

tea me, there were but two out of the twelve, natives of Scotland, for I took care to challenge most of that nation who were on the panel, for very good reasons. The foreman of the grand jury who, *a year before that*, threw out the bill of indictment, was George Moffatt, Esq. a native of Scotland; and whose honour, integrity, and impartiality, I never had any reason to doubt; I never, however, before knew that he insisted upon the bill being returned *ignoramus*, and attributed that to the general good sense and justice of the jury, which was a very mixed one, being composed of ten or twelve French Canadian gentlemen, three or four Americans, and five or six Scotchmen. What the grand jury was composed of, who, *twelve months after*, found the same bill, which had been twice rejected before, I will not say farther than, that the foreman was a retired partner of the North-West company, and three other partners were on that jury, two of whom were afterwards perjured witnesses at the trial.

I have to apologize to the public for introducing these personal details, but I have been so villainously persecuted, that it is not in human nature to resist the temptation, when any opportunity offers, of exposing my oppressors in their true colours.

VERITAS is mistaken in supposing that L'Ami de la Verté abused or slandered a whole nation. It was the Montreal Scotch, or rather the Scotch unionists to whom he attributed a vindictiveness and illiberality, which, I have myself experienced, characterise the major part of them. That there are honourable, liberal, and upright, men of that country in Canada, I know; and I am far from wishing to vilify or abuse the Scotch as a nation. Space will not, however, permit me to say all I wish on this subject in this number, which I will therefore defer till the next. L. L. M.

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