

14th.—That large sums of money of the proceeds of the Public Revenue levied in this Province, have been applied by warrant of the Executive Government, year after year, without any appropriation by the Legislative Body therein, (while the necessary appropriations were rejected in the said Legislative Council) for the payment of alleged expenses of the Civil Government, and other expenses, for which no services were rendered to the Province, or for new and increased salaries and allowances never recognized by the Legislature.

15th.—That large sums of Money of the proceeds of the Public Revenue, raised within this Province, in the hands of the late Receiver General, and other depositaries of public monies then and still under the controul and superintendance of the Provincial Executive, have been dissipated; and other officers appointed in their stead without any adequate securities being taken for the future, thereby occasioning and exposing the public to grievous losses, wasting or endangering the resources of the Province, and subjecting its inhabitants to unnecessary burthens.

16th.—That various other sums of Money appropriated by the Legislature, have been advanced to divers persons appointed by the Executive, many of whom have not accounted for such advances in due time, have insufficiently accounted or not accounted in any shape whatsoever, as appears by the statement laid before the Assembly, on address, in the Session of 1826, and that persons then in default on the said statement, have been appointed to other situations of honour, trust and profit.

17th.—That the College and Revenues of the Estates of the late Order of Jesuits in this Province, originally erected and formerly applied for the civil and religious education of the Youth of this Province, have not been so applied for many years past, and are in no way accounted for to the Legislature or the inhabitants of this Province.

18th.—That large portions of the waste Lands granted or reserved by the Crown in this Province, have been long held and continue to be held in the midst of, or in the immediate vicinity of actual settlements, without the owners or possessors thereof having been compelled to perform the duty of settlement, upon which such Lands were granted by the Crown, or any other duty in relation to the said Lands, to the grievous burthen of the actual Settlers, the hindrance of new Settlers, and the obstruction of the general increase and prosperity of the Province.

19th.—That during the prevalence of these and other abuses and grievances, false representations and attempts have been repeatedly made by divers officers of the Provincial Executive, to obtain from His Majesty's Government in England and the Parliament of the United Kingdom, various alterations in the Constitution of the Government of this Province, as established by an Act of the British Parliament, prejudicial to the rights and interests of this Province, without their knowledge, and at a time when the said inhabitants were prevented by the said majority of Executive Councillors, Judges and other Officers in the Legislative Council, from having an authorised Agent in England to attend to their interests and enable them to be heard by the Government of the Mother Country.

20th.—That the revival or continuation by the act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, (4 Geo. IV. chap. 6) of temporary duties imposed by Provincial acts, were so obtained, as well as the acts affecting the tenures of Land in this Province, or the whole prejudicial to the dearest rights and essential interests of the inhabitants of this Province, and without the knowledge or consent of the persons chiefly affected by the said acts.

21st.—That the aforementioned application of monies levied within this Province, without appropriations by the Legislature thereof, the said advances of money to persons who have not sufficiently accounted for the same, the said dissipation of public money, and appointment of persons to be intrusted with public monies without full security given, the diversion of the revenues of the Estates of the late order of the Jesuits from purposes of Education of the Youth of this Province, the non-execution of the conditions of the grants of the waste lands of the Crown, and the aforesaid attempts on the part of the officers of the Executive Government to obtain alterations in England of the Established Constitution and Laws of the Province, without the knowledge of the inhabitants generally, and without their having had an opportunity of being heard, are grievances dangerous to the Peace welfare and good Government of this Province.

22nd.—That the prayer of the Petition to His Majesty be: that he would take the premises into his most gracious consideration and so exercise his Royal Prerogative, that his subjects in this Province be relieved from the said abuses and grievances and that justice be done therein, that the inhabitants of this Province be secured in the full enjoyment of the Constitution of Government, as established by the act passed in the 31st year of the Reign of his late Royal Father of revered memory.

23rd.—That the prayer to both houses of Parliament be that they would take the premises into consideration, cause enquiry to be made and the petitioners to be heard, that justice may be done thereon, and the subject in this Province be secured in the full enjoyment of the constitution of government, as established by the act of the Parliament of Great Britain, passed in the 31st year of the reign of his late Majesty, without any alteration thereof whatsoever.

24th.—That a Committee of 35 Electors duly qualified by Law, to vote for members of the assembly of this Province be appointed to draft and prepare petitions on the foregoing resolutions, with full power to take all the necessary steps for submitting them for the signature of the Electors generally, for causing the said petitions to be laid at the foot of the Throne and presented to the Lords and Commons, and also to give effect to and support the same by evidence.

25th.—That this meeting will contribute and assist in procuring voluntary subscriptions to cover the necessary expenditure for the aforesaid purposes.

26th.—That Messrs. Amable Berthelot, François Blanchet, J. L. Borgia, J. B. E. Bacquet, Robert Blackiston, Michel Berné, J. Bisquette, Michel Clouet, John Cannon, Joseph Dorion, Etienne Defoy, John Duval, John Fraser, H. G. Forsyth, Pierre Faucher, Joseph Gagné, A. R. Hamel, H. S. Huot, Louis Lagueux, Joseph Legaré, père, Louis Lagueux, fils, Jacques Leblond, Et. C. Lagueux, Jean Langevin, Ignace Legaré, J. L. Maret, Louis Massue, Joachim Mondore, John Neilson, Vallières de St. Réal, Pierre Peiteler, Joseph Roy, Augt. Gauthier, & Louis Fortier, do compose the said Committee, and that nine form a quorum; notices in writing of the time and place of meeting being previously left at the domicile of each of the said Committee.

27th.—That the said Committee have power to add to their number, and be empowered to aid in forwarding similar petitions from any other parts of this district, in cases where application may be made to them to that effect, and where contributions may have been made to the funds of the said Committee in aid of the aforementioned expenditure.

28th.—That Joseph Hoy, Esquire, be Treasurer of the said Committee, and he held to account to the said Committee and a meeting of Electors publicly called, and that all payments made by him be vouched by orders of the said Committee, attested by the signature of the Secretary.

LOUIS A. LAGUEUX, President,

H. S. HUOT, Secretary.

At a Meeting of the Committee, Friday 14th December 1827.

The following officers were appointed:

J. R. VALLIERES DE ST. REAL, Esquire, President,

HENRY GEORGE FORSYTH, Esquire, } Vice Presidents,

LOUIS ABRAHAM LAGUEUX, Esquire, }

Messrs. H. S. HUOT and J. B. E. BACQUET, Secretaries,

H. S. HUOT,
Secretary.