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yeomen, were duly proposed, and that no other candidates whatever were proposed or voted for, and that said Returning officer then and there declared that the election of said seven persons lastly named was not opposed, that the electors were by a majority of three to one in favor of their election, and that the said meeting was adjourned. Every one of the three or four hundred persons there present considered that an election in fact was made, but some thought that it might be contested. Yet the said Returning Officer at the instance of the said *Levi Stevens*, *Thomas Woods*, and *Gardner H. Sweet*, has since been induced to falsify his Returns, and although that fact has been verified to the Warden of the County, the said Warden fraudulently connives with the said Levi Stevens and associates, and reports to His Excellency that there has been no election of Councillors in said Township of *Dunham*, and has used his influence with members of Parliament to secure the appointment of the said Stevens and others.

Under ordinary circumstances we wish His Excellency to be assured that we would cheerfully submit the appointment of all our Municipal Officers to his nomination, but in view of the bare-faced attempt on the part of a few bold bad men to defraud us out of our rights, and to obtain by trickery and intrigue what they could not obtain by the votes of the people; we are determined to assert and maintain our rights, and to test the question whether a corrupt Returning Officer, or a sycophantic Warden, can foist on this Township even with the aid of foreign Members of Parliament, Municipal Councillors, other than those elected by the people themselves. We are assured His Excellency will not consent to be made a party to any such local controversy, but will leave all parties to such recourse as the courts of law so amply afford. That His Excellency may be pleased to refer all applications that may be made on this subject to the legitimate tribunals appointed or the investigation of such disputes, is the prayer of the undersigned rate-payers of the Township of *Dunham*.

Signed, P. COWAN,

“ A. H. SCOTT,

“ WILLIAM BEECH,

“ P. SCOTT,

“ STEVENS BAKER, 2nd,

“ JAS. RUITER,

“ LEVI TRAVERS,

“ JAS. O'HALLARAN,

“ HIRAM SHUFELT,

“ W. F. JENNINGS,

“ W. C. BAKER,

“ A. RYKERT,

“ NELSON RUITER,

Signed, A. WESTOVER,

“ J. G. GOLLAND,

“ A. M. MILTIMORE,

“ S. B. MILTIMORE,

“ RALPH MELLER,

“ EDWARD T. MILES,

“ AUGUSTUS FORD,

“ GEO. P. RUITER,

“ S. M. WELSH,

“ SAMUEL SYKES,

“ M. A. DALY,

“ HARVEY INGALLS.

The Honorable

T. J. J. LORANGER,

&c., &c., &c.