REPORTS

No 10.—Petition of William John Palmer, of Newmarket, Auckland.

PETITIONER prays for consideration in connection with his services in the Department of Agriculture.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make. 17th August, 1910.

No. 605 (Session II, 1909).—Petition of Hugh McLean, of Waipawa, Hawke's Bay Petitioner prays that an inquiry be held into his dismissal.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

19th August, 1910

No. 105.—Petition of J W RAYMOND, of Invercargill.

Petitioner prays for compensation for public services rendered to the Dominion by reason of his being the discoverer of oat phosphorus poison for rabbit-destruction.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to Government

for consideration

30th August, 1910

No. 101.—Petition of John Hale, Nurseryman, of Nelson

Petitioner prays for compensation for loss sustained in connection with the suppression of an outbreak of San José scale in his orchard.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends the petition be referred to Government

for consideration. 30th August, 1910.

SECRET COMMISSIONS BILL.

THE Agricultural, Pastoral, Stock, and Commerce Committee, to whom the above-mentioned Bill was referred, has the honour to report that it has considered the same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th October, 1910.

COMMERCIAL TRUSTS BILL

THE Agricultural, Pastoral, Stock, and Commerce Committee, to whom the above-mentioned Bill was referred, has the honour to report that it has considered the same, and recommends that the Bill be allowed to proceed without amendment.

12th October, 1910.

BEET-ROOT SUGAR BILL.

The Agricultural, Pastoral, Stock, and Commerce Committee, to whom was referred the Beet-root Sugar Bill, has the honour to report that, after taking the evidence of four witnesses and receiving a written statement and statutory declaration from the general manager of the Colonial Sugar-refining Company (Limited), Sydney, the Committee has not had sufficient evidence before it to justify a definite recommendation, and it leaves the matter of proceeding with the Bill to the discretion of the Government, and recommends that the report, together with the evidence, do lie on the table. [Vide Appendix I.-12A.]

14th October, 1910.

SLAUGHTERING AND INSPECTION AMENDMENT BILL.

THE Agricultural, Pastoral, Stock, and Commerce Committee, to whom was referred the Slaughtering and Inspection Amendment Bill, has the honour to report that it has carefully considered the same, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed with the amendments as shown on the copy of the Bill attached hereto.

18th November, 1910.