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Order of election signed by Papineau.

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Medium and Support ink, paper

Measurements 23 x 18,6 cm

Historical context

On May 5, 1835, Amable Dionne (1781-1852), merchant, seigneur and member for Kamouraska in the Legislative Assembly of Lower Canada, resigned his seat. First elected in 1830, in 1834 he signed the Ninety-two Resolutions presenting the Assembly's main grievances and demands to the English government. He was re-elected the same year before resigning a few months later.

In this letter, Louis-Joseph Papineau (1786-1871), leader of the Patriote party elected President of the Legislative Assembly in February 1835, asked the Clerk, William Burns Lindsay (1796-1862), to prepare an order for the by-election to replace Dionne. On June 16, Alexandre Fraser (1803-1877) is elected in Kamouraska.

Amable Dionne sided with the authorities during the troubles of 1837-1838. He served on the Legislative Council from 1842 until his death in office on May 2, 1852 at the age of 70 in Saint-Anne-de-la-Pocatière.

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