

No. 122.—Petition of the CANTERBURY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

PETITIONERS pray for the amendment of the laws affecting the status of women, &c.

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

31st July, 1895.

No. 163.—Petition of JAMES WILSON and 29 Others, of Ashburton.

PETITIONERS pray that the proposal to dispose of the properties of the Bank of New Zealand Estates Company (Limited) by means of a lottery be not entertained by Parliament.

I am directed to report that, as the subject-matter of the petition has already been dealt with by Parliament, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

2nd August, 1895.

No. 52.—Petition of JOHN PENNALLIGEN, of Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that he be granted compensation, or some suitable employment, on account of his late services as caretaker of Admiralty House, Auckland.

I am directed to report that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioner has no claim upon the colony.

2nd August, 1895.

No. 157.—Petition of FREDERICK MALLARD, of Dunedin.

PETITIONER prays that, in the event of a further call being made on the shareholders of the Bank of New Zealand, the proceeds of such call shall be used only for the purpose of providing funds for the winding-up of the affairs of the bank.

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

2nd August, 1895.

No. 129.—Petition of JOHN SINCLAIR and 90 Others, of Wainui and Kaukapakapa.

PETITIONERS pray that the sum of £200 may be placed on the estimates to enable the Waitemata County Council to bridge and culvert the Wainui-Kaukapakapa Railway-station Road.

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

2nd August, 1895.

No. 127.—Petition of the WHANGAREI HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

PETITIONERS pray that a grant of £300 be given them to enable them to complete the purchase of a suitable site and buildings thereon.

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

8th August, 1895.

No. 178.—Petition of THOMAS USSHER and 53 Others, of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that a sum of money be granted sufficient to enable the Waitemata County Council to open and metal the Waikomiti-West coast road through to Piha.

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

8th August, 1895.

No. 187.—Petition of the NORTH AUCKLAND HOSPITAL AND CHARITABLE AID BOARD and Others.

PETITIONERS pray that charitable aid be made a charge on the consolidated revenue of the colony; or, failing such a change, that each County Council be constituted a Board to administer charitable aid within its own boundaries.

I am directed to report that, as there is legislation dealing with the matter pending, the Committee recommends the petition be referred to the Government for consideration.

8th August, 1895.

No. 124.—Petition of WILLIAM OLLIVER, of Lyttelton.

PETITIONER states that he was discharged from his employment as engine-driver on the New Zealand Railways on account of advanced age in 1889. He prays that he be granted a compassionate allowance, or some other relief.

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

8th August, 1895.

No. 102.—Petition of LORENZ REISTERER, of Hokianga.

PETITIONER prays that his forfeited deferred-payment section of land may be restored to him, and that he be paid the sum of £504, expenses and loss of time in pleading his case, &c.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petitioner be paid the sum of £50, or such further sum as the Government may deem an equivalent in cash of the land offered by the department to petitioner.

9th August, 1895.