

*Judgement of the Lords of the Judicial Committee
of the Privy Council on the Petition for special
leave to Appeal of Connor v. The Queen, from
the Court of Queen's Bench for the Province
of Manitoba, Dominion of Canada; delivered
July 18th, 1885.*

Present :

LORD WATSON.

LORD MONKSWELL.

LORD HOBHOUSE.

SIR BARNES PEACOCK.

SIR RICHARD COUCH.

IT appears from the statement of Mr. Jeune, which is concurred in by the Crown, to be very doubtful whether there is any Petitioner at their Lordships' bar; and it does not appear to be expedient to have a discussion upon this petition until that fact be ascertained. If the fact be as indicated by Mr. Jeune, that may relieve counsel for the Petitioner of a somewhat difficult task. The rule of this Board is not to entertain any appeal in criminal cases unless in very exceptional circumstances. In this case the Petitioner had the advantage of having the objections taken to his sentence fully considered and disposed of by a very competent tribunal. Their Lordships have thought it to be their duty to examine very carefully the statements made in the petition, and they also think it right to state that the reasons disclosed by that document are not *prima facie* such as would induce them to grant leave to appeal.

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