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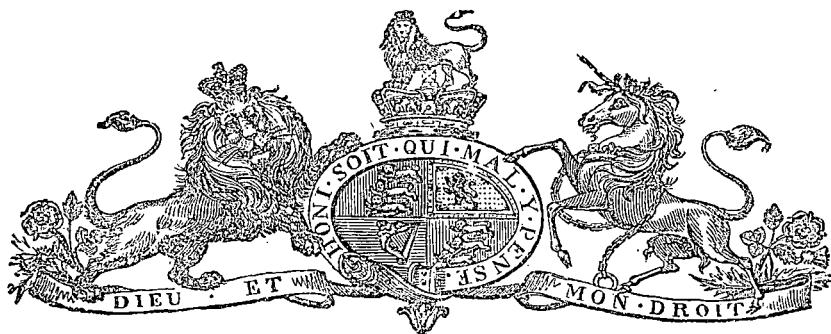
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

**GLAMORGAN, ROSS, AND CAMPBELL TOWN :
BOUNDARIES.**

Return to an Order of the Council dated July 26, 1864. (Mr. Kermode.)

Laid on the Table by Mr. Whyte, and ordered by the Council to be printed,
July 26, 1864.



Council Chamber, Swansea, 27th February, 1864.

SIR,

THE Councils of the Rural Municipalities of Ross and Glamorgan are anxious to avail themselves of Section 6 of 26th Victoria, No. 16, to effect an alteration of boundaries, whereby the latter Municipality may cede to the former a considerable area of territory.

The two Councils, having decided to their mutual satisfaction upon the course of the proposed new boundary line, desire to make official application in the matter to the Government as speedily as possible; and I now have the honor to request that you will be good enough to instruct me what form it will be necessary to adopt. I presume that a joint application must be made, either signed by the Wardens, or by all the Members of both Councils, addressed to yourself; and that tracings showing in full the course of the new boundary line asked for must accompany such application, from which the Government will prepare the necessary description for publication in the *Gazette*.

I should feel obliged by your replying to this letter by return of post.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. GRAHAM, *Warden.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 1st March, 1864.

SIR,

IN reply to your letter of the 27th ult., requesting to be informed what steps are necessary to enable the Rural Municipalities of Glamorgan and Ross, respectively, to effect an alteration in their boundaries, whereby the former may cede to the latter a considerable amount of territory, I beg to state that, under 26 Vict. No. 16, Sect. 6, the Municipal Council of Glamorgan must apply for the area in question to be excluded from the Municipality, a tracing and description being furnished at the same time. In order that the portion of the Municipality thus excluded may be adjoined to Ross, action must be taken under the 5th Section of 21 Vict. No. 50; and to ensure the due fulfilment of the provisions of the Section, a list of the proprietors or occupiers of property in the said area of the annual value, as shown by the Valuation Roll now in force, of not less Twenty Pounds, should accompany the Petition for annexation to the Municipality of Ross.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

The Warden, Swansea.

Council Chamber, Swansea, 30th March, 1864.

SIR,

IN accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of "The Rural Municipalities Act, No. 2," I have the honor, on behalf of the Municipal Council of the Rural Municipality of Glamorgan, to request that the Governor in Council will be pleased to alter, by Proclamation, the boundaries of the said Municipality, by excluding that portion of the area at present included therein which is shown enclosed in a pink line on the accompanying tracing.

Presuming that a written description of the boundaries of the area in question for publication in the *Government Gazette* can readily be prepared in the Survey Office from the tracing, I have not thought it necessary to forward such description herewith.

The Municipal Council of Glamorgan, in making this application, beg to assure the Government that they are merely carrying out the wishes of the Inhabitants of the area proposed to be excluded, and trust that no objection will be made to an immediate compliance with their wishes in the matter.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. GRAHAM, *Warden of Glamorgan.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 4th April, 1864.

SIR,

I BEG to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, requesting that the boundaries of the Glamorgan Municipality may be altered by the exclusion of a defined area of which you send a tracing.

