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money; knew Mr. Gooderham had confidence in him, and he would take his word for it. The money was paid for distributing cards. The bills were posted by the printers. It was given to fourteen or fifteen persons; thinks it was all done in a week or ten days. He did not suppose it could be done for less; believes it was a reasonable sum to charge. He paid after the service was rendered. It was considered a fair sum, and he so believed it at the time, and it was not given for the purpose of inducing them to vote. He did not think any of them voted, because he did not know they voted. He did not bring any of them to vote, and did not see any of them vote. He was not aware of any one else paying any money in that ward.

Patrick Hynes said he received from \$75 to \$100 from Mr. Chisholm. It was given to men who were distributing cards. He gave it to them with a distinct understanding and belief that they were distributing cards. To some who said they were out three or four days he gave four or five dollars a-piece. Some might have worked in St. James' Ward. He understood they were generally working in St. David's Ward. Mr. Carruthers said he had got some money from Mr. Gooderham to pay for distributing cards—he mentioned \$50—that he had paid out all he had got, and people were finding fault with him that he had not paid them. He said he could not get enough to pay them all. He did not canvass any of the men; he understood they were warm friends of Mr. Cameron and were anxious for his success, but were not able to spend their time in doing this work without being paid. He thought it was legitimate work. He believed they had done the work. He did not know if they had spent all their time in canvassing; they appeared not to be doing anything else. He saw them both in the day time and at night. He did not keep an account of those to whom he paid it. He, of course, treated parties; he did not consider it as done to induce them to vote. He thought it likely he spent from \$75 to \$100. He knew most of the men, but could not tell their names. If the parties came to him and said they had been out two or three days canvassing, he would pay them for it. They were labouring men or a poor class of mechanics. He did not ask when he paid them if they had worked all the day, or how many hours they had been out. He understood they had been employed and paid them accordingly. Mr. Chisholm gave him the money for legitimate purposes. He understood that distributing tickets, posting bills, and work of that kind was considered legitimate, and that was the purpose for which it was expended. Never was expended, that he was aware of, for the purpose of bribing the electors, and none used for the purpose of treating at any meeting of electors. None given for the purpose of bribing himself. None were paid a sum, he thought, equal to fair wages for what they did, supposing them to have worked as they said they did and as he believed they did. He did not think any man got over \$5; some may have got more, others may have only got one or two dollars. He could not say if any of those mentioned in the list as entitled to money in St. David's ward were paid by him. Could not recollect that they were.

John Reid's evidence was not given at first in a very frank manner. He said he received money from Mr. Chisholm. He did not know how much; did not count it. Was certain it was not \$1,000 or \$200. It was under \$100; he did not count it. It was over \$25. He could not come any nearer than that. The money was spent in distributing cards through the ward. He had no idea how many were distributed. They were given to the men to distribute, two or three together distributing them. Knows the names of a good many who were employed distributing. Thinks G. Morphy was so employed. Did not give him any money. Does not remember giving money to any of those mentioned in the list. Does not remember the name of any one he did pay; is not aware that he paid anybody; can't name a single person to whom he paid any of it. Is quite sure he has not the money still. He gave it to persons for distributing cards at promiscuous meetings. He did not remember to whom he paid it. Did not give any cards to those who would vote for Medcalf. Thinks he spent some of his own money in that way. Can't tell how much. Thinks he spent of his own money less than \$100 and over \$25. He spent all the money he got from Mr. Chisholm. Did not think he had spent \$80 of his own money. Will not swear he did not. Did not know of any but himself spending money at that election. The money that he spent of his own and Mr. Chisholm's was spent entirely in the distribution of cards. He thought the parties were friendly to Mr. Cameron. His impression was that some were electors and some were not. To most of them he paid a couple of dollars; he gave each man what he thought he was worth. Did not know if they asked him for payment. They were men in middling circumstances. Very few of the labouring class had votes. They seemed very anxious for their man before they got the \$2. Thought there were about 1000 voters in St. David's ward. Did not know Mr. Hynes had any money to spend. Mr. Chisholm did not tell him so. Did not tell any of the committee he had funds for distributing cards. No particular arrangements were made by the committee for distributing cards, except that certain men had certain localities for distributing cards in. Some were paid and some not. He paid some not mentioned by the committee. He gave cards to men to distribute himself. The secretary of the committee in St. David's ward generally distributed them. He was not aware that the committee knew he was distributing them promiscuously. He told the men when he gave them the cards, the streets he wanted them distributed in. He could canvass on 300 in a day. Did not think that an unreasonable number; thought 500 not unreasonable. Some days he could not canvass over 20. Sometimes a man would require a longer time to persuade. He said three or four hundred would be a great many to canvass in a day—to go from house to house. If it were only necessary to throw the card into the house, three or five hundred cards could be distributed in a day. Did not think he spent \$75 in distributing tickets. Mr. Chisholm did not pay anything to him for the purpose of influencing him; all he was worth would not influence him. He supported Mr. Cameron before Mr.