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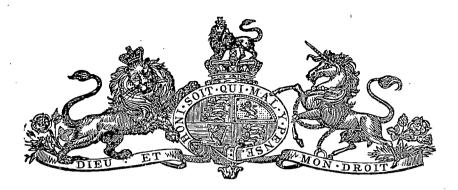
PARLIAMENT OF TASMANIA.

TASMANIAN WINE LICENSING BILL, 1893, [No. 32]:

PETITION OF THE UNITED TEMPERANCE COUNCIL OF HOBART.

(Mr. Fysh, November 1, 1893.)

Ordered by the Legislative Council to be printed.



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

The humble Petition of the United Temperance Council of Hobart,

SHEWETH:

That the United Temperance Council comprises the following Societies in Hobart, having in view the prevention of intemperance, and the dissemination of Temperance principles; viz.:— The Tasmanian Temperance Alliance, The Women's Christian Temperance Union, The Young Women's Christian Association, The Young Men's Christian Association, The Salvation Army, The Ministers' Association, The Independent Order of Rechabites (six branches), The Independent Order of Good Templars (seven branches).

That your Petitioners have heard with regret that a Bill has been introduced into your Honorable House to allow the manufacture and sale of wine, cider, and perry in Tasmania.

That the objections of your Petitioners to the Bill are grounded on the following, among other reasons:—

- 1. That past experience in such countries as France, Italy, &c. has proved that the drinking of light wines has stimulated a taste for stronger liquors.
- 2. That any immediate advantage arising from employment given to women and children, or from increased revenue, would be more than counterbalanced by the increased evils certain to follow upon the passing of the Bill.
- 3. That the passing of such a Bill is, in the opinion of your Petitioners, of the nature of retrograde legislation.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honorable House not to allow the said Bill to pass into Law.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

[Here follow 33 signatures.]