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**PETITION OF MAJOR STEVENSON**

**FOR CONFERRING ON INDIAN OFFICERS THE PRIVILEGE  
OF VOTING AT ELECTIONS.**

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Presented by Mr. Allison, and ordered by the House to be printed, 8 December, 1856.

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*To the Honourable the Members of the House of Assembly of  
Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.*

The Memorial of EDWARD BOYD STEVENSON, of the Retired List of the Honourable  
East India Company's Service, in Tasmania.

HUMBLY SHOWETH :

THAT by the 7th clause of the Electoral Act, 1856, 19th Victoria, No. 24, the Officers of the Indian Army have not the same privilege of voting at Elections for the Return of a Member for the Legislative Council, or for the House of Assembly, as their Brother Officers of the Royal Army ; a difference between the two Services which your Memorialist very respectfully requests may be removed, by conferring on the Officers of the Indian Army the same honourable privilege of voting at Elections as the Officers of the Royal Army : for both Armies have been put upon an equality, and they rank in England and elsewhere according to the dates of their respective Commissions.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

EDWARD B. STEVENSON, *Major,*  
*Retired List, Madras Army.*

*Campbell Town, 20th November, 1856.*

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