

and not through weakness of mind, as stated by Pariseau, but rather through weakness of heart and to help an unfortunate relative of mine.

I may also add that any remarks I made reflecting on you in reference to this matter were based upon impressions received from certain entries I found in Pariseau's books, after his departure, which impressions I have since discovered to have been false. And I have now no reason of complaint against you.

I should think that Pariseau would show more sense of right and honour if instead of writing pamphlets and delaying his return to Canada, he offered and paid whatever composition he might offer to his creditors and indemnified me and others for losses I have suffered through the idea he impressed upon me, that if I would help him by purchasing and paying almost entirely in cash the price of his properties he would take them back in paying me besides their price a handsome profit to increase the Dessaulles fund.

Yours, &c.,

J. G. PAPINEAU.

E. Z. PARADIS.

I, EMILIEN Z. PARADIS, of the town of St. Johns, district of Iberville, do solemnly declare that Mr. Frederic L. Bédique, of the city of Montreal, advocate, has never asked me, directly or indirectly, to act as his *prête nom* for the purchase of C. E. Pariseau's interest in the canal property; that I made this purchase in good faith in every respect; that I had then no knowledge or even suspicion of the said C. E. Pariseau's intention to leave the country; or that his affairs were involved.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act for the suppression of voluntary and Extra-Judicial Oaths."

And I have signed,

E. Z. PARADIS.

Signed and acknowledged before me,
at Montreal, this 15th March 1882.

P. LAMOTHE, N. P.