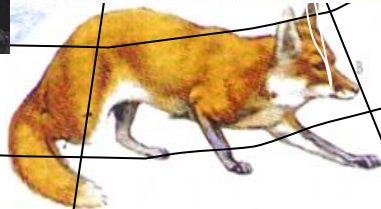
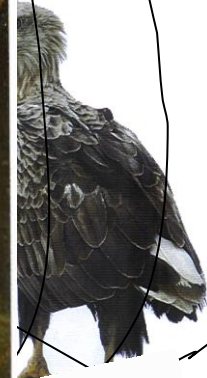


The Justice of Predators



The Chronicles of a Programmed Spoliation

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In this era of hyper ultra information and communication, where all the feelings and resentments, as all the stories and lives, pours in the literature spread in public places, where everything and nothing give rise to debate and controversy, it seems that all necessary resources are available to the judiciary works best, in the letter if not the spirit, of republican laws and impartially.

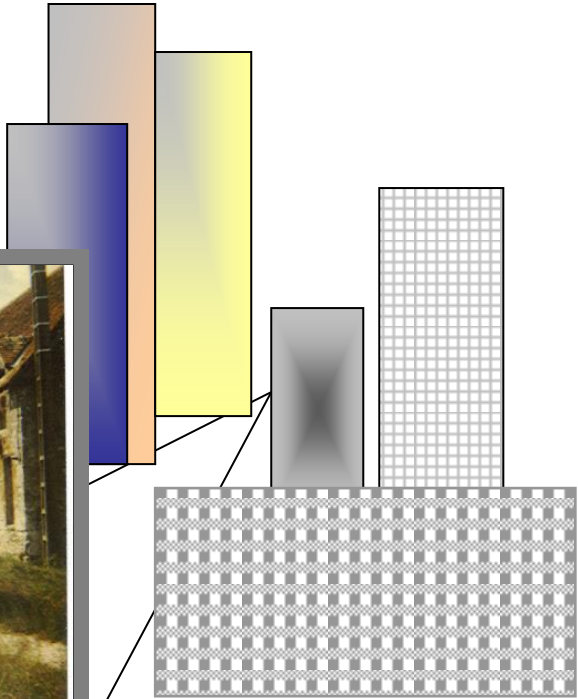
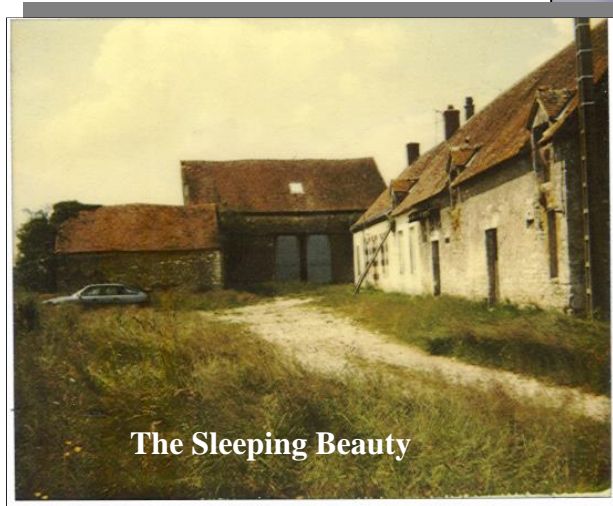
Yet, as in other times, the old one could believe it can happen The folders are increasing, take on the appearance of suspicious complexity, trail

As chance would have it, the documents are lost between stealing faces, the facts are considered by the small end of the telescope, the angle most suitable to the interests of some

Tired of knocking on the doors of courts with blindness, deafness and other amnesia, the characters in this novel are now choosing to expose their tribulations.

No doubt, they are not alone in living this kind of mishap, and maybe some will have a feeling of already seen ...

