

Petition – Epsom and Huntly cab owners

To the worshipful the Mayor Councillors of the City of Sandhurst

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We the undersigned, Cab Owners plying on the Epsom and Huntly line of road, beg most respectfully to appeal to you in the hope that you may be pleased to revoke the order which we have received to remove from the stand which we hitherto have occupied and to take our position, on a new one pointed out to us

We take the liberty of making this appeal for reasons which we hereby state and which are

1st From the exposed position of the site of the new stand, in the middle of Pall Mall and in the very angle of the junction of Bridge St McCrae St and Pall Mall turning into Bull St it will be almost an impossibility to avoid a collision in the event of any run away horses in any of those streets

2nd From the exposed position of the New Stand, we humbly beg leave to say, that in our opinion, it will be the means of adding greatly to the hardships of man and beast as there is not the least shelter thereon, or near it whilst on the old stand, we had the protection of the reserve fence, and of the trees along the line

3rd The cause assigned for our removal, being want of sufficient accommodation. We humbly suggest, that this can be amply met by making a slight alteration in the position of the Stand for the Cabs to Kangaroo flat – further up the Mall, or from opposite the Bank of Australasia towards Mitchell St there would then be plenty of room for the Epsom and Huntly Cabs and the Eagle Hawk line, between the Commercial Hotel and the Shamrock, or in order to further economise the space we would have no objection to back the Cabs towards the reserve fence

We therefore confidently hope that your Council will re consider our case, and in doing so, will not add to the hardships which we, as a class have to endure. We beg most respectfully to call your attention to the fact that a good deal of our living is earned after night-fall that we are exposed to every vicissitude of weather, and that having always complied with the orders given us, we think, that in this case we are entitled to consideration And that if we did not endeavour by our remonstrance to avert the change of our position, from the Old to the New Stand, we would be doing ourselves injustice, for we consider that this change will if enforced be the cause of great loss and discomfort to us

That your Council may therefore be pleased to Re consider its decision, and allow us again to occupy our old stand is the humble petition of the undersigned, and by acceding thereto, (the first request we ever made) your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

[31 May 1872]

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1	1	Their	Charles
1	1	Mahony	John
1	1	Stephens	David
1	2	Jones	W.D.
1	2	Daly	Edward
1	2	Brown	William
1	2	Quinn	James
1	2	Paynter	Samuel
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David Stephens

R. D. Jones
Edward Day
William Brown
James Quinn
Samuel Paynter
Francis Brown
Arthur Devereux
Michael McKeener
Robert Sadler
Wm. Lamberton

Referred to (by) suspects for reports

G. A. L.

17/5/72

Returned to your clerks office

with report attached

Wrought

City Dept

23/5/72

Re reply yr. petition has
been referred to the suspects
for reports and as it has
been found cannot make
any change

W. A.

24/6/72

P. A. L.

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Specimen & quantity
of the same - 4
Change stands