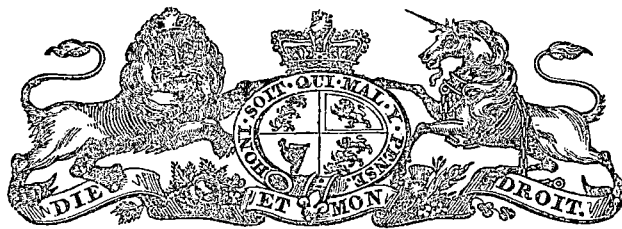


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REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE.

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REPORT of the SELECT COMMITTEE appointed on the 9th August, 1860, for the purpose of enquiring into the desirability of Legislation with reference to IRRIGATION, and the extent to which that Legislation should go ; with power to send for persons and papers.

MEMBERS.

DR. OFFICER.
MR. FIELD.
MR. SHERWIN.
MR. ALLISON.

MR. W. ARCHER.
MR. GELLIBRAND.
MR. LIPSCOMBE.

DAYS OF MEETING.

No. 1. 17 August, 1860.

PRESENT.

Mr. Sherwin.
Mr. W. Archer.
Mr. Gellibrand.

No. 2. 23 August, 1860.

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.
Mr. Sherwin.
Mr. W. Archer.
Mr. Gellibrand.
Mr. Field.

No. 3. 28 August, 1860.

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.
Mr. Archer.
Mr. Sherwin.
Mr. Gellibrand.
Mr. Field.

No. 4. 4 September, 1860.

PRESENT.

Dr. Officer.
Mr. Archer.
Mr. Sherwin.
Mr. Gellibrand.
Mr. Lipscombe.

R E P O R T.

Your Committee have agreed to the following Resolutions, which they now beg to report to the House of Assembly :—

1. That the extension of Irrigation in Tasmania would be productive of very great benefit to the Colony.
2. That the difficulties connected with the organisation of a system of General Irrigation in the Colony appear, at present, to be insuperable.
3. That Legislation as regards Irrigation should be restricted to an Enabling Act, analogous to the Cross and Bye Roads Act, so that the Inhabitants of such Districts as are adapted for Irrigation might be enabled, under proper provisions, to adopt the measures necessary to carry it into operation in their particular Districts.
4. That such Lands as can be brought under the operation of one distinct plan of Irrigation should be associated as a distinct Irrigation District.

R. OFFICER, *Chairman.*

Committee Room, 4 September, 1860.