

opinion, it was very clear by the French law, the lady's demand was right, and I consented to his pronouncing the decree as he had drawn it up, which when recorded, I told the Court that after finishing what was before me, to give a judgment in, I should resign my function, and wrote to Lord D. on my intention of so doing; I was induced thereto, not only from that, but from other *outré* matters in the Court, and besides, from the effects of the investigation into the Judges conduct, as to what law they determined on, and my brethen leaving M. to attend that investigation, as summoned so to do, by and before the Chief Justice at Q. it had left such a heap of causes, like the Augean stables, that as I thought it required more than a man of my abilities to clear, for F. being infirm, could not attend such extraordinary matters, and R. from being offended at what Monk, the Attorney General had said against him at the investigation, he would not work more than the usual hours, and withall being as I thought I had reason to be, a little offended with Lord D. for having given away, during my absence, the Chief Justiceship of Detroit, to a Yankey, who, when I failed, was one of the most impudent and overbearing of our Council at M. bar, and lo! behold was above me, both in salary and consequence, as being at Detroit as a Judge in criminal matters, at a salary of £750. per annum, so I came over to my own country, preferring to live here in peace and quietness, without noise and bustle, (as much you may naturally conceive there was, in so large a district as Montreal then was, extending from three rivers up to Detroit, near 700 miles, and the inhabitants composed of French, Germans, Scotch, Irish, Yankies and English, and in whose respective languages, as no interpreter was allowed by Government to the Court, each Judge should severally know their respective dialects, as I conceive the Judges appointed for the Welch circuits should know that of the Welch.)

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