

No. 57.—Petition of CATHERINE HISLOP, of Invercargill.

PETITIONER states that her late husband died from an illness caused by an accident while in the employ of the Railway Department, and that she has not received any compassionate allowance. She prays for relief.

I am directed to report that, having now received a certificate from Dr. James Young, giving his opinion that John Hislop died from the results caused by an accident while employed in the Railway Department, the Committee recommends the petitioner be paid a sum of money not less than one year's wages of her late husband.

11th July, 1893.

No. 3.—Petition of RICHARD DOOLAN, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER states that he was discharged from the Police Force as unfit for duty through failing eyesight. He prays for relief.

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

11th July, 1893.

No. 453, 1892.—Petition of GEORGE A. ALLEN, of Wellington.

PETITIONER states that he was dismissed from the Torpedo Corps for insubordination, and absented himself from duty without leave. He prays for reinstatement.

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

11th July, 1893.

No. 587, 1892.—Petition of MICHAEL HARTNETT, of Onehunga.

PETITIONER states that his son, Michael Hartnett, was murdered while acting as guard over the Maori prisoners at the Chatham Islands, when they escaped in 1868, and that he is now an old man, without any means of support. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend the Government to inquire into the circumstances of the petitioner, and afford relief if necessary.

11th July, 1893.

No. 733, 1892.—Petition of CHARLES BURGESS, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays that no reduction be made in the subsidy to local bodies.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Government.

11th July, 1893.

No. 708, 1892.—Petition of GEORGE FISHER, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays that an inquiry be made into the circumstances which caused his dismissal from the Railway service, &c.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make, and consider the circumstances fully justified his dismissal.

11th July, 1893.

No 581, 1892.—Petition of F. LOGAN and 28 Others, of Hawke's Bay.

PETITIONERS pray that the specifications, indices, &c., of Letters Patent be printed, and sold at cost price, and that accommodation be provided for patent models.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the suggestions contained in the departmental report on the subject-matter of the petition be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

13th July, 1893.

No. 1.—Petition of ALEXANDER BRODIE, of Auckland.

PETITIONER states that he has suffered great bodily harm through attending the Supreme Court at Auckland as a Grand Juror. He prays for relief on account of his many public services.

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

13th July, 1893.

No. 731, 1892.—The CHAIRMEN, OHINEMURI, THAMES, and COROMANDEL COUNTY COUNCILS.

PETITIONERS pray that inquiry be made into the misappropriation of kauri-trees in the Ohinemuri, Thames, and Coromandel Counties.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

13th July, 1893.

Nos. 21 and 22.—Petition of CHARLES HARDY and 18 Others, and WILLIAM HEDLEY and 38 Others of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that the immigration of Austrian subjects to the gum-fields in the Auckland Province may be prevented.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petitions be referred to the Government for consideration.

13th July, 1893.