That a less expensive and more prompt and efficient system be established for the free and equal Administration of Justice; that matters of small amount and difficulty may be disposed of with as much regard to the legal rights of the parties as matters of greater amount and difficulty, but at less expense; and that no fees be exacted, the tariff of which is not established by an Act of the Provincial Legislature;

That the real estate of persons dying intestate may not descend to the eldest son, to the exclusion of his brethren, but be equally divided among the children, male and female;

That the right of impeachment and the mode of trial be fully and effectually recognized and established;

That none of His Majesty's Judges nor Clergymen of any denomination, be to hold enabled seats either in the Executive or Legislative Councils, or in any way to interfere and concern themselves in the Executive or Legislative business of the Province;

That the Executive Council of this Colony may be composed of those persons only who possess the confidence of the people;

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

(Signed.) JOSHUA VAN ALLEN, *Chairman.*
(Signed.) JAMES DOYLE, *Secretary.*

The two following (concluding) clauses were added by vote of the Town meeting of Whitby:

That in elections of members to serve in Parliament for any county in this Province, in which a poll shall be demanded, the votes of the freeholders may be taken at two, three, or more fixed places or stations, the most central and convenient for the electors to assemble at, and the poll kept open by the Returning Officer at each of these places for a period sufficient to enable them to have their suffrages recorded, unless the election should be otherwise sooner determined; or, that the Township Officers may be authorized to take the votes of the electors in their several Townships;

That Jurors be drawn by lot from lists of the best qualified persons in the several Towns and Townships, or appointed in some other mode less liable to partiality and abuse than an arbitrary selection of them by Sheriffs or Coroners, dependant for their appointment, income, and continuance in office, upon the will of the Executive Government.

The above proceedings of the people of York, were concurred in, on Monday the 18th July, by the unanimous vote of the town meeting of *Etobicoke*, and Messrs. John Nicol, John Macfarlane, and Amasa Wilcox appointed a committee of management to co-operate with the Provincial committee sitting at York. Attested by Truman Wilcox, Town Clerk, Etobicoke.

Concurred in also by the unanimous vote of *Pickering*, on Wednesday the 20th July, and Messrs. Joseph Wixson, William Hartrick, Benjamin Varnum, Andrew Hubbard, David Gardener, Edward Lawrence, and Benjamin Lock, appointed a committee of co-operation in that township. Attested by Joseph Wixson, Chairman, Town Meeting.

And by the unanimous vote of *Scarboro'*, on Tuesday the 19th July, and Messrs. Peter Secor, William Devenish, Thomas Whitesides, Christopher Thomson, and Samuel Kennedy appointed a township committee of co-operation. Attested by William Devenish, Town Clerk, Scarboro'.

And by the unanimous vote of *Whitby*, one dissenting voice excepted, on Thursday the 21st July, and Messrs. William F. Moore, Jabez Hall, John Still, James Hunter, & Ezra Annes, appointed a committee of co-operation.—Attested by William F. Moore, Town Clerk, Whitby.

By the unanimous vote of *Reach & Uxbridge*, on Friday the 22nd July, and Messrs. Joseph B. Pearson, John P. Plank, Carleton Lynde, Robert Dayton, and Joseph Taylor appointed a co-operating committee. Attested by Joseph B. Pearson, Chairman, Town Meeting.

By the unanimous vote of *Markham*, on Saturday the 23rd July, and Messrs. Peter Reesor, Joseph Tomlinson, Abraham Reesor, Justin Badgerow, and David Byer appointed a co-operating committee. Attested by John Wurts, Chairman, Town Meeting.

By the unanimous vote of *Whitchurch*, on Monday the 25th July, and Messrs. John Bogart, sen'r. John Bogart, jun'r. Timothy Millard, Daniel T. Eck, and Andrew Clubine appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by John Bogart, sen'r. Chairman, Town Meeting.

