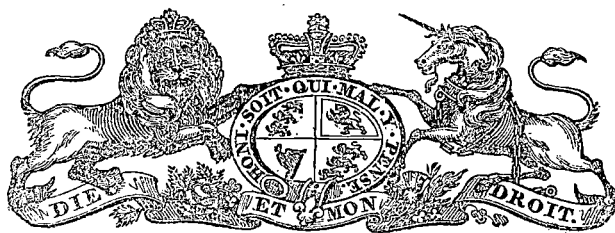


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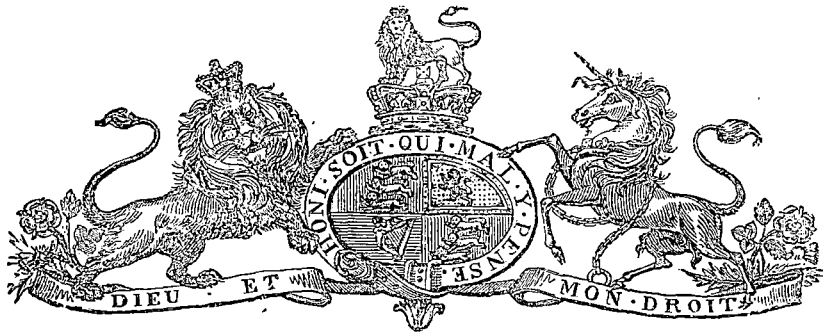
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*To the Honorable the Speaker and the Members of the House of Assembly
of Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.*

The Petition of the undersigned.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have heard with great surprise that about Three thousand (3000) Acres of Crown Land have been selected for purchase, under the *Waste Lands Act*, in the neighbourhood of Fingal.

That it has been known for some time that Gold exists in quantities at Fingal; and that two Companies have been lately formed for the purpose of working and prospecting the Land at Fingal, and that men have been working there for the last two years.

That your Petitioners beg to represent the great injustice which would be inflicted on the people at large by permitting private parties to select Land where Gold is known to exist.

That your Petitioners pray that your Honorable House will take such steps as will exempt Land where Gold is known to be found from the operation of the *Waste Lands Act*.

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

A. H. Maning.
J. L. Livingston.
Henry T. C. Cox.
C. W. Hall.
John C. Hall.