

January. I did not vote against the Elders. It was all on one side, none for Priest took any part in the meeting. I saw Priest between 1st and 7th January, and told him what had taken place on 1st., he did not appear well pleased with it. When Defendant spoke on 7th, he appeared very cross.

*Hugh Macdonald.*—I live at Lot 42. I was at Bear River Chapel 7th January. Priest Macdonald celebrated Mass; Defendant was present: a good number were present. I am in the habit of attending there. Defendant had not attended lately. Priest was at the altar, had said Latin Mass, and then said he would not recognize the Elders lately chosen. Defendant got up and said I beg to be heard. Priest told him to hold his tongue two or three times. Defendant said "You have had this Church seven years, and I mean to have it one day:" he said this very loud: he looked very severe: people took much notice, and got much frightened. I think the prayer that followed would have been in regular course: I cannot say. But the service was not over, only the Latin part of it. He preaches after the Latin service as well as before. I expected to hear the usual sermon that day. I saw Priest coming out hastily, he jumped off the steps and run away. Defendant called out "Come back you coward, and stand your defence," so I took it. Defendant's friends were sitting around him in the chapel, before they came out. They had seats at other times in different places. I am one of the Elders: I was supported by the Priest. They were always appointed by the Parish Priest, and by Bishop M'Eachern, when officiating as Parish Priest.

*Allan M'Gilvray* —I live at Lot 34, St. Margaret's Parish. I was at Chapel 7th January, Priest said they were not the proper Elders that had been chosen. Defendant said he begged to be heard: he spoke pretty loud. Priest told him to hold his tongue. To the best of my recollection Defendant said Priest had the Chapel twelve months, and he would have it one day. Defendant appeared to me a little vexed; he did not speak very loud, but in an angry tone. I heard him call the Priest a coward.