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REPORTS OF WASTE LANDS COMMITTEE.

(MR. R. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN.)

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

ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives.
Tuesday, the 28th Day of June, 1898.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all Bills and petitions that may be introduced into this House affecting the waste lands of the Crown, and to report generally upon the principles and provisions which they contain, with power to confer and sit together with any similar Committee which may be appointed by the Legislative Council, and agree to a joint or separate report: the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum. The Committee to consist of Mr. Duncan, Mr. Flatman, Mr. Gilfedder, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Lang, Hon. Mr. W. Rolleston, Mr. R. Thompson, Mr. J. W. Thomson, Mr. Wason, and the mover."—(Hon. Mr. J. McKenzie.)

FRIDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF JULY, 1898.

Ordered, "That the question of the purchase of the Otahu Estate under the Land for Settlements Act be referred to the Waste Lands Committee to investigate the circumstances under which the purchase was made, the suitability of the land for settlement, and the disposal of the estate since its purchase; the Committee to have power to call for persons and papers; and that it be a direction of the House to the Committee that all evidence is to be taken in full in shorthand and laid upon the table of the House with the Committee's report."—(Hon. Mr. J. McKenzie.)

THURSDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1898.

Ordered, "That the petition of A. McKeown be referred to the Waste Lands Committee."—(Mr. MEREDITH.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1898.

Ordered, "That the petition of S. Southsby be referred to the Waste Lands Committee." —(Mr. MEREDITH.)

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