

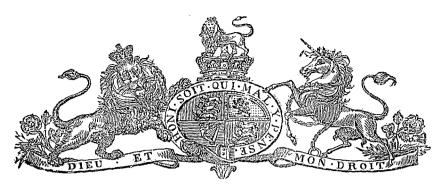
1861.

TASMANIA.

MR. MORGAN.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

Brought up by Mr. Abbott, and ordered by the House to be printed, 4 October, 1861.



SELECT Committee appointed on the 22nd August, 1861, to enquire into the Claim of Mr. John Morgan to a Grant of Land in this Colony.

MEMBERS. Mr. Hodgson. Mr. Abbott (Mover.)

MEETINGS.

- No. 1. 30 August, 1861. Present -Mr. Abbott, Mr. Archer, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Hodgson.

MR. ARCHER. MR. BUTLER.

Mr. Perkins.

- No. 2. 4 September, 1861. Present Mr. Abbott, Mr. Archer, and Mr. Hodgson.
 No. 3. 6 September, 1861. Present Mr. Abbott, Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Archer.
 No. 4. 13 September, 1861. Present Mr. Abbott, Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Archer.
- No. 5. 4 October, 1861. Present-Mr. Abbott, Mr. Hodgson, and Mr. Perkins.

WITNESSES EXAMINED.

LIEUTENANT JOHN MORGAN, R.M. E. W. BOOTHMAN, Esquire, Deputy Commissioner of Crown Lands.

REPORT

Of Select Committee on Mr. Morgan's Claim to a Remission in the purchase of Land from the Crown as an Officer of Her Majesty's Service.

Your Committee beg to Report that they have had before them the Correspondence between Mr. Morgan, and the Local and Imperial Governments, on the subject of his claim; and have examined Mr. Morgan and the Deputy Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Your Committee have adopted Four Resolutions, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House as the result of their deliberations, and which Resolutions are as follows:-

- I. That Mr. Morgan, by the receiving of a Grant of Land as a settler at Swan River, did not forfeit his claim to a Remission Order for the purchase of land as an Officer.
- II. That, it is the opinion of this Committee, that the reasons which induced the Local Government to refuse to grant to Mr. Morgan the usual Remission in the purchase of land in this Colony, were based upon certain monetary claims which the Government had upon that gentleman, and which claims appear by Mr. Labouchere's Despatch to Sir Henry Young, dated 26 March, 1857, to have been fully satisfied.
- III. That official Returns have been laid before this Committee, in which precisely similar claims to Mr. Morgan's appear to have been decided favourably, notwithstanding the adverse decision of the Secretary of State in the matter.
- IV. That, under all the circumstances of Mr. Morgan's case, the Committee are of opinion that Mr. Morgan's title to the Remission Order should be considered valid, and that an Address should be presented to His Excellency the Governor, praying that he will cause to be placed on the Land Fund Estimates for 1862 the sum of £150 to satisfy the claim.

EDWARD ABBOTT, Chairman.

Committee Room, 4 October, 1861.

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