To
The Honorable the Mayor,
Alderman, and Citizens of the City
of Montreal.

The Petition of the undersigned
respectfully sheweth

That in the year 1837 the Proprietors of
the land which lies between the then termination of
Sherbrooke and Prevost Streets, proposed to the
Magistrates of the City of Montreal to give so much
respectively of the said land as would be necessary for
the continuation of the said Sherbrooke Street to the said
Prevost Street, in a width of 80 feet, upon condition that a
good and substantial board fence 6 feet high, should be
erected at the public expense on each side of such con=
tinuation - that the street should be properly levelled, the
necessary bridges made, and the whole made passable for
carriages in the course of the summer of the said year 1837.

That this proposal was accepted with the conditions
but that the first condition was not fulfilled until the Spring
of the present year and even then in a very unsatisfactory
manner and the others are not fulfilled at this day.

That the Proprietors along the line of the said con=
tinuation, having surrendered to the public, property which
cannot be estimated at less than £1200 - and since the
street has been opened to the public in its present imperfect
state, the thoroughfare has become so great that the road
is cut up in such a manner as to render it almost
impassable thereby causing great inconvenience, loss,
and damage from the non fulfillment of the conditions,
on which the property was given up

That the said continuation, when made
according to agreement, will be of much importance
generally

generally to the Town and particulary to the population of the St Lawrence and St Lewis Suburbs, as a short and good communication with the Côte des Neiges and other roads - a communication which they can now obtain only by a circuitous and consequently much longer route.

Wherefore the undersigned most respectfully request that your honorable body will cause the said road to be completed in the ensuing Spring, as early as the season will permit. And as in duty bound your Petitioners will ever pray.

Montreal
4th December 1840

J. Reid
J. Gunn
John DeWitt & Principal Mgr.
T. Taylor Agt. for J. McTavish