

No. 243.—Petition of J. F. JARDINE and 1,099 Others, of Napier.

PETITIONERS pray that the main road between Napier and Wairoa be completed.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the above petition be referred to the Government.

5th September, 1899.

No. 23.—Petition of ALEXANDER M. MCLOSKEY, of Mangamahū, Fordell.

PETITIONER prays for consideration because he selected 271 acres of land situated in Block IV., Waohu district, described as first-class land, but was disappointed with it on proceeding to improve it.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim.

6th September, 1899.

No. 192.—Petition of J. C. R. ISHERWOOD, of Palmerston North.

PETITIONER prays for grant of land on account of military service.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim.

6th September, 1899.

No. 160.—Petition of CHARLES HARLEY, of Katikati, Auckland.

PETITIONER prays that Section 25, Parish of Katikati, lease of which has been forfeited by Land Board, should be restored to him.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim.

6th September, 1899.

No. 186.—Petition of C. B. MORISON and 366 Others.

PETITIONERS pray—(1) That the condition in connection with the recent offer of the Government to erect a bridge over the Otaki River be withdrawn; (2) that a sufficient sum of money be voted by Parliament for construction of traffic-bridges over the Otaki River and the formation and metalling of parts of main trunk road; and (3) that the maintenance of the main trunk road and bridges thereon be provided for by the Government, and not by the local bodies.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

6th September, 1899.

No. 25.—Petition of S. COSSEY and 98 Others, of Pukekohe West.

PETITIONERS pray for a sufficient sum of money to be placed on the estimates to make a road-crossing for vehicles a few chains south of the Paerata Railway-station.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

6th September, 1899.

No. 275.—Petition of ALFRED MONK and 5 Others, of Kaitawa, Otaki.

PETITIONERS pray that the amount which they have paid by way of rent in excess of the rent at which their lands were recently revalued should be refunded to them.

I am directed to report that the Committee are of opinion that the petitioners have no claim.

6th September, 1899.

No. 131.—Petition of JAMES MOIR and 30 Others, of the County of Rodney.

PETITIONERS pray for a grant of £200 to make fit for wheel traffic certain roads in the County of Rodney.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

6th September, 1899.

No. 328.—Petition of C. MCKAY and 66 Others, of Waipū District.

PETITIONERS pray for the expenditure of the balance of the sum of £300 to complete formation of road in the Waikēkei and Mareretu districts.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

7th September, 1899.

No. 238.—Petition of THOMAS KITCHING and 129 Others, of Northern Wairoa.

PETITIONERS pray that a ferry-service should be established across the Wairoa River between Mititai and Aratapu.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

7th September, 1899.

No. 314.—Petition of WALTER FISHER and 20 Others.

PETITIONERS pray that a sufficient sum of money should be voted for the continuation of the widening of the Ormond-Opotiki Road, and especially for a deviation which will shorten it about two miles.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommend that the petition be referred to the Government.

7th September, 1899.