

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—But no crime.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Wait a second. What does that mean, culpable negligence, but no crime? Was it the farmer or lawyer who spoke that time?

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—The hon. gentleman charged a crime. Now he says there was negligence.

Hon. Mr. TESSIER—Culpable negligence is a crime.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—I want to know what a crime is?

Hon. Sir MACKENZIE BOWELL—Look at the dictionary.

Hon. Mr. TESSIER—In a case of manslaughter, a man is found guilty of culpable negligence.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Here the officers in that camp are found guilty of culpable negligence.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—Where do you find that.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—You read the evidence where it was stated they were allowed to buy stuff outside of the camp and bring it in without inspection.

Hon. Mr. POIRIER—I think the hon. gentleman from Victoria is a farmer just now.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—I would rather be a farmer than a lawyer splitting hairs.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—I am afraid the hon. gentleman is giving us the chaff.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—You will get enough to smother you. I have this retort to make to the hon. gentleman from Antigonish. He has done well by his friend Col. Morris, and he has given the Dominion of Canada that officer's entire record. We are all proud of it, but I want to tell him here that he had no ground and no justification to charge me with having vilified and denounced a man of that calibre.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—The record is against you.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—The record is not against me.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—Absolutely.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—It is against the hon. gentleman from Antigonish. When I rose to a point of order that the hon. gen-

tleman from Antigonish was misrepresenting me I was right, and I have the document in my hand—

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—I never misrepresented you—

Some hon. GENTLEMEN—Order, order.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Let him interrupt. I like a joke once in a while. I never charged Colonel Morris with any dereliction of duty and you cannot find one word in any of my remarks made on several occasions to justify any such accusations against me. Why did the civil magistrate decline to proceed with the case? The offence was so grave and serious that he had it referred to a court-martial at Halifax. There must have been some ground for suspicion, there must have been some ground for attack against the management and supervision of that detention camp, and who are to be held responsible?

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—The hon. gentleman stated on more than one occasion that this man was brought before a magistrate in the city of Halifax. I have been trying to find out whether that was correct or not, is that correct? Was that matter tried before the magistrate?

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—I am looking for light and cannot give you any. I am asking the Government what was done in the civil courts in regard to that matter.

Hon. Mr. GIRROIR—Does the hon. gentleman know whether the case was before a civil court.

Hon. Mr. CLORAN—Just the same way as I know that there was a court-martial at Halifax. Just the same way as I found out the court-martial had condemned the officer guilty of this negligence to death. It leaks out that he was not condemned to death, it was only a 12 years sentence in the penitentiary. I have that by hearsay, and I have asked the Government to verify or contradict it. Then I was informed that one of these condemned officers came to Ottawa looking for a promotion in the department. The leader of the Government placed on the table the answer to the inquiries I made in regard to this Amherst camp. I think there are some 20 or 25 pages of closely typewritten evidence. I have had no time to read and digest it. Before concluding my remarks, I wish to tell the hon. senator from Antigonish that