

No. 86.—Petition of CHARLES STAPP, of New Plymouth.

PETITIONER prays that effect may be given to the report of the Public Petitions M to Z Committee of last session on his petition.

I am directed to report that this Committee cannot recommend that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted, in view of the fact that he has been dealt with in the same manner as other officers in similar positions with respect to retiring-allowance.

28th July, 1892.

No. 141.—Petition of R. C. SHEARMAN, of Wellington.

PETITIONER prays for a pension or further compensation, on the ground of long service in the Police Force of the colony.

I am directed to report that this Committee can see no reason to depart from the decision of the Committee in the session of 1889—namely, “That the Government has dealt with the petitioner in a liberal manner, and he has no further claim against the colony.”

4th August, 1892.

No. 119.—Petition of NORTH AUCKLAND HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD.

PETITIONERS pray that the Hospital and Charitable Institutions Act may be so amended as to allow each county to have the administration of charitable aid within its own boundaries.

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

4th August, 1892.

Nos. 210, 211, and 238.—Petition of JOHN WILSON and Others, A. McDONALD and Others, and W. G. STEWART and Others.

PETITIONERS pray for the extension of the Otago Central Railway.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, these petitions should be referred to the Government.

10th August, 1892.

No. 256.—Petition of G. V. PEARCE and Others, of Patea.

PETITIONERS pray against the passing of the Moumohaki County Bill.

Nos. 195 and 229.—T. G. USHER and Others, and SAMUEL WOODS and Others.

PETITIONERS pray against the passing of the Wesleyan Methodist Church Property Act 1887 Amendment Bill.

I am directed to report that, as these Bills are now before the Legislature, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

10th August, 1892.

No. 237.—Petition of DAVID McMILLAN and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that they may be relieved of the present unequal burden of taxation.

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

10th August, 1892.

No. 250.—Petition of W. PETERS and Others, of Canterbury.

PETITIONERS pray that the Licensing Acts may be amended.

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

10th August, 1892.

No. 168.—Petition of JANE WHITE, of Winton.

PETITIONER prays for further relief on account of her husband having lost his life in the service of the Railway Department.

I am directed to report that, as the petitioner has received the usual compassionate allowance, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

10th August, 1892.

No. 204.—Petition of J. H. MORRIS and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a bridge may be erected over the Rangitikei River, at Vinegar Hill.

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

10th August, 1892.

No. 248.—Petition of CHARLES O'MALLEY, of Sydenham.

PETITIONER prays that the recommendation of the Public Petitions Committee of last session with regard to his petition may be adopted.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of this Committee, effect should be given to the said recommendation—namely, “That petitioner be paid £50 in full of all demands.”

10th August, 1892.