

*Hurteau*, the Respondent, was not duly returned or elected, and that the return made to the Writ of Election is void; and that the said Respondent should pay the costs of the said contestation, and I further append hereto a copy of the notes of evidence given, and of the admissions and declarations made by the parties respectively at the said trial.

And I further report that no corrupt practices were proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of either candidate.

And I further report that the names of the persons who have been proved at the trial to have been guilty of corrupt practices are *Onulphe Peltier* and *Achille Archambault*.

And I further report that I have no reason to believe that corrupt practices have extensively prevailed at the election to which the said Petition related.

F. G. JOHNSON,  
J.

Dated at *Montreal*, the second day of December, 1874.

To the Honorable the Speaker  
of the House of Commons.

KINGSTON CONTROVERTED ELECTION.

*Toronto*, December 3rd, 1874.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873, I beg to certify to you in relation to the Election for the Electoral District of the City of *Kingston*, held on the 22nd and 29th days of January, 1874,—

That a Petition was duly presented under the said Statute against the return of Sir *John Alexander Macdonald*, K.C.B., as Member to represent the said Electoral District of the City of *Kingston* in the Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada*.

That the trial of such Petition came on before me, one of the Election Judges, at the Court House, in the City of *Kingston*, on Tuesday the seventeenth day of November, 1874, and was adjourned until the eighteenth day of November, 1874.

At the conclusion of the said trial I determined that the said Election was void, and I now certify such determination to you in pursuance of the Statute.

I append hereto a copy of my notes of the evidence taken on the trial of the said Petition.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WM. B. RICHARDS,  
C. J.

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

*Toronto*, December 3rd, 1874.

SIR,—In pursuance of the Controverted Elections Act of 1873, in addition to the certificate herewith sent you, that the Election for the Electoral District of the City of *Kingston*, held on the twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of January last, at which Sir *John Alexander Macdonald*, K. C. B., was returned as a Member for the said Electoral District of the City of *Kingston* in the Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada*, was void, I beg to report,—

(a.) That no corrupt practice has been proved to have been committed by or with the knowledge and consent of any candidate at such Election;

(b.) That the Respondent by his agents has been guilty of bribery at such Election, but they were not his authorized agents for that purpose, and no corrupt prac-