

such scraps of information as I was at first in possession of, and laid them together, so as to make out a case to submit to Mr. Strachan Bethune. He said that without doubt there had been a fraud committed, and probably we should succeed if I could substantiate even a part of my suspicions. He recommended me to try the case at St. Hyacinthe, the district where Morgan's property was situated, and he gave me letters of introduction to Messrs. Laframboise & Papineau, who fully deserved the high character he gave them.

I may here mention that Mr. Monk, at the late trial, when addressing the Bench, was very severe on behalf of his client, Mr. McGibbon, upon Mr. Bethune's advice as entailing needless cost in going to St. Hyacinthe. I thought at the time he was unnecessarily severe, if as he had just been urging, his client had nothing to do with the disbursements. The soundness of Mr. Bethune's advice may, however, be gathered from the circumstance that if it had not been followed, we should probably not have been paid at the present hour, as Mr. Papineau being on the spot, happened accidentally, while in the registry office, to learn that another attempt of some kind was nearly completed, from an entirely different quarter, to sell the land at Sheriff's sale over all our heads. He telegraphed me to take immediate steps to frustrate this, and within a few hours of the land being placed out of our reach, I had presented a petition to the late Judge McCord, who stopped the sale till our suit was decided.

In endeavoring to condense my narrative I fear I have been somewhat obscure, but I should lay down the following rules for any one who believes he is wronged, as we thought we were:

No man can detach himself from the world and build fictitious circumstances round himself and his property.

Any such attempt, if carefully examined, will disclose some flaw somewhere.