

MEMORIAL

OF A

NUMBER OF CITIZENS OF NIAGARA COUNTY, NEW YORK,

PRAYING

*Congress to adopt measures for bringing to justice the persons engaged
in the late outrage at Schlosser, in said county.*

FEBRUARY 19, 1838.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

At a large and numerous meeting of the citizens of the county of Niagara, held at the court-house, in Lockport, on the 29th of January, 1838, on the subject of the murders and aggressions of a British armed force at Schlosser, Niagara county, Captain JAMES M'KAIN, of Lockport, was chosen president, and the honorable ROBERT FLEMING, of Lewiston, and LINUS SPALDING, Esq., of Hartland, were chosen vice presidents, and William C. House, Alden S. Baker, Sparrow S. Sage, and Asher Torrence, were chosen secretaries. Edward I. Chase, from the committee to draft a memorial, reported the following, which was unanimously adopted:

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To the President, Senate, and House of Representatives of the United States:

The inhabitants of the county of Niagara, in the State of New York, would respectfully call upon our national Executive and upon Congress to adopt such measures in relation to the late outrage on the part of British authorities, in burning the steamboat Caroline, and murdering our citizens at Schlosser, as become a great nation, jealous of her honor and of the safety and rights of her citizens.

We would not now address you on the subject, but would patiently and confidently wait your action, were it not that the Canadian authorities attempted to connect that outrage with the operations of McKenzie, on Navy island; and, misrepresenting the conduct of American citizens, have avowed and approved of that most gross violation of our laws, and of our rights as a friendly and neutral nation, and that in consequence of some expressions which fell from honorable members of the Senate and House of Representatives, when the subject was brought before them, we are fearful that

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