

have been guilty of corrupt practices, and further that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the said Election, and the said Court did order that the said *John Walker* do pay to the said *George Pritchard*, the Petitioner, all the costs of the said trial and, of his, the said *John Walker's* own appeal, and that the deposit paid into Court by the said *George Pritchard* upon his own appeal should be returned to him, the said *George Pritchard*, or to his attorney, and that each party should pay their own costs of the appeal of him the said *George Pritchard*.

All which I now have the honor to certify to you pursuant to the Statute in that behalf, together with a copy of the notes of the evidence taken at said trial at the City of *London* aforesaid, and a duplicate of the Rule of Court granted in the matter of said appeal.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,

M. B. JACKSON,  
Clerk of the Crown and of the Court of Common Pleas for *Ontario*.

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SOUTH HURON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

I declare the Election void on the ground of bribery by agents.  
I find that the Respondent was not himself guilty of corrupt practices.  
I order the Respondent to pay the cost of the Petitioners.

THOMAS GALT,  
J.

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CROWN OFFICE, C.P.,  
*Toronto*, January 21st, 1875.

*To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons*  
*For the Dominion of Canada, Ottawa, Ont.*

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you that at the trial of the Controverted Election Petition for the Electoral Division of the South Riding of the County of *Huron* on the Petition of *David Hood Ritchie* and *Joseph Acheson*, against the return of *Malcolm Colin Cameron* as a Member of the House of Commons, was tried at the Town of *Goderich* before the Honorable *Thomas Galt*, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, on the twentieth and twenty-first days of October last; that the finding of the said Judge at said trial was brought before the said Court of Common Pleas by way of appeal therefrom by the said Petitioners, *David Hood Ritchie* and *Joseph Acheson*, and that the said parties, Petitioners and Respondent, were heard before the said Court by their Counsel, and that by the judgment of the said Court it was ordered that the said Election was void on the grounds of bribery by agents—that the Respondent was not himself guilty of corrupt practices, and that the Respondent should pay the costs of the Petitioners, and the said Court did further order that each party should pay their own costs of said appeal, and that the deposit paid into Court by the said *David Hood Ritchie* and *Joseph Acheson* should be returned to them or their Attorney.

All which I now have the honor to certify to you pursuant to the Statute in that behalf, together with a copy of the notes of the evidence taken at said trial at the said Town of *Goderich*, and a duplicate of the Rule of Court granted in the matter of said appeal.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

M. B. JACKSON,  
Clerk of the Crown and Pleas of the Court of Common Pleas for *Ontario*.