

agent is reviled. This should not be ; the by-law should be observed and the members of the police force, while in the due exercise of their duties, should be respected and upheld. I draw your attention to this abuse, and I hope that a representation on your part may induce the city council and the police authorities to take steps to abate it and to give to foot passengers the protection to which they are entitled.

And, lastly, all matters appertaining to the proper administration of justice in this district are subjects of enquiry by you and of comment or suggestion in your presentment.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that the number of bills of indictment to be submitted to you is small and that, with the exception of one for the case of manslaughter to which I have a moment ago alluded, they are all for minor offences. The form of indictments has been so simplified that I can dispense with an explanation of the nature of the offences for which bills will be laid before you. If, however, you should require any information, you will find me and the officers of the Crown and of the court ready at all seasonable times to give you such explanations as you may desire.

You will now retire to your room to consider the bills of indictment which will be laid before you and to proceed to the fulfilment of the other functions which appertain to your office.