

Wherefore, the petitioner offering to prove all the foregoing facts and allegations of which the petitioner complains, as well of the illegality of the said Election and the return, humbly prays the House, that it may be pleased to take into its consideration the motives of his Grievances; and to permit that he may be heard, by whom it may belong, in order that Justice may be done in such manner, as it may please the House in its wisdom to order.

Mr. *Mure*, also read a petition from himself against the Election and return of *John Young*, Esquire, as a Representative for the Lower Town of *Quebec*.

ORDERED, That the said petition be now brought up.

Accordingly the said petition was received and read by the Clerk.

SETTING FORTH:—That at the last General Election, for Members to serve in the present Provincial Parliament, the petitioner was a Candidate for the Lower Town of *Quebec*, together with *John Young* and *Louis De Salaberry*, Esquires, and had a great majority of legal votes in his favour, notwithstanding which, a colourable majority of votes having been procured by the said *John Young*, and his adherents, by corruptly dividing and subdividing property, so as to give a colourable right, under which, a great number of persons voted, and by other illegal and corrupt means the said *John Young* was returned as duly elected.

That, at the close of the Election, the Petitioner with several of the Electors demanded a Scrutiny, which the Returning Officer refused to grant, as being incompetent thereto, wherefore the petitioner humbly prays, that he may be permitted to prove, at the Bar of this House, or in such other way as the House may point out, that a great number of illegal votes (vizt. the number of one hundred and fifty and upwards) were given in favour of the said *John Young*, whereby he procured a return in his favour, and that upon such
proof.