

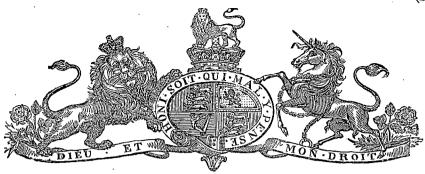
1856.

TASMANIA.

PETITION AGAINST ADDITIONAL TAXATION

FROM CERTAIN INHABITANTS OF LAUNCESTON.

Presented by Mr. Adye Douglas, and ordered by the House to be printed, 11 February, 1857.



To the Honourable the Members of the House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of Launceston and its Vicinity.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

That the present Expenditure of the Government of this Colony is most extravagant, and should not be tolerated for one moment longer than is necessary to re-organize the various Departments of Government with due regard to the present and prospective wants of the Colony.

That any measures for bringing the Revenue up to the present expenditure should only be regarded as temporary expedients to give time for the necessary reductions; and, viewed in this light, alterations in the Tariff of the Colony are most objectionable.

That the new scheme of Taxation proposed to your Honourable House is opposed to the recognised principles of political economy, and would, if carried into operation, be most injurious in its effects on the general prosperity of the Colony.

That any legislation which causes an increase in the cost of the necessaries of life is, in the present state of the Colony, to be most strongly deprecated.

That your Petitioners, anticipating that the Expenditure of the Government may be brought considerably within the amount procurable by the present system of taxation, would strongly urge upon your Honourable House the propriety of postponing any measures having for their object the levy of new taxes until the re-organization of the various Establishments has taken place.

And your Petitioners therefore pray your Honourable House not to sanction any additional taxation, until an opportunity has been afforded of seeing how far the present expenditure of the Colony may be curtailed.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

John Pond. John Bludy. James Foster. J. W. Yates. Thomas Piece. Thomas Hill. W. H. Price. James Drinkwater. Horace Laws. John Tozer. Joseph Kerkham. Gustavus Boudry. T. Conoly. J. Riva. John Reading, George Smith. B. Nathan. J. Burnett. Christopher M'Cullock. James Brady. Andrew Ross. Charles Rosetta. Ed. Brooks. Law. Connel. Wm. Williams. Jas. Peters.

G. H. Luckhurst. W. Cheesman. Edward Bellion. Bartholomew Galvin. W. R. Woodgate. H. B. Dowie. Samuel McKee. J. Houghton. R. P. Dix. J. Meyers. Lewis Cohen. Thomas Seymour. James Betts. Thomas Ring William Hills. Thomas W. Buckland. T. H. Dapel. James Fish. Joseph Stephens. E. Whiting. W. Hurst. James Gould. William Peter. Wm. Roberts. Robert Blake. Wm. Sanderson.

R. D. M'Eeacharn. James John Hudson. James Robertson. John Crookes.
Jno. Wm. Hatton.
D. Room. J. S. Hadfield. William Hart. Frank Hart. C. J. Upton. George Griffiths. C. W. Crofts. J. Long. J. Anson, junior. Thomas Finch.
Arthur O'Leary. Neo. Atty. Winkfield. Stephen Hopwood, junior. John O'Brien. James Joyce. J. H. Jackson. J. R. Johnson. Jacob James. George Burgess. John Tevelin. James Flooks.

Smith and Poole. W. Jackson. John Porter. William Wright. J. H. Rivers. C. T. Weetman. Charles Smith. Alfred Fowler. Joseph Grigg. George Thompson. William Stroud. Timothy Dynan. Thomas Crawford. Neil Reid. George Holland. Simeon Ross. Alexander Price. Henry Stephens, junior. Robert Kenworthy. Alexander Webster. J. E. Blount. Joshua Carr. Walter Wade. John Smith. Daniel Judson. Thomas Jones. John Stronach. J. Aikenhead. Thomas Corbett. Alexander Duthie. Robert Torrance. John Cashmere Israel. John Green. William Dawson. C. Grant. Joseph Rowell. R. R. Cowl. Henry Gover. Lewis Parke. J. S. Turner. John Barrett. Thomas Barrett. B. H. Bellion. John Rattany. Henry Zelly. Anthony Hart. William Hunt. James Spencer. H. J. Mitchell. William Cozens. Thomas Hayward. Alexander Thomson. Charles Thomson. Francis Moore. William H. Walbourn. James P. Parker. John French. William Douslin. Robert Sleightholm. William Smith. John S. Green. James Smith. H. Stephens. Isaac Noake. A. M. Woodhill. Joseph Cohen.

Adolphus Smith. J. W. Bremel. W. M'Donald. William Smith. H. L. Harre. P. Phillips.
William Patterson. Charles Hill. Josiah Pitcher. James Roberts. William Chester. Charles Selby. Charles Tilley. Samuel Jennisson. John Drydle. George P. Reemam. Thomas Butterworth. C. S. Benson. Charles Robinson. H. Allison. W. M. Parker. Charles Best. Robert Large. John Barrett. Robert Harris Robert Mitchell. J. G. Upton. S. Grant. J. Hammond. George Wright.
George Bushby, junior.
James Sadler. William Robertson. Edward Sanden. Shepherd Ridley. W. F. Green. William Whitaker. William Monds. George Gooch. Henry Dawson. William Feutrill. W. G. Warde. Robert Kidd. James George Cleaver. William A. Weymouth. George Wicks. Ebenezer Tyson. Thomas A. Bain. Alexander Robertson. E. L. Ditcham. F. Green. Charles Smith Bressey. William Duncan. Simon Selam. R. Keeble. John Cuniram. James Tait. John Vivian. George T. Collins. James Lilly. Henry Porter. James Margerison. John Hely. George Castley.
James Bellion, Senior.

Thomas Walsh. Jno. T. S. Jones. Stephen Hopwood. Walter S. Brewer. Robert H. Price. Samuel Downes. Thomas Johnson. Frederic A. Wales. Thos. Brain. H. Button. J. S. Waddell. Robt. Harris. James Tait. Chas. Fyshe. W. J. Monaghan. Lawrence Griffin. William Webb. Josiah Dumclow. John Howard. E. Wells. H. Gardiner. Hugh Delany. John Spencer. John Holland Webster. Thos. R. Garst. James Smith. James Atkinson. Henry Reading. F. Thompson. Edwd. J. Dawes. John Bowater. William Thompson. John Moody. Alex. Anderson. F. Watson. John Whit. George Bushby, Senr. C. J. Weedon. Robert Upton. St. Andrew Warde. Philip Gilbert. William Thomas. H. D. Parr. Parker Westmoreland. W. J. Leather. James Davies. John Morris Davies. J. C. Shearer. Thomas Archer. R. Newey. C. G. Archer, junior. H. S. Vans. B. F. Smith. W. Duncan, Fingal. Thomas Prosser.
A. J. Marriott. William Mason. William Campbell. James Suitor, junior. Joseph Ratcliffe. William Tyson. Edward Gibbons. John Toan. Alexander Blair. H. B. Nickolls.

JAMES BARNARD, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, TASMANIA.

James Duncan, Avoca.