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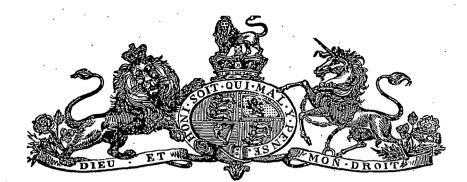
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PARLIAMENT, OF TASMANA.

TAX ON PERSONAL PROPERTY:

PETITIONS. (Mr. Moore, July 24.)

Ordered by the Legislative Council to be printed.



To the Honorable the Members of the Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled.

The Memorial of the undersigned Residents of Circular Head,

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH:

THAT your Memorialists have learned with regret that a Resolution for the imposition of a Tax of a Halfpenny in the Pound on Personal Property has passed in the House of Assembly.

That your Memorialists believe that such a tax would be detrimental to the best interests of the Colony; that it would be unfair in its incidence, inquisitorial in its nature, and expensive in collection.

That it is unnecessary, because other sources of revenue are available, such as additional duties on articles of general consumption, from which the necessary revenue might be raised without further cost in collection—a tax which would press equally on all, and be burdensome to none.

Your Memorialists therefore trust that your Honorable House will see fit to disallow the imposition of this most obnoxious tax, which would possess all the disadvantages of an income tax without its fairness.

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

[Here follow 25 signatures.]

Petitions in the same terms were presented-

(1.) From 46 Residents of Circular Head.

(2.) From 82 Residents of Circular Head.

WILLIAM THOMAS STRUTT, GOVERNMENT PRINTER, TASMANIA.