

The Court, having heard the parties by their respective Attorneys, on the merits of the present election petition, examined the proceedings had therein, and taken note of the admission made by the Respondent to the effect that, during the election in question, corrupt practices, sufficient to annul the said election, were committed by the agents of the Respondent, but without his knowledge or consent, records for the benefit of the parties the said admission, which is accepted as conclusive, and, in consequence, declares void and annuls the election of the said Respondent as Member of the House of Commons of *Canada* for the Electoral District of *L'Assomption*, with costs against the Respondent, save and except the costs hereinafter mentioned, to wit:

The costs of summons, taxation and stenographic reporting in the case of the witnesses *Amédée Levine, Clémence Rhéaume, Michel Gibouleau, Pierre Labelle, Jean Baptiste Gibouleau, Joseph Edouard Duhamel* and *Benjamin Duhamel* (produced to rebut the evidence of *Amedée Lepine*), *Nazaire Bourgouin, Octave Renaud* and *Docteur Ludger Forest*, the costs of which latter persons will be at the charge of the Petitioner.

And the Court grants distraction of costs to Messieurs *Lacoste, Globensky, Bisailon, Brosseau* and *Lajoie*, Attorneys for the Petitioner.

(By the Court.)

True copy.

DESROCHERS & DESILETS,

*P.S.G.*

Mr. Speaker also informed The House, That he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, a certified copy of the Judgment of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, in the *L'Assomption* Election Appeal,

And the same was read and ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House, and is as follows:—

THE SUPREME COURT OF *Canada*,

*Ottawa*, 2nd March, 1888.

To the Hon. *J. A. Ouimet*,

Speaker of the House of Commons of *Canada*, *Ottawa*.

DOMINION CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS ACT.

Election of a Member for the House of Commons of *Canada* for the Electoral District of *L'Assomption*, holden on the 15th and 22nd days of February, 1887.

JOSEPH GAUTHIER,

(Respondent in the Court below,) Appellant.

and

JOSEPH EDWARD BÉDARD NORMANDEAU,

(Petitioner in the Court below) Respondent.

SIR,—I have the honour to certify that annexed hereto is the certified judgment of the Supreme Court of *Canada* in the above appeal.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

ROBT. CASSELS,

Registrar, Supreme Court of *Canada*.