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NEW ZEALAND.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE), ON INSTRUCTION IN AGRICULTURAL SUBJECTS.

(MR. BAUME, CHAIRMAN.)

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix, brought up 2nd day of November, and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives. FRIDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF JULY, 1904.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed to consider all matters relating to education and public instruction generally—school training of teachers, higher education, technical education, and manual instruction—and for such other matters affecting education as may be referred to it; to have power to call for persons and papers; five to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. J. Allen, Mr. Baume, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Buddo, Mr. Ell, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Fowlds, Mr. A. L. D. Fraser, Mr. Graham, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hanan, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lethbridge, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Major, Mr. Massey, Mr. T. Mackenzie, Mr. McNab, Sir W. R. Russell, Mr. Sidey, Hon. Sir W. J. Steward, Mr. J. C. Thomson, Mr. Wood, and the mover."—(Rt. Hon. R. J. Seddon.)

REPORT.

THE Education Committee have the honour to report that during the progress of the session they have given attention to the question of the teaching of the rudimentary elements of agriculture and nature-study in the schools of the State. The Committee recommend that further consideration be bestowed upon the subject next year, and that this report, with the evidence attached hereto, be referred to the Government for consideration.

FRED. E. BAUME, Chairman.