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**P E T I T I O N** No. 146.

**SCHOOLMASTERS.**

*Referred to the Select Committee on Education.*

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Presented by Mr. Meredith, and ordered by the House to be printed,  
16 October, 1861.



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

The humble Petition of the undersigned First Class Masters, holding appointments under the Southern Board of Education.

SHOWETH :

THAT believing themselves seriously wronged, and the whole status of the First Class Masters in the Colony assailed, by a Resolution of the Southern Board of Education, dated the 11th day of December last, by which Resolution the Salaries of all First Class Masters were considerably curtailed, your Petitioners after remonstrating with the Board petitioned His Excellency the Governor for redress on the 21st day of August last.

That your Petitioners were informed on the 19th day of September last, that, having had the Memorial of your Petitioners and a Report of the Board thereon under consideration, the prayer of that Memorial could not be entertained.

That your Petitioners have learned that their Memorial and the Report of the Board thereon have been laid on the Table of your Honorable House by the Honorable the Colonial Treasurer, and ordered to be printed.

That your Petitioners have learned with much regret that the Report of Board in question is replete with serious inaccuracies, which if unexplained, would tend to your Petitioners' great detriment.

That your Petitioners are fully able to meet and to rebut every statement in the said Report.

And your Petitioners therefore pray that no legislation may be had on the said Report or action taken on the matters thereby affected until your Petitioners have had an opportunity of meeting and rebutting the statements of the said Report.

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

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GEORGE ROBERTS.  
JOSEPH ROPER.  
JAMES RULE.  
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