

ELECTION CASES—ONTARIO.

At a meeting of the Judges of the High Court, held on Saturday, 17th December, 1904, the following rule was passed:—

The Clerk of the Court shall, on receipt of the deposit made with him on the filing of an election petition, forthwith pay the amount deposited into Court, with the privity of the Accountant, to the credit of the matter of the petition, for which payment no fee shall be payable.

Flotsam and Jetsam.

The story runs that once at a dinner-party a footman upset some scalding soup over a bishop's apron: whereupon the prelate mildly exclaimed: "Will some layman kindly use the appropriate expression?" This was quite becoming in a bishop, to whom all "swearing and ribaldry" is utterly denied, but an ordinary vicar has, it would seem, greater latitude. An occasional lapse into strong language—under considerable provocation—though certainly reprehensible, does not in the opinion of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, constitute an "immoral habit" or render him "habitually guilty of swearing and ribaldry" under s. 2 of the Clergy Discipline Act, 1892: *Moore v. Bishop of Oxford*, [1904] A.C. 283, 73 L.J.C.P. 43. Clergymen are but mortal; but a clergyman must draw the line at collecting alms under false and fraudulent pretences. This is an "immoral act": *Fitzmaurice v. Hesketh*, [1904] A.C. 266, 73 L.J.P.C. 53.—*Law Quarterly*.

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