

either a fool or insane because of pathological or teratological defect in their psycho-physical organizations ; and most certainly I have known many persons *hung* for murder that gave stronger proofs of being insane or fools than was given by Louis D. Riel.

I wish law-makers were physiological men, and were governed in making laws by physical science or natural physiology ; then all criminals would be recognized as insane or fools.

As the Dominion Government has been justified in their conduct by a large vote of the House of Commons, and the Provincial Government has been justified by a large vote of the Legislative Assembly, I shall give the history of Louis D. Riel while he was under my care in the asylum of St. Jean de Dieu. What I am about to write is the truth. I am not guided by politics, nor by nationality or religion. I write it for the sake of physical science, and I am writing from notes that I have kept that cover nine pages of foolscap.

Now, in the registry books of Longue Pointe Asylum it is recorded that Louis David Riel was admitted into that institution under the name of Louis R. David on the 6th of March, 1876, and discharged from thence and sent to Beauport on the 15th of January, 1877. How that record was made I do not know ? The public has accepted it as a *true* record, and all the public-speaking that I have heard of, and all the newspapers that I have read, have all been acting under the impression that Louis David Riel was in the asylum at Longue Pointe from the 6th of March, 1876, to the 15th of January, 1877. Now, although I blame no one, I have to testify that the record is *not true*. On the contrary, Louis David Riel was discharged from the asylum at Longue Pointe and sent to Beauport on the 19th of May, 1876. So that instead of being in the asylum for ten months, he was only in it two months and thirteen days. During that time I was physician to the asylum, having no power in it to either admit or discharge patients, but simply prescribe for them ; yet it was by my advice that Louis David Riel, under the name of Louis R. David, was admitted into the asylum by the Mother Superior, as a Government patient, on the 6th of March, 1876, and by my recommendation to the Hon. Provincial