

(d) to unduly prevent or lessen competition in the production, manufacture, purchase, barter, sale, transportation or supply of any such article or commodity, or in the price of insurance upon person or property.

[2. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to combinations of workmen or employees for their own reasonable protection as such workmen or employees.]

NOTE.—The change is in the addition of the second subsection. Rejected by the Senate in 1897.

Section 540.—By adding to the section, as amended by section 1 of chapter 57 of the Statutes of 1894, the following:—

["Or any indictment for bribery or undue influence, personation or other corrupt practice under *The Dominion Elections Act.*"]

NOTE.—The 540th section provides that the Courts of General or Quarter Sessions shall not have jurisdiction in certain cases which are specified, and does not specify these offences against the Election law, but the Dominion Elections Act declares that these offences shall not be tried in those courts, and this amendment to the Criminal Code is proposed to make the Code correspond.

By adding immediately after Section 550 the following section:—

["550A.—At the trial of any person charged with an offence under any of the following sections, that is to say, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 195, 198, 208 in so far as it relates to paragraphs (i) (j) and (k) of 207, 259, 260, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 281, and 282, or with conspiracy or attempt to commit, or being an accessory after the fact to any such offence, the court or judge may order that the public be excluded from the room or place in which the court is held during such trial; and such order may be made in any other case also in which the court or judge or justice may be of opinion that the same will be in the interests of public morals.

2. Nothing in this section shall be construed by implication or otherwise as limiting any power heretofore possessed at common law by the presiding judge or other presiding officer of any court of excluding the general public from the courtroom in any case when such judge or officer deems such exclusion necessary or expedient."]

NOTE.—Section 174, Unnatural offence; 175, Attempt to commit sodomy; 176, Incest; 177, Indecent acts; 178, Acts of gross indecency; 181, Seduction of girls under 16; 182, Seduction under promise of marriage; 183, Seduction of ward, servant, etc.; 184, Seduction of passengers on vessels; 185, Procuring; 186, Parent or guardian procuring; 187, Householders permitting defilement on premises; 188, Conspiracy to defile; 189, Carnally knowing idiots, etc.; 190, Prostitution of Indian women; 195 to 198, Keeping disorderly house; 207 (i) (j) and (k) Being common prostitute; keeping house of ill-fame; frequenting such house; 259, Indecent assault on females; 260, Indecent assault on males; 267, Rape; 268, Attempt to commit rape; 269, Defiling children under 14; 270, Attempting to defile child; 271, Killing unborn child; 272, Procuring abortion; 273, Woman procuring her own miscarriage; 274, Supplying noxious drugs, etc.; 281, Abduction of woman; 282, Abduction of heiress.

Section 553.—By substituting the following for paragraph (a.) thereof:—

“(a.) Where the offence is committed in [or upon] any water, tidal, or other, [or upon any bridge], between two or