe. It blunderingly remarks:

"We knew that Mr. St. John applied for an injunction against Messrs. Ross & Stone, but the time being inconvenient, he declined to apply again in Toronto within thirty days, the Judge remarked that if he issued the injunction at all he would include the other heirs in them. Since then we have heard nothing more about the matter, but if the Whig has learned anything that escaped us let it furnish us with the information."

Our contemporary is not given to much reading, and so he is painfully ignorant of the events daily chronicled in the daily papers. The Whig can enlighten him considerably by quoting the following:

"On Friday last, at Toronto, Mr. St. John applied for injunctions against the men whose corrupt practices claimed Sir John A. Macdonald to be assassinated in London. Owing to technical objections at present, although it was clear that the charges were substantiated in the election petition, the Judge did not rule in his favor. He said: 'I mention the difficulties in order that the members of the Legislature or the law officers of the Crown may be called to account that persons guilty of corrupt practices may be punished. No doubt it is a great scandal.'

I should be very glad to summon and see all those parties punished for grave violations of the election law; but if I were to issue a summons, it would be only for a van purpose, and I would be bringing the Court together to effect nothing."

We can give our "learned" friend a little more information, which most have escaped his attention or he would not have made such an exhibition of his stupidity—that "Mr. A. H. Roe, the member elect for the Local Legislature for London, has been served with a writ for \$3,000, for seventeen cases in which he is charged with bringing voters to secure the return of Sir John Macdonald for London in 1882."

Mr. Roe is liable for a penalty of \$300 for each case of bribery, and he will have to pay it if he possesses the money, the Judge on Friday last having admitted that the charges were substantiated in the election petition. Mr. Roe's position is not a pleasant one.

It is just about as pleasant, however, as that of the Tory editor who, in his defense, wants to say something smart and doesn't know what he is talking about.

A FINGER TRAPPED.

If the Kingston News has not ceased to be the organ of the Anglican Church in this Diocese the sooner the Bishop dismisses it the better; and if it is not to sink as low in public estimation as the member for London in the Local Legislature it will shift the responsibility of acting as his sole and special champion. The Whig is ardent enough in its advocacy of Liberalism, and it has been able to endorse most of the political acts of the Liberal leaders, but it has never been so lavish in party, so lost to self-respect, as to publicly endorse a man of the Roe stripe and persistently falsify the records in order to improve his cause.

In last night's issue of the news appeared an article under the caption of "Charges Against Roe," the statements contained in which are most remarkable. We take up a few of them in order that the public may the better understand the disgusting service to which the organ has descended:

"Mr. Roe may have used the language imputed to him, and if he did he was certainly nine years ago a person unfit to be advanced to any position of honor in Christian society."

There can be no disputing the genuineness or the bitterness of the language unless one is disposed to follow the lead of the editor of the "News" and deny the existence of our own sinner.

A number of witnesses were positive that they heard different expressions at different times—A. Granger, in 1872; Jonathan Aylworth, in 1872; E. R. Stone, between 1872 and 1877; and James Barrett in 1880. There is but one straight denial that the evidence is true, and that comes from Mr. Roe himself.

Acquiring the bulk of testimony as trustworthy we can say in the words of our local contemporary that Roe is "a person unfit to be advanced to any position of honor in Christian society."

2. "But the evidence is inconclusive. Several men swear that they heard it (the language) on one occasion at that distance of time, (about 9 years ago)."

Several men did nothing of the kind. Mr. Granger heard Roe reflect upon "the Saviour of mankind" on the street, opposite the Prince Hotel. Mr. Aylworth heard an offensive remark from him in Mr. Preston's office; Messrs. A. Henry, E. R. Stone and R. Stone were shocked by his talk in the office of the latter; Mr. Howell was surprised by his speech in Niagara, on the street, to his friends; and when he told them the same, another had been knocked down by his doctor, a personal physician. A third had told a personal physician that he never heard the word in question through his afterwards course he had."

The alleged heirs have alighted to Mr. Aylworth, a good Conservative and a competitor of Roe. Just what did take place between them is thus outlined in the official report of the coroner's inquest:

" Didn't you tell him (Roe) you had sold 'Sister' (of course) of a remark made by yourself? —A—Yes; I had told Sister only a short time before. Mr. Sister came to me to speak my property and it was then I told him."

"The time you spoke of in the only time you had a conversation with the above voting? —A—Yes, unimportant here were people said to me if I would get them about \$2 each for voting. For this

GRINNELL TRIAL.

NOT VERY MUCH CHANGE IN THE TESTIMONY.—TAKING GREAT CARE OF THE PLEASANT.

LONDON, Nov. 30.—The Attorney General repeated the details of the indictment and declared that the act was not committed in willful defiance, but was a willful premeditated murder. He emphasized the care not to allow any feeling against Carey to prejudice them.

U'Donnell listened closely to the witness. He has been allowed to use his hands which he does freely in the dock.

Patrick Stewart, of Melrose Castle, responded to the question to give at the preliminary examination.

TESTIMONY OF ROE.

JAMES PAUL, a servant of the witness, was the first witness called. He stated that he saw two evidences of passion on the part of O'Donnell, and that he was greatly annoyed O'Donnell and Carey. The second examination he said that there was ignorance of the fact that a bullet had been fired from Carey's pistol. The gun was only O'Donnell's pistol.

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