Petition of Sarah O'Neal

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A Petition of Sarah O'Neal, of Manchester, in the County of Lancaster, was presented, and read; setting forth, That the Petitioner is the widow of Arthur O'Neal, who, while he was attending the Meeting which was held in Manchester on the 16th of August 1819, on St Peter's Field, was so severely wounded and bruised by the Yeomanry Cavalry and Special Constables as subsequently to cause the death of her husband; her husband, on the afore-mentioned occasion, was taken to prison, where, from the injuries he had received as before stated, he grew so bad that he was liberated, after which he survived only about three weeks; the Petitioner humbly prays, That the House will be pleased to institute such inquiry into the transactions which took place on the afore-mentioned occasion, by which her husband subsequently met with his death, as shall bring the authors, abettors and actors of and in those transactions, to justice.