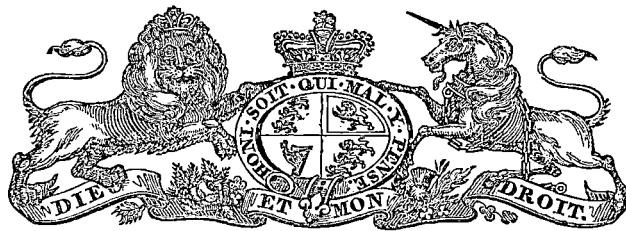


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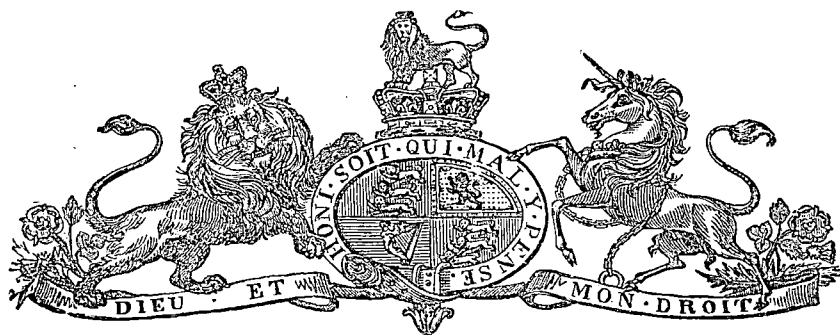
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PETITION FROM EDWARD ABBOTT, Esq.

Presented by Mr. Lewis ; and ordered by the House to be printed, 10 August, 1864.



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

The humble Petition of EDWARD ABBOTT, Esq., Warden of the Municipality of Clarence.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH :

THAT a Bill is now pending before your Honorable House, entitled *The Police Regulation Bill*.

That the 16th Section of the said Bill provides that the Warden of each Municipality shall cause such books and records of crimes and offences and other matters relating to the Police to be kept, and also furnish the Inspector [of Police omitted] with such returns and information relating thereto as may from time to time be prescribed by regulation of the Governor in Council.

That by the said Section there is not even a proviso that such regulations should be laid before Parliament.

That while your Petitioner admits the propriety that certain returns of crime should be furnished the Executive, that the Superintendent of Police is the proper person to furnish such, and not the Warden ; as, otherwise, it makes the latter a kind of subordinate to the Inspector of Police.

That your Petitioner ventures to think that the nature of such Returns should be clearly and distinctly specified.

That by the Law at present in operation, (3rd Sect. Municipal Police Act,) the Inspector of Police is authorised to frame Rules for the government, pay, clothing, accoutrements, and necessaries of Police ; which Rules must be laid before Parliament within fourteen days, if sitting, or the same period after its meeting.

That, in pursuance of the above Section, certain Rules and Regulations were made and published in 1858, extending to 48 pages [Pamphlet: James Barnard, Government Printer, 1858], which were never laid before Parliament ; but different Rules were so laid on the 25th July, 1860. [Paper 5, Sess. 1860.]

Your Petitioner therefore prays, for the reasons hereinbefore stated, that your Honorable House will either modify Section 16 of *The Police Regulation Act*, or expunge the same.

And your Petitioner, &c.

EDWARD ABBOTT.

Bellerive, Tasmania, 8 July, 1864.