

made a false statement to my bankers, with the object of getting into his hands all the money he could; that he did not think of preferring a charge against me until I had intimated my intention of giving him into custody for fraud and embezzlement; that he had resided at Hamilton for twenty years, where he was known as the "Artful Dodger," and had mortgaged certain property six times over, by representing it as his own, when, in fact, it was his father's; and that HE WAS THE GOVERNMENT AND GRAND TRUNK CANDIDATE FOR NORTH PERTH AT THE LAST ELECTION.

And, lastly, whether, in the face of all these facts, which are on record and unimpeachable, you are prepared to justify the conduct of the Grand Trunk Directors in the position of antagonism to my just claims on the Intercolonial Railway which they have assumed, and also if you concurred in sending the following statement by Mr. Brydges for publication in the English newspapers on the 19th day of June last, and afterwards upon another application refused to let me inspect the affidavits therein referred to?

"Mr. Nelson has no property or place of residence in Canada, and could only be prosecuted criminally, which the law officers of the Crown strongly advised against, knowing the difficulty of getting a jury to convict a private person at the suit of the Corporation. The sworn affidavits in the London office prove the entire honesty of the Storekeepers and the utter worthlessness of Nelson's statements."

In England happily such an outrage as that to which I was subjected in Canada by the Grand Trunk officials is impossible, and I feel assured that no gentleman or body of gentlemen residing in England can afford even to "stand by," much more give their official sanction, to such proceedings committed by men under their control, even in a foreign country.

I am, Sir, your most obedient servant,

JOSEPH NELSON.

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