The places mentioned, the characters, known by name as those who hide behind an initial, facts are inspired by a real story, which might suggest that "Something is rotten in our good kingdom (sorry, republic) of France. "



Act 1

Mirror the Larks

I

"And if today we would visit these properties I have seen real estate advertisements in the press ? " Peter asked by a Sunday morning in late May, between sun and rain. Monika had other plans, but why not. Without delay, they hit the road. Watercolour landscapes succeed, of showers in clouds.

Soon as it pours, they arrive in the town where the agency is located, and go lunch until time appointment. The restaurant is full, loud and they play skate swimming in its butter. Later, the sun returned, they visit a first place, which is more or less, what they want. They are not really excited and reluctant to speak.

The real estate agent proposes show them a farm that has just been put up for sale by its owners. According to him, it should match what they are looking for. Between the clouds very grey, sun filter for short and shines bright green countryside where laburnum brighten hedgerows. Despite the storm threatens, the atmosphere is of a calm Sunday afternoon. Hedges in bloom perfume roads and delight their eyes townspeople.

At the end of a path lined with fields surrounded by hedges, they discover a barn, stables extending housing. The place seems strangely peaceful as sleep. A farm, vacant for several years, where it remained here and there, everyday objects that have forgotten, or left behind : the Sleeping Beauty.

Intrigued and interested, they follow the realtor inside buildings, in good condition in some places, dilapidated in others. The facilities of the house are rough and shabby, but the rooms have interesting volumes and dependencies are spacious, the way they want.

They are outside the house, looking at the state of the roof, when the storm, which turned over their heads for a while, broke out in a heavy rain. They run to shelter in barns, they discovered, crowded

While the rain waters the surrounding countryside, they discuss with the realtor about conditions. These are quite okay, although a little high, the property is what they want, so they decided to stop the case.

As soon as the rain stops, they return to the car and go to the village to the agency. There, they encounter other agents, talk about the region, ownership and conditions and finalize the compromise. They then offered to help for steps on funding.

After leaving the premises of the agency, they return to the property to take some pins. On the way back, they are happy, relieved to end a long period of research. They compare this place to everyone they had visited. They want, somehow, to be sure of making the right choice.

A few weeks later, they go to the local bank branch where they receive a warm welcome, a priori favourable. People of the estate agency, such as the bank, appear to have sufficiently understood their project to be favourable. In any case, this is the impression they tend to give them !

They are delighted to see the case so committed : as long as it lasts ! It is now several months they

are looking for a property of this type : residential buildings to renovate, with outbuildings and thirty acres of land and meadows. At first, they directed their research to other regions where they loved landscapes, towns.

At various times, they found places that suited them, who had seduced. Each time they had hoped, consisting of records taken many steps ... without success ! Alternatively, vendors changed suddenly notice or their banks asked guarantees over the mortgage attached to the loan, or does not give a result for various reasons, or the seller received a better offer ...

Then there was the announcement that Peter had found, almost by accident, they did not intend to explore in this region. However, the location is about the equivalent distances and transport possibilities, to the places where they had planned opportunities. Simply, they preferred other places.

Since long, they had conceived the idea of moving to the countryside to develop an agricultural, not industrial, but rather a continuation of what they have known in the past : a qualitative production in harmony with nature.

Neither environmentalists, nor sixty-eighties nostalgic, they wanted a quiet life, away from the crowds and stress of big cities. They wanted their son to know anything other than asphalt and concrete. They had so many projects !

They did not expect to make a fortune, but simply to live in a place they wanted to restore and develop to make it enjoyable, their idea. They just wanted to nature, a home for them, to see their son grow. Nothing extraordinary, in fact.

It was many months they had developed their project, developed various possible scenarios, and then they were documented and trained as agriculture, management, etc. In parallel, they pondered the possibilities of marketing their future production. They were considering different types of markets, and then they studied the conditions, advantages and disadvantages.

Of course, to define market opportunities, they were interested in markets, they learned from professionals. For a time, one of them worked with a company wholesale and semi-wholesale. This allowed them to better understand the market opportunities and make contacts.

