

ADDINGTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

In the Election Court.

(The Controverted Elections Act, 1873.)

Election of a Member for the House of Commons for the Electoral Division of the County of Addington, holden on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

DOMINION OF CANADA, } To Wit:
Province of Ontario, }

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons :

I hereby certify that the trial of the Petition of *James N. Lapierre*, merchant, *James Nimmo*, farmer, *George Paul*, farmer, *David S. Bell*, farmer, and *Thomas Hinch*, farmer, all of the Township of *Camden*, in the County of *Addington* and Province of *Ontario*, against the return of *Schuyler Shibley*, was had before me at the Town of *Napanee*, on Monday, the twenty-first day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and at the conclusion of such trial I did determine and adjudge that the above named *Schuyler Shibley* was not duly elected and returned at the Election above referred to, and that the said Election of the said *Schuyler Shibley* was and is void.

And it being charged in the said Petition that corrupt practices were committed at the said Election, I further certify that it has not been proved before me that any corrupt practice has been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of the said *Schuyler Shibley*.

I further certify that at the said trial it was proved before me that corrupt practices were committed by the following persons, viz. :—(1) *Henry Couter* ; (2) *James Deeks*.

I further certify that at the said trial, upon the opening of the Court, it was stated and admitted by the Counsel for the said *Schuyler Shibley*, in the presence of the said *Schuyler Shibley*, that corrupt practice was committed at the said Election by an Agent of the said *Schuyler Shibley*, for whose acts in the premises, he the said *Schuyler Shibley*, was and is responsible, whereby his Election was and is void.

I further certify that it did not appear before me that corrupt practices have, or that there is reason to believe that they have extensively prevailed at the said Election.

And I have determined and adjudged that all costs, charges and expenses of and incidental to the presentation of the said Petition, and to the proceedings consequent thereon, shall be paid by the said *Schuyler Shibley*, he being the party opposing the said Petition.

J. G. SPRAGGE,
C.

Dated this 30th day of September, A. D. 1874.