





Lawyers Who Bulldoze Witnesses

The comments of many correspondents of this paper on the action of a jury in protesting against the severity of the cross-examination of a woman are evidence of widespread feeling of discontent with methods altogether too prevalent in our court rooms. The purposes of some processes of extracting evidence seems to be to prevent a witness from telling "the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth," and to frighten, confuse, or irritate him into saying something that will be misconstrued by a jury. Some lawyers are in the habit of walking close up to the witness stand, glaring at witnesses, shaking their fingers at them, and addressing them very much as Simon Legree addresses his slaves in the very churlish drama of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." A good many spectators at trials wonder under what law lawyer is permitted to assume the attitude toward a person who is not a criminal nor a social outcast, but who is in the witness stand in the performance of a duty of great value to the community and the State. The most disagreeable feature of this style of

proceeding is its utter cowardice. There are very few lawyers who would venture to address men in such a rude manner outside of a court room, and without the protection of a judge. When they address witnesses so they simply aggravate their offense. Surely the evidence in any case can be obtained by methods more suitable to the dignity of a court room. Judges should protect witnesses, who are generally afraid to make a protest for fear of being adjudged guilty of contempt of court.—New York Times.

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