

he has been shewn to have participated in it, are not satisfactorily accounted for. We can perceive no reason consistent only with the proper conduct of the election for the introduction of such outside agencies.

If, as alleged, he was merely engaged as a speaker or orator, he was not retained long in that capacity only. He was soon permitted to depart from that employment and to engage in an entirely different kind of election work. He was openly recognized as an agent in charge of a committee room, opened and carried on by him in the appellant's interest, and in which or in connection with which the corrupt acts were committed. There is evidence upon which the conclusion might well be reached that he was engaged, or at all events was allowed, to assume a position in which he could do acts of the very kind of which he has been found guilty.

The explanations attempted to be given as to the disposition he made of the moneys placed in his hands while engaged in the work of the contest, do not remove the impression that more than is accounted for may have been used in similar ways.

What has been shewn as to the appellant's part in the supply of these moneys increases his difficulties on this part of the case. His account of his dealings in regard to them, as gathered from his depositions, demonstrate an entire disregard for the plain directions of the Act. These moneys were not paid through his financial agent. No account of them was rendered to that gentleman, and they did not appear in his published statement. And, even after an exhaustive preliminary examination of the appellant, the facts with regard to the payment of the draft for \$100 of which Morreault received the proceeds, were not disclosed until in course of the trial they were admitted by the appellant's counsel. We do not suggest that the explanation finally given should not be accepted, but the difficulties which the petitioners encountered in tracing these payments emphasize the impropriety of the failure to observe the directions of the Act.

There was so much of illegality and irregularity in and connected with the payment of these funds, and in and connected with the employment and conduct of Morreault, in whose hands they were placed, that we are unable to see how the appellant could hope to convince the rota Judges that the election ought not to be avoided.

We entirely agree with the conclusion they have reached, that the acts of bribery proved and the illegal practices of