

Galway, freeman, having this day presented their petition to the House of Commons, setting forth :

That on the 15th day of June last, the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the merits of the petition of Valentine Blake, of Menlo, in the county of the town of Galway, Esq. and of the petition of John Joyce, Patrick M. Lynch, John Lynch, Alexander Nicholas Browne, James Finn, and John French Meadden, complaining of an undue election and return for the said town, reported to this Honourable House, "That it appeared to the Committee that the merits of the petitions did in fact depend upon the right of election, and therefore the Committee required the counsel for the several parties to deliver to the Clerk of the Committee, statements in writing of the right of election for which they respectively contended: That in consequence thereof, the counsel for the petitioner Valentine Blake, Esq. and also for the several other petitioners, delivered in a statement as follows: That the right of election, in and for the town and county of the town of Galway, is in the freeholders of the said town and county of the town of Galway, and in the free burgesses and freemen thereof, such freemen having been resident in the said town and county of the town or the liberties thereof, at the time of their election to their freedom, and also at the time of their voting: That the Counsel for the sitting Member, the Honourable Frederick Ponsonby, delivered in a statement as follows: "That the right of election, in and for the town and county of the town of Galway, is in the freeholders of the said town and county of the town of Galway, and in the freemen of the corporation of the said town. That upon the statement delivered in by the counsel for the said several petitioners, the Committee had determined that the right of election, as set forth in the said statement, is not the right of election for the town and county of the town of Galway: That upon the statement delivered in by the Counsel for the sitting Member, the Committee had determined, that the right of election, as set forth in the said statement, is the right of election for the said town and county of the town of Galway."

That your petitioners are advised, that the right of election so determined by the said Select Committee, is not the right of election for the said borough: That your petitioners are prepared to prove, that no person is intitled to vote in the election of a Member to serve in Parliament for the said town of Galway, as a free burgess or freeman thereof, who was not, bona fide, a resident in the said town and county of the town or the liberties thereof, at the time of their election to their freedom of the said town, and that the right of election of a Member to serve in Parliament, in and for the said town of Galway, is in the freeholders of the said town and county of the town of Galway, and in the free burgesses and freemen thereof, such freemen having been resident in the said town and county of the town or liberties thereof, at the time of their election to their freedom.

That your petitioners therefore are not satis-

fied with the resolution of the said Select Committee, and are desirous of having the benefit of the several statutes, in that case made and provided, for the purpose of preventing the judgment of the said Select Committee from becoming final and conclusive against the interests of your petitioners, which will be materially affected thereby, inasmuch as persons having no right to become freemen of the said town of Galway, or to vote in the election of a Member to serve in Parliament for the said town of Galway and the county of the said town, will, under the resolution of the said Select Committee, claim to have a right to vote in such election, to the great prejudice of the freeholders of the county of the said town, and of the free burgesses and freemen legally elected and having a right to vote in such election:

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray this Honourable House, that they may be admitted as parties, according to the form of the statutes in such case made and provided, to oppose the right of election, in favour of which the said Select Committee have so reported: And that your petitioners may have such other relief in the premises as to this Honourable House shall seem meet, and the justice and nature of the case may require:

And the House having appointed Tuesday the 15th day of February next, at Three of the clock in the afternoon, to take the said petition into consideration, notice is hereby given, that the House will at that time take the said petition into consideration,

Given under my hand, the 16th day of November, 1813. CHAS. ABBOT, SPEAKER.

*Jovis 18o die Novembris 1813.*

TOWN OF GALWAY—RIGHT OF ELECTION PETITION.

WHEREAS by an Order of the House of Commons, the matter of the petition of John Joyce, John French Meadden, John Moore, and Thomas Bleakney, respecting the right of election, in and for the town and county of the town of Galway, was appointed to be taken into consideration by the said House upon Tuesday the 15th day of February next, at three of the clock in the afternoon:

And whereas by a subsequent Order of the said House, made this day, the said petition is appointed to be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 10th day of March next, at three of the clock in the afternoon:

Notice is hereby given, that the House will at that time take the said petition into consideration.

Given under my hand the 18th day of November 1813, CHAS. ABBOT, Speaker.

*War-Office, November 20, 1813.*

8th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Cornet A. J. Stammers to be Adjutant, vice Dickson, promoted. Commission dated November 11, 1813. 16th Ditto, Alexander Hay, Gent. to be Cornet,