

The Honorable Mr. Fisher, by leave, presented a Petition from John S. Barker, David Essensy, William Hunter, Alexander Burgoine, and forty others, electors and inhabitants of the Parish of Kingsclear, in the County of York, praying for the repeal of the Act establishing a Polling place at the Hanwell Settlement in the said Parish; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Tilley, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council, laid before the House—

Copy of a Petition from Sarah Elizabeth Davison, of the Parish of Hampton, in King's County, praying compensation for injuries sustained by reason of the Railway accident at Rothsay on the 4th February 1862.

It being the time appointed, by Order of the House of the 25th day of June last, for taking into consideration the Petition of William W. Gordon, Esquire, against the election and return of John Meahan, Esquire, as a Member for the County of Gloucester, and praying that an investigation be had in the premises—

The Sergeant at Arms was directed to call the Members to their places; and he being returned, the House was counted, when it appeared that there were thirty two Members present, exclusive of John Meahan, Esquire, the sitting Member, and whose return is petitioned against.

Ordered, Thereupon, that the parties be heard at the Bar; when

William W. Gordon, Esquire, the Petitioner, with Henry B. Rainsford, Junior, Esquire, as his Counsel; as also John Meahan, Esquire, the sitting Member, with William H. Needham, Esquire, as his Counsel, appeared at the Bar of the House; the doors being then locked—and

The Order of the Day for the consideration of the allegations set forth in the Petition was read, and the Tickets, with the names of the several Members of the House written thereon, were deposited in the Ballot Boxes; and the drawing of the Committee, and appointment of the Nominees to try the matters set forth in the said Petition, was then proceeded with and perfected, as directed by Chapter 98, Title xix, of the Revised Statutes, 'Of controverted Elections.'

The Doors being then opened, the Lists as drawn, with the names of the Nominees added thereto, were delivered to the Counsel for the respective parties; and the same being struck, a reduced List of the Members so drawn, with the nominees added thereto, signed by the respective Counsel, was handed in, by which the following appears as the Members of the Committee:—

John Flewwelling,	} Esquires.
Francis Hibbard,	
John Lewis,	
Richard Sutton,	
Hon. Charles Connell,	

Nominees:

James G. Stevens, Esquire, for the Petitioner.

Albert J. Smith, Esquire, for the sitting Member.

The several Members of the Committee thus constituted were called to the Clerk's Table, and there duly sworn well and truly to try the several matters set forth in the said Petition referred to them, and a true judgment to give thereon, according to the evidence.

The Counsel and Parties were then ordered to withdraw; and