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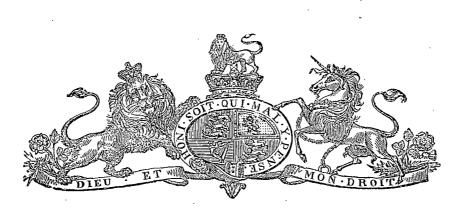
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## PETITION No. 52.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CLAIMS.

Presented by Mr. Charles Meredith, and ordered by the House to be printed, 14 August, 1862.



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

The humble Petition of the undersigned, Roman Catholic Bishop and Clergy of Tasmania.

SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have to watch over the Spiritual welfare of nearly Twenty thousand Roman Catholics, scattered through the length and breadth of Tasmania.

That nearly the whole of them are of the humble and working classes, and have not the means to support their Pastors, and thus very many are deprived of instruction and the benefits of Religion.

That your Petitioners refer, with grateful remembrance, to the Resolution of your Honorable House passed in the last Session of Parliament; and, confiding in the honor, impartiality, and firmness of your Honorable House, pray that, in the question of Ecclesiastical support, justice may be done to the Roman Catholics of Tasmania.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

+ R. W. Willson, Catholic Bishop of Hobart Town.
Thomas Butler.
W. Hall, pro W. J. Dunne (absent).
A. Maguire.
M. Burke.
George Hunter.
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