

ITS OFFICERS ARE NOW IN JAIL.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—President A. P. T. Elder and Vice President and Secretary H. L. Barber of the Elder Publishing Company of this city are in jail, unable to secure bonds, on charges of using the mails for fraudulent purposes. An additional charge of having imported an alien under contract was lodged against Elder. Jared Housel, a farmer lad of twenty years from Three Rivers, and Richard H. Jones, the alien in the case, and formerly a butcher in London, Ontario, make complaint of being the latest victims. Inveigling innocents to sign one-sided contracts to act as "agents" for the company is said to be the method of the swindle. Between 300 and 600 letters a day from would-be "agents," generally inclosing money, are said to have been received.

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