

off another board from the side occupied by Mr. Howard—he the Returning Officer was advised by Mr. Powell, his deputy, to take care of himself, stating that he had heard something which made him fear that the Returning Officer was not altogether safe in his person, this was after the Poll had adjourned at Lewis's inn, a large party of Gowan and Attorney General's friends and supporters attacked the house—saw a man knocked down with a stick near the house, they broke down the door as he was informed, and rushed into the house. The bar-keeper and others were knocked down and much injured, with clubs, the females of the house escaped out of the back window of the kitchen, himself and others were up stairs, and although several attempts were made by the party to get up stairs they did not succeed, they continued their depredations for some time, during which time they turned over a metal stove and scattered the fire about the room which made a great smoke, and it was said the house was on fire, which created a good deal of sensation for a time, but it was soon found to be a mistake—during the row, Rich'd. D. Fraser and Dr. Breakenridge, two Justices of the Peace, stood in the stair-way and prevented by force the crowd from rushing up stairs, where he Returning Officer and Messrs. Buell, Howard, Gowan, and Jameson were.



Mr. ADIEL SHERWOOD, RETURNING OFFICER—*Called in and again examined.*

Saturday, 8 o'clock. A. M.

Were you in any kind of fear of your own personal safety in consequence of the threatening said to be made against you, as communicated by your Deputy Mr. Powell? No, I was not as I looked upon the threat as arising out of my polling the votes of Messrs. Buell and Howard the last,—thereby placing them at the head of the poll, this arose out of the arrangement agreed to by the candidates, of polling 5 votes for each alternately—had no hesitation of continuing the poll on Tuesday morning but on legal grounds and in executing the indentures, had no apprehension that if he had not done so, he would have been liable to any injury in his person or property,—he continued the election, and made the return as he did, notwithstanding his belief of the friends of Messrs. Buell and Howard being intimidated from coming forward,—there were two or three instances of votes taken for Gowan and Jameson at the openings intended for Buell and Howard—whether these votes were taken at the openings of both these latter gentlemen, or that of one of them, I do not recollect—however, this did not give Jameson or Gowan any advantage on the Poll Book.



No. 126.

REPORT

OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON PETITION ON T. G. MILLER AND OTHERS.

To the Honorable the Commons House of Assembly,

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of T. G. Miller and others, beg leave to submit the following report, for the consideration of your Honorable House.

Your Committee have carefully investigated the subject matter of complaint contained in the said Petition, concur in the opinion of granting a sum of money for erecting a Bridge across Cox's Creek which intersects the main road leading from the Township of Waterloo to the town of Elora in the Township of Woolwich in the Gore District.

The Committee therefore recommend to your Honorable House that the sum of £100 may be granted as prayed for, to build the said Bridge, and that a Bill may be passed your Honorable Body to enable the Petitioners to carry the same into full operation.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES DURAND.
Chairman.

Committee Room,
House of Assembly
Thursday 19th March, 1835. }

No. 127.

LETTER from the Keeper of the Light House at the False Ducks Island to Lieutenant Col. Rowan.

COPY.

To Lieut. Colonel ROWAN,

I am sorry to be under the necessity of troubling you again, to request you will have the goodness to present the enclosed petition to the Lieutenant Governor.—Your doing so will very much oblige me.

I beg to state, that I was unwilling to trouble His Excellency a second time in any case, but was informed that as it is now a new Parliament, it would be necessary to do so, and it would not be strictly Parliamentary for the House of Assembly to raise salaries unless recommended by the Crown.

I am respectfully,

JOSEPH SWETMAN.

False Ducks Island, 11th month 25th.

*James Fitz Gibbon
Clerk of Assembly*