

[*Translation*].

I, FRANÇOIS ROY, physician and surgeon, co-proprietor and superintendent of the lunatic asylum at Beauport, of the city of Quebec, solemnly declare :—

That all the facts alleged and contained in the above petition are true.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Act passed in the 37th year of Her Majesty's Reign intituled "An Act for the suppression of voluntary and extra judicial oaths," and have signed

(Signed) F. E. ROY, M. D.

Sworn before me at Quebec this }
24th day of October 1885. }

(Signed) ALEXANDER CHAUVEAU, J. S. P.

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CANADA }
Province of Quebec. }

F. X. LEMIEUX, Petitioner for a medical commission to examine into the mental state of Louis Riel.

I, FRANÇOIS-XAVIER LEMIEUX, of the city of Quebec, advocat^e, and a member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec solemnly declare :

That I was engaged as attorney and advocate for Louis Riel, at the time of his trial for high treason at Regina in the course of the months of July and August last. That since the time that the verdict of guilty was brought against Louis Riel and the sentence of death pronounced against him, I have had some correspondence with different persons, who since that time have had frequent relations and interviews with Louis Riel, and all these persons have declared to your petitioner that they truly believed that Louis Riel was insane and that his insanity had considerably increased since the time of the verdict.

That on the 31st August last, nearly a month after the verdict, the Révérend Père André, Supérieur des Oblats, sent me a letter from Regina, in which among other things he said as follows :

"MY DEAR MR. LEMIEUX,

"By this time you should be in Winnipeg and in this hope I send you these lines to salute you and to wish you success in your praiseworthy attempt to save the poor and unfortunate Riel. Since your departure from Regina I have visited your client regularly every day.

"The experience I have gained of this man by continual contact with him has only confirmed me more and more in the opinion I had already formed of him, that he is crazy and insane (*craqué et toqué, a crank*) both in regard to religion and to politics. It is only necessary to hear him speak of his visions for the reform of the world in regard to religion as well as politics, to be quite certain of this unhealthy and crazy state of mind.

"I have just been visiting him, and during an hour he spoke of extraordinary revelations made to him by the spirit the previous night, and that he has been ordered to communicate to me and to all the Catholic clergy : "The great cause of sin in the world is the revolt of the body against the spirit, it is because we do not chew our food enough, and by this want of mastication it communicates animal life only to the body while by masticating and chewing it well, it spiritualizes the body."

"He had been searching for this secret since fifteen years and it had been communicated to him but the previous night, and he was in a state of great joy for having discovered this means which will prove to be a powerful agent to communicate spiritual life in bodies gradually leaving this world to rise to heaven.