The Government would be prepared at once to act in accordance with the wishes of the Municipal Council; but it must be evident to you that, to exclude the area in question from the Municipality of Glamorgan without simultaneously making satisfactory arrangements for its future Police protection, &c., would be highly undesirable; and as a portion of the District that you propose should be excluded could most advantageously be annexed to the Municipality of Ross, I purpose communicating with the Warden of that District, and upon the receipt of his reply your application will be considered.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

The Warden, Swansea.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 4th April, 1864.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to forward for your perusal, and the consideration of the Municipal Council of Ross, an application from the Municipal Council of Glamorgan for the exclusion from that District of a certain defined area lying to the westward of the dividing tier.

I also forward a tracing of the land in question; and I should be glad to learn the views of the Municipal Council of Ross as to their willingness to have that portion annexed to their Municipality lying to the southward of the red ink line marked A B on the tracing.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

The Warden, Ross.

Municipal Council Chamber, Ross, 20th April, 1864.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April, accompanied by a letter to yourself from the Warden of Glamorgan, and by a tracing exhibiting a certain section of territorial area which the Council of that Municipality is anxious to exclude from that District.

A large majority of the qualified Ratepayers in the Section in question are desirous that it should be annexed to this Municipality, on the ground that the distance from Swansea is so great as to preclude the probability of a perfect system of Police supervision being exercised therein at anything like a moderate cost. The tract of country in question is one which will require the most stringent measures for the protection of property therein. Within the last few years sheep-stealing has been carried on to an alarming extent, thousands disappearing annually, and of which no trace can be found; and within the last 12 or 14 months 3 or 4 cases of arson have occurred, the huts have been rifled and then destroyed. A large area of the Section in question is the property or is in the occupation of residents in this Municipality, and, consequently, much of the loss has been borne by them; hence their desire to have these lands placed under the management of this Council. The Councillors, with a view to meet the wishes of the Ratepayers, almost immediately after taking Municipal action, opened a correspondence with the Council of Glamorgan, having for its object

the ceding to this Municipality the Section of territory which forms the subject of Mr. Graham's letter to you of 30th ultimo, and which the Glamorgan Council has arranged with this Council should, with the consent of the Governor, be transferred to this Municipality on the understanding that the area lying to the north of the Elizabeth River should be made over to Campbell Town, on that District taking up Municipal action, and expressing a willingness to receive the same.

