
PETITION.

To the Honourable Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia in session assembled.

The humble petition of John Drout (baker) of Victoria, British Columbia, sheweth :—

1st. In the year 1879 your petitioner contracted to supply bread to the Provincial Jail at Victoria for twelve months at a price therein specified, and that at that time there was no duty on flour :

2nd. That during the term of his said contract the Dominion Government imposed a duty on flour :

3rd. That owing to the imposition of such duty, and consequent rise in the price of flour, your petitioner became and was a great loser, and but for the same would have made a considerable profit, and he lost thereby the sum of \$500 and upwards :

4th. Your petitioner therefore humbly prays that your Honourable House will take the foregoing facts into consideration.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

JOHN DROUT.