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"LAUGHING TORSO" CASE

Mr. Justice du Parcq, in the Vacation Court yesterday, refused to grant Mr. Edward Crowley, the author, whose pen name is Aleister Crowley, an interim injunction to restrain the sale or publication of a book, "Laughing Torso," written by Nina Hamnett and printed and published respectively by Charles Whittingham and Griggs, Ltd. and Constable and Co., Ltd.

Mr. Crowley complained of passages in the book which he considered reflected upon him, and which it was alleged were untrue, indecent and vulgar.

Mr. O'Connor (for Miss Hamnett) said that if there was an obscene libel there were other ways of stopping it.