

The evidence affecting the charges of corrupt practices is set out in the judgment.

GALT, J.—The petition contained charges of bribery and corrupt practices by the respondent and his agents; it did not claim the seat.

There were in all fifty-three cases mentioned in the particulars, to which several others were allowed to be added during the trial.

The charges first proceeded with had reference to personal acts of respondent, viz.: A gift of trees to the Roman Catholic cemetery of the village of Oshawa; donations to a religious body belonging to that communion called "The Sisters;" gifts to rifle associations; money spent at picnics; and a subscription of \$50 to discharge the debt on a church. The respondent was the only witness examined as to these charges, and stated that in January or February previous to the election, seeing the cemetery in a very bare condition, he had offered the Roman Catholic priest trees to plant if he wished them. The offer was accepted and the respondent ordered them, and on their arrival paid for them. The cost was \$130. He stated that it was purely a voluntary offer on his part.

As regards charge No. 53, respondent admitted that he had in the winter of 1877 furnished provisions to "The Sisters" to the extent of \$60; he stated also that he had been in the habit of giving them money when applied to, and had also paid the half of the taxes on their house, the other half having been remitted by the corporation.

As regards charges 48 and 49, respondent admitted that he had subscribed \$50 to a Rifle Association for a special prize, to which a year or two before he had given \$30. No reference was made to these latter charges, either during the case or in the summing up of the learned counsel.

As regards charge No. 52, respondent admitted that he had subscribed \$50 in payment of a debt due on this