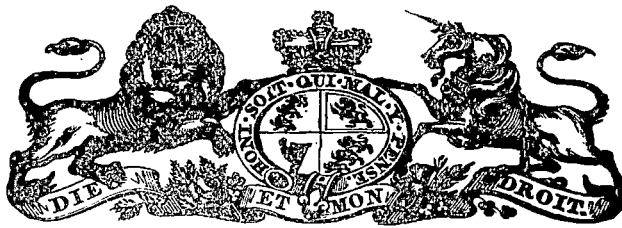


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PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

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MEAT TAX:

PETITIONS AGAINST REPEAL OF.

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Ordered by the House of Assembly to be printed, September 17, 1884.



*To the Honorable the Members of the House of Assembly of Tasmania,  
in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of the undersigned Farmers, Stock Breeders, and others, resident in Tasmania.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

THAT, considering the heavy tariffs imposed by Victoria on the produce of Tasmania, it would be detrimental to the interests of the Farmers and Graziers, and to the welfare of the country generally, to repeal the Stock Tax and Duty upon Meat at the present time.

That your Petitioners would call attention to the fact that the herds of Tasmania, at the present time happily free from disease, would be greatly endangered by the importation of diseased cattle.

That in view of the projected formation of a Federal Council for the Australian Colonies, the system of taxation could then be more equitably adjusted.

Your Petitioners therefore ask that your Honorable House will not permit the repeal of the said Duty.

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

*[Here follow 153 signatures.]*

Presented by Mr. Dooley, 16th September, 1884.

*THE following Petitions, in the same words or to the same effect, were also presented during the Session.*

<i>From whom.</i>	<i>By whom presented.</i>	<i>When presented.</i>	<i>No. of Signatures.</i>
Farmers and Stock Breeders in Devon .....	Mr. Lamb	1884. September 3	115
Ditto in Tasmania.....	Mr. Dooley	September 17	43
Residents and Farmers in Country Districts of Tasmania .....	Mr. Lamb	September 19	23
Farmers and Stock Breeders in Tasmania.....	Mr. Falkiner	September 19	51
Ditto ditto .....	Ditto	September 19	32
Ditto in Devon.....	Mr. Dooley	September 20	69