

1856.

TASMANIA.

PETITION AGAINST ADDITIONAL TAXATION

FROM THE DISTRICT OF BRIGHTON.

Presented by Mr. Bisdee, and ordered by the House to be printed, 17 February, 1857.



To the Honourable the Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of the District of Brighton and its Vicinity.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That the present Government expenditure is extravagant, and far exceeds the amount required to meet the exigencies of so small a population.

That your Petitioners, being aware of the existence of a Commission of enquiry into the Public Departments, consider that no additional taxation should be resorted to until the several establishments shall be re-modelled on a plan of consolidation and reduction.

That your Petitioners, fully cognizant of the general depressed state of the Colony, are convinced that, whatever means it may be necessary to have recourse to, to increase the revenue, to impose additional taxation upon necessaries of life would be injurious and highly prejudicial to its interests.

That, whilst desirous of maintaining an efficient Government, your Petitioners would earnestly urge upon their Representatives the desirability of keeping the expenditure within the revenue.

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

John Carlott. James Robarts. William Stanton. John Hutt. Isaac Smith. Thomas Ton. William Farrow. John Holmes. William Jones. Gilbert M'Cullock. Timothy Shane. Cornelius Muir. William Holmes. William Miller. Richard Tonks, senior. Richard Tonks, junior. Jeremiah Tonks. James M'Shean. John Campbell. James Handley. William Coventry. W. Ginness. Daniel Reynolds. Thomas Johnston. John M'Donald. Alfred Hinds. R. Fryett. Hugh M'Coll. Michael M'Intyre. Donald Wrinfred.

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William Simcoe.

William Stevens. James Robertson. John Dart, junior. Frederick Lowen. Henry Phillips, his x mark. Robert Gard. William Phillips. Richard Cloak. Philip Devin. John Hayes. Henry Child. Abraham Fuller, his \times mark. George Worthy. James Ibbott. John Ogle Gage. Alexander Anderson. Henry Brock. John Mollineux. Thomas Fitzgerald. Edmund Fox. Patrick Murphy. Thomas Devine. W. Merry. Wm. Johnson. N. Thrupp. W. Hughes. Joseph Exley. Joseph Briggs.

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