Little by little, month after month, their project had taken shape, they began to develop the first trading accounts in their forecasts based on various scenarios. One of them would keep his business, to finance the start farming, and loan repayments.

To this end, they organized themselves so that other occupation evolves better, depending on the market when the wearer. One invests in this service activity to companies in prospecting, designing and developing products and services, while the other is actively preparing for the implementation of the agricultural project.

They then defined the criteria by which they would start looking for a property. They agreed, first, to a maximum radius on the distance to Paris because of the constraints of the existing business, but also uncorked the potential to create.

Then they began to explore, to get an idea of prices in different regions considered. Afterwards, they had calculated their ability for to repay the loan. This first step had brought them to remove regions from those they had chosen, where selling prices were higher than their budget.

When their research was targeted, they began to follow the ads, see agencies, visit, etc. At the same time, they had saved, to be a contribution and provide the notary. This period is extended over several months, with disappointment when their business interest not successful, a lot of travelling, approaches. In short, the usual batch of any candidate for property: you can find the perfect the first time or after a long search !

Thus, a rainy Sunday last May, they visited the property, in principia, they would acquired in an area that does not attract them initially. By visiting this place, they had a sense of neutrality, as if waiting. They have not stopped this case a blow of heart, but rather because, objectively, it matched their criteria.

Curiously, when their previous efforts, the places that they were seduced made them more enthusiastic, as they had really fought to lead the business. However, the farm and the land surrounding it, is just as attractive, as well as the region where it is located. They feel confusedly, this shift, but they do not speak.

The agricultural project is now turning, as they adapt elements they studied for their future property, at least they hope. They include cereal crops, to provide food for livestock and build a bankroll. The stables will accommodate a breeding rabbits. They can make some adjustments to establish a poultry farm, for which they already have an idea of races, with their characteristics and needs.

For small clams facing buildings, they can use to turn it to graze a few cattle. On the other side of the building, a small wood surrounded by meadows lend itself to the installation of some sheep. Half of the property is in some meadows are planted with fruit trees, which portends great spring.

Everything is there for them to reach a quality production, diversified, for which they have a demand for professionals, such as restaurateurs, but also individuals. They also plan to expand the pond fed by springs, then afforested some places little use. This property, complete with many hedges, which thrive naturally many species, is also full of game.

Of course, they are aware that not everything will happen all at once, so they spread every aspect of the project in time. Firstly, they need to make the house habitable, clean dependencies, to make a more specific point about the work needed, and their chronology.

In a second step, they can start breeding rabbits and poultry, while ensuring the first renovation. The first campaigns of crops that can be conducted, thereafter, depending on the season, after which they could acquire sheep and cattle.

For now, they are waiting for the decision of the bank. Even though their record was welcomed, they know that it is not won so far ! The experience of previous attempts showed it to them, they are not immune to a change ...

To deceive their expectations, they opt for optimism, as they hold that for a few months, or other activity that supports their daily lives and living expenses, but also the work and initial investment in spreading them.

For now, the time is right to business consulting activities and prospects are promising. Current contracts cover a period sufficient to ensure the necessary funds to start agricultural activity.

After that, if hollow months were to follow, revenues generated by the first production would be

sufficient to ensure deadlines and expenses. They continue their efforts to ensure that this is not the case, eager to provide means for the following phases of the project. They also have some ideas in their boxes, they want to implement later, where farming is operational and profitable enough.

They do not lose sight of the commercial aspects, as well as communication to publicize their activities and products. For example, as part of the service activity, they could offer seminars to be held in buildings to renovate rooms including landscaping. These rooms can also host exhibitions, various events, ... For example !

II

That is what state of mind they are in early summer 1988, when they receive mail from the bank. Very excited, they open and they have the joy to learn of the loan is granted. They are so happy !

Finally, their projects will be able to achieve ! They know it will not be easy, the first month will be rather uncomfortable, they have a lot of work. However, they are confident and determined to carry out their business. They are confident that, by working and doing their best, they can succeed.

