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TASMANIA.

PETITION.

FROM T. SPOONER—BREWER'S LICENCE.

Presented by Mr. Balfe, and ordered by the House to be printed, 4 November, 1857.



To the Members of the House of Assembly in Council assembled at Hobart Town.

The Petition of Thomas Spooner, of Franklin, in the Colony of Tasmania, Brewer.

MOST HUMBLY AND RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

THAT your Petitioner is a small Brewer, residing at Franklin, with a limited trade.

That your Petitioner has heard with regret that it is in the contemplation of your Honourable House to increase the charge for a Brewer's Licence from the present rate of Ten Pounds to Fifty Pounds.

That your Petitioner, having embarked his entire capital in his business, would be seriously affected were the above proposition to be carried out,—more especially as your Petitioner is unable to compete with the large Brewers in Hobart Town and various other parts of the Colony.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly trusts that your Honourable House will be pleased to take the case of himself and other small Brewers in the Colony who are similarly situated into your serious consideration; and that, in the event of there being an alteration in the law with respect to Brewers' Licences, a distinction will be made between the class of large Brewers in towns and small Brewers in country places similar to the Franklin.

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

THOMAS SPOONER.