Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Abbott, and the Question being proposed, That the Petition of the Queddy River Driving and Boom Company, presented this day; praying to be permitted to lay before the House their Petition for the passing of an Act to grant to them certain powers in connection with their works on the Queddy River, for the salvage of logs and timber, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills, be now read and received; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion and Petition, were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That he had received from the Honourable Mr Justice Sicotte, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to The Dominion Controverted Elections Act, 1874, Certificates and Reports relating to the Elections.

For the Electoral District of Rouville, - and For the Electoral District of St. Hyacinthe.

And the same were read and ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House, and are as follow:-

(Translation.)

ROUVILLE CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, District of St. Hyacinthe.

In the Superior Court.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT, 1874.

Election of a Member of the House of Commons for the Electoral District of Rouville, on the 20th June, 1882.

HUBERT FONTAINE AND JOSEPH OSTIGNY,

Petitioners.

and

GEORGES AUGUSTE GIGAULT,

Respondent.

I, Louis Victor Sicotte, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec, and the Judge before whom the Election Petition was tried and pleaded on the 29th January, 1883, certify that on the 29th January, 1883, I determined and decided that Georges Auguste Gigault was duly elected; and dismissed the Petition with costs against the Petitioners.

I transmit a copy of the evidence and a certificate of the Prothonotary shewing that, within the delay established by Law, no proceedings in appeal were taken; but the copy of the evidence was furnished to the Judge only on the 8th of this month, in consequence of delay on the part of the short-hand Reporter in furnishing the written notes of his work.

I certify, moreover, that no proof was offered that fraudulent practices had been carried on at the said Election by, or with the connivance of, the said Georges Auguste Gigault.

1 have further to report that it was not proved, and that there is not reason to believe that corrupt practices took place at the said Election.

Done this 9th March, 1883.

L. V. SICOTTE, J. S. C.

To the Hon. the Speaker of the House of Commons of Canada.