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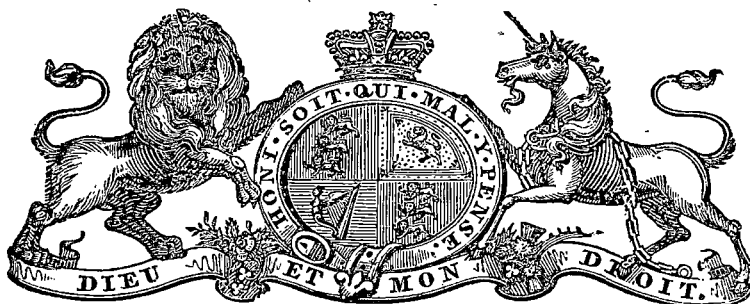
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P E T I T I O N

FROM LICENSED VICTUALLERS OF THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE ISLAND
PRAYING FOR A REDUCTION OF THE LICENCE FEE.

Presented by Mr. Button, and ordered by the Council to be printed,
10 August, 1859.



To the Honourable the Members of the Legislative Council for Tasmania.

The Memorial of the undersigned Licensed Victuallers residing on the Northern side of the Island.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT, on the Licence Fee being raised from £25 to £50, a deputation of Licensed Victuallers had the honour of an interview on the subject with Her Majesty's Attorney-General.

That at such interview the deputation were given to understand that, whilst the Government would not forego the increased Fee, it was intended to propose to Parliament the limitation of the number of Licences in Launceston and Hobart Town.

That a Bill having for its object such limitation was submitted to Parliament, but was not passed.

That the continued imposition of such increased Licence Fee presses very much upon your Memorialists, whose trade and profits are very much diminished; and from that they now respectfully solicit the assistance of your Honourable Council to remove from them, by advocating the reduction of the present Licence Fee to its former amount, the sum of £25.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that your Honourable Council will take this Memorial into your serious consideration, and do your utmost to carry out their object.

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

[Here follow the Signatures of 69 Licensed Victuallers.]