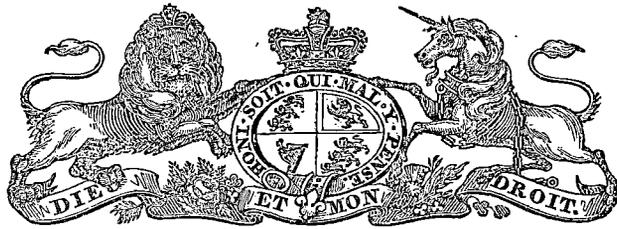


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LAND FUND APPROPRIATION.

PETITION FROM SPRING BAY.

Presented by Mr. Hodgson, and ordered by the House to be printed, September 7,
1865.



To the Honorable the House of Assembly of Tasmania in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the undersigned.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have viewed with amazement the proposal made by the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer to your Honorable House to appropriate from the Land Fund and pay over to the General Revenue the sum of £9500, such amount being, as we believe, the property of, and secured to, the various Road Corporations throughout the Island, to be expended in the construction, repair, and maintenance of Roads, Bridges, &c. by the 87th clause of "The Waste Lands Act."

We respectfully declare it to be our conviction that such an appropriation would be unprecedented, unconstitutional, and illegal, and destructive of legislation.

We have reason to believe that engagements have been entered into, both by Corporations and by individuals, on the faith of the permanency of the income secured as aforesaid by "The Waste Lands Act;" and we entreat your Honorable House not to sanction a measure which, if carried, would prove so subversive of vested rights, and so extensively injurious in its operation.

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Thomas Cruttenden, } *Councillors*.
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