No. 23.—Petition of Jane Victoria Maher, of Sydenham.

PETITIONER states that her late husband, Hugh Maher, was employed in the Railway Department as a carpenter for sixteen years: that he died while in said service. She prays that a compassionate allowance may be granted to her.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that a compassionate allowance of

£50 be granted to the petitioner.

21st July, 1892.

# No. 39.—Petition of Jessie Louisa Rentoul, of Lyttelton.

PETITIONER states that her late brother, T. W. Rentoul, was employed in the Railway Department from 1875 to November, 1891; that he died in the service; that had he left a widow she would have received compensation. Petitioner, who lived with and looked after her brother, prays that she may be treated in the same way as regards compensation as his widow would have been.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the sum of £183 12s. 4d., being the amount of her late brother's salary for one year, should be paid to the petitioner as a com-

passionate allowance. 21st July, 1892.

### No. 33.—Petition of Rees Watkins, of Napier.

PETITIONER states that for many years he was a guard upon the Napier line of railway; that the constant vibration affected his spine, and brought on a form of paralysis which has compelled him to relinquish work. He prays for consideration.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that a compassionate allowance of

nine months' salary be paid to the petitioner.

21st July, 1892.

### No. 7.—Petition of DIANA MEYNELL, of Sydenham.

PETITIONER states that her late husband, while engaged in the railway service, in filling a tub with coal, in the year 1890, sustained an injury which materially contributed to his death in April last. She prays for a compassionate allowance.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that a compassionate allowance of

£50 be paid to the petitioner.

21st July, 1892.

#### No. 48.—Petition of Leonard Monk, of Caversham, Otago.

PETITIONER, late foreman blacksmith in the railway workshops, states that while carrying out his occupation he received an injury to one of his eyes which has resulted in partial blindness, and unfitted him for employment in his trade. He prays for further compensation.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the balance of one year's pay—

namely, £34 16s.—be paid to petitioner.

21st July, 1892.

## No. 52.—Petition of Charles A. Pratt and Others.

PETITIONERS pray for the construction of a road in the Tauranga district.

I am directed to report that this petition should be referred to the Government.

22nd July, 1892.

#### No. 3.—Petition of JANE McGuire, of Sydenham.

PETITIONER states that her late husband's death was accelerated by injuries which he received in saving Government property during a bush-fire at Oxford; that up to the time of his death Government allowed him £1 per week in consequence of his having been injured while a sergeant in the Police Force. Petitioner prays that this allowance may be continued to her.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred

to the Government for consideration.

22nd July, 1892.

## No. 17.—Petition of EDWARD SMYTH and Others.

PETITIONERS, curriers and tanners, pray for certain alterations in the Customs tariff.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, this petition should be referred to the Manufactures and Industries Committee.

22nd July, 1892.

# No. 44.—Petition of RICHARD MILLER, of Ashburton.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for having lost his leg while in the service of the Government. I am directed to report that the Committee cannot recommend that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted. 22nd July, 1892.