

No. 529.—Petition of HENRY DETERT, Miner, Gore.

PETITIONER claims that he was the first to discover payable wash on the Mataura River. He seeks a reward.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report, on the petition of Henry Detert, that they have no recommendation to make.

3rd October, 1900.

No. 446.—Petition of ALEXANDER MACGREGOR, Farmer, of Waikaia Flat, Southland County.

PETITIONER seeks to obtain compensation for injury to his property through the proclamation of the Waikaia River. Petitioner purchased the property under the belief that the previous owner had made a claim, but subsequently discovered such was not the case.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report, on the petition of Alexander Macgregor, that they recommend it be referred to the Government for consideration.

4th October, 1900.

No. 294.—Petition of TIMOTHY CORBY and Others.

(*Vide* I.—4A.)

No. 524.—Petition of DONALD SUTHERLAND.

PETITIONER alleges he has rendered great services to the colony by prospecting and exploring; also by the discovery of valuable scenery. He seeks a reward.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report, on the petition of Donald Sutherland, that they have no recommendation to make.

11th October, 1900.

No. 608.—Petition of JAMES BROWN and 12 Others, Storekeepers and Farmers, Gimmerburn, Otago.

PETITIONERS pray that a competent Government official may be sent to report upon the advantages of a channel being cut through certain farms in order to the carrying-off of silt, &c., from the mining workings of James Brown, at Garibaldi.

The Goldfields and Mines Committee have the honour to report, on the petition of James Brown and others, that they have no recommendation to make.

11th October, 1900.

MINING ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Goldfields and Mines Committee, to whom was referred the Mining Act Amendment Bill, have the honour to report that, having carefully considered the same, they recommend the Bill be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown on a copy thereof attached hereto.

11th October, 1900.

MINING REGULATIONS.

THE Goldfields and Mines Committee, to whom was referred the regulations in force under "The Mining Act, 1898," have the honour to report that, having duly considered the same, they have no recommendation to make.

11th October, 1900.

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