To the Honorable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses in Parliament assembled,

1863

The Petition of the undersigned,

SHEWETH,

That your Petitioners have heard with great astonishment that two English Detectives were sent by Her Majesty's Government from Scotland Yard to Poland, in the month of August last.

That it appears that these Members of the Metropolitan Police force were sent to Warsaw at the request of the Russian Government, and particularly at the solicitation of the Grand Duke Constantine, whose rule in Poland has been described as "barbarous."

That Her Majesty's Government received the letter of the Russian Ambassador asking for the services of the English Police in Poland, long after the State of Siege had been proclaimed in Poland, and whilst political arrests were of daily occurrence in Poland.

In the presence of these facts your Petitioners pray that your Honorable House will institute a searching enquiry into a proceeding which so seriously affects the character of England abroad, and the Municipal Rights of the people at home.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.



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