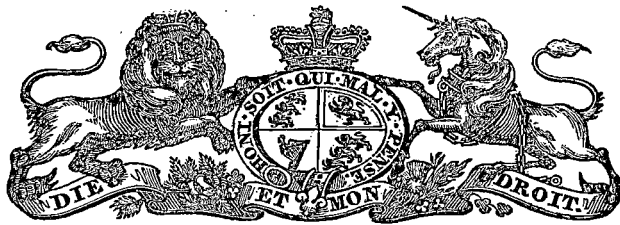


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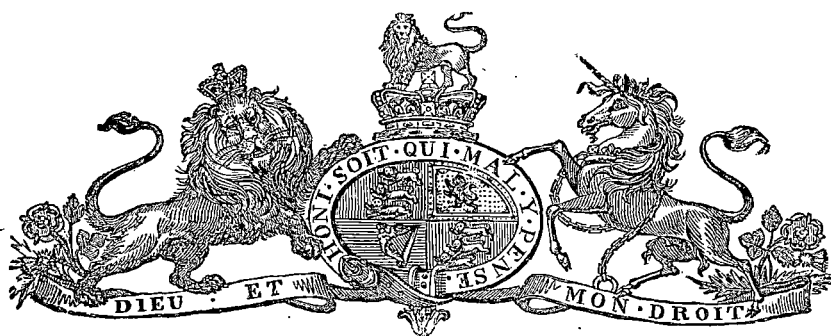
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PETITION FROM HAMILTON.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Presented by Mr. Gellibrand, and ordered by the House to be printed,
22 August, 1859.



*To the Honourable the Speaker and the Members of the House of Assembly,
in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of the undersigned Members of the United Church of England and Ireland within the Cure of St. Peter's, Hamilton, with Saint John Baptist's, Ouse Bridge.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH.

THAT the said Church of St. Peter was erected at a cost of £1080, of which sum £540 was contributed by the Parishioners and the remaining £540 by the Government.

That since the passing of the Church Act, in the year 1837, your Petitioners have always had a Resident Minister of the United Church of England and Ireland to serve the above-named Churches, duly appointed and supported in accordance with the provisions of the said Act.

That, from the tenor of certain Resolutions passed during the last Session of the Diocesan Church Synod, your Petitioners have reason to apprehend that an attempt will be made to alter, or in some way affect, the position which their Minister has hitherto held; and, by diminishing his means of usefulness, to deprive your Petitioners of the religious advantages which they have heretofore enjoyed, and to which they feel they are justly entitled, as well under the provisions of the said Act, as from the clear and uninterrupted recognition of their claims by the successive Governments of the Colony.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that your Honourable House will refuse to sanction any measure tending either to disturb the position of their Minister, or to lessen the religious privileges which they themselves enjoy.

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

Christ. Leach (Minister's Church-
warden.)
W. S. Williams.
R. M. Lewis, Hamilton.
James Jackson, Hamilton.
H. J. Du Rieu, Hamilton.
Henry Jackson, Hamilton.
W. C. Euston, Hamilton.
Moses Ball, Hamilton.
Samuel Inder, Hamilton.
James Rule.
George Reggett.
Samuel Hughes.
John Madden, Hamilton.
E. F. Bromley, Ellangowan.
Thos. Bellenger, Hamilton.
Jacob Trott, Hamilton.
John Robertson, Hamilton.
Charles Higgins, Ouse.

William Jackson, River Ouse.
W. H. Watson, River Ouse.
James Howard, Ouse.
George Kitchen, Ouse.
William Dickison.
James Lane, Ouse.
Fredk. Harrex, Shawfield, Ouse.
Samuel Davies, Ouse.
William Weed, Ouse.
George Cooper, Ouse.
H. H. Rayner, Hamilton.
Richard Stockdale, Ouse.
George Eyles, Rotherwood.
John Eyles, Ouse.
John Townsend, Ouse.
Thomas Triffett, Ouse.
James Bowerman, Ouse.
James Purcell.
Henric Nicholas, Ouse.