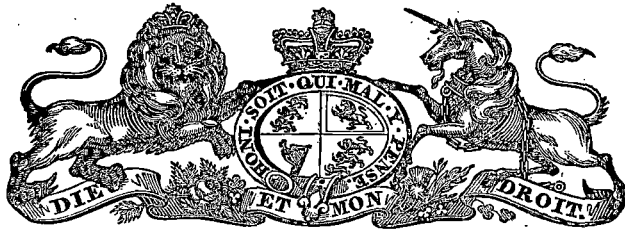


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PETITION FROM LAKE RIVER RATEPAYERS AGAINST THE
DIVERSION OF THE GRANT.

Presented by Mr. John Meredith, and ordered by the House to be printed,
23 August, 1865.



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

INASMUCH as a Resolution has been recently submitted to your Honorable House by the Colonial Treasurer, by which it is proposed to deprive the Road Districts throughout the Colony of "the Grant in Aid" which they have hitherto enjoyed, we therefore, the undersigned Road Trustees and Ratepayers of the Lake River Road District, respectfully entreat that your Honorable House will not pass the Resolution by which it is proposed to deprive the Road Districts of the Grant above referred to.

We beg leave to observe, that for some time to come we shall require to raise a high rate of assessment not only for the purpose of extending the present line of road, but also for the additional purpose of keeping the same in a suitable state of repair.

After duly considering the depression of the times (acknowledged in His Excellency's Speech at the opening of Parliament), and after duly considering also the heavy burden of taxation to which we are being subjected, we, the undersigned Ratepayers of the Lake River Road District, confidently trust that your Honorable House will be graciously pleased to comply with this our Petition.

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

[Here follow 11 Signatures.]