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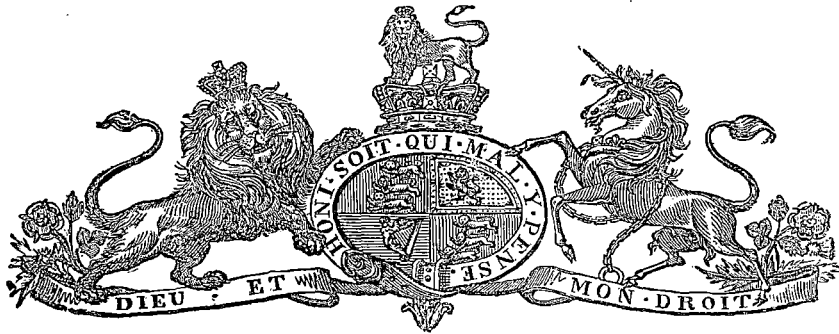
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T A S M A N I A.

P E T I T I O N.

FROM HAMILTON.—SHEEP AND CATTLE STEALING.

Presented by Mr. Gellibrand, and ordered by the House to be printed,
22 August, 1859.



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

The humble Memorial of the undersigned Sheep and Cattle owners of the District of Hamilton.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have at various times suffered great loss by their Cattle being stolen and their Sheep killed for the sake of their skins only.

That your Petitioners know a number of men who travel about the various Country Districts buying the skins in question, and that when their carts are searched the brands on the skins with which the carts are loaded are found to be obliterated, and the earmarks cut out,—consequently there is no means of proving ownership, or possibility of obtaining conviction.

Your Petitioners would respectfully urge that the evil complained of not only occasions serious loss to them, but is a wanton destruction of human food.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honorable House will take the premises into consideration, and adopt such measures as will enable them to bring the offenders to justice.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Thomas Johnstone.
James Lane, Rotherwood.
George M'Kay, Ouse Bridge.
Frederick Harrex, Shawfield.
Thomas Squires.
James Smith, Rotherwood.
George Kitchen, River Ouse.
George Eyles, Rotherwood.
Wm. Jackson, River Ouse.
W. Johns.
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W. R. Gellibrand.
Thos. Bellenger.
F. G. Pogson.
Wm. K. Dixon.
David Hood.
Henric Nicholas.
E. F. Bromley.

R. Chelton.
J. Parker.
Richard Maddock.
Wm. Sibley.
H. Smith.
George Hogg.
Thomas Jarvis.
James Mathews.
Ed. Cox.
John Stevens.
John F. Walker.
W. J. & J. Clarke.
Charles Geard.
Edward Terry.
R. Barker.
J. F. Sharland.
Thomas Sumpter.
J. G. Jennings by T. L. Gellibrand.