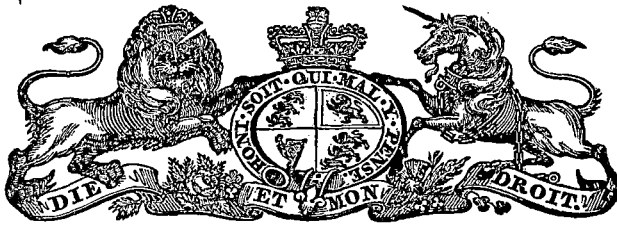


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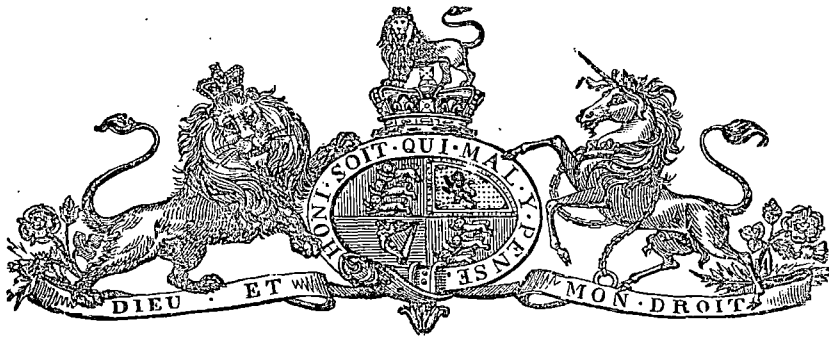
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QUEENBOROUGH.

PETITION AGAINST AN INCOME AND PROPERTY TAX.

Presented by Mr. Walker, and ordered by the House to be printed, 24 August,
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To the Honorable the House of Assembly of Tasmania in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of the District of Queenborough.

SHOWETH :

THAT a measure is now before your Honorable House to impose Taxes upon Property and Income realised within the Colony.

That your Petitioners believe that if this measure should pass into Law, it will operate most disastrously to the best interests of the country.

That your Petitioners submit that such a Law, from its inquisitorial character, is highly objectionable in a small community ; that it will drive capital out of the Colony, and will press most unjustly upon the provident portion of the inhabitants.

That your Petitioners respectfully suggest that, in the present depressed state of trade in the Colony, it is the bounden duty of the Legislature to reduce the public expenditure to the lowest possible amount sufficient to carry on the Government of a small State like that of Tasmania.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honorable House not to pass the said measure into Law, but to reduce the public expenditure so as to meet the present depressed state of the Colony.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

[*Here follow 56 Signatures.*]