In your letter you desire "to learn the views of the Municipal Council of Ross as to their willingness to have that portion annexed to their Municipality lying to the southward of the red ink line marked A.B. on the tracing." I have laid your letter and enclosures before the Councillors; and I am to say to you in reply, that after a very careful investigation they can arrive at no other conclusion than respectfully to decline having *only* "that portion annexed to this Municipality lying to the southward of the red ink line marked A.B." In this investigation the following facts were adduced; viz.—That the portion south of the red ink line contains an area of about 108,000 acres, of which little over 28,000 is private property, and about 43,000 leased Crown Land, the remainder not let. Taking the annual value of the private property at £50 the 1000 acres, and leased Crown Land at £10 per 1000 acres, and the rate of assessment at 6*d.* in the pound, this would yield a revenue of £40 7*s* 6*d.*; leased Crown Land being only half-rate, and unoccupied not subject to any rate. The extreme length of the portion in question from north west to south east, in right line, is 25 miles, and averaging over 9 miles in width. From these facts it at once became patent to the Councillors that in such an extent of bush country one Petty Constable would be of little or no use: that that country will require, to give anything like protection, one Mounted Sergeant and one Petty or Special Constable to assist and for escort. These men would entail on the Municipality an annual expense of at least £150; and to keep them on the alert the Superintendent must have the means of visiting them at pleasure, which will lead to a further annual expenditure of at least £25 for forage. And against this expenditure of (say) £175, all that could be calculated on as likely to be received, at least for years to come, from the Section in question, is £40 7*s* 6*d.*, with the probable addition of a small amount for dog registration. Another strong reason for declining the red ink line marked A.B. is, that, in the event of the area which is bounded on the north by that line becoming annexed to this Municipality, it would also, in all probability, revert to the Southern Macquarie Road District. Now, some 15 or 16 miles of the main road to Swansea runs through this "portion," and, according to the tracing, not more than about half a mile south of the red ink line. This road lies precisely in the same state in which it was some 3 or 4 years ago, when the Government of the day saw fit to rend it from the Southern Macquarie and add it to Glamorgan Road District. If all the road assessment which can be raised in the portion in question were to be expended on these 15 or 16 miles, many years must elapse before the road could be made good, the area available for assessment being so small; yet there are other roads in the same portion equally in need of improvement. On the other hand, the land to the north of the red ink line is much more favourably circumstanced; for instance, between that line and the Elizabeth River lies an area of 13,500 acres, 8600 of which are private property, and the remaining 4900 leased Crown Land: again, between the Elizabeth River and the north pink line there is an area of nearly 21,000 acres, 7000 of which is purchased, 7000 leased Crown Land, the remainder not let. In the area you propose for the acceptance of this Municipality, the proportion of purchased land to the whole area is little over 1 to 4, whereas the proportion of private property to the whole area in the Section proposed to be relinquished by Glamorgan is not greatly under 1 to 3; and the annual amount of assessment, calculated as above, on the whole block would be, for purchased land £54 10*s.*, and for leased Crown Land £6 17*s* 6*d.*, making a total amount of assessment over the 142,000 acres to be £61 7*s* 6*d.* to meet an expenditure of at least £175 as shown before. Such an amount of responsibility the Councillors would not willingly have proposed to undertake; but were encouraged by the hope that careful Police supervision will ultimately lead to an increased breadth of purchased land, and to the resumption by Lessees of much of the Crown Land now given up in consequence of the alarming annual depredations perpetrated on these lands by theft and burning both huts and fences, and the expectation that their funds would continue to be supplemented by grant in aid from the Government. The Councillors do not crave after territorial area,—their object is to work efficiently that which they already have, and certainly not to undertake the management of any extension of territory unless the Government is disposed and willing to assist them where it has the power so to do. This letter probably embraces too much of detail; but it appeared right that you should be placed in possession of a knowledge of the difficulties the Councillors feel they would have to meet by receiving the red ink line A.B. as the north boundary of the proposed addition to this Municipality. They are, however, perfectly willing to implement the engagement they made with Glamorgan Council; viz., to take the management of the whole Section surrendered by that body; and, in the event of Campbell Town becoming a Municipality, this Council will, in its turn, surrender to Campbell Town the area lying between the Elizabeth River and the north pink line on the tracing.

This Council hopes that the Governor in Council will take a favourable view of this proposition, and be pleased to sanction the same.

The red ink line A B as a north boundary would entail on this Municipality an extra large assessment for the benefit of comparatively a few individuals, which could in no way be justified to

the Ratepayers generally; and hence the conclusion at which the Councillors have arrived, viz.—respectfully to decline acceptance of that line as one of their northern boundaries.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

ADAM JACKSON, *Warden.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Council Chamber, Swansea, 2nd May, 1864.

SIR,

I AM in receipt of a letter from the Warden of Ross, informing me that the Government have objected to hand over to Ross the whole of the territory proposed to be cut off from Glamorgan.

Before I made application to the Government on behalf of the Glamorgan Council, it had been mutually arranged between the two Municipalities that Ross would take under its management the whole of the land in question until the establishment of the Campbell Town District into a Municipality; and it was understood that no difficulty would be found in getting a Petition for annexation to Ross signed by the requisite proportion of the Inhabitants. Under these circumstances, no objection on the part of the Government had been anticipated; and I trust that, with this explanation, such objection may be withdrawn. The postponement of the final settlement of the boundary question is a matter of great inconvenience to Glamorgan, as the Valuation Roll for 1864 has not yet been passed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. GRAHAM, *Warden.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 3rd May, 1864.

