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**REMOVAL OF MINING DEPARTMENT TO
LAUNCESTON :**

**PÉTITION FROM MEMBERS OF THE HOBART STOCK
EXCHANGE, AGAINST.**

Presented by Mr. Guesdon, August 29, 1882, and ordered by the House to be
printed.



To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly.

It having been announced that the Government intend removing the Head Mining Office from Hobart to Launceston, we, the undersigned Members of the Hobart Exchange, are of opinion that it is most desirable, for the proper administration of the Mining Department, that the Head Office should be situate at Hobart, as we think that the Chief Mining Office for all interests, both mining and public, should be at the Capital, which is the seat of all the different Government Departments.

In the neighbouring Colony of Victoria the Head Office of the Mining Department is situated at Melbourne, and not at Sandhurst or Ballarat, which are more the centres of the Victorian Mining Districts than Launceston is of the Tasmanian ones.

We respectfully petition and humbly request your Honorable House not to remove the Head Mining Office in Tasmania to Launceston, as doing so would be, we believe, prejudicial to the Mining interests of Tasmania generally.

And we will ever pray.

[Here follow 27 Signatures.]