No. 77.—Petition of WILLIAM OWENS and 90 Others, of Ruapekapeka.

Petitioners pray that a sum of £500 be granted for the formation of the Ngaruawahine Road.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

4th August, 1908.

No. 80.—Petition of T. SEYMOUR and 63 Others, of Whakapara.

PETITIONERS pray for a grant of £500 for the widening and improvement of the Kaimamaku to Helena Bay Road.

1 am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

4th August, 1908.

No. 102 .- Petition of John Julius Parker, of Nelson.

Petitioner prays for the return of the amount of his bail, estreated owing to the non-appearance of prisoner.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

4th August, 1908.

No. 116.—Petition of the MACKENZIE COUNTY COUNCIL.

PETITIONERS pray for a refund of a deposit paid on a purchase of land, the balance of purchasemoney of which was not paid within the necessary thirty days.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in respect to the prayer of this petition.

4th August, 1908.

No. 82.—Petition of ELIZABETH WALLS, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for land sold for non-payment of rates.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in respect to the prayer of this petition.

20th August, 1908.

No. 117.—Petition of ELIZABETH GORDON McKENNA, of Palmerston North.

PETITIONER prays for a compassionate allowance on account of her late husband's military services.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in respect to the prayer of this petition.

20th August, 1908.

No. 143.—Petition of FRANK SALES, of Christchurch.

PETITIONER prays for compensation for alleged wrongful imprisonment.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make in respect to the prayer of this petition.

20th August, 1908.

No. 195.—Petition of W. J. Thomason, of New Plymouth.

PETITIONER prays that he may be granted relief under the Old-age Pensions Act.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of the opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government with a recommendation that an amendment of the Old-age Pensions Act be passed providing for such deserving cases.

20th August, 1908.

No. 131.—Petition of W. H. Owens and 13 Others, of Moutere.

PETITIONERS pray for the construction of a road giving access to their lands fronting the Moutere Mud-flat.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

20th August, 1908.

No. 133 -Petition of WILLIAM STEWART and 91 Others, of Waiotu.

PETITIONERS pray for a grant of £300 for the improvement of the Waiotu-Hukerenui Road.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that this petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

20th August, 1908.