

1857.

## TASMANIA.

## WASTE LANDS.

PETITION FROM LANDHOLDERS, &c., OF BOTHWELL.

Presented by Mr. Gellibrand, and ordered by the House to be printed, 27 October, 1857.



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

The respectful Petition of the undersigned Landholders, Householders, and Inhabitants of the District of Bothwell.

## PRAYETH:

That your Honourable House will be pleased to take into your most careful consideration the following Resolutions, which were unanimously passed at a Public Meeting held in Bothwell on the 8th day of August, 1857, and which affect the future disposal of the Waste Lands of the Crown in Tasmania:—

1st. "That the Executive Government be petitioned to resume all lands now claimed under the pre-emptive right title, where the conditions prescribed by the Regulations of November, 1851, under which such lands were assigned, have not been complied with."

2nd. "That Government be petitioned to order a Survey to be made of all Crown Lands, including the before mentioned, in the Colony adapted for agricultural purposes; that these lands be divided into allotments ranging from 20 to 100 acres, out of which any intending purchasers may select as to them may appear expedient or convenient, subject to the following conditions:—First. That a deposit amounting to five shillings an acre of each allotment so selected be paid beforehand, with a further payment of one shilling and sixpence an acre yearly for the subsequent ten years. Second. That the purchaser clear and fence in at least three acres of his allotment yearly for the same period; and also erect on it a house or cottage containing not less than four rooms, to be constructed of stone, brick, or sawn timber. Third. These conditions being fulfilled, the occupier then, and not before, to receive from the Crown a Grant in fee simple of his land."

3rd. "That no individual under this arrangement shall be entitled to purchase more than 100 acres; and that every allotment be occupied bona fide by the purchaser, and that he shall have neither the right to sub-let it, or sell it, till his grant be completed. Every purchaser of an allotment to have the privilege of renting 100 acres of Government land, if there be such available, nearest to his location for every 10 acres included in his purchase, on the usual terms."

4th. "That all Township Allotments that have once been offered for public competition and not sold shall be open for purchase at the upset price without being offered a second time for public sale,—the first written application to have the priority, and not to exceed three lots in one District."

That having most respectfully submitted these Resolutions, which convey the sentiments of a numerous and industrious body of Her Majesty's loyal subjects in Tasmania, they leave the subject in the hands of your Honourable House, feeling assured that it will receive that consideration which its importance demands.

W. North, farmer

And your Petitioners subscribe themselves accordingly.

Ferdinand Norton, blacksmith George W. Ife, storekeeper Nicholas Freemantle, splitter Genner James Thomas Jackson, shepherd John M'Waide, landowner and tanner Edward Gregory, currier and tanner John Thomas, labourer Jeremiah M'Culiff, his × mark, labourer Geo. Goddard John Blewitt, his × mark, farmer

John Robertson, Minister of the Church of Scotland
Edwin Nye, farmer
Simon Arnett, storekeeper
John Merry, Senr., blacksmith
Michael Megown, labourer
James Dalwood, labourer
James Dalwood, Junr., his ×
mark, labourer
Caleph Dalwood, his × mark,
labourer
G. E. Smith, blacksmith
Wm. E. Storey, J.P., surgeon
John White, storekeeper

Jno. B. Park, teacher
Robert Bleydes, shepherd
George Taylor, labourer
James Chaplin, cooper
Edward Arnett, carpenter
George Sellers, carpenter
Joseph Crackett, labourer
John Jones, millwright
Maurice Fleming, farmer
John Early, labourer
W. H. B. Carlow, baker
Richard Allen, farmer
Richard Allen, Junr., farmer
Henry Hart, splitter
John Parker, splitter

Joseph Swindells, labourer William Roser, shoemaker Thos. Bishop, his x mark, labourer Edward Plunkett, sawyer John Wilson, sawyer Robert Walker, baker John Smith, labourer Richard Sheppard, brick and tile maker George Jones, sawyer James Currie, farmer W. H. Kinsale, wheelwright George Branch, shepherd George Glover, shoemaker William Bryan, splitter Charles Lecey, butcher John Colbeck, Senr., tailor John Colbeck, Junr., shepherd Henry Colbeck, shepherd William W. Hughes, tailor Jonathan Denholm, shoemaker Benjamin Smith, shoemaker William Mayes, storekeeper Michael Green, labourer Edward Reardon, shepherd Morris Fitzgerald, labourer John Earnshaw, bricklayer John Davis, quarryman William Green, ploughman Roderick M'Ra, farmer Thomas Robinson, sawyer Richard Wyatt, shepherd Edward Andrews, carrier Frederick Gibbs, labourer George Matthews, labourer John Baker, carpenter Eli Parker, gardener Thomas Hales, butcher

John Miller, labourer Rampling John Bale, labourer Charles Thorpe, shoemaker Robert Blake, farmer James Whiteway, labourer
John Napper, ploughman
Jacob Inder, farm labourer
Frederick Bool, gardener
Frederick Walter Dawes, farmer

John Kitchen, his
postman
postman
Frederick Walter Dawes, farmer

Tomze Shewnis, wheelw
Roberts, wheelw
Robert Whiteway, st
John Stevens, William Every, ploughman John Baker, shepherd John Baker, snepherd Terence Cooley, shepherd G. E. Smith, blacksmith Samuel Pitt, farmer James Page, ploughman Robert Natris, shepherd Henry Bailes, shepherd John Stefford, ploughman John Stafford, ploughman John Fleming, carrier Peter Whallin, stonemason John Merry, Junr., blacksmith John White, blacksmith John Taylor, shoemaker David Norton, blacksmith Thos. Nacke Richard Norton, blacksmith Charles Waile, carpenter George Perce, sawyer John Cooper, painter Joseph Shaw, shoemaker William Wilrowe, cook William Taylor, labourer James Fanch, labourer David Graham, saddler Michael Brinon, labourer Daniel Enlavon, labourer Joseph Bridgman, labourer Samuel Perry, labourer Joseph Anderson, carpenter

Thomas Anderson, labourer Job Gearde, carpenter David Hunt, shoemaker John Stevens, wheelwright Robert Whiteway, storekeeper John Kitchen, his × mark, James Shawren, ploughman John Ball, ploughman Jonathan Burden, carrier James Murray, storekeeper William Maskell, innkeeper Alfred Webb, miller James Taylor, miller Edward Bowden, Junr., innkeeper James Lemon, storekeeper C. Hallett, overseer F. Knowles, farmer Jas. Ritchie, tin-plate worker James Raymond, shopman and clerk Thos. Bales, his × mark, shepherd Edmond Bowles, baker Ephrin Talbott, his × mark, shepherd Hugh Brash, his × mark, carpenter William Henry Counter, his x mark, labourer George Miller, plumber Eli Parker, gardener John Bale, farmer William Dickenson, farmer Thomas Savage, farmer Benjamin Jackamin, maltster

Bothwell, 15th August, 1857.