

petitioner, any indictment preferred by any grand jury or inquisition found by any coroner's inquest against your petitioner.

3rd. An information was laid against your petitioner, but even if a mere information was sufficient, that in the case of your petitioner was taken before the stipendiary magistrate alone who had no jurisdiction at all.

4th. The evidence at the trial was not taken down by the stipendiary magistrate, and by him caused to be taken down in writing, as directed by the Statute in that behalf.

5th. Upon the appeal to the Court of Queen's Bench, your petitioner was not permitted to be present nor were any of the papers or the record properly before the Court.

6th. The trial of your petitioner and the circumstances out of which it arose are deemed by the people of Canada to be matters of no ordinary importance, have divided the population into two opposing parties, and it is essential not only upon these grounds, but also from the fact that a large number of trials arising out of the same circumstances are being had before the same functionaries that the question raised by this petition should be adjudicated and settled.

The petitioner must therefore pray :

1st. That Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to order that your petitioner may have special leave to appeal and be at liberty to enter and prosecute his appeal from the aforesaid sentence and judgment respectively, and that the said stipendiary magistrate and justice may be ordered to transmit forthwith the transcript of the proceedings and evidence in the matter to the Privy Council office, or that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to make such further or other order as to Your Majesty in Council may appear just and proper.

And your petitioner will ever pray, &c.

(Signed)

F. X. LEMIEUX,  
CHS. FITZPATRICK.

Quebec, September 14th, 1885.

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CANADA.

No. 243.

COLONEL STANLEY TO THE DEPUTY-GOVERNOR.

Downing Street,  
24th October, 1885.

SIR,—With reference to my telegram of the 22nd instant, I have the honor to transmit to you the accompanying copies of the judgment of the Lords of the judicial committee of the Privy Council, on the petition for leave to appeal of Louis Riel.

I have, &c.

(Signed,)

ROBERT G. W. HERBERT,  
*for the Secretary of State.*

The Deputy-Governor.

Judgment of the Lords of the Judicial committee of the Privy Council on the petition of Louis Riel, from the Court of Queen's Bench for the Province of Manitoba.

PRESENT :

The Lord Chancellor.  
Lord Fitzgerald.  
Lord Monkswell.  
Lord Hobhouse.  
Lord Esher.  
Sir Barnes Peacock.