By the unanimous vote of *East Gwillimbury*, on Tuesday the 26th July, and Messrs. Silas Fletcher, John Weddel, John Lewis, John Reid, Samuel Hughes, John Fletcher, and Lewis Powell appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by John Weddel, Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *Brock*, on Thursday the 28th July, and Messrs. Joel Wixson, Webster Stephens, James Vrooman, Archibald McPhaden, and Randal Wixson appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by Joel Wixson, Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *North Gwillimbury*, on Friday the 29th July, and Messrs. David Sprague, John L. Comer, Noah Gager, Isaac Bennett, and Amos Crittenden appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by David Sprague, Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *Tecumseth, West Gwillimbury*, and *Adjala*, County of *Simcoe*, on Saturday the 30th July, and Messrs. Robert Armstrong, Wm. Molton, and Nathaniel Gager all of West Gwillimbury; William Walker and William McCarty, Tecumseth; James Hampton of Adjala, and William Lawrie of Innisil, appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by Robert Armstrong, J. P. Chairman.

By the unanimous vote of *King*, on Monday the 1st August, and Messrs. Jesse Lloyd, Jacob Hollingshead, William Haines, sen'r. William Kennedy, jun'r. Mark Learmont, William Haines, jun'r. and William Ghent, appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by William Haines, sen'r. Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *Albion*, on Tuesday the 2nd August, and Messrs. John Jaffary, James Boulton, Rob't. Finch, Frederick Baker, and John Smith appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by James Coats, Chairman, Town Meeting.

By the unanimous vote of *Caledon*, on Wednesday the 3rd August, and Messrs. William Clark, Donald Macpharrie, Archibald Macnaughton, George Middagh, and Wm. Judge appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by Miles Bacon, Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *Chinguacousy*, on Thursday the 4th August, and Messrs. William Johnston, Martin Salisbury, John Wolfe, Joseph Lellar, and John Cæsar, appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by Dr. Wm. Johnston, Town Clerk.

By the unanimous vote of *Vaughan*, on Friday the 5th August, and Messrs. Peter Frank, Michael Burckholder, John Clark, Archibald MacDonald, and George Thompson, appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by Peter Frank, Chairman Town Meeting.

By the unanimous vote of *Toronto*, on Saturday the 6th August, and Messrs. Charles King, Senr. Thomas McBride, William B. Reeve, Abijah Lewis, Martin Switzer, Wesley Watson, and William Douglas, appointed a committee of co-operation. Attested by William Beckwith Reeve, Town Clerk.

ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED IN WHITBY

The two following additional resolutions were adopted by the township of Whitby, on Thursday the 21st of July, 1831; the rest of the concurred in by the townships of Markham, Whitchurch, East Gwillimbury, Brock, Reach and Uxbridge, King, Albion, Caledon, Chinguacousy, North Gwillimbury, Vaughan and Toronto; and clauses founded upon them were added to the petition to the House of Assembly adopted in these townships.

RESOLUTIONS.

I.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Meeting that the present mode of electing our representatives in Assembly, subjects us to great and unnecessary inconvenience, inasmuch that altho' our votes might be polled in our own Township, by one of our Township Officers annually elected at our January Town Meeting, we are required to travel to a place beyond York, a distance of from 25 to 40 miles, to give in our votes; and that too often at the busiest season of the year for farmers.—If it were impossible to take our suffrages in or near Whitby we would cheerfully come to York, but it is evident from the election laws of Lower Canada, Nova-Scotia, and New Brunswick, that a far better and more judicious law for the regulation of elections might be devised, better for us, better for the Government.

II.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this meeting that Jurors ought to be drawn from lists composed of the best qualified persons in the several Townships, or appointed in some other mode less liable to partiality and abuse, than an arbitrary selection of them by Sheriffs and Coroners, dependent for their appointment, income, and continuance in office, upon the will of the Executive Government.

Attested by
(Signed) WILLIAM F. MOORE,
Chairman, Town Meeting, Whitby.
" EZRA ANNES,
Secretary.