SIR,

IN reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, on the subject of the proposed withdrawal from the Municipality of Glamorgan of a certain area on the western side and its annexation to Ross, to which the Government have expressed their inability to accede, I beg to inform you that, fully acquiescing in the views of the Municipal Council of Glamorgan as to the propriety of relieving that body of the supervision of the area in question, the Government propose to re-proclaim the Municipality and exclude the portion to which you refer. At the same time, as they do not consider that it would be desirable to include it in the Municipality of Ross in its entirety, and as the Council of that Municipality have declined to accept any area less than the whole, the Government propose to add it, at any rate for the present, to the Police District of Campbell Town; and the subject will be brought before the Executive Council at its next meeting.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

The Warden, Swansea.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE.

No. 78.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 11th May, 1864.

IN accordance with the provisions of "The Rural Municipalities Act, No. 2," the Governor directs it to be notified that it is intended to detach a certain area from the Rural Municipality of Glamorgan and add it to the Police District of Campbell Town, when the boundaries of the said Rural Municipality and Police District will be as follows:—

MUNICIPALITY OF GLAMORGAN.

Bounded on the east by the sea from Doctor's Creek near Long Point to Little Swanport and by a line crossing the same at the bar, thence by the Electoral District of Sorell to the Electoral District of Oatlands, thence by the last-mentioned District to the north-east angle of Lot 36 on Tooms Lake, thence southerly along the eastern boundary of that lot to the southern boundary of Lot 374, by that boundary and a continued line of 40 chains, thence northerly to the south-west angle of Lot 252, by the south and east boundaries of that lot and a line from its north-east angle to the south-east angle of Lot 132, by the eastern and part of the northern boundaries of that lot, by the eastern boundary of Lot 360, by a north-westerly line from the north-east angle of that lot for about 4 miles, thence westerly for about $\frac{1}{2}$ of a mile to the south-east angle of Lot 247, by the southern and western

boundaries of that lot, by part of the southern and the western boundaries of Lot 1427 and the western boundary of 1000 acres granted to George Meredith to the Elizabeth River, by that river westerly, by the east and part of the north boundaries of Lot 107, by the eastern boundaries of 400 acres located to W. Barrow, a grant of 800 acres to Thomas Parramore and Lot 110 and by part of the north boundary of the said lot and the eastern boundaries of Lots 111 and 112, by part of the northern boundary of the last-mentioned lot and the eastern boundary of Lot 39 and a line from thence to the south-east angle of Lot 308, and by the eastern boundary of that lot and by the southern and eastern boundaries of Lot 307 to the summit of the range lying to the south of the St. Paul's River to the south-east angle of a grant to R. Hepburn, by the east boundary of that grant, and by a north-easterly line from thence to the north-west angle of the Township of Seymour, and thence by the north boundary of that Township and by Doctor's Creek to the point of commencement.

Schouten Island and all other Islands adjacent to the coast between Doctor's Creek and Little Swanport are to form part of this District.

POLICE DISTRICT OF CAMPBELL TOWN.

Bounded by the Municipality of Ross from the Eastern Tier to the Municipality of Bothwell, by that Municipality, by the Police District of South Longford, by the Longford Municipality, by the Police District of Morven, by the Municipality of Fingal to the hereinbefore described Municipality of Glamorgan, thence by that Municipality southerly to Tooms Lake, thence north-westerly by the Municipalities of Oatlands and Ross to the point of commencement.

By His Excellency's Command,

JAMES WHYTE.

Council Chamber, Swansea, 21st May, 1864.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor, on behalf of the Municipal Council of Glamorgan, most respectfully to request that, simultaneously with the proclamation of the redefined Municipality of Glamorgan, such District may also be proclaimed a Road District.

Much inconvenience would be caused by the boundaries of the Road and Municipal District not coinciding; and the revising of the Property Valuation Roll, and levying of a Road Rate for 1864, are both standing over pending the adjustment of boundaries. It will be obvious, without any explanation from me, that the same reasons exist for altering the boundaries of one as of the other.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. GRAHAM, *Warden.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 3rd June, 1864.

SIR,

THE Municipality of Glamorgan having applied to be proclaimed a Road District, within the reduced area about to be declared, I am directed to forward a tracing of that portion which would be thus excluded from the present Road District, and to request that you will favour the Colonial Secretary with the views of the Northern Macquarie Road Trustees as to the best redistribution of the area affected among other existing Road Districts.