They know that their project is atypical, but they do not aim to make a fortune. They just want to live in harmony with nature, without being traditionalists or "babas-cool", they also want to integrate into local life, while maintaining contacts and relationships with the capital, this through the two activities in which they thrive.

They have both been trained and different paths, so that today they have complementary skills that will be very useful throughout the project, where they will be versatile. They will complement each other, in fact, while ensuring their personal share of each project. They will also demonstrate a flawless organization. They are aware that they have good numbers of problems, big and small, to solve everyday.

Their son, Boris, is a little sad to leave his friends, but he knows he will return from time to time, which will give him the opportunity to see them again ! He also knows that he may make others in his new school. Like all children of his age, he is concerned about the change of life, while being happy at the prospect of living in the countryside, he prefers to the city. He projects, imagining future games. However, in the meantime, he takes full advantage of his summer vacation.

It is a quiet child who is interested in many things. Having often spent his holidays with his grandparents, he knows the country, the life we lead. He dreams of a swing, a slide, maybe a pony He is told that the first time will be a little difficult, they will have less comfort. He also knows that his mother will not be there during the week due to his professional duties, but the weekend they spend time together.

They prepare, in fact, to live differently, their son and Peter in the countryside during the week that Monika will be in Paris, but all gathered together on the weekends at home. Until then they were never separated except for very short periods. They plan their future lifestyle, how they work, assign tasks.

As at the date of signing of the final approaches, they feel caught in a whirlwind of things to do, things to remember, emergencies, priorities and ideas, but also questions of expectations. Their lives are changing and they plunge into the unknown. A yet unknown a priori relative, they are preparing for several years now.

One, Peter, following training in agricultural techniques, by documenting, by preparing activity that will create and live. He will also need to use other skills he has acquired throughout his unusual

career. He has good skills and knowledge in the various disciplines required to restore the buildings. He is also capable of maintaining vehicles, tractors, etc. He also has enough contacts to ensure unblocked to future productions.

The other, Monika, studying the specific management of agricultural activities. But, also, prospecting for new unstopped. At that time, the economy was renewed feverish prosperity, so that the consulting business was thriving. Contact by bringing another, it seemed to strengthen day by day, with strong growth prospects.

It was decided, at first, to keep the apartment they rent in the Paris region to move their business according to the progress of the renovations. Moreover, it is necessary to have a base for the consulting business. When the time comes, they will advise on finding another location, if necessary.

Here, their project starts to take shape ! With a touch of nostalgia, they begin to pack their cases will be needed to organize their country life. They store their memories, recent as oldest in cartons. At the same time they are preparing the new school year, which will shortly follows their installation.

Of course, they are eager to start their new life, but at the same time, they have stage fright before the unknown. At times, they seem to be at the edge of a cliff while they must embark on a bridge over the void. They continue unless their preparations.

Boris also falls into boxes his toys, books and all that fills his childhood. Then he went to his grandparents where he finds his friends. Historically, Boris spends his holidays in Peter's parents, who live in a small town, as their ancestors had done for centuries. Other children are on holiday with their grandparents, year after year they have become accustomed to play together.

Peter and Monika benefit to recent purchases, which occupies all their free time. They need the tools for cleaning and materials for the early work of their first installation, in order to introduce a minimum of comfort. Soon autumn will be quickly here with the bad weather, fog, rain, cold.

Given the magnitude of the task ahead in the first week, they set priorities, in particular to ensure the comfort of Boris. When they install the new school year will be close, so Boris will be installed properly to live this important event of his life in the best conditions. It was then only eight years.

August advances and boxes piled in the entrance of their house, with suitcases and bags. Then comes the time to get Boris, a week earlier than in previous years. Upon their return, they put the cartons, sacks and bags for their first installation in a trailer with tools and materials they have purchased recently.

