

Petition to Expel Preston Brooks

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To the House of Representatives of the United States

We, the undersigned inhabitants of the town of Denmark feeling so indignant relative to the treatment received by the worthy Senator of Massachusetts (C Sumner) at the hands of P.S. Brooks, take this method to express through our worthy representative {William} A. Gilbert our utter abhorrence of the inhuman, Brutal, & cowardly conduct of said Brooks and hereby Pray your Honorable body to expel him from the House of Representatives as wholly unfit to occupy a seat in the councils of any civilized nation

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New York

Petition of John B Goodenough & other voters in the county of Lewis NY praying the expulsion of the {Honorable} P.S. Brooks for an assault upon the {Honorable} C. Sumner in the Senate Chamber of the US

July 11, 1856 {Referred} to the {Committee} on the Judiciary

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W.A. Gilbert