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CODLIN MOTH BILL, [No. 18]:

PETITIONS.

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<i>From whom, and whence.</i>	<i>No. of Signatures.</i>	<i>By whom presented.</i>	<i>When presented.</i>
IN FAVOR OF THE BILL.			
Residents, Glenorchy.....	55	Mr. Fysh	September 9
Ditto	8	ditto	ditto
Mr. O. Geeves	1	Mr. Crowther	ditto
Fruit-growers, Huon	11	Mr. Fysh	ditto
AGAINST THE BILL.			
Owners of orchards, &c., Southern Tasmania ...	32	Mr. Fysh	August 13
Fruit-growers, Glenorchy	61	ditto	September 5
Ditto, Huon	70	Mr. Watchorn	ditto
Owners and occupiers of orchards, New Town .	26	Mr. Fysh	September 9

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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Residents of the Electoral District of Glenorchy,

SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners are interested in the growing of Fruit, and that their industry is threatened with very serious losses through the ravages of an insect commonly known as the Codlin Moth.

That experience in this Colony and in other parts of the world has proved that if preventive measures are taken the evil effects of the moth may be very considerably modified, if not entirely obviated, but that without legislative enactment it is impossible to secure such a general enforcement of preventive measures as will alone tend to make them in any degree successful.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honorable House to pass the Codlin Moth Bill now before Parliament.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

[Here follow 55 signatures.]

PETITION in the same terms from Residents (8) of Glenorchy.

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

The humble Petition of the Fruit-growers of Geeves Town and vicinity,

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have had under their consideration, in public meeting, the Codlin Moth Bill now before your Honorable House.

That they consider those clauses of the Bill unnecessary which provide for dealing with the Codlin Moth in unclean districts ; but that they think it very desirable, in order to prevent the spread of the pest into districts now free from it, that so much of the Bill as provides protection against infection to clean districts should be passed into law.

That your Petitioners empowered Mr. Osborne Geeves, who was Chairman of the meeting above referred to, to sign a Petition to your Honorable House embodying their views.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that your Honorable House will be pleased to give effect to their wishes in passing so much of the Codlin Moth Bill as is necessary to give to clean districts the protection which Section 14 of the said Bill will afford.

And your Petitioners will ever pray, &c.

Signed, on behalf of the Petitioners,

O. GEEVES, *Chairman of Meeting.*

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

The Petition of the undersigned Fruit-growers, residents of the Huon District,

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT the measure, entitled "A Bill to provide for the Destruction of the Codlin Moth," which originated in and passed the House of Assembly, and which is about to be presented to your Honorable Council for your concurrence, is, in their opinion, a valuable provision, and suited to the requirements of their district.

We therefore, your Petitioners, humbly pray that your Honorable Council will favourably consider the Bill.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[Here follow 11 signatures.]

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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners of orchards and others interested in fruit-growing in Southern Tasmania,

MOST HUMBLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have observed with regret that the House of Assembly has again passed a Bill professedly for the destruction of the Codlin Moth, notwithstanding that a similar measure has several times been rejected by your Honorable House.

2. That your Petitioners are still of opinion that no legislation on this subject is necessary, and that the destruction of all the apple and pear trees in the Colony would not necessarily destroy the Codlin Moth, which exists and can exist in other trees, and live upon other fruit, than apples or pears, as has already been shown in evidence taken before a Select Committee of the House of Assembly.

3. Your Petitioners would therefore humbly pray that your Honorable Council will not pass the said measure until it can be shown that it will effect the object proposed ; your Petitioners being firmly of opinion that no legislation is necessary or can be effectual in destroying the so-called Codlin Moth or any other pest to which fruit-growing or any other industry is liable.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

[Here follow 32 signatures.]

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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Fruit-growers of the Electoral District of Glenorchy,

OBSERVE with regret that a Bill has been passed by the House of Assembly, entitled "The Codlin Moth Bill." We, your Petitioners, are of opinion that legislation in the matter is unnecessary, and in opposition to the wishes of the majority of the fruit-growers in the District. That fruit-growers are already alive to the importance, and are exerting themselves to get rid of the pest wherever it has made its appearance. That the appointment of Inspectors is not needed, and will not assist the object sought.

We, your Petitioners, therefore humbly pray that your Honorable House will not pass the said Bill now before Parliament.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

[Here follow 61 signatures.]

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

The humble Petition of the Fruit-growers of the Huon District,

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT the Codlin Moth Bill at present before Parliament is objectionable in many respects, and we humbly request your Honorable House to prevent the Bill from becoming law.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound will every pray.

[Here follow 70 signatures.]

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

The humble Petition of the undersigned Owners and Occupiers of orchards in the District of New Town, near Hobart, Tasmania,

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT your Petitioners have observed with regret that the House of Assembly has again passed a Bill professedly for the destruction of the Codlin Moth, notwithstanding that a similar measure has several times been rejected by your Honorable House.

That your Petitioners are still of opinion that no legislation on this subject is necessary, and that the destruction of all the apple and pear trees in the Colony would not necessarily destroy the Codlin Moth, which exists and can exist on other trees, and live upon other fruit, than apples and pears, as has already been shown in evidence taken before a Select Committee of the House of Assembly.

Your Petitioners therefore would humbly pray that your Honorable Council will not pass the said measure, being firmly of opinion that no legislation is necessary or can be effectual in destroying the so-called Codlin Moth or any other pest to which fruit-growers are liable.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[Here follow 26 signatures.]