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**LAUNCESTON WATER BILL.**

PETITION OF 235 RATEPAYERS AGAINST THE BILL.

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Laid on the Table by the Attorney-General, and ordered by the House to be printed, 23 August, 1866.



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

The Petition of Ratepayers in the Municipality of the Town of Launceston.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT a Bill is before your Honorable House for authorising the borrowing of £4000 by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Launceston, the Interest of which is to be secured upon the Rates of the Town, for the purpose of extending the Water supply of the said Town.

That the present Water supply is not only amply sufficient for the requirements of the inhabitants, but considerable quantities run to waste throughout the Town.

That the alleged deficiency in the supply is only on the higher levels of the Town during the day-time in the summer months, when at night the pipes give a continuous flow of water sufficient for domestic use.

That after two hours rain during the day, in the height of summer, there is full pressure in the pipes throughout the Town ; this proving the waste of water must be considerable.

That the Water supply is more a question of equitable distribution than of increased expenditure.

That the proposed expenditure of £4000 is altogether gratuitous and unnecessary.

Your Memorialists therefore respectfully entreat your Honorable House to reject the Bill for authorising the borrowing of £4000 by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Launceston for the purpose of increasing the Water supply.

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

[*Here follow 235 Signatures.*]