

that the punishment should be also with a view to reforming the prisoner?

Mr. DOHERTY: I have said that, so far as incidentally to this punishment you can do reformatory work, my heart is entirely with the hon. member for St. Lawrence. We must all bear in mind, however, not to lose our balance. It may be creditable to our hearts when we lose our balance; but it is incumbent upon some one to keep his head in this regard, and the man who has charge of the administration of justice has to remember that justice requires punishment for violation of law, and punishment such as will operate to deter those who witness it from following the example of the offender. I do not undertake to forget that; I would be forgetting my duty if I did; but

so far as is consistent with that, anything that can be done to help reform the prisoner should be done; and, whether consistent or not with that, we must, of course, be humane. Punishment does not exclude reform. So far as anything is done that ought to be done as punishment, we ought to be assured that our punishment shall be humane; and so far as it is possible to make it serve as a reformatory influence, I shall be glad to co-operate with all those who will co-operate with me, and glad to do my best alone. If I do not get the co-operation which, after what I have heard this evening, I think I have a right to count upon.

Progress reported.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, the House adjourned at 12.05 a.m., Wednesday.