

being thus a menace to other members of the tribe were promptly shot or otherwise disposed of without any ceremony. I have been informed that within the last two or three years a case of this kind occurred near Battleford, N. W. T., an Indian being sent to the penitentiary for life on account of having killed one of his female relatives in the belief that, being insane, she would devour some of the other members of the family.

In 1871, the Dominion Government established the Manitoba Penitentiary at Lower Fort Garry (Stone Fort), twenty miles north of Fort Garry, now Winnipeg. One of the old, stone storehouses of the Hudson's Bay Company, previously used for the confinement of Lepine, Riel's Adjutant-General, and some of his fellow-revolutionists, was fitted up for penitentiary purposes, and here, from 1871 to 1877, the insane were cared for.

In the latter year the lunatics, together with the convicts, were removed to Stony Mountain where the present penitentiary had been erected. They remained there up to 1885, when they were sent back to their old quarters at Lower Fort Garry, pending the opening of the asylum at Selkirk in 1886.