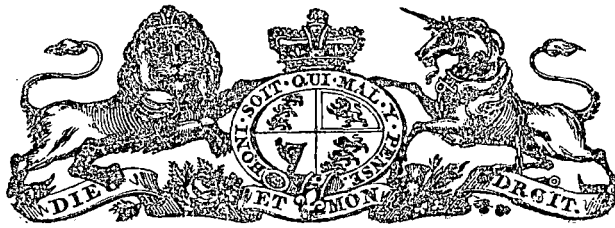


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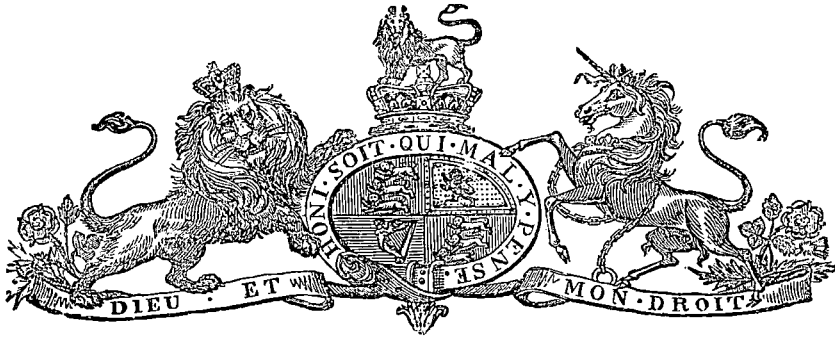
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

STAMP DUTIES.

PETITION FROM INHABITANTS OF LAUNCESTON.

Presented by Mr. Corbett; and ordered by the Council to be printed,
August 5, 1863.



To the Honourable the Legislative Council, in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of Launceston and its vicinity.

HUMBLY SHOWETH :

THAT they view with feelings of deep regret the attempt made to increase the public burdens by a Stamp Tax, which they regard as not only uncalled for, impolitic, and unjust, but fraught with evils inherent in, and inseparable from, it.

That your Memorialists are convinced that the revenue derivable from the present Tariff and other sources will be fully adequate for the estimated expenditure of the Government; and for *this reason* they earnestly protest against the introduction of Stamp Duties, and humbly pray that your Honourable House will not allow such a system of Duties to become Law.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

[*Here follow 205 Signatures.*]