The apartment seems empty, yet the furniture did not shake any more than trinkets and other objects of everyday life. The decor is the same, they do not carry so much more than if they went camping for a vacation, yet the parts take on the appearance abandoned ...

During the last days that separate the signing of the final act, it seems to them that their lives are in suspension. They arranged for subscriptions electricity, telephone and water are open for their arrival. Monika prepares the necessary documents for registration of Boris to school in the neighbouring village. On the eve of the "great start», everything is ready.

They are sitting down to their last dinner, all three sets in this apartment. A little nostalgic for an era

that is ending, full of memories, some happy and pleasant, some not so good. They are also excited, worried at the prospect of which opens to them.

They discuss the final details of their organization for the next few days, and they divide tasks. Boris, with his parents will not have much time to devote to him, prepared a small bag with his toys and his favourite books, which he keeps close to him.

The last night they all three difficulty sleeping. However, they are a bit tired from the excitement of the last few days. The hours pass while each of them sees a lot of scrolling images, between memories and projects.

When the alarm sounds, they hurry to get ready to face the long day. The latter baggages are placed in curly cars. Therefore, with a bit of sadness, but also a lot of joy and hope, they look around one last time before they close the door.

At the appointed hour, they are at the notary to sign the act, the beating heart : this is the first time they become owners ! They wait, and hope, this moment for many months. They now look forward to back home.

It is hot in the sun of the last day of August. When brought in the notary's office, they discovered a small room where sellers are already installed. They also take place on uncomfortable chairs. The notary did not finish reading the document, comment.

The more time passes, the more heat is stifling ! Vendors they leave an impression very mixed. They have the look a bit vulgar and take some rather petty. However, like the notary, who seems much appreciate them, they make great efforts of seduction !

Finally, the "ceremony" ends : they can breathe out ! It was time, they all started to run out of air ! Boris, who, despite the discomfort, remained prudent during this time, is delighted to be able to stretch his legs. He cannot wait to get home to discover that property he has never seen.

They hit the road again, happy. As they approached, they seek to find the path that leads to what is now their home. They have not returned since the last visit in May, so they are reluctant, and eventually make a few detours before finding their way.

When they back path to the buildings, they are moved, and so naively proud to say that they are at home, along the fields they are their own ! Until then, they had never summers owners, and they had worked so hard to make this possible !

Peter is very happy, but almost intimidated, by opening the door with a certain solemnity ! The sun is low on the horizon when they complete unload their business. They discover with delight, the splendour of the sunset they can now enjoy. They fall boxes and bags on a tarp in the room where the door opens, then they cover it with another sheet, places are rather unhealthy.

The first night of their new life, they will pass away. They will return to clean and organize the first "camp". In the evening, during dinner, they consider the scope of the first cleaning needed, both in the home and in outbuildings.

The building remained unoccupied for several years, and it shows the volumes of cobwebs, the thickness of the dust layer, ... among others. Therefore, they plan to stay at the hotel for several days yet, the time to clean their new home.

III

The next day, the weather is to rain. While they eat breakfast, they prefer to spend the first day to make purchases necessary for their installation. In fact, they had chosen to leave the apartment in Paris appliances that were there because they are old, as the beds and furniture.

It is true that in the past, they had hardly ever bought something to furnish or equip, as they had recovered many things that Peter had repaired and restored. They had chosen to work in turn to the other to training of their choice. Thus, one of them remained available to deal with Boris.

Until Monika operates in Liberal, their resources were rather limited, but they managed to create a pleasant and comfortable interior. That is why, on this first day of September, they are happy to make such purchases for the first time.

However, they turned their choice towards products simple and practical rather low end, they plan to replace them later when the work is completed. Since the morning, Boris is a little ill, so they do not hang around in stores, and they do all these races as soon as possible.

They choose bedding and furniture to equip their future storage room, as well as Boris. They also provide a spare bedroom. They bought a piece of furniture where they can then store the dishes and wooden large shelves, a garden table with benches, a washing machine and a dishwasher and a refrigerator and stove.

