

1857.

TASMANIA.

PETITION

FROM MORVEN FOR REPEAL OF THE PRESENT MASTERS AND SERVANTS ACT.

Presented by Mr. Wedge, and ordered by the Council to be printed, 26 January, 1858.



To the Honourable the Members of the Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of certain Landowners, Householders, Masters, and Employers of Servants in the District of Morven.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That the proposed new Master and Servants Act affords no protection to the Master, is subversive of all discipline, and will be ruinous in its effects, first to the Employer, but ultimately to the Servant.

That the Law of England relative to Master and Servants (accompanied by Clauses having reference to Indented Servants, and to provide for repayment of any advances to Immigrants or others) cannot be otherwise than satisfactory to all classes of the Public in Tasmania.

Your Petitioners would therefore pray that the present Masters and Servants Act be repealed, and the English Masters and Servants Act be extended to this Colony.

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

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