

HON. MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH:—The defendant was convicted of having counselled and procured the bribery of a peace officer; but there was no evidence of the peace officer having been bribed, nor indeed of any attempt to bribe him having been made; so how can the conviction stand?

On the other count there was a verdict of not guilty; and no case has been reserved as to it, so nothing further need be said as to it.

I would answer the second question in the negative; and direct that defendant be discharged; see the Criminal Code, section 1018. The disgraceful conduct of the defendant would be no excuse for his conviction, except as the law provides.

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