

MONDAY, 4th March, 1839.

The House met.

The Minutes of Saturday were read.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table :—

By Mr. Thorburn, the petition of David Secord, of the Village of St. David's (Lincoln). Petitions brought up—
D. Secord.

By Mr. McCrae, the petition of George Hyde, J. P., and eighty-one others, of the Township of Plympton (Kent);—the petition of Duncan McGregor, and five hundred and sixteen others, of the County of Kent;—the petition of George Hyde, and five hundred and twenty-eight others, of the London and Western Districts;—and the petition of W. G. Wright, and one hundred and ninety-one others, of the Township of Moore, &c., (Kent). G. Hyde and 81 others.
D. McGregor and 516 others.
G. Hyde and 528 others
W. G. Wright and 191 others.

And by Mr. Cornwall, the petition of Christopher Arnold, and fifty-eight others, of the County of Kent. C. Arnold and 58 others

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Registry Bill was read the third time. Registry bill read third time.

On the question for passing the Bill, On question for passing

In amendment—Mr. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. McLean, moves that the Registry Bill do not now pass, but that it be amended by adding the following clause :—“ *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to make void the appointment of any person who, previous to the passing of this Act, may hold the situation of Registrar for more than one County, and shall have an office in each County for which he is Registrar.*” Amendment moved.

On which the yeas and nays were taken as follows : Division on amendment

YEAS.

Messrs. *Attorney General, Cartwright, Detlor, Gamble, Gowan, Hunter, Kearnes, Malloch, Manahan, McCrae, McDonell of Northumberland, McKay, McLean, Powell, Robinson, Ruttan, Solicitor General*—17. Yeas—17.

NAYS.

Messrs. *Aikman, Armstrong, Bockus, Boulton, Burritt, Cameron, Cook, Cornwall, Duncombe, Ferrie, Lewis, McIntosh, McMicking, Merritt, Murney, Parke, Rykert, Shade, Shaver, Sherwood, Thorburn, Woodruff*—22. Nays—22.

The question of amendment was decided in the negative by a majority of five. Amendment lost—majority 5.
Another amendment moved.

In amendment—Mr. Murney, seconded by Mr. Manahan, moves that the Bill do not now pass, but that it be recommitted for the purpose of striking out the following words from the tenth clause,—“ the Justices in General Quarter Sessions assembled,” and inserting the words “ any two Justices ;”—and also striking out the words “ Chairman, and witnessed by the Clerk of the peace, that the majority of the Magistrates present in such Session assembled,”—and inserting the words “ signed by said Justices. Provided always that proof before the Justices shall be reduced to writing and subscribed and sworn to, by the witnesses proving the execution of said Deed, Conveyance, or Will, and Registered at the same time with the said Deed, Conveyance, or Will.”

On which the yeas and nays were taken as follows: Division on amendment

YEAS.

Messrs. *Kearnes, Manahan, Murney*.—3. Yeas—3.

NAYS.

Messrs. *Aikman, Armstrong, Attorney General, Bockus, Boulton, Burritt, Cameron, Cook, Cornwall, Detlor, Duncombe, Ferrie, Gamble, Gowan, Hunter, Lewis, Malloch, McDonell of Northumberland, McIntosh, McMicking, Moore, Morris, Parke, Powell, Robinson, Ruttan, Rykert, Salmon, Shade, Shaver, Sherwood, Solicitor General, Thorburn, Woodruff*.—34. Nays—34.