No. 230.—Petition of EDWARD AYLWARD and Others.

THE petitioners state that they are settlers in the Cape district, Taranaki. They pray for a reduction in the valuation of their land.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion that the petitioners have no claim upon the colony.

9th September, 1890.

Nos. 224, 239, 265, 279, 284, and 293. — Petitions of W. H. Skinner, F. H. Revell, W. G. GARBARD (No. 2), GEORGE FARLEY, RICHARD SPAIN, and W. T. WATT.

THE petitioners pray that they may be given grants of land for their services in the colonial forces during the Maori war.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion that these six petitions should be referred to the Government for consideration.

9th September, 1890.

No. 286.—Petition of J. F. CLAPPERTON and Others.

The petitioners pray that Section No. 662 on the plan of the Borough of Palmerston North may be handed over to them for the purposes and requirements of the town.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they have no recommendation to make upon this petition.

9th September, 1890.

No. 222.—Petition of John Smyth.

THE petitioner states that in 1876 he purchased Crown lands in the district of Mercury Bay and paid for 138 acres; that, owing to the documents connected with the first Government survey being accidentally burned, a second survey was made and petitioner was allotted only 114 acres; that he had paid for his land with land-scrips. He prays that he may be given the balance of the land he is entitled to, or its value in money.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government with a recommendation that petitioner should be allowed to take up ten pounds' worth of land in lieu of scrip.

13th September, 1890.

No. 156.—Petition of ARTHUR QUY and Others.

THE petitioners state they hold sections in the Hohonu Survey District on the deferred-payment system; that, owing to the mining operations at Kumara, the bed of the Teremakau River has been considerably raised, thereby causing their lands to be flooded and their crops injured. They pray for relief.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they are of opinion that petitioners should be recommended to apply to the local Land Board for a revaluation of their land.

13th September, 1890.

No. 306.—Petition of R. V. SMITH and Others.

THE petitioners state that they are holders of sections on the deferred-payment system in the Forty-mile Bush, Wellington District. They pray for a reduction in the valuation of their land.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they have no recommendation to make upon this petition.

13th September, 1890.

No. 290.—Petition of Christopher Tait.

THE petitioner states that he is the owner of two sections in the Kopuaranga district; that, owing to the Government surveyor having wrongly placed the pegs marking his boundary, petitioner has been involved in law proceedings and other expenses. He prays for consideration.

The Waste Lands Committee have the honour to report that they have no recommendation to

make upon this petition.

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