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and Monday, nor is it too late yet to charge her with that offence. The Commissioner can well understand Mr. Pender's remarks as to my character and police discipline when I have occasion to report him for attacking my character in open Court; but my defaulter's sheet for five and a half years' service, besides my discharge from the Volunteers, which is in the Commissioner's Office, will show what my discipline and conduct generally has been during

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that time.

I respectfully request that Mr. Townsend's letter, thanking me for my energy re the Harper case, be attached to this correspondence.

John T. Foley,
Third-class Constable 640.

Forwarded to Mr. Pender.—D. Ramsay, Sergeant-Major. 12/2/96.

Forwarded to the Commissioner; Mr. Townsend's letter attached.—P. Pender, Inspector. 12/2/96.

Inspector Pender,—As the constable admits in this application that the offence was committed, I cannot grant a hearing. It was very unfortunate for him that this woman should have twice addressed herself to him. But as she did so he must bear the consequence.—A. Hume, Commissoner. 12/2/96.

Sir, — No. 40, Dixon Street, Wellington, 26th January, 1896.
On behalf of my neighbours and myself and family we have to thank Constable Foley for his kind services and long hours at night in this street during the past fortnight, and particularly for last night. SIR, -I am, &c.,
W. R. Townsend.

For the Sergeant-major, who will please inform Constable Foley.—P. Pender, Inspector. 26/1/96. Seen.—John Foley, Constable. 27/1/96.

Returned to the Inspector.—D. RAMSAY, Sergeant-Major. 27/1/96.

Police-station, Wellington, 16th February, 1896. Re attached correspondence, I beg to report that I do not understand what the Commissioner means by saying that I admit in attached application that I committed an offence; as I do not admit having committed an offence during the whole proceedings. I consider I am unfairly treated in this case. I am not allowed to proceed civilly for slander. I am not allowed to have my case published; I am refused a hearing to have my complaint proved; and, to finish, I am reprimanded for saying a word about it. However, having copied the whole correspondence I respectfully return.

John Foley, Third-class Constable 640.

Sergeant-major Ramsay, in charge of station, Wellington.

P.S.—I made a mistake in writing the above underneath the Commissioner's memorandum of the 12th instant, it being my own application. I did not know at the time it was wrong to do so .- J. FOLEY.

Forwarded to the Commissioner.—P. Pender, Inspector. 22/2/96.

INSPECTOR PENDER.—What I mean is that the constable admits he allowed the woman to speak to him twice in the Court.—A. Hume, Commissioner. 22/2/96.

Police Station, Manners Street, 26th February, 1896.

Report of Constable John T. Foley relative to the Commissioner's Memorandum of the 22nd instant. I BEG to report that I did not reply to the woman Harper's questions on either occasion when she spoke to me in Court, as I have already stated in previous report; and on these grounds I fail to see that I have committed any

T respectfully ask that the Commissioner may be good enough to reconsider his decision, and cancel the reprimand JOHN T. FOLEY, Third-class Constable 640.

Sergeant-major Ramsay, in charge of station, Wellington.

Forwarded to the Commissioner. Papers forwarded to your office on the 26th instant.—P. Pender, Inspector. -27/2/96.

Mr. Pender.—Seen. No order.—A. Hume, Commissioner. 27/2/96.

Police Station, Manners Street, 23rd April, 1896. Referring to the Commissioner's memorandum 96/160, 8/2/96, instructing Inspector Pender to make an entry of reprimand in my defaulter's sheet.

As I objected at the time, on the grounds that I felt, and still feel, that I committed no offence to be reprimanded for, I would respectfully request to know if that entry has been made in my defaulter's sheet.

John T. Foley, Third-class Constable 640.

Sergeant-major Ramsay, in charge of station, Wellington.

Forwarded to Mr. Pender.-D. Ramsay, Sergeant-major. 23/4/96.

The Sergeant-Major.—An entry has been made, in accordance with the Commissioner's instructions, in the constable's defaulter's sheet.—P. Pender, Inspector. 24/4/96.

For Constable Foley.—D. RAMSAY, Sergeant-major. 25/4/96.

Seen.-J. Foley, Constable. 25/4/96.

402. The Chairman.] Did you, in that, ask to call witnesses?—Yes, Sir.

403. Did you name the witnesses?—1 did not name the witnesses.

404. Tell us how it was struck out of your defaulter's sheet?—I had to take a course that rendered me liable to dismissal, and rather than face that it was struck out.

405. Colonel Pitt.] You say the convictions have been struck out of your defaulter's sheet?— I was so informed by the Inspector. A letter was read to me by the Inspector that they were struck out.

406. The Chairman.] Were the reasons given for its being struck out: Do you know what led up to it?—I do, but I do not like to mention it.