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Shou^d have as a recompence for their Land houses orchards and other Improvements who assessed and Valued the Said Sixty acres of Land with al the Improvements thereon part of which was the property of the Said George Gordon and the Residue the property
p. 3 of your petitioner to two hundred and Eighty pounds Currant money which was Less then the Value of your petitioners Improvements and your petitioner further Sheweth that he to save his Improvements for the present till he could get redress against the proceedings of the Said Commissioners from your Excellency and honours made choice of two Lotts as allowed him by the Said act of Assembly on one of which Stood a dwelling house Valued by the Said Commissioners at onely twelve pounds Currant money tho the Same at the time of the Valuation was rented by your petitioner to a tenant for twenty five pounds p^r annum on the other Stood two Store houses one of which was built with Stone Valued at twenty four pounds currant money tho the Same at the time of the Said Valuation was rented by your petitioner for ten pounds Sterling p^r annum—

Which proceedings of the Said Commissioners is not onely onely detrimental but Ruinous to your petitioner—that part of his Improvements which rendered his two tenements aforesaid Valuable being thereby taken away and other buildings and Improvements of your petitioner Valued to much Less then they are really worth and contrary as your petitioner Conceiues to the Intention and meaning of the Said act of Assembly aforesaid which was made on a Soposition as your petitioner apprehends from the terms of the Said Act that the place on which the Said Town was to be Laid out Should Contain no Improvements and your petitioner further Sheweth that there has been a manifest Partiality in the Commissioners in Laying out the Said town they haveing Included all your petitioners Improvements and Left the most Valuable part of the Said George Gordons Improvements out of the town tho the Same Lays near the Center thereof—all which your petitioner Did Sett
p. 4 forth in his humble petition to your Excellency and Honours (of the upper and Lower house of Assembly in the year 1753) and from the Contenance then given your petitioner he is encouraged at this time to Represent his case, And as the Said act of Assembly and the Execution thereof by the Commissioners aforesaid are contrary to reason & Justice and tends to the ruin of your petitioner he humbly prays that Leave may be given to bring in a bill to repeal the Said act or that such other Steps may be taken for your petitioners redress in the premises as to your Excellency and Honours Seem most proper and your petitioner Shall Ever pray &c.

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