

SESS. II.—1884.
NEW ZEALAND.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE.

(MR. R. TURNBULL, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

No. 27, Sess. I.—Petition of JAMES YOUNG, Auckland.

THE petitioner states that he was late a warder in the gaol at Auckland, in which he served over eighteen years; that during the last twelve years of his service he was afflicted with rheumatism, the effect of severe wettings and cold; that he was discharged in October last, being unable to do the duty allotted to him, and was compensated for loss of office. He now asks for a further sum for compensation, as he is quite unfit to earn a living for himself and family.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no further claim against the colony.

10th September, 1884.

No. 12, Sess. I.—Petition of JOHN GREENLEAF, Auckland.

THE petitioner states that he is a master mariner, residing in the City of Auckland; that he petitioned the House for redress on account of false imprisonment and arrest at the hands of the Government, which was favourably reported on; that he has received no redress or compensation whatsoever, as recommended. He now prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim against the colony.

10th September, 1884.

No. 22, Sess. I.—Petition of PATRICK WHELAN, Auckland.

THE petitioner states that he was sergeant in the 50th Regiment, and served through the Waikato, Wanganui, and Taranaki war; that in 1866 he left for England; that he returned to New Zealand with his family in June, 1883. He prays that some substantial recognition of his services may be granted to him.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim against the colony.

10th September, 1884.

No. 37, Sess. I.—Petition of SARAH ANNE FLIGHT, New Plymouth.

THE petitioner states that she is the widow of Josiah Flight, late Resident Magistrate of the Taranaki District, who also held a responsible position in Native affairs; that, owing to the smallness of his pay, he was unable to make provision for his family; that he was called on to retire on a superannuation allowance. She states that she is sixty-seven years of age, and prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee cannot recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

10th September, 1884.

No. 28, Sess. I.—Petition of ALEXANDER REID, Lyttelton.

THE petitioner states that he was a pilot in the service of the Provincial Government of Canterbury for thirteen years; that in May, 1877, his services were dispensed with on the abolition of the provincial system; that he made application in July, 1877, for compensation for loss of office under clause 13 of the Abolition of Provinces Act, but his claims were not entertained, on the grounds that his services were transferred to the Harbour Board. He now prays for the favourable consideration of his petition.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim against the Government.

10th September, 1884.