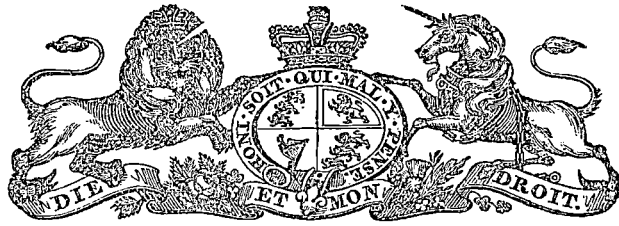


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LETTER TO THE HONORABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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Hobart Town, 21st August, 1867.

SIR,

I HAVE observed in this morning's *Mercury*, in its report of the proceedings in the House of Assembly yesterday, that the Hon. Member for Kingborough (Mr. C. Meredith) notified his intention to ask this day the "Hon. the Treasurer the cause of Mr. Kirwan's dismissal from the office of Assistant Clerk of the House, after he had been appointed by the Hon. the Premier."

In the first place, I desire most distinctly to state that I have not received any appointment to the office of Assistant Clerk of the House of Assembly from the Premier, and therefore could not have been dismissed from it; and, in the second place, I desire to state that with the Notice thus placed on the Paper by the Hon. Member for Kingborough I have neither directly nor indirectly had anything whatever to do, nor the remotest knowledge that such a Notice was contemplated by the Hon. Member.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. W. KIRWAN.

The Honorable SIR RICHARD DRY, *Knt.*, *Colonial Secretary.*