No. 23.—Petition of H. B. HUDDLESTON, of Blenheim.

Petitioner states that on 1st January, 1886, he was absolutely deprived of the right he had for many years previously enjoyed of practising as a Lands Transfer Surveyor under a State-issued license. He prays for relief.

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

13th July, 1893.

Nos. 712, 1892, and 42, 1893.—Petition of WILLIAM INNESS, of Okato.

PETITIONER states that he leased Section No. 77, at Okato, from the Police Department; last year the Taranaki School Commissioners advertised the said lease for sale by auction; that your petitioner bought the lease, but since then the Police authorities have sued him for rent, and the case has been given against him. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that, as it appears to the Committee that the petitioner has not ex-

hausted his legal remedy, they have no recommendation to make.

13th July, 1893.

No. 49.—Petition of Elizabeth Clark, of Invercargill.

PETITIONER states that her late husband lost his life by falling through the Railway Bridge at Hamilton, while serving as ganger in the Railway Department. She prays for further consideration.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the petitioner be granted a sum of money equal to another six months' pay of her late husband.

18th July, 1893.

No. 14.—Petition of Thomas Collis, of Auckland (Report No. 1).

Petitioner states that he was discharged from the Police Force on account of debts contracted through backing a bill. He prays for compensation, or that he be reinstated in the Police Force.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 18th July, 1893.

No. 33.—Petition of Edward A. Dooley, of Anderson's Bay.

PETITIONER states that in 1874 the Provincial Council of Otago voted £50 for the Gibbston Coalpit Road, and alleges that he is entitled to the same, but in 1875 the vote lapsed. He prays that the sum of £50 be now paid to him.

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

18th July, 1893.

No. 89.—Petition of William N. Chambers, of Dunedin.

Petitioner states that, after twelve years' service in the Railway Department as sailmaker, he was discharged without compensation. He prays for relief.

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

18th July, 1893.

No. 5.—Petition of WILLIAM HICKINBOTTOM, of Sydenham.

Petitioner states that he was compelled through ill-health to leave his employment in the Railway service, and has not received any compassionate allowance. He prays for relief.

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

18th July, 1893.

No. 54.—Petition of John Arthur, of Invercargill.

Petitioner states that after sixteen years' service as crossing-sweeper in the Railway Department he was discharged without any retiring-allowance. He prays for relief.

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

18th July, 1393.

No. 705, 1892.—Petition of Mrs. Mary Brough, of Wanganui.

Petitioner states in 1881 she was refused the renewal of her license for the Railway Hotel, but that six months afterwards it was renewed. She prays for compensation for loss of rent, &c.

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

18th July, 1893.

No. 103.—Petition of WILLIAM LAWRENCE, of Invercargill.

Petitioner states that while he was crossing the railway-line in Ythan Street, Invercargill, the train overturned his trap and horse, receiving bodily injury to himself, and damage to his trap and horse. He prays for relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends a sum of £20 be paid to the petitioner

by the Government in full satisfaction of his claim.

20th July, 1893.

No. 17.—Petition of EDWARD R. CHUDLEIGH and 53 Others, of the Chatham Islands. Petitioners pray the Government to vote a sum of £300 for the construction of a bridge over the Waitangi River, at the Chatham Islands.