

No. 171.—Petition of THOMAS WALSH, of Ashburton.

PETITIONER states that he was dismissed from the Government service through a misunderstanding. He prays for re-employment, or that he may be granted compensation.

I am directed to report that, as no fresh evidence has been placed before the Committee, they see no reason to depart from the decision arrived at in 1893—viz., "That the Committee has no recommendation to make."

14th August, 1895.

No. 211.—Petition of MARY LOUISA TUKE, of New Plymouth.

PETITIONER states that she is the widow of the late Major Tuke, who served the colony for upwards of thirty years; that she was left with eleven children, six of whom are now under the age of four-teen years, and that she is unable to maintain them without some assistance. She prays for relief.

I am directed to report that, as the late Major Tuke had been awarded the sum of £700 as compensation for loss of office, and a land-grant of 155 acres 3 roods 8 perches for services rendered, the Committee is of opinion that the petitioner has no claim on the colony.

16th August, 1895.

No. 212.—Petition of R. C. SHEARMAN, of Tauranga.

PETITIONER prays that he be granted some further consideration on account of his late services as Inspector of Police.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having again considered the case of the petitioner, sees no reason to depart from the decisions of former Committees—viz., "That the petitioner has no further claim upon the colony."

21st August, 1895.

No. 173.—Petition of MATTEO DELLA VEDOVA, of Lyell.

PETITIONER prays that he be granted compensation for certain land taken for a new road, which includes a portion of his hotel frontage, and thereby interfering with his cellarage.

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

21st August, 1895.

No. 199.—Petition of JOHN P. YOUNG and 125 Others, of Auckland.

PETITIONERS pray that one Thomas Young may be released from the Auckland Lunatic Asylum.

I am directed to report that, after hearing the evidence of the Inspector of Lunatic Asylums, the Committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petition should not be granted.

21st August, 1895.

No. 238.—Petition of J. TRINNEY and 1,376 Others, of Reefton.

PETITIONERS pray that a sum of money be placed on the estimates to construct a dray-road from Ross's Farm, on the Inangahua River, to the Maruia Hot Springs.

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

21st August, 1895.

No. 253.—Petition of GEORGE TIBBS, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays that he be granted a compassionate allowance on account of his work in connection with the fisheries of New Zealand.

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

22nd August, 1895.

No. 254.—Petition of THOMAS TILSON, of Gore.

PETITIONER states that he received a permanent injury to one of his kneecaps through the horse he was riding colliding with a telegraph-post erected on the Main South Road, near Ealing, in the County of Ashburton. He prays for relief.

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

22nd August, 1895.

No. 255.—Petition of FRANK SILVEY and 49 Others, of Moana, Clonmore, and Crooked River.

PETITIONERS pray that a sum of money be granted for the construction of a bridle-track from Bell Hill and No Town to the Crooked River, *via* Moana Township.

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

22nd August, 1895.

No. 235.—Petition of JOHN WIN and 89 Others, of Dovedale.

PETITIONERS pray that a sum of money (£250) be granted for the construction of a wire foot suspension-bridge across the Dove River.

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

22nd August, 1895.