

petition for liquor law	A petition of inhabitants of electoral district No. 17, in the county of Halifax, was presented by Mr. Esson and read, praying that the prohibitory liquor law may be submitted to the votes of the people at the next general election as a separate question. <i>Ordered</i> , That the petition do lie on the table.
Petition of J. Thomas	A petition of John Thomas, of Chester, an aged teacher, was presented by Mr. Gilderd and read, praying a free grant of land.
Education committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on education.
Report of record commissioner	The honorable the provincial secretary, by command of his excellency the governor, presented to the house the report of Thomas B. Aikins, esquire, commissioner for the compilation and preservation of ancient provincial records for the year 1858, and the same was read by the clerk.  (See appendix No 8.)
Select committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the report be referred to the honorable Mr. Howe, Mr. White, and Mr. Ruggles to examine and report thereon.
Petition of inland navigation company	A petition of the president and directors of the inland navigation company, was presented by Mr. Wier and read, praying additional legislation to enable them to borrow money to complete their operations.
Trade committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.
Petition as to signal station, Halifax	A petition of merchants of the city of Halifax was presented by Mr. Wier and read, praying the imposition of a tax on vessels entering the port of Halifax, for the maintenance of the signal station on Citadel Hill.
Trade committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.
Petition of W. S. Symonds & Co.	A petition of W. S. Symonds and others of the city of Halifax was presented by Mr. Wier and read, praying to be re-paid duties paid by them on imported goods consumed by fire.
Trade committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.
Report of postmaster general	The hon. the provincial secretary by command of his excellency the governor, presented to the house the report of the post-master general for the year 1858, together with eleven statistical returns and statements referred to therein—and the report was read by the clerk.  (See appendix No. 9.)
Post office committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the report and returns be referred to the committee on the post office
Petition of P. S. Burnham	A petition of Peter S. Burnham post-master at Windsor, was presented by the hon. Mr. Howe and read, praying increased remuneration.
Post office committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on the post office.
Petition of L. & E. Curry	A petition of Levi and Edward Curry of Windsor was presented by the hon. Mr. Howe and read, praying a return of duties on machinery recently imported by them to replace machinery destroyed by fire.
Trade committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.
Petition of S. Kirkpatrick	A petition of Samuel Kirkpatrick of Hantsport, in the county of Hants, an aged teacher, was presented by Mr. Brown and read, praying a free grant of land or other allowance for long and useful services.
Education committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on education.
Petition of Dr. Dennison	A petition of doctor William Dennison, of Newport, was presented by Mr. Chambers and read, praying compensation for medical services to Micmac Indians.
Referred to Indian committee	<i>Ordered</i> , That the petition be referred to the committee on Indian affairs.