I have, &c.,

B. T. SOLLY.

The Chairman of the Northern Macquarie Road Trust.

The Chairman of the Southern Macquarie Road Trust.

Police Office, Ross, 7th June, 1864.

SIR,

I THIS morning received your letter of the 3rd instant, (tracing enclosed), in reference to a proposed reduction of the area of Glamorgan Road District, and requesting to know the views of the Southern Macquarie Road Trustees as to the best redistribution of the excluded area amongst other existing Road Districts. To enable me to arrive at the views of the Trustees on this subject, I have called a meeting of the Trust for Saturday, the 11th instant, and hope to be able, early next week, to lay the same before the Colonial Secretary.

I have honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

ADAM JACKSON, *Chairman of Trust.*

The Assistant Colonial Secretary.

Ross, 17th June, 1864.

SIR,

YOUR letter of the 3rd instant, to the Chairman of the Southern Macquarie Road Trust; in reference to the redistribution of a certain area proposed to be excluded from the Glamorgan Road Trust, has this day been laid before us; and at the same time the Chairman (as Warden) laid before us a Correspondence between yourself and him in reference to a section of that area at one time proposed to be annexed to the Municipality of Ross.

On a careful consideration of the arguments adduced in the Warden's letter of the 20th April last, and from the personal knowledge we have of the requirements of the area in question, we are unanimously of opinion that, on the assumption that the whole area is to be divided between the Districts of Ross and Campbell Town, the District to which the Government may award the Main Line of Road from Campbell Town to Swansea should have also awarded to it such an area as will enable the Road Trustees to make and keep in repair that road.

That, if the road is given to the Southern Macquarie Road Trust, then all the area lying to the south of the Elizabeth River should also be awarded to that Trust: if, on the other hand, the road is placed under the management of the Northern Macquarie Road Trust, then the whole area in question should also be given to that body.

The tracing forwarded to the Chairman in your letter is herewith returned.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

ADAM JACKSON, *Chairman.*

ARTHUR LEAKE,

THOMAS PARRAMORE, JUNR.,

ISRAEL ARTHUR ALLISON,

G. W. KEACH,

} *Trustees.*

The Honorable the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 24th June, 1864.

SIR,

IN reply to your letter of the 17th instant, respecting the allotment for Road purposes of the area excluded from Glamorgan, I have to inform you that the Governor in Council has decided to include it in the Rural District of the Northern Macquarie.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

ADAM JACKSON, *Esq., Ross.*

Somercotes, near Ross, 17th June, 1864.

SIR,

THE enclosed Petition should have been forwarded to you some weeks ago, but had to be delayed for signatures; the parties interested living so far apart rendered it difficult to communicate with them.

You will perceive the Petition is signed by nearly every Ratepayer in the block lying to the south of the Elizabeth River.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

SAMUEL HORTON.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Ross, Monday, 23rd May, 1864.

AT a Meeting of Proprietors and Renters of a certain section of land lying in the Municipality of Glamorgan, and formerly belonging to the Southern Macquarie Road District, convened for the consideration of Government Notice No. 78, in the *Gazette* of the 17th May, 1864, proposing to detach that section from Glamorgan and add it to the Police District of Campbell Town, Samuel Horton, Esquire, being duly moved into the Chair, after reading all the correspondence on the subject of this area between the Trustees of the Southern Macquarie Road District and the Government during the year 1861, and a recent correspondence between the Government and the Municipal

Council of Ross, on the motion of P. T. Smith, Esq., seconded by G. W. Keach, Esq.,—Resolved to petition Government against the proposed alteration, and to claim the whole of the area south of the natural boundary, "The Elizabeth River," as essential to establishing efficient Police protection and to the maintenance of Roads, as well for the benefit of Campbell Town as for Ross District. Thomas Parramore, junior, Esq., moved and P. T. Smith, Esq., seconded—That the following Petition be forthwith presented to His Excellency Governor Browne.

SAMUEL HORTON, *Chairman of Meeting.*

To His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, C.B., Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies, &c.

