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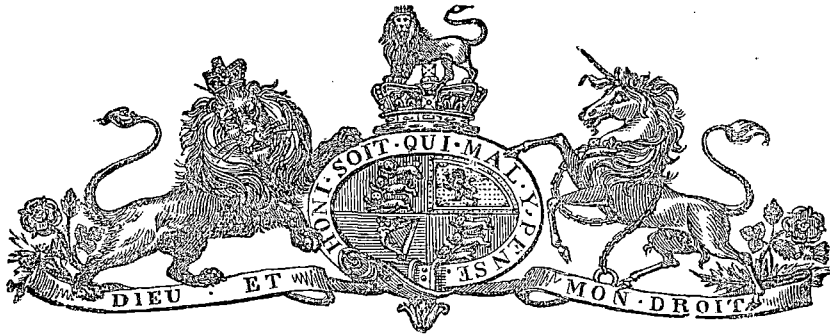
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Presented by Mr. Cansdell, and ordered by the House to be printed, 4 September,
1866.



*The Honorable the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly of
Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.*

This Petition of the unemployed and others interested in and affected by the present System of carrying out the provisions of the Reproductive Works.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT it is inefficient in its nature, and dissatisfactory both to labourers and contractors, in consequence of the money grants being placed under the special control of the Public Works Department, thereby creating an injurious monopoly, and investing that Department with a degree of patronage alike injurious to employers and employed. And further, which militates against the best interests of the Colony by fostering and encouraging abuses which ought not to exist.

Your Petitioners therefore implore your Honorable House to institute such measures as shall radically change this objectionable state of things, and introduce such changes as in your wisdom may seem fit, and calculated to give confidence and satisfaction to the parties who complain.

Your Petitioners would humbly suggest that the expenditure of such money grants should be placed under the control of some person directly responsible to Government.

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

[*Here follow 400 Signatures.*]