

No. 373.—Petition of GEORGE NYE, of Foxton.

THE petitioner prays for compensation for loss of office in the Public Works Department.

I am directed to report that, from the evidence before the Committee, the petitioner appears to have performed the duties of his office most efficiently, but, as he does not come under the operation of the Civil Service Acts, the Committee cannot recommend the prayer of his petition.

17th August, 1888.

No. 421.—Petition of ROBERT SEYMOUR, of Wellington.

THE petitioner, secretary to the Seamen's Union, states that he was offered a more remunerative position than his present one by £1 per week, but failed to obtain it owing to the negligence on the part of the officers of the Telegraph Department in not carrying out his written instructions as to the delivery of his telegrams. He prays for compensation for loss sustained.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

21st August, 1888.

No. 438.—Petition of ALICE JANE MILL, of Wellington.

THE petitioner states that she has suffered wrongs at the hands of a certain medical man owing to his alleged unskilfulness; that owing to the Statute of Limitations she is now unable to proceed against him for damages, as the injuries were sustained in 1881; that she has only lately discovered how serious said injuries are. She prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

21st August, 1888.

No. 473.—Petition of WAIKATO COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE petitioners pray for the refund of certain sums of money which they allege were wrongfully deducted from subsidies due to them.

I am directed to report that the Committee cannot recommend the prayer of the petitioners.

24th August, 1888.

No. 478.—Petition of SAMUEL STEPHENSON, of Auckland.

THE petitioner prays for amendment of the Licensing Act.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

24th August, 1888.

No. 268.—Petition of ANDREAS REISCHEK, of Auckland.

THE petitioner alleges that a valuable collection of bird-skins belonging to him was destroyed by the action of salt water while on board the Government steamer "Stella." He prays for compensation for loss sustained.

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

24th August, 1888.

No. 490.—Petition of W. C. PAYNE and Others, of Thames.

THE petitioners pray for certain alterations in the regulations under the Fisheries Conservation Act.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

24th August, 1888.

No. 272.—Petition of W. J. N. ROBINSON, of Wellington (No. 1).

THE petitioner prays that he may have redress for certain alleged wrongs in connection with the Resident Magistrate's Court, Wellington.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the matters complained of by the petitioner are not of such a nature as to call for interference on the part of the Committee, but should be dealt with in the ordinary way by the Courts of law. The Committee has no recommendation to make.

18th July, 1888.

No. 435.—Petition of W. J. N. ROBINSON, of Wellington (No. 2).

THE petitioner alleges that he has suffered injustice in connection with the Resident Magistrate's Court at Wellington, and also at the hands of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

3rd August, 1888.

No. 465.—Petition of W. J. N. ROBINSON, of Wellington (No. 3).

THE petitioner prays that his petition of the 19th June may be considered by a Special Committee.

I am directed to report that this Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th August, 1888.