The Petition of Landowners, Leaseholders, and others, interested in certain Lands proposed to be detached from the Municipality of Glamorgan and added to the Police District of Campbell Town.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

THAT your Petitioners have observed with no small dissatisfaction the Government Notice No. 78, published in *The Hobart Town Gazette* of the 17th May, 1864, by which it would appear that Your Excellency's Government has in contemplation the annexation of certain of our properties (now included within the Municipality of Glamorgan) to the Police District of Campbell Town.

That your Petitioners, having made application to the Municipal Councillors of Ross and also to the Trustees of the Southern Macquarie Road District for information, find that the lands in question up to the month of July, 1861, formed part of that Road District; and that up to that time the Trustees appear to have carried on their road operations to the satisfaction of the Ratepayers: but at this period the Government of the day saw fit to transfer these lands (very much against the wishes of the Ratepayers) to the Municipality of Glamorgan.

That your Petitioners have had before them in evidence that, very shortly after this transfer was completed, the Councillors of Glamorgan voluntarily proposed to the Ratepayers in the area in question to relinquish to them these lands on their District taking Municipal action. That, from the period Municipal action was taken by Ross up to the month of March last past, a correspondence has been maintained between the Ross Council and that of Glamorgan on this subject, and which has resulted in the Council of Glamorgan through their Warden making application to Your Excellency to exclude from their District the lands in question; and that, in the month of April last, the Colonial Secretary forwarded to the Warden of Ross the above-mentioned application from the Warden of Glamorgan, accompanied by a tracing exhibiting the lands which that Municipality desires to exclude, and at the same time requesting to be informed whether the Ross Councillors were willing to receive a certain arbitrary red ink line marked A B on the tracing as one of the north boundaries of their Municipality.

That your Petitioners have carefully inspected a copy of the tracing forwarded by the Colonial Secretary, and taken into consideration the purport of that gentleman's letter to the Warden of Ross; also the promises and inductions of the Ross Councillors as set forth in their Warden's letter of the 22nd of April, in reply to the Colonial Secretary; and they have arrived at the conclusion that to accept any line short of the natural boundary, "the Elizabeth River" at the point in question, as one of the permanent northern boundaries of the Municipality of Ross, would be to entail flagrant injustice on the Ratepayers generally by calling for an increased Rate throughout the entire Municipality, or on your Petitioners in particular, by causing to be made an extraordinary annual valuation of their properties lying to the south of the red ink line, so as to secure such an amount of Rate as would be in some degree adequate to provide efficient Police protection for that almost isolated tract of country.

That your Petitioners feel assured, were the area lying between the Elizabeth River and the red ink line (about 13,500 acres) added to that lying to the south of the same line, and the whole block placed under the control of the Municipality of Ross, that much good would result, not only to proprietors resident within the Municipality, but also to those occupying the lands composing the 13,500 acres. These 13,500 acres, being all either purchased or leased, yield an annual amount of assessment equal to about one-third of that derivable from all the land lying to the south of the red ink line (about 108,000 acres), a very large proportion of which being unoccupied crown land, and consequently not ratable. The junction your Petitioners propose would, it is believed, enable the Council of Ross to supervise the whole area lying between the Elizabeth River and Tooms' Lake at a moderate rate of assessment; and surely the injustice, if injustice it be, which is thus proposed to be done to residents in the Police District of Campbell Town, is of infinitely less magnitude than that contemplated being done to residents within the Municipality of Ross (who are occupiers of land in the area in question) by Your Excellency's Government as indicated in Government Notice, No. 78, *Gazette* of 14th May.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that this their Petition may be read in connection with the Warden of Ross's letter on this subject to the Colonial Secretary of date 22nd April, and may be taken into favorable consideration; and that Your Excellency may be pleased to order that, of the lands which the Glamorgan Council seek to have excluded from their Municipality, the whole of the area lying to the southward of the Elizabeth River may be added to the Municipality of Ross.

And Your Excellency's Petitioners will ever pray.

No. of Acres within the Block in question occupied by Person signing.

