

*Petitions read.* the polling took place in the several Townships on the 29th and 30th days of December aforesaid; that the result was in favor of the said *Edward Malloch*, by one hundred and seven votes over the Petitioner, and several hundreds over the said *James Johnston*, for whom no votes were polled; and that the Returning Officer declared the said *Edward Malloch* duly elected: That *Simon Fraser*, the Sheriff of the District of *Dalhousie*, and Returning Officer for the said County at said Election, appointed in many of the Townships in said County the partisans of the said *Edward Malloch*, as Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks, and, as the Petitioner is informed, at the request of the said *Edward Malloch*: That many of the said Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks canvassed against the Petitioner, both before and at the time of said Election, and acted as scrutinizers and agents for the said *Edward Malloch* during the polling at said Election: That many persons duly qualified to vote appeared at several of the polling places in the said County to vote for the Petitioner, but were rejected by the Deputy Returning Officers; and that many persons having no vote and not being qualified to vote, were permitted to vote for the said *Edward Malloch*: That one and more of the said Deputy Returning Officers refused to administer to the voters of the said *Edward Malloch* the qualification oaths prescribed by law, and also permitted many persons to vote by proxy for the said *Edward Malloch*: That many persons were prevented from voting for the Petitioner by the violence and threats used by the supporters of the said *Edward Malloch* towards them: That the said *Edward Malloch* and his agents, and by and through them, was guilty of bribery at said Election, by personally offering to lend, and did lend, give and tender money to divers voters to vote for the said *Edward Malloch* at said Election; and did also promise and tender to divers voters at said Election, other rewards, in consideration that they would vote for the said *Edward Malloch*; that the said *Edward Malloch* kept and maintained within said County, at his own costs and charges, divers houses of entertainment for his voters at said Election: That the said *Edward Malloch*, by the aforesaid unlawful means, did obtain an apparent and colourable majority of votes over the Petitioner, and did procure himself to be, and was returned to serve in this present Parliament as Member for the said County: That the Petitioner humbly insists that he had a majority of legal votes at the said Election, and that the said *Edward Malloch*, by reason of all the premises hereinbefore mentioned, is disqualified from sitting as a Member for said County during this present Parliament; and praying that the House will take the premises into consideration, and declare the Election of the said *Edward Malloch* null and void, and the said *Edward Malloch* incapacitated from sitting in this Parliament, and that the Petitioner was duly elected,—or that the House will afford the Petitioner such other and further remedy in the premises as to the House may seem meet.

Of Messieurs *Robertson, Masson* and Company, and others, of the District of *Montreal*; praying that the Acts relating to Bankrupts 7 *Vic. cap. 10*, and 9 *Vic. cap. 30*, may be allowed to expire; that the Ordinance 2 *Vic. cap. 36*, may be repealed; and that provision be made to terminate such cases as may be pending in the Bankrupt Courts.

Of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of *McGill College*; praying an increased grant in support of that Institution.

Of the President and Secretary of the *Toronto Athenæum*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *John Clark* and others, of the vicinity of *Montreal*; complaining of certain injustice and damages

sustained by them by the operations of the Trustees of the *Montreal Turnpike Roads*, and praying relief.

Of *Jean Baptiste Miville Dechène*, of *St. Henri*; praying indemnification for the loss of his Schooner in conveying provisions to the distressed inhabitants of *Trois Pistoles* and *Rimouski*, in the year 1816.

Of *Charles Jackson* and others, Trustees of the *Charleston Academy*; praying for aid in support of that Institution.

Of *John W. Baxter* and others, of the Township of *Stanstead*; praying a grant of money to construct a Road from *Stanstead Plain* to the Village of *Georgeville*.

Of the Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of *Canada*; praying for the passing of a law to enable those who are authorized to solemnize Matrimony in *Upper Canada*, under certain circumstances, to do the same in *Lower Canada*, on presenting their certificates of authority.

Of *John McGill Chambers*, of the Township of *Montague*, in the District of *Bathurst*; praying that no alterations may be made in the Act of last Session establishing the boundary line between the fourth Concession of *Montague* and *North Elmsley*.

Of *P. Cowan* and others, of the Townships of *Brome, Dunham*, and *Farnham*; praying aid to improve the Road from *Stanstead* to *Longueuil*.

Of *Stephen S. Foster* and others, the President, Vice President, and Board of Directors of the County of *Shefford Academy*; praying the usual aid in support of that Academy.

Of the Reverend *John Cook, D.D.*, and others, the Ministers, Elders, and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church*, in the City of *Quebec*; praying aid in support of the School in connexion with that Church.

Of *François Xavier Rousseau* and others, of *Dorset, Shenley, Lambton*, and other Townships; and of *Adrien Blouin* and others, of *Tring, Forsyth, Price*, and other Townships; praying aid to complete and improve the *Lambton Road*.

Of the Municipal Council of the District of *London*; representing that the Taxes for 1845 have not been collected in the Townships of *Williams* and *Mosa* in consequence of certain informalities, and praying relief.

Of *L. Nolin* and others, of the Parish of *L'Assomption*, in the County of *Leinster*; praying that no exclusive privilege be granted to *A. Larocque*, of *Montreal*, to construct a Toll Bridge over the River *L'Assomption*, in the said Parish.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*; praying a grant of money to indemnify him for expenses incurred in relieving the distress of the Emigrants of the last season, and to enable him to provide for the necessities of the coming season.

Of the Sisters of Mercy of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Sœurs de Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Sainte Pélogie de Montréal*."

Of the Corporation of the Sisters of Charity of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying aid to enable them to extend their benevolent operations.

Of *Alexis Gagné*, of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*, merchant; praying indemnification for his services as Returning Officer at all the annual elections of parish officers, in the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*, since the year 1841.

Of *F. X. Valade* and others, members of the Association of Teachers of the District of *Montreal*; praying that the Superintendent of Education may be authorized to aid them in the establishment of a Library.

Of *Ignace Portneuf* and others, the Chiefs and Warriors of the *Abenakis Village* of *St. François du Lac St. Pierre*; praying for the passing of a law to