

tached to the Poll-book and being loose inside the book. The affidavit of *McLaren*, being a sworn certificate of the correct keeping of the Poll-book, was then attached to the other affidavits, but not to the Poll-books. It has since become detached from the other affidavits by accident.

The sitting member declined questioning the witness.

Mr. *Plamondon* fyled a motion to the effect, that the Petitioner be held to produce the titles of the property or properties upon which he was qualified to be a Candidate at the last Election, the consideration of which motion was deferred.

Adjourned till to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock A. M.

Tuesday, 14th November, 1854.

THE Committee met at half-past ten o'clock A. M.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

ANGUS MORRISON, Esquire, *Chairman*.

Mr. Laporte,
Mr. Felton,
Mr. Hartman,
Mr. Galt.

THE Minutes of yesterday were read.

Mr. *Langlois* fyled the titles of the properties upon which he was qualified to be a Candidate at the late election.

On application of Mr. *Gleason*, it was

Ordered That the sitting member be allowed till the day after to-morrow, to examine the qualification of the Petitioner and for the fying of his objections thereto.

The consideration of the order concerning the fying of the lists of objected voters, was deferred till to-morrow.

Charles Duberger, Esquire, Registrar of the first division of the County of Saguenay, and Returning Officer at the late Election for that County, was called and, being duly sworn, did depose and say :

I was Returning Officer at the last Election for the County of Saguenay, as Registrar of the first division of the said County.

Look at the Poll-books for the several Polls held in the County of Saguenay at the late Election, and say whether they are, or are not in the same state as when you received them from the respective Deputy Returning Officers of the said County?—I have examined the several Poll-books, and they are in the same state as when I received them from the several Deputy Returning Officers.

Were they in the state they now are when you returned them to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery?—Yes.

In what capacity did Jean Gagné act during the late election for the county of Saguenay, and was he or was he not to your knowledge an agent or partisan of either of the candidates?—I do not know in what capacity he acted nor whether he was an agent of either party, but I know that he was a partisan of the sitting member.

Did *Jean Gagné* produce any authority from *John McLaren*, Deputy Returning Officer for the Parish of Ste. Fidèle, when he returned you the Poll Books for the said Parish as mentioned in your special return?—No.