Samuel Horton, 2440 acres purchased, 4100 acres leased.
 Thomas Parramore, jun., T. Parramore, 3495 acres purchased, 3600 acres leased.
 Philip T. Smith, 1500 acres purchased, 6000 acres leased.
 P. p. John Leake, A. & C. H. Leake, 2066 acres purchased.
 F. S. Horne, 640 acres purchased, 3000 acres leased.
 George Scott, George Thomas Scott, by James Scott their Attorney, 1278 acres purchased, 1280 acres purchased.
 James Scott, 1500 acres purchased.
 R. Q. Kermode, Municipality of Ross.
 James Grant, Tullochgorum, 2560 acres purchased.
 Edward Harrison, Windfalls, 4650 acres purchased.
 Arthur J. Harrison, Wolfcraig, 2940 acres purchased, 2140 acres leased.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 24th June, 1864.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to inform you that the Petition forwarded with your letter of the 17th inst. has been laid before the Governor in Council; and I have now to communicate to you, and to request that you will inform the several Petitioners, that the prayer of the Petition cannot be acceded to consistently with the just claims of the Campbell Town District.

The Government cannot regard the present boundary between Ross and Campbell Town as the legitimate line of demarcation; and they consider that the proposal of the Petitioners would but add to an injustice already existing. Under these circumstances the Governor in Council has determined to carry out the intention conveyed in the *Gazette* Notice No. 78, published in the *Gazette* of the 17th ultimo.

I have &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

SAMUEL HORTON, *Esq.*, *Somercotes*.

Northern Macquarie River Road Trust, Campbell Town, 18th June, 1864.

SIR,

I CALLED a Meeting of the above Road Trust in reference to your letter of date 3rd June.

The Trustees were unanimous in their opinion that that portion which would be extracted from the Municipality of Glamorgan, and as shown by the tracing, ought to be divided according to the line drawn in the tracing which I now return, as most of the lands within the line are taken up by residents in the neighbourhood and belong to Campbell Town. The other portion ought to be given to the Southern Macquarie River Road District.

The Road Trust have also marked a dotted line; and if that could be given in any way to our Road Trust, we would at once have a requisition got up to get Campbell Town made a Municipality, and the dotted line to be the boundary line of the Municipality: also the Road Trust boundary, which would be an advantage for both Districts, as we would make the Road from Campbell Town to the boundary of the Municipality of Glamorgan, as also shown in the tracing.

I have the honor to be,
Your obedient Servant,

JAMES MERCER, *Chairman*.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 24th June, 1864.

SIR,

I AM in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, in reply to mine of the 3rd, upon the subject of the allotment of the area about to be excluded from the Municipality of Glamorgan.

Under the existing law, the portion of the Ross Municipality to the north of the dotted line upon the tracing cannot be withdrawn without the sanction of the Municipal authorities; and I am not aware of any expression on their part of views favourable to such a re-adjustment of the dividing line.

With regard to the question of the Road Districts, however, I have now to inform you that the Governor in Council has decided upon annexing the entire area excluded from the Glamorgan Municipality to the Northern Macquarie Road District, and the Proclamation will appear in the next *Gazette*.

The object the Government have in view in this arrangement is, to allot to the Northern Macquarie Road Trust the Campbell Town and Swanport Road; and, at the same time, to give them such an area as will afford them an amount of road rate in proportion to the importance of this line of communication.

Should the boundary of the Ross Municipality be eventually altered as now desired, the advantage of the present decision will be still more apparent.

I have, &c.,

JAMES WHYTE.

JAMES MERCER, *Esq.*, *Chairman*,
Northern Macquarie Road Trust.

Council Chamber, Swansea, 25th June, 1864.

SIR,

I HAVE the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me whether any objection has been made to the alteration of the Glamorgan boundaries of which notice was given in the *Gazette* of 17th May ultimo; and, in the event of no such objection having been made, when the new boundaries will be proclaimed. My reason for asking for this information is, that the final revision of our Valuation Roll is postponed awaiting such publication.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. GRAHAM, *Warden.*

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

NORTHERN MACQUARIE ROAD DISTRICT.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

A PROCLAMATION.

I, COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Northern Macquarie Road District shall henceforth include the area hereinafter described:—

NORTHERN MACQUARIE ROAD DISTRICT.

Commencing at the north-east angle of a location of 1500 acres to Edward Wedge on the South Esk River, and bounded by the Road Districts of Perth, Lake River, Great Lake, Southern Macquarie, and Oatlands to Tooms Lake, by that lake to the north-east boundary of Lot 14, thence southerly along the eastern boundary of that lot to the southern boundary of Lot 374, by that boundary and a continued line of 40 chains, thence northerly to the south-west angle of Lot 252, by the south and east boundaries of that lot and a line from its north-east angle to the south-east angle of Lot 132, by the eastern and part of the northern boundaries of that lot, by the eastern boundary of Lot 360, by a north-westerly line from the north-east angle of that lot for about 4 miles, thence westerly for about a quarter of a mile to the south-east angle of Lot 247 by the southern and the western boundaries of that lot, by part of the southern and western boundaries of Lot 1427 and the western boundary of 1000 acres granted to George Meredith to the Elizabeth River, by that river westerly, by the east and part of the north boundaries of Lot 107, by the eastern boundaries of 400 acres located to W. Barrow, a grant of 800 acres to Thomas Parramore, and Lot 110 and by part of the north boundary of the said lot and the eastern boundaries of Lots 111 and 112, by part of the northern boundary of the last-mentioned lot and the eastern boundary of Lot 39 and a line from thence to the south-east angle of Lot 308, and by the eastern boundary of that lot and by the southern and eastern boundaries of Lot 307 to the summit of the range lying to the south of the St. Paul's River, forming the south boundary of the Cornwall and Glamorgan Road District, thence by that Road District to the South Esk River, and by that river to the point of commencement.

Given under my hand and seal at Hobart Town, in Tasmania aforesaid, this 27th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's Command,

JAMES WHYTE, *Colonial Secretary.*

THE Governor in Council directs that a Proclamation be issued re-defining the Rural Municipality of Glamorgan and the Police District of Campbell Town, according to the boundaries set forth in *Gazette* Notice No. 78, in *Gazette*, of 17 May last.

E. C. NOWELL,
23 June, 1864.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

THE Governor in Council approves of the Municipality of Glamorgan, as reduced in area, being proclaimed a Road District; and of the Northern Macquarie Road District being re-defined and proclaimed by including the area excluded from the Municipality of Glamorgan.

E. C. NOWELL,
23 June, 1864.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary.

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GLAMORGAN.

By His Excellency COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

A PROCLAMATION.

I, COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Rural Municipality of Glamorgan shall henceforth be included within the boundaries set forth in the *Gazette* Notice No. 78, published in *The Hobart Town Gazette* on the 17th day of May last.

Given under my hand and seal at Hobart Town, in Tasmania aforesaid, this 27th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's Command,
JAMES WHYTE, *Colonial Secretary.*

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GLAMORGAN.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

A PROCLAMATION.

I, COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Rural Municipality of Glamorgan, as defined in a Proclamation bearing even date herewith and published in this present *Gazette*, shall henceforth be a Road District, to be called the Road District of Glamorgan, for the purposes of *The Cross and Bye Roads Act, 1860.*

Given under my hand and seal at Hobart Town, in Tasmania aforesaid, this 27th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's Command,
JAMES WHYTE, *Colonial Secretary.*

POLICE DISTRICT OF CAMPBELL TOWN.

By His Excellency Colonel THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief of Tasmania and its Dependencies.

A PROCLAMATION.

I, COLONEL THOMAS GORE BROWNE, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Captain-General and Governor-in-Chief as aforesaid, do hereby proclaim and declare that the Police District of Campbell Town shall henceforth be included within the boundaries set forth in the *Gazette* Notice No. 78, published in *The Hobart Town Gazette* on the 17th day of May last.

Given under my hand and seal at Hobart Town, in Tasmania aforesaid, this 27th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

T. GORE BROWNE.

By His Excellency's Command,
JAMES WHYTE, *Colonial Secretary.*