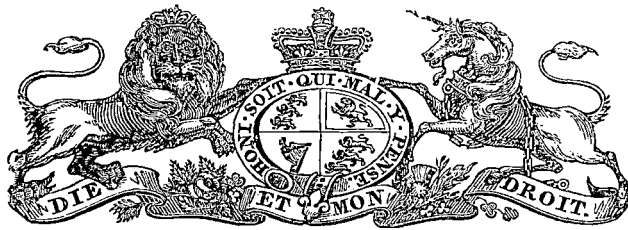


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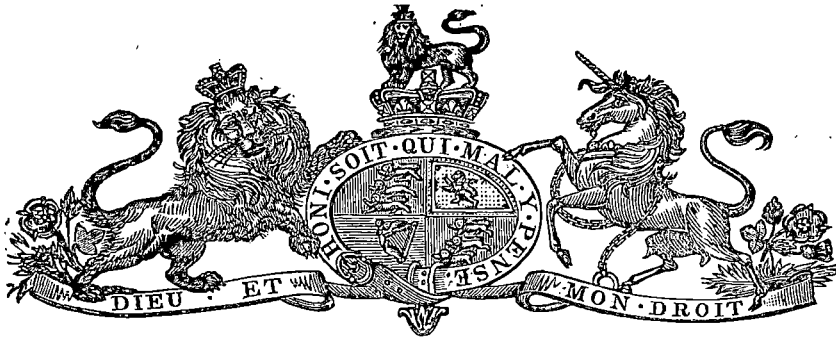
LAND AND INCOME TAX AMENDMENT
BILLS, 1895 :

PETITION FROM MR. E. M. FISHER, CHAIRMAN OF A
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*To the Honorable the President and the Honorable Members of the
Legislative Council.*

As Chairman of a Meeting of Income Tax-payers convened last evening for the purpose of considering the Income Tax Amendment Bill and the Land Tax Amendment Bill now before Parliament, I have the honor to convey to you the following Resolutions that were passed at that Meeting, and your Petitioner prays that the said Resolutions may meet with the favourable consideration of your Honorable House:—

1. That a Petition be presented to the President and the Honorable Members of the Legislative Council, praying that they will not pass into Law the Bill "to further amend 'The Land Tax, 1888,'" and such parts of the Bill "to amend 'The Income Tax Act, 1894,'" as are part and parcel of the scheme.

2. That in the opinion of this meeting the introduction of such proposed legislation is inopportune, and will, in the present unsettled state of matters connected with Finance and Commerce, and the unprecedented depression in Agricultural, Pastoral, and other pursuits, be detrimental to the best interests of the Colony as a whole.

3. That, as the present Income Act will expire on the 31st December, 1897, it is unwise to legislate in the proposed direction, which will tend to make the Income Tax Act permanent.

4. That the Chairman of the Meeting, Mr. E. M. Fisher, be authorised to sign this Petition on behalf of the Meeting.

And your Petitioner will every pray.

Signed, on behalf of the Members of the Meeting,

E. M. FISHER, *Chairman.*

Hobart, 27th August, 1895.