

**An Officially
Authenticated
Instance**

The Dominion Police are responsible under the Treaty for the Suppression of the White Slave Trade for giving effect to the Treaty so far as Canada is concerned. Colonel Sherwood, the Commissioner in command, is thoroughly capable and equally anxious to do his duty. In a letter to the writer, under date November 9th, 1909, he says :—

“ In reply to your letter of yesterday, I may say that the parties of whom I spoke who were engaged in the White Slave Traffic with headquarters at Belgium, were Armand Lechien, and a woman Alsie Lechien, who masquerades as his wife, otherwise known as Alzir Hennart, born in France, but of late years living at Liege, Belgium. They would appear to have been engaged in debauching and bringing young girls to this Continent for some years back. It is known that in 1903 they brought some into the Yukon, one of the girls at that time being under 15 years of age.

“ The particular case with which we had to do was the importation of Philomena Jongen, who was brought out by way of St. John, N. B., in 1908, and taken to a family near Stettler, Alta., to await a convenient opportunity to take her across the line. This was done later on in that year when she was taken to a ranch in Montana, kept by one Jules May (Maille) and later taken to Denver, where she came under the notice of the officers of the Immigration and Naturalization Bureau who apprehended her and got her story, resulting in the arrest of May (Maille), who for his participation in the matter was in July last convicted and sentenced to four (4) years in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and in addition to pay a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000), and indictment was also found against Mrs. Lechien, but both she and her male companion have so far evaded arrest, but the officials, both of the United States and Canada have been warned to be on the lookout and have been furnished with descriptions and in the event of arrest they will be rigorously prosecuted.”

**What the
Immigration
Chaplains Say**

this to be the case. White Slave Agents are closely watched wherever suspicion is aroused, and no such get access to the wharves. But who can guard unchaperoned girls after they leave the wharves and start on their overland journey ? The Chaplains report that many such never reach their

The Immigration Chaplains at Atlantic ports see many instances of foreign girls which they have reason to believe are victims of this damnable traffic, but it is extremely difficult to detect or prove