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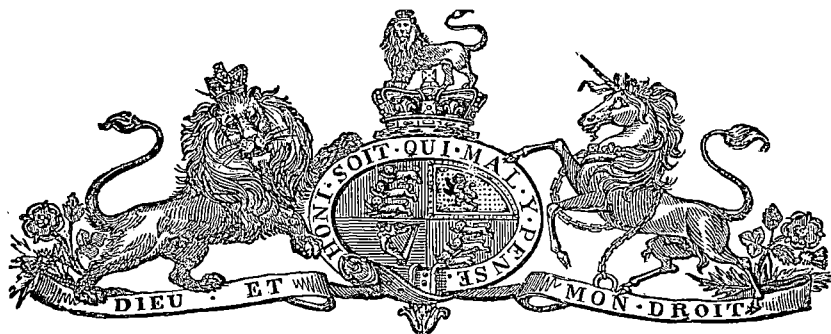
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**LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ADMISSION  
AMENDMENT BILL.**

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Presented by Mr. Henty, and ordered by the Council to be printed, January 29,  
1862.



*To the Honorable the Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled.*

The humble Petition of the undersigned Clerks, articed to the Profession of the Law.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners are respectively articed to Members of the Legal Profession in the City of Hobart Town, to serve for the term of Five Years.

That, in most cases, your Petitioners have paid heavy premiums to enable them to enter into such Articles, and in cases where no such Premium has been paid they have served with their employers for lengthened periods beyond the term for which they are now articed or are actually employed in the practice of the details of professional business during the whole term of their Articles.

That your Petitioners conceive that the Bill about to be submitted to your Honorable Council, called the "Legal Practitioners Admission Amendment Act," would, if carried into operation, inflict a positive injustice upon your Petitioners, and conduce to lower the dignity and character of the Profession they have embraced.

That your Petitioners respectfully submit that, upon enquiry, it will be found by your Honorable Council that it is expedient that the term of Five Years should be insisted upon in all cases as the minimum of service, as the same has been found to be absolutely necessary for the proper acquirement of a knowledge of the many and varied branches of legal professional practice as at present carried on in the Colony of Tasmania.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honorable Council to take into consideration the circumstances above set forth, and respectfully urge that the said Bill may not be passed into Law.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

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