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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MAIN LINE RAILWAY.

MEMORIAL OF THE MAYOR OF HOBART TOWN AS TO
ADVANCES.

Presented by Mr. Kennerley, October 24; and ordered by the Council to be printed,
October 25, 1876.



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

The Memorial of the Citizens of Hobart Town and others, adopted at a Public Meeting held at the Town Hall on the 19th day of October, 1876.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:—

THAT your Memorialists feel the discontinuance of the Train Service of the Main Line Railway must be followed by the most disastrous consequences to every interest in the Colony; that numerous commercial engagements, entirely dependent upon the uninterrupted facilities of transit afforded by the Line, must be ruinously abandoned; that a great number of persons hitherto directly or indirectly employed in the demands of that service will be, by this event, suddenly thrown out of employment, and probably the most desirable of them, as colonists, driven to seek in other lands a more favourable field for their industry; that pastoral and agricultural enterprise will be injuriously checked, and the movements of the daily increasing numbers of those who are now industriously engaged in developing the latent resources of the Colony seriously hampered,—a state of things which must prove highly detrimental to the progress and prosperity of the country.

Your Memorialists therefore respectfully pray that your Honorable House will be graciously pleased to approve of the Resolution of the House of Assembly, unanimously passed by that Honorable House, assenting to a sum of £14,900 (Fourteen thousand nine hundred Pounds) being advanced to the Main Line Railway Company, for the purpose and under the conditions embodied in the said Resolution.

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

On behalf of the Meeting,

JOHN PERKINS, JR., *Chairman.*

Hobart Town, 19th October, 1876.