No. 548, Sess. II.—Petition of W. Littlejohn, the Mayor of the Borough of Onslow.

Petitioner states that a certain road in the Borough of Onslow was severed by a deep cutting made in connection with the Wellington-Manawatu Railway, and prays that an overbridge be erected to connect the roadways.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the Government should be recommended to subsidise the Onslow Borough Council to the extent of £150 towards the construction of the overbridge.

14th September, 1891.

No. 658 Sess. II.—Petition of S. H. Mackay and 715 Others, of Auckland.

Petitioners pray that the Auckland Electric Lighting Bill may be passed.

I am directed to report that, as the petition refers to legislation now before Parliament, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1891.

No. 667, Sess. II.—Petition of J. B. Saxon and 77 Others, of Nelson.

Petitioners pray that the Trafalgar Park Purchasing Bill, may be passed.

I am directed to report that, as the petition refers to legislation now before Parliament, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1891.

No. 558, Sess. II.—Petition of Jane N. Maker, of Sydenham.

Petitioner states that her late husband, Hugh Maker, died while in the employ of the Railway Department, and that she has not received any compassionate allowance, &c. She prays for relief. I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1891.

No. 577, Sess. II.—Petition of John McCluskey, of Tauranga.

PETITIONER prays that a Commission be appointed to inquire into the charges which led to his dismissal from the position of Inspector of Police, at Oamaru.

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

14th September, 1891.

Nos. 615, 616, and 641, Sess. II.-H. Roche and 76 Others, L. Walton and 19 Others, and A. Primrose and 115 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the Payment of Members Bill be not passed, as it is opposed to the retrenchment policy adopted.

I am directed to report that, as the petition refers to a Bill now before Parliament, the Com-

mittee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1891.

No. 550, Sess. II.—Petition of Daniel Maher, of Ramarama.

Petitioner states that in 1881 a watch and chain were stolen from his house, and alleges that through the incompetency of the police he was put to considerable trouble in the matter. He prays for relief.

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

14th September, 1891.

No. 589, Sess. II.—Petition of DAVID T. SMITH, of Wellington.

Petitioner states that during last February he had to resign his office as Assistant Librarian, and received six months' leave on full pay only, but considers he should receive a pension or further consideration. He prays for relief.

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

16th September, 1891.

No. 542, Sess. II.—Petition of DAVID MURRAY, of Wellington.

Petitioner states that he is entitled to £30 compensation for wounds received, and a grant of land for military services performed. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend the petition be referred to the Govern-

ment for consideration.

16th September, 1891.

Nos. 642 and 673, Sess. II. — A. Crawford and 15 Others, T. H. Morrow and 96 Others, of Canterbury.

Petitioners pray that the Payment of Members Bill be not passed.

I am directed to report that, as the petitions refer to legislation now before Parliament, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

16th September, 1891.

No. 37, Sess. II.—John Rochfort, of Kihikihi.

PETITIONER states that he agreed to take a contract from the Survey Department for the survey of a certain block of Native land, at a 1d. per acre less than his tender price, because he was told that