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## PETITION

FROM BOTHWELL AND HAMILTON, AGAINST THE NEW MASTERS AND SERVANTS BILL.

Presented by Captain Langdon, and ordered by the Council to be printed, 9 December, 1857.

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To the Honourable the Legislative Council of Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of certain Inhabitants of the Township and Neighbourhood of Bothwell and Hamilton, in the County of Cumberland.

## RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT whereas it is the proposed intention of your Honourable House to repeal the existing Master and Servants Act, and to substitute another Master and Servants Act having certain provisions in the place thereof.

And whereas it is strongly and anxiously felt by your Petitioners that the new Act thus prepared and proposed is likely to be unequal in its operation, because highly detrimental to the fair claims of protection of the employers of labour.

Your Petitioners hereby pray, that your Honourable House will be pleased to decline any new legislation upon the subject, inasmuch as it is the opinion of your Petitioners that the existing Master and Servants Act is, on the whole, just and salutary.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

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