

(No. 61.)



1880.

T A S M A N I A.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

**MOUNT BISCHOFF, COMMUNICATION WITH
TABLE CAPE:**

PETITIONS.

Presented by Mr. Chapman, September 7; and ordered by the Council to be printed, September 8, 1880.



To the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council of Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of Table Cape and its vicinity.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

1. That your Petitioners deem it a matter of great public interest that communication be established between Table Cape and Mount Bischoff by means of a public road.

2. That the opening up of the Crown Lands of the Colony and the development of the mineral resources, latent and otherwise, must be a matter of paramount importance to your Honorable House. Your Petitioners therefore desire to point out that the opening of a road between the points named would not only give access to a large area of Crown Lands fit for settlement, but also to the known mineral deposits on the Inglis, Mount Hicks Road, the Calder and Hellyer Rivers, and Mount Bischoff, besides affording facilities for prospecting a stretch of country extending over thirty miles of which but little is at present known.

3. That, all things considered, Table Cape is the best outlet from the places named in the preceding paragraphs, in proof of which your Petitioners desire to adduce the following reasons:—

- a. Wynyard, Table Cape, offers the best facilities for shipping of any port on the North West Coast between the Leven and Circular Head.
- b. It requires no large outlay for Harbour Works.
- c. It is nearer to Bischoff by four or five miles than Emu Bay.
- d. At the present time the rate of freight is about one-third lower than that of Emu Bay.

4. That the proposed road from Emu Bay to Mount Bischoff passes for a distance of over forty miles through the Van Diemen's Land Company's property, and that if constructed by the Government it will not give access to one acre of Crown Lands, or enhance the value of the public estate in the slightest degree.

5. Your Petitioners do therefore respectfully pray that the careful consideration of your Honorable House may be given to this matter, humbly trusting that in your decision on a subject of so much importance, not only to your Petitioners but also to the Colony at large, this expression of public opinion may not fail to have its due weight.

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

[Two other Petitions, in the same terms, were presented at the same time. The following were the signatures to each:—]

[No. 1.]

C. J. Mackenzie.
John Wells.
Alfred Deayton.
Thomas Wilson, Surgeon.
Thomas Lewis.
Albert Lucas.
Thos. Paice.
Arthur B. Willis.
Edward Stutterd.
C. B. M. Fenton.
James Armstrong.
William Armstrong.
Thomas Armstrong.
William Muir.

William Davis.
James Gale.
Roderick W. Mackenzie.
Thomas King, sen.
Thomas King, jun.
John King.
E. M. Wragg.
Jacob Morey.
William Hill, jun.
William Hill.
William Old.
William Ling, jun.
James Muir.
John Loveridge.

John Charles Goodchild.
G. H. Smith.
John R. Dean.
Henry V. White.
John Livingstone.
Robert W. Wigmore.
George Ramskill.
Jas. Morton.
Betsy King.
John Alexander, sen.
Richard P. Barry.
George May.
John Dawes.
J. Haywood.

Thomas Haywood.
George M. Elliott.
John Black.
William Streets.
Walter J. Mackenzie.

James Hyland, jun.
H. B. Mackenzie.
James Hyland.
J. Stutterd & Sons.
John Turner.

W. Coucher.
Anthony Smart.
Watkin Lewis.
Robert Quiggin.

[No. 2.]

Benjamin Maidmert.
Jessie Smart.
Arthur Best.
James Edwin Edwards.
Richard Harman.
Patrick Connolly.
Samuel Reed.
Thomas Wetherill.
Thomas Allen.
W. McIntosh.
John Forbes.

John Toomey.
John Barrett.
E. Shackle.
James Reeve.
William Reeve.
John Maloney.
John Gilbert.
Arthur Colhoun.
Hugh Evans.
James J. King.
John W. Street.

Hubert Duniam.
Henry Gardner, sen.
William Gardner.
Daniel Gardner.
Henry Gardner.
James Shevenan.
Ebenezer Jones.
John Cox.
Frederick Meredith.

[No. 3.]

J. H. Palfreyman.
Peter Bowick.
Herbert Powell.
George Gates.
John Thewlis.
F. Stutterd.
J. Alderson.
James Pearce.
Thomas Harrison.
John Bauld.
John Alexander, junior.
Richard Brown.
W. Garner.
John A. White.
S. W. Margetts.
W. P. Margetts.
Peter Bauld.
J. E. Pickett.
J. B. Greensmith.
Alfred Garner.
Henry Jones.
Henry Whit.
B. G. Stutterd.
T. U. Duniam.

James Byrne.
Baker Greensmith.
W. Cole.
Alex. Shekleton.
William House.
John Willmot.
F. Chalmers.
Wm. Peart.
Frederick Astell.
Jonathan House.
John M. Kenna.
H. Boulton.
Thomas King.
John Bauld, junior.
A. Rubock.
Thomas J. Harris.
George Daws.
Mungo Bissett.
John Burke.
David Jones.
Roger Mayne.
W. W. Wellard.
George Nicholls.
Edwin Duniam.

G. A. Alexander.
M. R. Alexander.
James Cummings.
James Percy.
Robt. Robertson.
Bingly Watchorn.
John Gates.
E. O. Blackwell.
William Hyland.
William Watts.
John Reid.
J. O'Reilly.
George Smith.
Arthur Bramich.
John Slater.
Reg. Slater.
George Shekleton.
William Heffren.
James Pringle.
Arthur Mayne.
John Mayne.
James Dean.
Samuel Dean.
James Harrison.