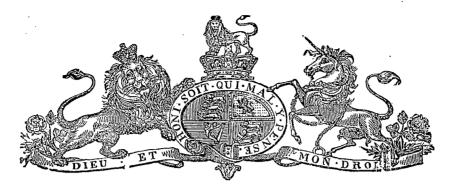


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HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

To His Excellency Colonel Thomas Gore Browne, C.B., Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of the Colony of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects the Members of the House of Assembly of Tasmania, in Parliament assembled, pray that Your Excellency will cause such measures to be introduced into the Parliament of Tasmania as shall give legal effect to the following proposals for effectually reviving Immigration to the Colony:—

Agricultural Areas shall be set apart both for the purpose of Immigrant occupation, and for settlement generally, under conditions hereinafter to be stated.

All male persons from the age of 18 to 45, whether Immigrants or natives of the Colony, shall be entitled to select such lands under the said conditions.

The following shall constitute such conditions:

All such Agricultural Areas shall be divided into Fifty-acre Sections, and every alternate Fifty-acre Section shall be allotted and reserved.

After five years personal residence, and the cultivation of not less than ten acres of his original allotment, the settler shall receive a Free Grant of the whole fifty acres; and he shall, moreover, have the option of purchasing the reserve of the second lot of fifty acres adjacent to his original allotment at the price of One Pound per acre, and under the Credit provisions of the Land Regulations Act, at any period of his occupation.

At intervals as near as may be of every twenty Sections, the Government shall reserve the right of constructing roads of sixty feet in width between and to the rear of these Sections.

Two areas of not less than (4000) Four thousand acres shall be set apart for the purpose of inducing the immigration of small German freeholders.

For the purpose of carrying out the various provisions of this scheme, the Government shall take the requisite steps to promulgate them throughout England, Ireland, Scotland, and Germany.

R. OFFICER, Speaker.

Passed by the House of Assembly this 14th day of September, 1865.

HUGH M. HULL, Clerk of the House.

Assented to,

T. G. B. 17 Sept.

JAMES BARNARD,
GOVERNMENT PRINTER, TASMANIA.