

I am directed to report that, the petitioner not having applied to have her claim registered under "The Naval and Military Claims Settlement and Extinguishment Act, 1896," the said claim is now barred by statute; the Committee has therefore no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

No. 225, 1897.—Petition of SARAH ANN HILL, of Egmont Road, Taranaki.

THE petitioner prays for a compassionate allowance.

I am directed to report that the Committee, having made a very careful inquiry into the various matters alleged in the petition, finds that, upon the facts adduced, it has no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

No. 344.—Petition of W. G. GARRARD, of Grey Street, Auckland.

THE petitioner prays that he may receive compensation for military services.

I am directed to report that, as the petitioner's claim has been considered and reported upon by the Commissioner appointed under "The Naval and Military Claims Settlement and Extinguishment Act, 1896," the Committee has no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

No. 273.—Petition of PATRICK HERBERT, of Tauranga.

THE petitioner prays that he may receive compensation for military services.

I am directed to report that, as the petitioner's claim has been considered and reported upon by the Commissioner appointed under "The Naval and Military Claims Settlement and Extinguishment Act, 1896," the Committee has no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

No. 50.—Petition of Sir WALTER LAWRY BULLER, of Wellington.

THE petitioner prays that the Government may make provision for the payment of his costs in the case of the Public Trustee *v.* Sir Walter Buller and Major Kemp.

I am directed to report that, upon the evidence adduced, the Committee has no recommendation to make. (*Vide* Appendix I.—1B.)

4th November, 1898.

No. 388.—Petition of E. ARNOLD and 61 Others, of Wellington.

THE petitioners pray for the release from prison of Mrs. C. Locher.

I am directed to report that, upon the evidence before the Committee, it has no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

No. 386.—Petition of W. C. BREAKELL, of Scarratts, Northern Wairoa.

THE petitioner prays for an inquiry and for relief.

I am directed to report that, upon the evidence adduced, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

4th November, 1898.

FINAL REPORT.

I AM directed to report that the Committee has had 118 petitions referred to it by the Classification Committee, has held forty-eight meetings to consider the same, and has brought up 115 reports thereon, viz:—

Specific recommendations	11
For favourable consideration of Government	16
For consideration of Government	8
No claim or no recommendation	70
Referred to other Committees	3
Recommended to be allowed to withdraw	4
Recommended to be allowed to lapse... ..	1
Recommended not to be allowed to proceed	2
	115
Held over until next session	3
Total	118

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