Well, they have something to hold to sleep, eat, and pack their stuff ... luxury three stars! With winter approaching, they choose a wood stove and fireplace equipment to distribute the heat, they complement by electric radiators for future rooms. They complete these purchases by various elements necessary for rewiring and plumbing and sanitary, since this is in poor condition.

A new day is dawning, sunny and clear. They are hard at work early, leading to the cleanup. In addition, places have many needs ! All day long they brush, washes, scraping, Boris, who is better, has fun around the house, and then when the temperature is cooler and the rain threatens, he moved to the back of the car with his toys and books.

When evening comes, they are tired, but happy to see two rooms of the house clean. As the sun sets, they return to the hotel for a night of well-deserved rest. During dinner, Peter decided to return alone to the apartment. In fact, he plans to make some purchases of materials and equipment further, that he had seen promotion.

He needs to arrange the room of Boris and the room where, at first, they will settle but will also place kitchen and dining room. It is true that, given the state in which they find there, they decided that the main room, which is contiguous, should be most important work.

Afterwards, they form a large living area, a large room spacious and bright. In the meantime, they hold in the two "rooms" existing. As for the bathroom, it has the merit to exist, but it all has to be redone. In the meantime, it really needs a serious cleaning !

The following day, Peter takes to the road, while Monika and Boris dealing the last steps for the electricity and telephone are placed in service and that the premises are insured. They also benefit by discovering to walk around. They visit the small towns nearby, discover where they will do their shopping, local attractions, and a campaign full of charms.

In the afternoon, Monika and Boris go to their homes to make them habitable end of the two parts. That day also, it is nice between showers, which reinforces this vague impression holidays end. Monika and Boris early end, to give them an evening of recreation.

After twenty-four hours of absence, Peter is back with D. one of his cousins a little younger than he is. In recent years, D. became one of their pets, they often invite, and they repaired several times. Today, he is helping to turn.

Peter began cleaning the stables. Obviously, that was not happened to them since a long time ! The dunghill, that Peter is a little further away, grows up in eye ! Meanwhile, Monika and D. make several trips, back to the store, for to bring furniture and appliances purchased the day before.

End of the day, they all fall, as well as boxes and bags, in one of the barns last practicable. When they return in the evening at the hotel, they are tired, but satisfied with how things are progressing. Now they will be able to prepare their "first temporary camp !"

On Sunday, in the afternoon, D. returned to Paris, but promised to come back the next weekend and the following, in any case, whenever it is possible, for their help. The following days they continue to clean, sanitize and rid the buildings. They take away the carpet in one of two "rooms" to discover a world teeming with bedbugs, cockroaches and other insects. Behind the tattered wallpaper and curtains, were thriven spider's colonies.

Peter then began work in the future Boris chamber so that he can find a pleasant living environment as soon as possible. He cleans the soil, insulates the walls and ceiling, installs electricity, paints, and restores the window. Monika and Boris go to his future school. They meet one that will, very soon, the next teacher for registration formalities.

In a few days, it will be returned. Meanwhile, Boris spends his time giving small helping hand to his parents, playing and exploring around the house. At the end of the week, the room is ready, clear and comfortable. They can install a bed and put these bags containers their personal affairs as well as Boris, not to mention his books and toys.

Finally, after these first days spent cleaning the place, they begin to see things a little clearer. Peter is relatively optimistic about the continued renovation. That is why he arranged with his cousins in Paris to continue to move their business remained in the apartment. Their efforts can already set up a "temporary camp first."

This Friday, in the main room they set up their bed, fridge and microwave and a few dishes, this, the time to make habitable another "room". In the next room, they also prepare mattresses, indeed, this weekend, they will visit. Peter takes the path of the Paris region in the early afternoon, while Boris and Monika relax while visiting small towns.

Since their arrival, the weather is uncertain, hesitating between late summer and autumn. Monika and Boris discover a very verdant countryside where the forest is near crops and grasslands. Like every

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