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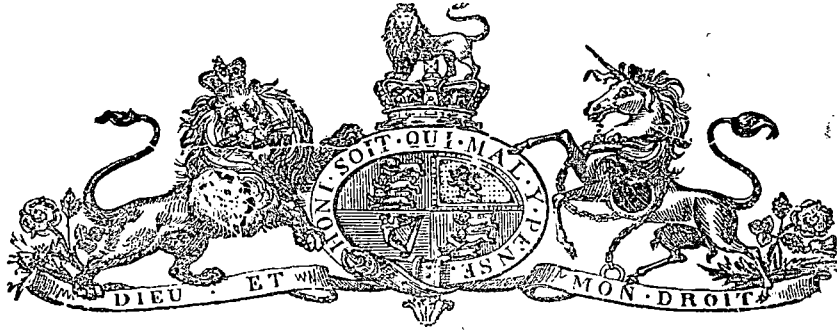
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Presented by Mr. Sharland, and ordered by the House to be printed, November 24,
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To the Honorable the Members of the House of Assembly.

The Petition of the undersigned Electors and Householders of the District of New Norfolk.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

YOUR Petitioners view with alarm the great increase of Taxation that must result from the Contract for the Main Line Railway.

They respectfully point out that they cannot derive any benefit from the Line, and believe its construction will necessitate the withdrawal of steam communication between New Norfolk and Hobart Town, and thus increase the cost of conveying their produce to a market.

Your Petitioners most respectfully urge your Honorable House to adopt the principle of the Irish Railway Acts, which is, that each owner be assessed with reference to the advantages derived from the Railway.

Your Petitioners respectfully submit that a great injustice would be done if the Interest upon the cost of constructing the Main Line, or any other Railway, be not provided upon the principle that owners of property should be rated in proportion to the advantages derived from such Railway.

Your Petitioners earnestly trust that your Honorable House will take this Petition into consideration ; and as in duty bound will ever pray, &c.

[Here follow 250 Signatures.]