## 1900. NEW ZEALAND.

# LABOUR BILLS COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF).

(J. A. MILLAR, 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 3rd Day of July, 1900.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee, consisting of ten members, be appointed, to whom shall be referred the Public Contracts Bill, and certain other Bills more particularly referring to labour; five to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Arnold, Mr. Bollard, Mr. Collins, Mr. Laurenson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Millar, Mr. Morrison, Captain Russell, Mr. Tanner, and the mover."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.)

FRIDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF JULY, 1900.

Ordered, "That the names of Mr. J. Hutcheson and Mr. Palmer be added to the Labour Bills Committee."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. SEDDON.)

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JULY, 1900.

Ordered, "That the names of Mr. Ell and Mr. Hardy be added to the Labour Bills Committee."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. SEDDON.)

## SHOPS AND SHOP-ASSISTANTS ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Shops and Shop-assistants Act Amendment Bill, have the honour to report that, having carefully considered the same, they recommend that the Bill be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown on a copy of the Bill attached hereto.

24th July, 1900.

#### INDUSTRIAL CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Bill, having taken evidence regarding the probable operation of the new clauses, and duly considered the same, together with all the proposed amendments of the law embodied in the said Bill, have now the honour to report that they recommend the Bill be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown in a copy thereof hereto attached. (*Vide* Appendix I.-10.)

23rd August, 1900.

No. 272.—Petition of H. C. Fuller and Others, Wharf-labourers, of Wellington.

PETITIONERS represent that they are a duly registered union under "The Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1894," yet under a recent decision they find themselves excluded from the benefits of that Act, thereby suffering considerable loss, financial and otherwise. They pray for redress.

The Labour Bills Committee have the honour to report on the petition of H. C. Fuller and others that, having dealt with the question to which the petition refers in the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Bill, they have now no recommendation to make.

23rd August, 1900.

#### TRADING STAMPS AND COUPONS ABOLITION BILL.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Trading Stamps and Coupons Abolition Bill, have the honour to report that, having carefully considered the said Bill, they recommend that the same be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown on a copy of the Bill hereto attached.

28th August, 1900.

Papers 124h and 144h: Trading-stamp System, Correspondence connected with.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred Papers 124H and 144H, have the honour to report that, having in the amendments inserted in the Trading Stamps and Coupons Abolition Bill dealt with the subject to which these papers refer, they have no recommendation to make. 28th August, 1900.

#### Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill, have the honour to report that, having carefully considered the provisions of the said Bill, they recommend the same be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown on a copy of the Bill attached hereto.

18th September, 1900.

#### PAPER 173H: INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred Paper 173H, have the honour to report that, having duly considered the matter to which the said paper refers, and dealt with the same in the amendments proposed in the Workers' Compensation for Accidents Bill, they have no recommendation to make.

18th September, 1900.

### FACTORIES BILL.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Factories Bill, having taken evidence and duly considered the same, together with all the proposed amendments of the law in relation to factories, have the honour to report that they recommend the Bill be allowed to proceed, subject to the amendments shown in a copy thereof hereto attached.

2nd October, 1900.

#### No. 223.—Petition of A. McDougall and 250 Others.

PETITIONERS represent that there is before your honourable House a Bill in reference to shop-assistants and 6 o'clock closing, and they pray that a clause be inserted in that Bill making it compulsory that all shops close at 6 p.m.

The Labour Bills Committee have the honour to report on the petition of A. McDougall and others that, as outside of this petition the question of shop-assistants and early closing has not been referred to them, they have no recommendation to make.

9th October, 1900.

#### MILLERS' HOURS OF LABOUR BILL.

THE Labour Bills Committee, to whom was referred the Millers' Hours of Labour Bill, have the honour to report that, as it appears the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act renders such a measure unnecessary, they recommend the Bill be not allowed to proceed.

9th October, 1900.

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