

## PROTECTION NEEDED.

Doyle's Terrible Crime and His Inadequate Punishment.

Emily P. Collins writing to the *Woman's Journal* from Hartford, Conn., under date of Oct. 3, says:

This week, Michael Doyle was tried by the Superior Court for a brutal assault upon a woman. The crime was committed last June in Bristol. His victim was Mrs. Lizzie Getterman, of Westfield, Mass., a traveling saleswoman for a whip concern. She was passing an unfrequented place in Bristol when Doyle met her and made vile proposals to her. These were indignantly refused, and then the young man sprang at her, hit her a terrible blow on the head and felled her to the ground. Mrs. Getterman fought desperately, and Doyle became so enraged that he struck her a powerful blow in the face, splitting her nose. With a great effort the woman ejected the gag from her mouth and screamed loudly for help. Her cries were heard, and several men coming to her rescue, her brutal assailant fled. He was arrested that night in Terryville and bound over to the Superior Court.

For this crime he was sentenced to jail for a time, the judge saying that he would "spare him the disgrace of a term in prison."

If the laws regarding crimes against women continue to be thus administered, it seems that a shooting-gallery will be a necessary adjunct to every school for girls, in order to teach them how to defend themselves, since the law, as administered, fails to protect them.

Forty foreign-born men were granted naturalization papers this week in this city. They will be citizens and voters, and very likely will oppose giving the rights of citizenship to native-born women, who must forever remain as aliens in the land of their birth.

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