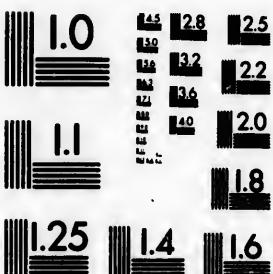
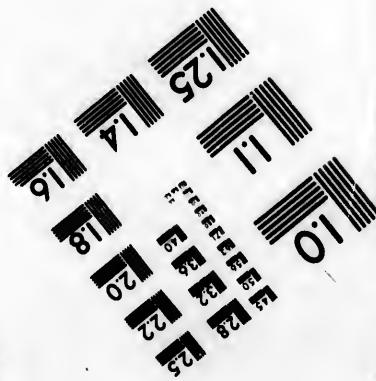
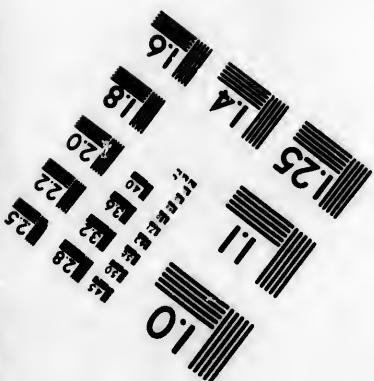


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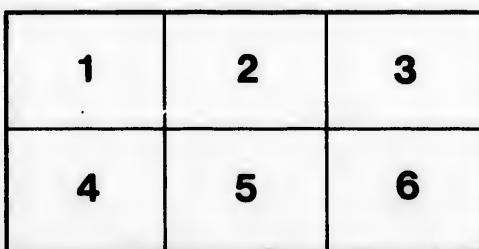
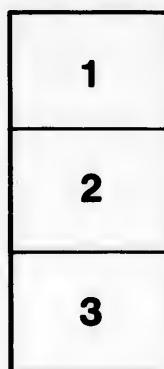
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TO THE ELECTORS OF BYTOWN.

GENTLEMEN,

Mr. Stewart is pleased to observe
me with some interest, since from his first
visit, impressions formed of the 18th instant,
and he, (Gibson) told me, and I have no
doubt, there was a considerable difference
in the whole, there should be a decided
difference.

In reply, I have told him that "I do
not leave the public to judge to which party
the charge truly apply."

Comparing upon the grounds of their Protection
of the Constitution, of personal independence; you
are a good judge of their truth or falsehood
as I am. But this subject must be postponed, for
it will distract my complaints to the
present tribunal, he shall hear from me again.

I am,

Gentlemen,

1. WILLIAM STEWART, Candidate at the
Elections for Bytown, do most solemnly Protest
against the actions of Sir George Grey, Governor
General, and the following grounds:

1st. Because under Executive influence he was
recommended and introduced to the inhabitants
and Electors of Bytown, and his Commissions carried
on using the Governor General's name.

2nd. Because he refused to state where the
money was stashed up which he defrauded his
creditors.

3rd. Because the Returning Officer did not keep
order, my voters being threatened and prevented
from coming to the Poll.

4th. Because the Returning Officer recorded
votes contrary to the letter and spirit of the Law,
and, against my will, administered an oath to a
person in an intoxicated state.

5th. That my Commissions were impudently
and assaulted by the partisans of Stewart Der-
bishire, Esq., and not protected by the Returning
Officer.

6th. That the Returning Officer refused to be-
held my objections and remarks with respect to
voters.

(Signed) WILLIAM STEWART,

9th March, 1841.

(Copy No. 2)

1. WILLIAM STEWART, one of the Candidates, at the Election of the Town of Bytown, do
hereby most solemnly protest, this my second Pro-
test, against the return of STEWART DER-
BIHIRE, Esq., as Representative for Bytown, on
the following grounds, to wit:

Because the Returning Officer, immediately
after my first Protest was put into his hands read
it to the publick, and in my opinion, in order to

obstruct the feelings against the candidate
of his own favour.

Because the Returning Officer, in order to
have nothing to do with the election, sent me
a note, to the effect that he would not be
responsible for the result of the election.

Because he did not administer the oath prescribed
in the Constitution, in several instances gave the words
of the oath, and did not repeat them, and did not repeat
the oath to the swelling House 12 months, and that
we have paid more than \$100 sterling, equal to
\$200 U.S. in expenses that we were compelled
without redress to pay.

Because that Capt. Balfe's son the Poll Clerk,
arrived Derbyshire's house on the first morning of
Elections, but at the gate.

Because Stewart Derbyshire, Esq., the Can-
didate was put in nomination by the Returning
Officer, who was not present, and by the
jockey at the time.

Because the Returning Officer could not dis-
cern the feelings from his large canvas in favour
of Mr. Derbyshire, but he divided it three ways, the
poll being one of them, writing the name
and marking the day of any opposition candidate.

Because he remained after the Poll was closed,
for two hours, till 12 o'clock, at the Polling Office,
and did not, in one of my opponent's

strength, and he himself claimed for Mr. Derby-
shire, and he did not leave the Polling Office
until 12 o'clock.

Because the Returning Officer, on Monday the

8th March, (the first day of Election) about the

time of five o'clock, P. M., when repeatedly
called upon by me and my two supporters that

assisting me at the Poll, to adjourn till next day

at 10 A. M., the Returning Officer, several times

repeatedly, without success, every

call of a riot and my own sufficient threats,
insulted and assaulted; he however kept the poll

open till near dark, being closed about half past

six o'clock.

Because the Returning Officer, on that night

there was an excited feeling raised against me by

some of my malignant opponents, and that upon

no occasion during the night, he apprehended danger.

Because in the absence of Michael Harbin, the

balance of his retinue, who followed him to the

Poll Room, and the Returning Officer under my

objection, recorded his vote.

Because that my Counsel, Mr. L. Grey, Esq.,

distinctly objected to giving the ballot to a certain

person in favour of Stewart Derbyshire, and, when

from their answers to his questions, he contended

were guilty of bribery, and he was given a few days off

Because that when William Harbin came to

ward to tender his vote, the Returning Officer

objected to the tenure and principle on which this

ballot was founded, and said "that he had given

the Attorney General this morning, and I had

recalled his vote yesterday, 1000, because he

would do so to-day," although he stated the first

day, that he would, notwithstanding the Attorney

General's opinion, and the general opinion,

sums the responsibility of the elector.

(Signed) WILLIAM STEWART.

Bytown, 9th March, 1841.

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