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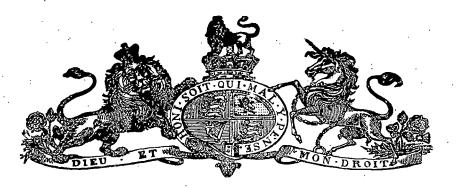
PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

HARBOUR EXTENSION AT EMU BAY, AND ROAD FROM WARATAH TO HEAZLEWOOD:

PETITIONS FROM RESIDENTS OF THE NORTH WEST COAST.

Return to an Order of the House of Assembly. (Mr. M'Kenzie.)

Laid upon the Table by the Minister of Lands and Works, January 31, 1889, and ordered by the House of Assembly to be printed.



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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Residents of the Town of Burnie and other centres of population on the North West Coast of Tasmania,

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That the erection and completion of a substantial breakwater for the protection of the shipping in the Port of Emu Bay has long been recognised as of national importance.

That a large sum of money has been expended from public and private sources in constructing a breakwater at Emu Bay accordingly, and a substantial work has been more than half completed.

That the suspension of the work at the present stage would be a national mistake, as the whole of the necessary plant and working staff are now on the ground, and a quantity of material is on hand which could with difficulty be replaced if once the work was discontinued for any length of time, the staff disbanded, and the machinery removed.

That the extension of the work according to the designs of Mr. Napier Bell, C.E., would provide for all time a deep-water harbour, accessible at any time by vessels of the largest tonnage, and be of the greatest possible importance to the future progress of the North West Coast, more especially in connection with future railway extension, and the development of the mineral and agricultural wealth of that portion of Tasmania.

Your Petitioners therefore beg to bring under the favourable consideration of your Honorable House the necessity of making provision for the continuation and completion of this most important work.

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

[Here follow 843 signatures.]

21st January, 1889.

Sirs,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Petition to His Excellency the Governor, transmitted by His Excellency to Ministers, and referred to me, requesting that provision may be made for the erection and completion of a substantial breakwater for the protection of the shipping in the Port of Emu Bay.

I have the honor to be, Sirs,

Your obedient Servant,

ALFRED T. PILLINGER,

Minister of Lands and Works.

Messrs. C. H. Hall, Jas. Lowther, A. W. Johnston, J. P. Devlyn, and others, Burnie, Emu Bay.

A sum of £5000 is included in the Public Works Proposals now before Parliament for this work, conditionally upon £1800 being raised locally.

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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Residents of the Towns of Burnie and Waratah and others interested in the development of the rich mineral deposits situated to the south and west of Waratah.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That as large sums have been invested in mining in districts south and west of Waratah, and very large sums have been paid to the Government in form of rents, stamp duties, and in other ways, and as large and valuable mineral deposits, as well as large quantities of ore now ready for transit, are lying useless for want of proper means of conveyance between Waratah and the mining districts, such mining interests will most assuredly have to be abandoned, and the very large amount already invested will be lost, unless a road is made from Waratah to the Mines.

We therefore humbly pray that a sum of money may at once be placed on the Estimates for the construction of such road.

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

[Here follow 843 Signatures.]

21st January, 1889.

SIRS,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Petition to His Excellency the Governor, transmitted by His Excellency to Ministers, and referred to me, requesting that provision may be made for the construction of a road from Waratah to the neighbouring mines.

I have the honor to be, Sirs,

Your obedient Servant,

ALFRED T. PILLINGER,
Minister of Lands and Works.

Messrs. C. H. Hall, Jas. Lowther, P. Curren, A. W. Johnston, Burnie, Emu Bay.