

ment, in their efforts to secure the election of their favourite candidate. There is plenty of machinery provided to make elections pure, but the means of putting the machinery in operation are defective. If it is seriously intended to enforce the law, then let provision be made for inspectors of elections in the various constituences, whose duty it would be to stop all violations of the law and procure evidence that would convict those who are arrested for violating the law. It would then be very difficult to get reputable citizens to go out on election day, with a fistful of two dollars bills, fresh from the printing press and hand them out to electors who were willing to be "influenced." There are not a great many decent men who would take the chances and those who were willing to take the risk, would not be trusted with the money.

Sermons are very useful in their way, but an efficient inspector of elections whose duty it was to prevent illegal practises by all parties, would do more to bring about a genuine reform than a dozen sermons. The time has arrived in this part of Canada to stop the expenditure of money in purchasing votes. Both the man who buys, and the man who sells ought to be punished but until more efficient machinery to enforce the law, than we now have, is put into operation the trading in votes will continue, until elections will grow so expensive that no one but professional grafters will enter the field on any side.

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The illness of Rev. W. O. Raymond has prevented that gentlemen furnishing the article promised for the Christmas number. The third installment of Rev. W.