

RESULT HERE BELIES REPORT

Federal Inspector Declares Minnesota Is Free From White Slave Traffic.

POLICE DISCOVER TWO CASES IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY

But Joseph Freimuth Says He Was Unable to Find Anything Wrong in Investigation.

Despite the report of Joseph Freimuth, formerly detective in the slums of the East Side, New York, that there is no white slavery in Minnesota, so far as he can find after careful and prolonged investigation, one man was found guilty of the crime in Duluth the past week and sentenced to three years in state prison, and another alleged case was reported from the Mesaba range Thursday.

Mr. Freimuth has been working throughout the state in behalf of the federal government. Other investigations have been carried on by the municipal authorities of Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis, it is said, and from them the same report is said to have been received. The Federation of Women's clubs of Minnesota has also been interested in the work.

Believing that the depots, department stores and low grade lodging houses would be the most prolific source of information regarding the matter, Mr. Freimuth devoted especial attention to them and the hack drivers.

Exonerates Hack Drivers.

The latter class he exonerates from being connected with "procurers," but states that they do many things they should not do. Of 1,411 girls who landed in Minneapolis in one week, he finds that seven came for immoral purposes.

Out of 33 girls who became inmates of immoral resorts in the Twin Cities in four weeks, Mr. Freimuth's investigation discloses that all went there of their own accord and only four of them were novices.

As to the ranges he made but a cursory examination and is now following it up further, as he thinks the conditions demanded further work. He now has two men in that district.

In summing up the situation he says:

"No Traffic Exists."

First—That no white slave traffic exists in the state.

Second—that the morality among the girls of St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth is higher than among girls in other cities of the same class.

Third—That parents are largely to blame for the fact that girls drift into immoral resorts, and that all girls, whether employed or not, should be kept at home or under home influences until they are 18.

Fourth—That immoral resorts in Minnesota are recruited from girls who take up the life from choice.

Fifth—That city and state governments should maintain women agents at depots and other public places to direct girls where to go.

Sixth—That a Bertillon record of every proprietor and inmate of an immoral resort should be kept and that her movements be under the same surveillance that attends the movements of other lawbreakers.

Seventh—That bad rooming houses and hotels should be forbidden by law to exist and that the law be enforced.