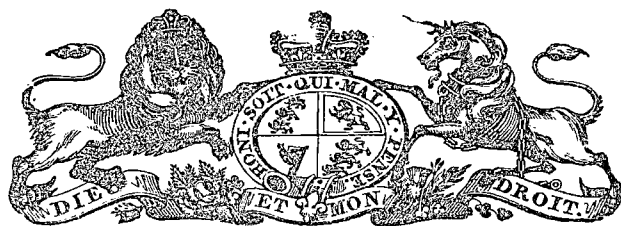


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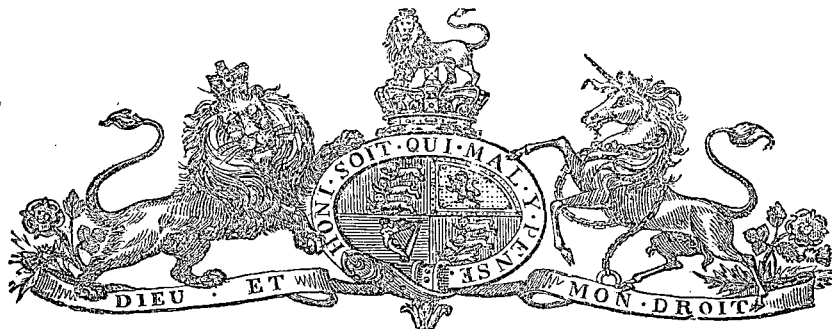
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To the Honorable the Members of the House of Assembly of Tasmania, in Parliament assembled.

The humble Petition of the undersigned Citizens of Hobart Town.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

1st. THAT a Bill is now before your Honorable House which, amongst other matters, prays that your Honorable House will legalise the opening of Public-houses, between the hours of One and Three, and Eight and Nine o'clock *post meridian* on Sundays, thereby securing to your Petitioners the enjoyment of privileges which they cannot now enjoy without becoming parties to an evasion of the Law.

2nd. Your Petitioners are strongly of opinion that the practice now prevailing of obtaining Liquors secretly, and in violation of the Law, is highly detrimental to the moral welfare of the community, and drives men to resort to practices they despise, merely to vindicate the rights conceded to them in every other portion of Her Majesty's dominions.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray that your Honorable House will give a favorable consideration to this Bill, and thus grant them the same privileges as are now enjoyed by their countrymen in Great Britain and in the neighbouring Colonies.

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

Hobart Town, 26th September, 1861.

[*Here follow 557 Signatures.*]