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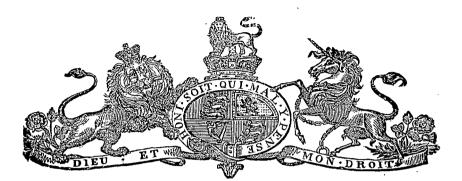
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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

WEST DEVON.

PETITION AGAINST MAIN LINE RAILWAY RATE.

Presented by Mr. Meredith, and ordered by the House to be printed, December 1, 1871.



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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners and Residents in the District of West Devon.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

THAT the Government deeming it advisable to construct the Main Line of Railway, and as they contemplate defraying interest upon cost of such construction out of the General Revenue of the Colony, which must bear heavily upon landed property, it is but fair and equitable that such increased burdens should be borne only in accordance with Railway advantages.

That your Petitioners, while having to contend with roads which are not useable for nine months in the year, cannot but view with alarm and apprehension the probability of being further taxed for the Main Line Railway, which your Petitioners humbly assert would be a great hardship and injustice.

That your Petitioners humbly pray that your Honorable Assembly will not allow future loans on the lands of the Colony for the construction of the Main Line Railway, and will take such action as in your wisdom may seem desirable to ensure justice to outlying Districts.

Your Petitioners respectfully prayeth that your Honorable Assembly will give this Petition your favourable consideration; and, as in duty bound, your Petitioners will ever pray.

[Here follow 73 Signatures.]

JAMES BARNARD, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, TASMANIA.