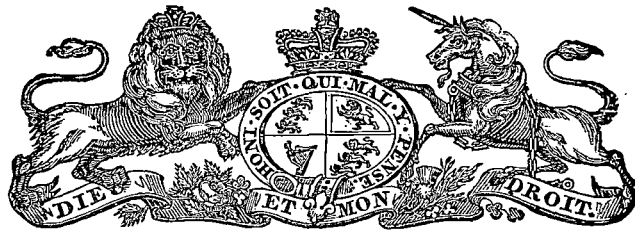


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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MERSEY AND DELORAINÉ RAILWAY :

P E T I T I O N .

Presented by Mr. Dodery, February 24 ; and ordered by the Council to be printed,
February 25, 1880.



*To the Honorable the President and Honorable Members of the
Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of the undersigned landholders and residents of Northern Tasmania.

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

THAT your Petitioners have learnt with much satisfaction that Ministers have placed on the estimates the sum of £90,000 for the purchase and completion of the Mersey and Deloraine Railway to Latrobe.

That your Petitioners have also learnt that a number of residents on the N.W. Coast have petitioned your Honorable House for the immediate extension of the Railway to deep water at Torquay or Formby, and for the survey of a new route for the same between Deloraine and the Mersey.

That your Petitioners are quite satisfied with the proposal now made by the Government, namely, to purchase and complete the line at present laid down, which is the best and most suitable route to meet the wants of this and intermediate districts; whilst the question of extension to deep water may reasonably be left in the hands of Honorable Members, to be dealt with at a future time.

That your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honorable House will carry out the work proposed by the Government.

And your Petitioners, as in in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

[Here follow 86 Signatures.]