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come any imperfect man to deny mercy to the imperfections of others and to sit in stolcal judgment upon offenses only part of the circumstances of which can, in the nature of things, be publicly known. Therefore, we repeat that the spectacle of F. V. Rockafellow, once the personified symbol of punctuality and business honor, in the distinguishing garb of felony at an age when most men are preparing to enjoy the honored twilight of their careers, is sad, infinitely sad and piteous.

true citizenship derives an inspiration. Compassion for the criminal does not necessarily imply condonation of the undoubted crime. The very fact that high rating and eminent achievement. stern consequences of their betrayals of trust, and interpose no barrier between the heinous wrong and its due expiation, is a tribute to the impartialone and the high one as the lowly.

IT IS INTERESTING to observe that in spite of the croakers Scranton real estate values steadily maintain their upward trend. Not even Democratic

We have received from the International Religious Liberty association, through A. O. Tait, of Battle Creek, Mich., a clipping from the Chicago Herald of July 14, relative to the arrest, at Dresden, Tenn., on June 8, 1893, of one W. B. Capps, who had persisted in laboring at his customary county circuit court on June 27, 1893, fined Mr. Capps \$10 and costs. His case was appealed to the supreme court of Tennessee, which, on May 24, 1894, at Jackson, affirmed the judgment of the lower court. . The International Religious Liberty association. which defended Capps, thinks that his prosecution is "nothing less than religious persecution," and asks us to print the foregoing facts, together with this extract from the Chicago

Mr. Capps has a wife 24 years of age, and four children, the eldest being only 6 years old, and one of them sick at the time of its father's imprisonment. His family is loft all alone a quarter of a mile from any house. He is a poor man, and unable to support his family during his confino-ment. He does not deny working on Sun-