

(No. 69.)



1878.

T A S M A N I A.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BILL:

PETITIONS.

Presented by Mr. Aikenhead, Mr. Field, and Mr. Dodery, September 4; and ordered by the Council to be printed, September 5, 1878.



*To the Honorable the President and Members of the Legislative Council,
in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of the undersigned Presbyterians in Tasmania.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT whereas there is now before your Honorable House a Bill, intituled "A Bill to regulate the Affairs of the Presbyterian Church of Tasmania," heretofore called the Church of Scotland, we the undersigned the Minister and Office-bearers of St. Andrew's Church, Launceston, having had it submitted for our consideration, fully concurring in its provisions, and being sensible of the necessity of such a measure being passed into law,

Your Petitioners, therefore, humbly pray that such Bill may receive the sanction of your Honorable House.

[Here follow 127 Signatures.]

Petitions in the same terms were presented at the same date—

- (1.) By Mr. *Aikenhead* :
From Ministers and Office-bearers, St. Andrew's, with 6 Signatures.
- (2.) By Mr. *Field* :
From Deloraine, with 34 Signatures.
From Hagley, with 85 Signatures.
From Chudleigh, with 25 Signatures.
From Bishopsbourne, with 58 Signatures.
- (3.) By Mr. *Dodery* :
From Longford, with 22 Signatures.
From Perth, with 27 Signatures.