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LANDS COMMITTEE

(REPORT OF) ON THE PETITION OF THE KAURI TIMBER COMPANY FOR TITLE TO THE TIMBER ON THE WAIWHAKAURUNGA RIVER WATERSHED; TOGETHER WITH MINUTES OF EVIDENCE.

(HON. T. Y. DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN

Report brought up on Thursday the 25th August, 1910. and ordered to be printed.

ORDER OF REFERENCE.

Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.

THURSDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF JULY, 1910.

Ordered, "That a Committee be appointed, consisting of the members, to whom shall stand referred, after the first reading, all Bills affecting or in any way relating to the lands of the Crown, or educational or other public reserves; the Committee to have power to make such amendments therein as they think proper, and to report generally when necessary upon the principles and provisions of the Bill: the Committee to have power to call for persons, papers, and records; three to be a quorum: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderson, Hon. Mr. Duncan, Mr. Ell, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Lawry, Mr. Witty, and the mover."—(Right Hon. Sir J G. Ward.)

REPORT

No. 218.—Petition of the Kauri Timber Company (Limited), of Auckland, for an equitable title to all timber-trees on the Waiwhakaurunga River Watershed.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of opinion that the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, conditional upon the Kauri Timber Company, in the event of the Government giving effect to their prayer, paying the whole of the taxation due from the original date of the Kauri Timber Company's lease.

The minutes of evidence are attached hereto.

T Y. Duncan Chairman.

25th August, 1910.