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NEW ZEALAND.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC PETITIONS A TO L COMMITTEE.

(MR. JOYCE, CHAIRMAN.)

Presented to the House of Representatives, and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

FRIDAY, THE 21ST DAY OF JUNE, 1895.

Ordered, "That a Public Petitions A to L Committee, consisting of ten members, be appointed to consider all petitions that may be referred to it by the Petitions Classification Committee, to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to the House, and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereupon to the House; also to have power to call for persons and papers: three to be a quorum. The Committee to consist of Mr. Crowther, Mr. Green, Major Harris, Mr. Joyce, Mr. J. W. Kelly, Mr. Massey, Mr. McLachlan, Mr. Mills, Mr. O'Regan, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. CADMAN.)

No 16.—Petition of SARAH JANE LETT, of Kaitoke.

PETITIONER prays for a grant of land for her twelve sons, born in Wellington.

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

5th July, 1895.

No. 17.—Petition of JOHN GIBSON and 27 Others, of Riverside.

PETITIONERS pray that "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," may be amended as desired.

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

5th July, 1895.

No. 41.—Petition of THOMAS LOCHHEAD and 210 Others, of Te Houka.

PETITIONERS pray that "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," may be amended as desired.

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

5th July, 1895.

No. 71.—Petition of the AUCKLAND WOMEN'S LIBERAL LEAGUE and 16 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the marriage and divorce laws may be made equal as to men and women, and that the age of consent may be raised to eighteen years.

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

9th July, 1895.

No. 47.—Petition of P. T. GELL and 49 Others, of Cheviot.

PETITIONERS pray that "The Shops and Shop-assistants Act, 1894," may be amended as desired.

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

9th July, 1895.

No. 70.—Petition of the AUCKLAND WOMEN'S LIBERAL LEAGUE and 18 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that the political rights of women may be made equal to those of men in all respects.

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

9th July, 1895.

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