

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read, for the first time;

*Ordered*—That the said Bill be read a second time, on *monday* next.

A petition of *Israel Williams*, and others, of the Town of *Hamilton*, was presented to the House by Mr. *Harmanus Smith*, and the same was received and read; setting forth:—That petitioners have long resided in the Province, and are desirous of becoming subjects of Her Majesty; and praying that a law may be passed authorising them to become subjects, by taking the oath prescribed by law.

Petition of Israel Williams and others to be naturalized.

*Ordered*—That the said petition do lie upon the table.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the *Gore* District was presented to the House by Mr. *Harmanus Smith*, and the same was received and read; setting forth:—That by the Laws regulating macadamized roads, persons residing on either side, within half a mile of the road, liable to perform statute labour, are compelled to commute the same, at the rate of two shillings and six-pence per day—the money so obtained to be expended by the Commissioners in maintaining and keeping in repair said road.

Petition of divers inhabitants of Gore District praying for amendment in macadamized road Acts.

That no portion of the money so raised being allowed to be expended on the roads, leading to said macadamized roads, lying within the said half-mile, which would otherwise be repaired by statute labour, said roads are become quite impassible; and praying for such amendments in the Laws as will compel the said commissioners to keep in repair, out of such moneys as thus come into their hands, the said roads lying within half a mile of the macadamized road, and leading into the same.

*Ordered*—That the said petition do lie upon the table.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Township of *Oakland*, was presented to the House by Mr. *Powell*, and the same was received and read; setting forth:—That the said township consists of a triangular piece of land, in front of the township of *Townsend*, and is annexed to the county of *Oxford*.

Petition of divers inhabitants of the township of Oakland, praying that said township may be attached to the District of Talbot.

That the said county of *Oxford* is erected into a separate district, and Petitioners have much further to travel in attending Courts of Justice than they would have to do were they annexed to the district of *Talbot*, formed from the county of *Norfolk*; to which last mentioned county the said township was formerly annexed—and praying that, as the Act of the Union of the two Provinces does not prohibit it, the said township of *Oakland* may be attached to and form part of the district of *Talbot*.

*Ordered*—That the said petition do lie upon the table.

A Petition of divers Inhabitants of the County of *Portneuf*, was presented to the House by Mr. *Aylwin*, and the same was received and read; setting forth:—That Petitioners were not represented in the Special Council of the late Province of *Lower Canada*, in which laws were passed imposing burthens on them—That among other Ordinances passed were those For amending the Judicature of said Province—For establishing and maintaining a Police in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*—For extending the provisions of the last Ordinance—For the improvement of the Queen's Highway—For introducing more suitable Vehicles on the Winter Roads—For establishing District Councils—For establishing Registry Offices—and For establishing District Courts and Gaols—which Ordinances, not receiving their consent, and being vexatious and otherwise burthensome to Petitioners, they pray the same may be repealed, and no longer serve as a precedent for such dangerous and unconstitutional Legislation.

Petition of divers inhabitants of County of Portneuf, complaining of certain Ordinances passed by the late Special Council.

*Ordered*—That the said petition do lie upon the table.