

**APPENDIX** when the said salary was reduced by a vote of the House of Assembly, to sixty-two pounds ten shillings per annum.

That your petitioner has a large family altogether dependant upon him for support, and has no other means for providing for them than by his salary as Light House Keeper, as the land on the said island is incapable of cultivation, from the barrenness of the soil, and consequently your petitioner is required to purchase all his provisions.

That your petitioner being bound by his duty to make the said island his constant residence, until the close of navigation, is thereby necessarily compelled to dwell thereon during the whole of the winter, by which he is subject to many privations, which will be still further augmented, by the decrease in the amount of his salary, so that he is unable to provide against sickness and other casualties to which he and his family are liable, from their being cut off from all society, to which they might flee for succour, and suppose Your Excellency is aware that there is no other person living on the said island, nor is it possible during a great part of winter, to reach the main shore, whatever difficulties might befall himself or family there.

That your petitioner, from his isolated situation, is prevented from engaging in any other pursuit (which might be connected with light houses on the main land) whereby he might add to his means, for the support and comfort of his family: his present reduced salary being altogether inadequate for that purpose.

That your petitioner entertaining every confidence that his salary would never have been reduced, and the reduction being altogether unforeseen, had made arrangements for the expenses of his living, and the payment of certain sums of money, which he owed to persons resident in the town of Kingston, which he will be unable to accomplish, should his salary be continued at the present low rate.

Your petitioner therefore prays that your Excellency will be pleased to take his case into your consideration, and, if possible, that your Excellency will be pleased to direct that the allowance heretofore granted to him may be continued.

And as in duty bound, your petitioner will ever pray.

JOSEPH SWETMAN.

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, beg leave to recommend the prayer of the petitioner to His Excellency's consideration.

John G. Parker; Abraham Truax; Barnabas Brennan; Douglas Prentiss; J. Counter; Thos. Rogers; Jacob Reitter; Arch'd. McFane; Matthew Rourke; James Fraser; Wm. Wilson; James McDonald; Wm. R. Bartlett; Samuel Morley; William Mullett; Benjamin Olcott; John C. Clark; Daniel Ruttan; John S. Smith; Wm. Swetman; John Kirby; Thos. Markland; H. Smith; Rich'd. Lowe; John Church; William Bowan; H. W. Wilkinson; Chas. Anderson; James Sampson; John Watkins; Edward Hitchings; James Macfarlane; Isaac Fraser; Samuel Casey; Geo. Baker; Geo. O'Kill Stuart; D. L. Fairfield; Thos. Kirkpatrick; John S. Cartwright; John Hamilton; J. Whitney; S. B. G. Britain; H. Cassady, Junr.; Walter McCuniffe; Chas. Heath; R. M. Rose.

A true Copy.

WM. ROWAN.

### REPORT of Select Committee on the Petition of the Rev. Robert McDowall and others.

To the Honourable the Commons House of Assembly.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Reverend Robert McDowall, and other Inhabitants of the incorporated counties of Lennox and Addington, have agreed to the following

#### REPORT:

The Petition represents, that in 1811, a deed was given by Mr. Peter Davy to certain persons mentioned in the petition, of a tract of land in Bath, to be held by them as trustees of an Academy, on which land a building had previously been erected for the purpose, and a school opened therein; and that the Petitioners have at great expense repaired and refitted the said building. And the petitioners pray that an Act may be passed, incorporating such persons as contributed to the original erection of the building, or to the recent repairs thereof, and such persons as contribute to the support of the said school, by paying the sum of Fifty Shillings annually, either for tuition or as a donation, under the name of "The Bath School Society," and that the surviving trustees to whom the said Deed was granted, be authorised to surrender the same to the said Society.

The truth of the statements made in the petition has been proved to the satisfaction of the committee. The deed mentioned in the petition has been produced before the committee, with a certificate of the Register of the county of Addington endorsed on it, of the due registering of a memorial thereof, and the execution of the deed and certificate has been proved by one of the Members of the committee who is acquainted with the hand-writing of the Register, the grantor

of the deed, and one of the subscribing witnesses. From his statement, as well as that of another of the committee, it also appears that William Fairfield, junior, Stephen Fairfield, and William MacKee, who were some of the trustees mentioned in the deed, are dead, and that Solomon Johns, another of the trustees, has been absent for many years from the Province, and is supposed to be dead; and that all the other trustees have signed the petition.—That in the year 1811, a large, commodious, and handsome building was erected on the ground mentioned in the deed, in which a school has since, with little intermission, been kept;—that the school is now under the care and superintendence of the Rev. John Stoughton, a clergyman of the church of England, who was formerly an usher of the Home District School, whose learning and talents are well known, and who has an able assistant in the school.

The town of Bath is a beautiful, healthy, and retired village, in the midst of a wealthy and intelligent agricultural population, and on the shore of the sound between Kingston and the Bay of Quinte, where steam-boats touch daily. The Academy there appears to possess many local and incidental advantages; and the public spirit of the petitioners in erecting and repairing the building and supporting the school, deserves encouragement and respect.

The committee have drawn such a bill as is desired by the petitioners, which they present to the House with this Report.

MARSHALL S. BIDWELL,  
Chairman.

Committee Room,  
House of Assembly, December 22, 1833.

### REPORT of the Select Committee to which was referred the Petition of Francis Hall, Esq.

To the Honourable the Commons House of Assembly.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Francis Hall, Esq., late Engineer of the Burlington Bay Canal—

#### BEG LEAVE TO REPORT:

That they have reason to believe that there is due to the Petitioner the sum of £55, for services rendered on the Burlington Bay Canal, in 1826.

Your Committee, therefore, beg leave to recommend to your Honourable House, that the sum of £55 be granted to the Petitioner, in full for services rendered the Burlington Bay Commissioners in 1826.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN CLARK,  
Chairman.

Committee Room,  
13th February, 1834.

### REPORT of Select Committee on the Petition of C. McIntosh, and others.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles McIntosh, and others—

#### BEG LEAVE TO REPORT:

That from all the information obtained by your Committee, it appears highly desirable for the safety and convenience of steam boats and other vessels navigating Lake Ontario, that two Light-houses should be built, the one on Nicholson's Island, and the other on Green Point, between Port Hope and Cobourg. These Light-houses are considered necessary by all masters or owners of all steam boats and other vessels on Lake Ontario. The expense of the one on Nicholson's Island is estimated to cost about £750, and that on Green Point £500. For the want of one at the latter place, steam boats and vessels, with numbers of emigrants and other passengers, as also with large quantities of merchandize, are frequently obliged to pass by Port Hope and Cobourg, without being able to land such emigrants, passengers and goods. Your Committee therefore recommend, that the sum of £750 should be granted to build a Light-house on Nicholson's Island, and £500 to build one on Green Point.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. S. BOULTON,  
CHAIRMAN.

Committee Room,  
28th January, 1834.

**APPENDIX**